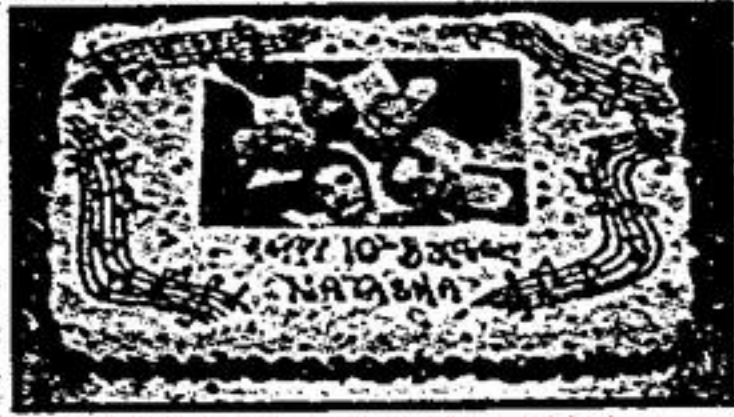


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For the past 10 years, Joseph Novello and his wife, Grace, have operated Novello Desserts, one of Markham's favourite bake shops.

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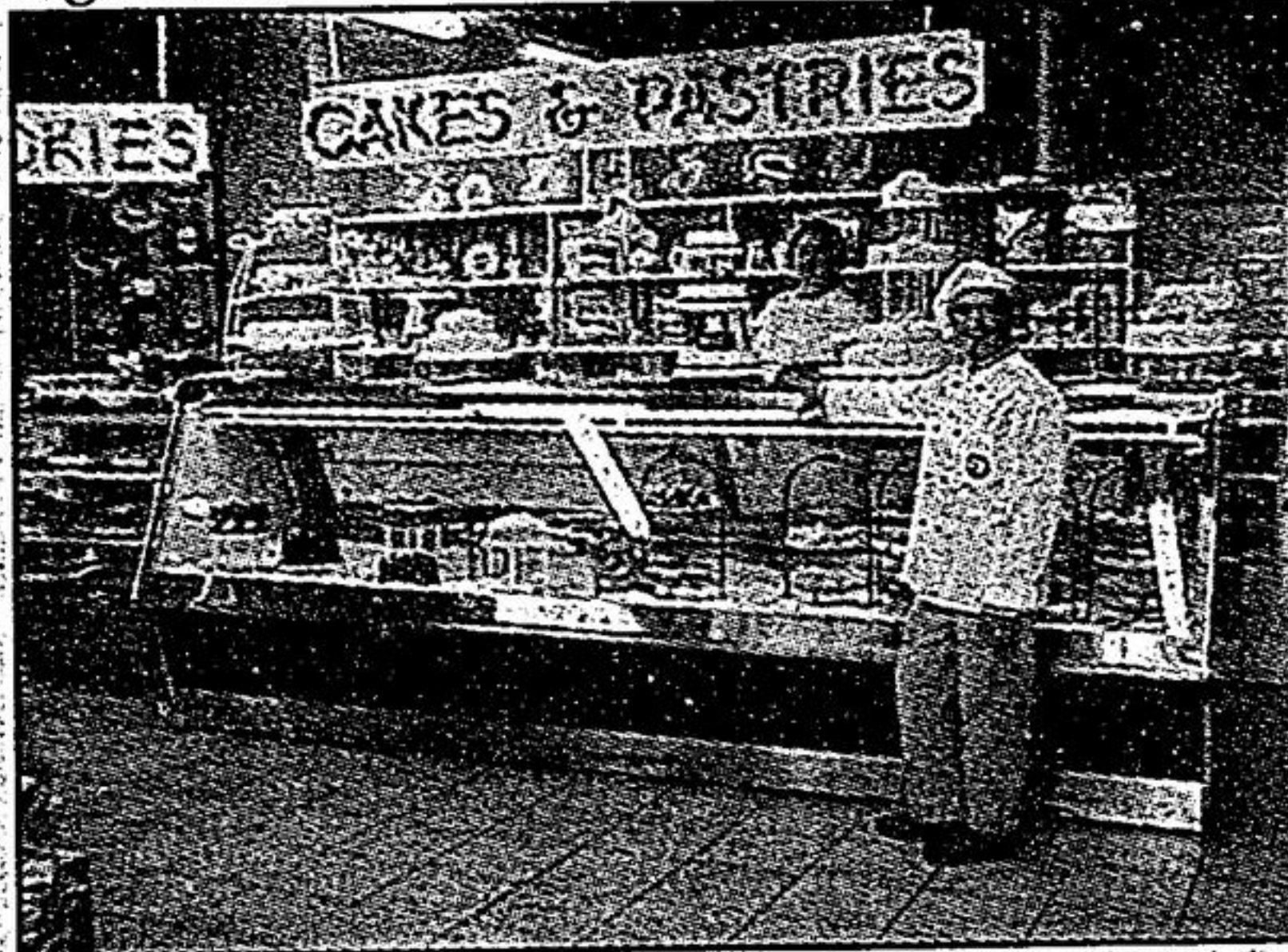
every dessert. "Our customers have come to expect something a little different from us," says Grace. "We don't use any cake mixes and all our desserts are made from scratch."

If customers need help deciding which dessert to buy, they can browse through an on-site dessert book, which contains plenty of colour pictures of mouth-watering Italian style cakes, double-chocolate cheese cakes, tiramisu, strawberry chocolate mousse, home-made Italian gelato and more.

The home-made ice-cream is a particular favourite with customers. Flavours include torrone (almond nugget), coffee, lemon ice, hazel nut, bacio (chocolate hazel nut), vanilla, chocolate and many more. "We make all of our own ice-cream all year long," says Grace. "It's a delicious treat any time of

the year."

If you're planning a birthday and want something different, Novello Desserts will create children's specialty cakes, or custom cakes for any occasion. They also produce custom 'picture cakes' where family photographs are reproduced on top of a cake.



"Picture Cakes are a big hit with customers of all ages - especially kids," says Grace. "It's quite a novelty to have a family photograph reproduced on a cake."

Novello Desserts also offers hot take-out lunches throughout the week (they're closed Mondays). The lunch menu includes hot veal, chicken cutlets, meatball sandwiches, a pasta of the day, and more.

Novello Desserts is open from Tuesday to Saturday (9AM-7PM), on Sunday (9AM-4PM) and is closed on Mondays. They are located at 166 Bullock Drive in Markham and can be reached at (905) 471-3079.

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Eclectics

Over the past 16 years, Suzanne Brouhard-West has developed a career out of choosing an eclectic range of giftware, clothing, jewellery and specialty items and assembling them under one roof.

The result: Eclectics in Unionville. "I've always enjoyed collecting rare and beautiful things," says Suzanne, owner of Eclectics, who has also been a Mary Kay representative for two years. "There is a growing market for products that are a little different from the ordinary."

Initially, Suzanne sold only unique giftware. She soon expanded into women's fashions, which has become a prominent part of her business. "I started in the clothing business by accident," says Suzanne. "I brought some unique clothing designs back from Mexico and discovered a niche market for them in the Markham and Unionville areas."

Suzanne describes her line of clothing as 'fashion forward,' clothing that caters to career women who want to look and feel comfortable. Eclectics offers a unique selection of casual women's sportswear, evening wear, including two-piece easy suits, funky suedes, pleather skirts, scarves, winter jackets, plus a wide range of fashion accessories and jewellery.

On Monday October 23, Suzanne and her Eclectics staff will host the 5th Annual Fall Fashion Classic at the School Restaurant. The event is open to the public and the proceeds of

the event will go to the Markham Stouffville Breast Cancer Society (see details below).

"This event promises to be an evening of fashion, flare, fun and fabulous door prizes for a great cause," says Suzanne. "We're also providing an exciting array of hors d'oeuvres and desserts."

Another aspect of Eclectics is professional skin care services. Suzanne offer treatments such as therapeutic facials, pedicures, manicures, lash tinting, waxing and ear candling.

"At the Fall Fashion Show, there will be a presentation of facts on laser hair removal and vein therapy," says Suzanne, who has been a qualified esthetician for 20 years. "My colleagues, Sherry Kurtz and Nancy Luther, will present information and answer questions or concerns about these treatments."

Recently, Eclectics has branched into another area that is close to Suzanne's heart: gourmet foods and accessories. A diverse line-up of gourmet products is offered, including Wildly Delicious oils and vinegars, grilling sauces, pesto sauces, chutneys, salad dressings, and Crabtree & Evelyn products.

Eclectics is located at 144 Main Street in Unionville. They can be reached at (905) 477-4839. The Eclectics 5th Annual Fall Fashion Show will be held at The School Restaurant, located at 4121-14th Ave. in Unionville, at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$30 in advance (until Oct. 18), or 35\$ at the door.



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