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Glue-sniffing must be taken seriously

By **CHRISTINE KOSERSKI**
Staff reporter

Glue-sniffing can be a dangerously cheap and easy way for children to get involved in drugs, says Angela Piper, chairman of Markham Alcohol and Drug Education (MADE).

"The drug situation in Markham is very good compared to other areas," she says. "I wouldn't say it was a real problem, but it exists."

Her concern prompted her to write a letter to the Economist and Sun last week explaining the dangers of inhalants.

"I wanted to reach out and let parents know they are not alone," she says.

The effect of inhaling glue or other inhalants wears off quickly, says Mrs. Piper,

so parents have to be observant in order to be able to detect a problem.

"Things like glue on a handkerchief or an empty glue dispenser in the wastebasket when no one's working on a model airplane," she explains. "We're trying to get parents educated."

But educating young people is equally important.

"When a young person knows the detrimental side of drug use, they have something to back up their feelings," when resisting peer pressure, she says.

"We would like store owners to take their own initiative and put glue behind counters," she adds.

There is currently no law requiring store owners to do so. In fact, the possession and use of inhalants and solvents is not controlled by law. However, courts tend to treat abusers as juvenile delinquents, according to information from the Addiction Research Foundation.

Teenagers who get involved in glue-sniffing are usually in the 12 to 16-year-old age-bracket, but the average is about 12 or 13 years.

"The younger ones don't have much pocket money — and glue-sniffing gives a quick feeling of euphoria that lasts about an hour," she says.

There is hope, though, for those who stop in time.

"If you stop using it, any damage to the liver and kidneys can be repaired," she says.

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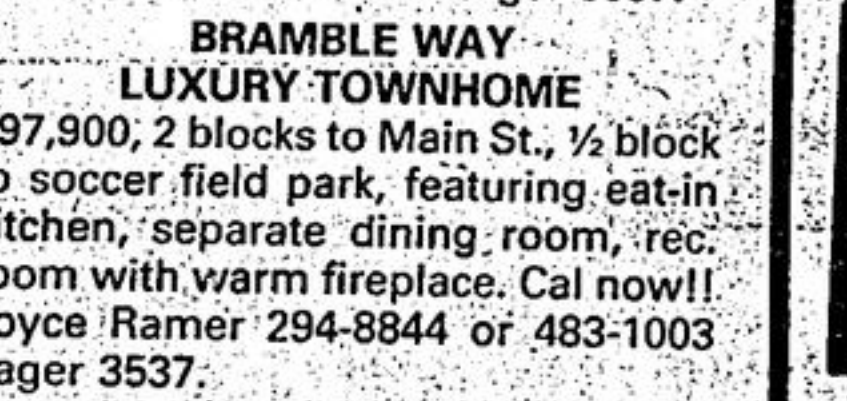
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According to a York Regional Police report, two youths were observed shoplifting by store security at Woolworth's on Hwy 7. They were apprehended and held for police. The two were released to appear in court on March 19.

Theft over \$200

A 16-year-old Markham youth has been charged with theft over \$200 after a quantity of auto parts and tools were stolen from Petro Canada Ltd.

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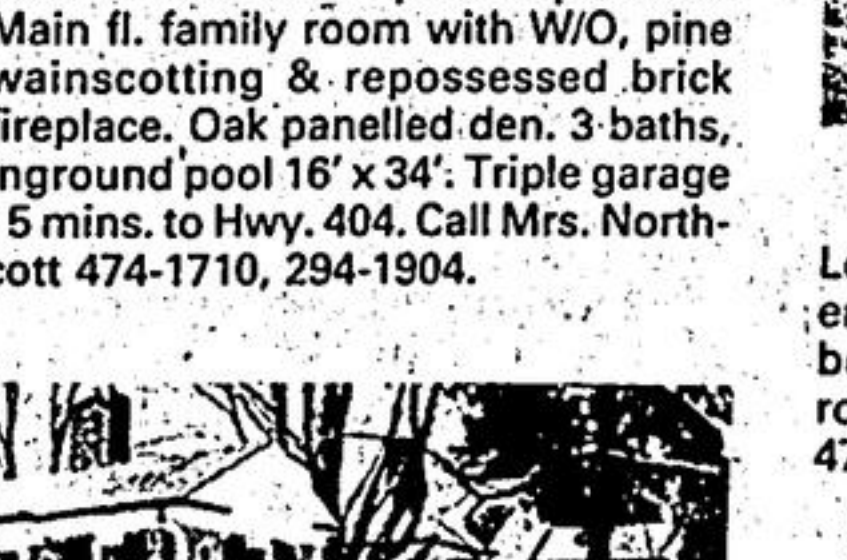
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