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# Machine firm in overdrive

By BRUCE STAPLEY

It's a long way from San Francisco to Goodwood. But for Joe Toby and his Golden Gate Manufacturing Co., it's been a matter of taking things a step at a time.

The Uxbridge resident acquired a brewery supply business and transformed it into a mass production custom machinery operation that extends across North America.

Golden Gate Manufacturing is now just a bit-part player in the overall scheme of things for Joe's Kenerik Machinfabrik Corporation Ltd., located at the Goodwood site.

Mr. Toby, a food chemistry graduate from the University of Toronto, applies his creative genius to designing and overseeing the manufacturing of machines to aid companies.

These relate to the boxing, capping, casing and filling of products they produce.

**Impressive list**

His list of customers is impressive — Proctor and Gamble, Coca-Cola, Pepsi-Cola, Campbell Soup and more.

"People call us saying they



Photo/JIM THOMAS

Peter John Cormack (left) helps build the complex machines for the successful Goodwood firm Kenerik Machinfabrik Corporation Ltd. while Joe Toby (right), the firm's owner, is the brains behind their design. Here, the pair stand before one of their

machines which fills and crowns bottles coming along an assembly line. Golden Gate Manufacturing Co. has an impressive customer list that includes Proctor and Gamble, Coca-Cola and Pepsi-Cola.

have a problem and need a machine," explains Joe.

On occasions, what Joe and his two sub-contractors come up with may be only an extension or a modification of an existing unit or, it could be a whole new concept.

"You have to have a good degree of straight thievery," Joe admits. "You always keep noting how machines work so you can use the concept."

Joe admits this obsession with figuring out what makes machines tick sometimes takes the fun out of life.

"When I visit Disney World, I find it boring. I know how all the rides operate," he states.

**Nuts and bolts man**

For Joe, machinery has always been a fascination.

"I've been a nuts and bolts man all my life," he says, admitting he never had any mechanical experience before taking over his present business.

It was in 1973 that Joe assumed control of Golden Gate from his father, moving the operation from Montreal to Markham and then to Goodwood.

The biggest machine they ever built was for Proctor and Gamble's U.S. operation. It measured 30 feet in length.

It's purpose was to open and sort boxes of facial tissue so the colors could be mixed.

Some requests are unique, Joe claims. Last year, a company needed a machine that would put pickled onions in jars.

**Exciting work**

Joe thrives on challenges.

"It's exciting when someone throws a problem at you and you have to respond," he says.

Advertising, he explains, is mainly by word of mouth. The firm is listed in several trade guides across the United States. Joe's travels take him far and wide.

Yes, it's a long way from brewery keg valves but Joe Toby and his Golden Gate trademark are flourishing in Goodwood; years and miles from where the concept was first developed.

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The Red Cross is holding a blood donor clinic at the Markville Mall on Friday, Dec. 9 from 2:30 to 9:00 p.m. All healthy people between the ages of 17 and 66 are encouraged to attend.

Traditionally, December is a difficult month for the Red Cross. As people get busy with holiday festivities, they don't have time to give blood. But surgery is still scheduled, accidents still happen and cancer patients still need blood.

The Toronto Blood Centre must collect 800 units of blood a day to meet patients' needs at 60 area hospitals. Last month, patients at York County Hospital in Newmarket required over 200 units of blood.

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AND IN THE MATTER OF THE SINCLAIR H. HAGERMAN HOUSE, LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF 14TH AVENUE, EAST OF WARDEN AVENUE, PART OF LOT 6, CONCESSION 5 IN THE TOWN OF MARKHAM, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE**

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham intends to designate the property, including lands and buildings, known as The Sinclair Holden Hagerman House located on the north side of 14th Avenue, east of Warden Avenue, Part of Lot 6, Concession 5 as a property of architectural and/or historic interest or value under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337.

Short Statement of the Reasons for the Proposed Designation:  
 The Sinclair Holden Hagerman House on 14th Avenue in Lot 6, Concession 5 is recommended for designation for its historical and architectural importance as a particularly ornate example of an Ontario farmhouse built by a leading pioneer family. The house is a well preserved example of mid 19th century architecture that has been decorated with picturesque and regency features.

NOTICE OF OBJECTION to the designation may be served on the Clerk within thirty (30) days of the 30th day of November, 1988.

Dated at the Town of Markham this 30th day of November, 1988.

Christine Palmer,  
 Deputy Clerk

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Admission is 50 cents per person with proceeds going to a charity of the school's choice.

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