

Woman charged in bedroom brawl

A 55-year-old Markham woman has been charged with assault after attacking a woman she found in her boyfriend's bed.

The victim, 53, suffered minor injuries in the melee.

Police said a woman discovered the pair about 12:30 p.m. Tuesday.

She charged, striking the victim several times with a leather belt and a small wooden baseball bat.

Police said the victim had been dating the man for about six months.

The woman faces two counts of assault with a weapon and one count of threaten death or injury.

Man attacked at karaoke bar

Two men suffered severe facial and head injuries after they were attacked with broken beer

bottles early Tuesday morning.

They men were at The Wall, a Woodbine Avenue karaoke bar, when they were beaten with the bottles at about 2:30 a.m., police said.

They were treated and released at Markham Stouffville Hospital.

Police said there is little information about the suspects at this time. The investigation continues.

Fraud charges laid

A former bookkeeper at an Alden Road business has been charged with fraud after \$70,000 went missing from the Astro Box Corporation last summer.

The Georgina man, 40, also faces two forgery charges relating to fake cheques after the missing funds ended up in a personal account.

He appears in court March 13.

Officer also faces police act charges

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Gattrell said Kyle told Hartley and other witnesses that he was a police officer, but no one believed him.

When Hartley went back to the pay phone to report the accident to police, Kyle kicked him in the back.

Mr. Justice Terence O'Hara called the blindsided attack "inexcusable".

"The behaviour exhibited by (Kyle) was pretty irrational by any standards," O'Hara said.

Kyle's lawyer, Harry Black, agreed with the facts of the case against his client. But he insisted Kyle wasn't attempting to avoid charges when he suggested police not be called.

"It was barely a moving collision," Black said. "(Kyle) was just saying 'I don't know if police should be called because of no-fault insurance'."

But O'Hara rejected the argument, saying Hartley believed Kyle was trying to avoid detection.

"I don't think there is any argument about that," O'Hara said.

Black added Kyle wasn't attempting to influence anyone by telling people on the scene that he was a police officer.

"When Mr. Hartley said he was going to call the police, Ken Kyle said, 'Well, I'm a policeman,'" Black said. "It wasn't as though he was saying, 'Don't do anything to me.'"

Kyle, a Newmarket resident, has been suspended with pay from the police force since last April.

He has been charged with discreditable conduct under the Police Services Act.

Supt. Don Kirk, head of internal affairs, said a disciplinary hearing will be set following Kyle's sentencing March 23. Kyle could be removed from the force if he is found guilty of the Police Act charges.



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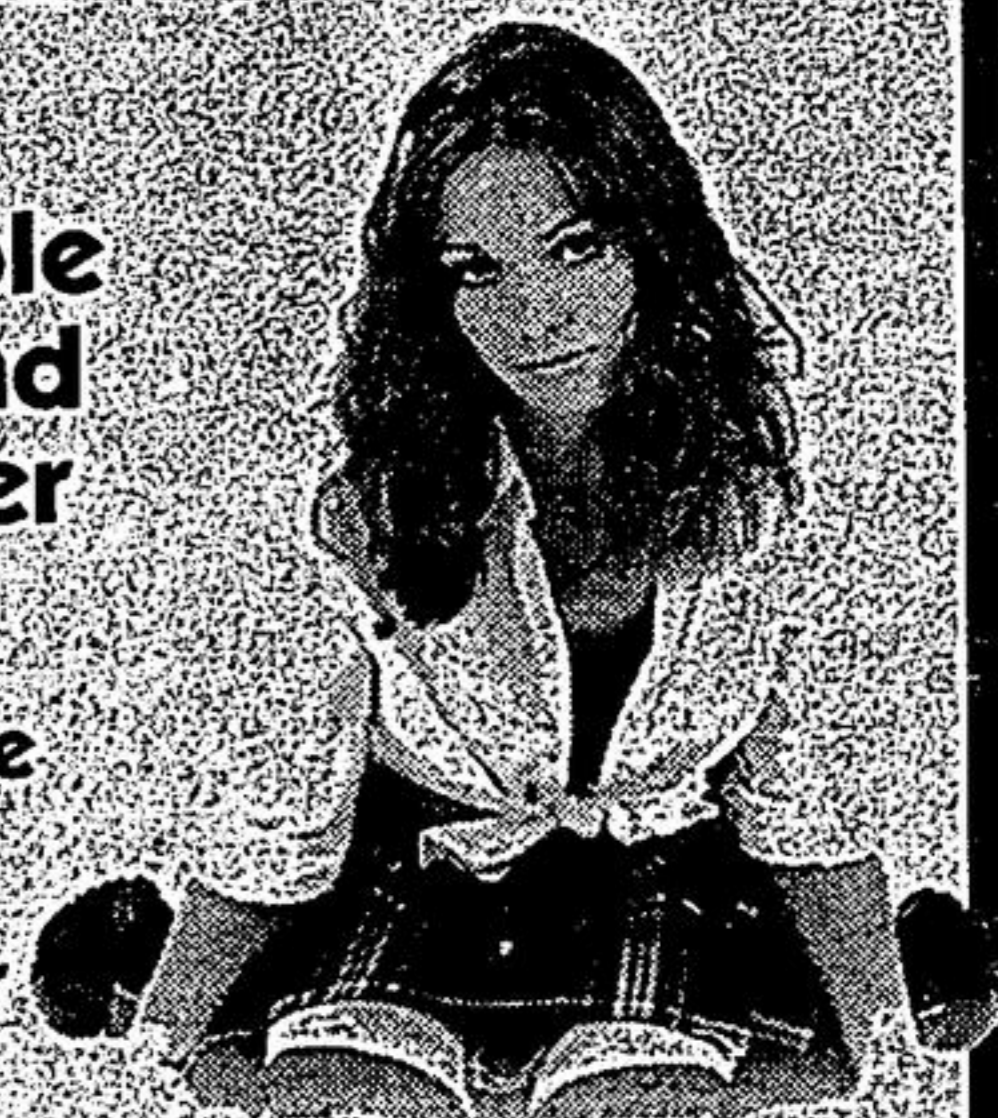
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