

Job centre happy with new 'sites'

Stouffville's Neighbourhood Employment Resource Centre is now serving more residents, offering more workshops and recently went online as part of Stouffville's business-to-business website, stouffville.biz.

Since NERC moved to its new quarters at 28 Sandiford Dr. in October, "the number of people we have been able to serve has at least doubled," said employment facilitator Gail Simpson.

Through its stouffville.biz website, the NERC is able to give local small businesses and individuals up-to-date information on workshops and seminars such as those on assertiveness training, conflict management, resume writing, business networking and internet training.

More of the workshops are being offered in the evening, noted Ms Simpson, so more people are able to attend.

New partners coming onto the stouffville.biz site benefit all members, noted Claudiu Popa, one of the website's co-founders.

Many of the businesses new to the site are offering special services or discounts to fellow business people in town. Membership in stouffville.biz is free to all local businesses and professionals until May 1, 2003.

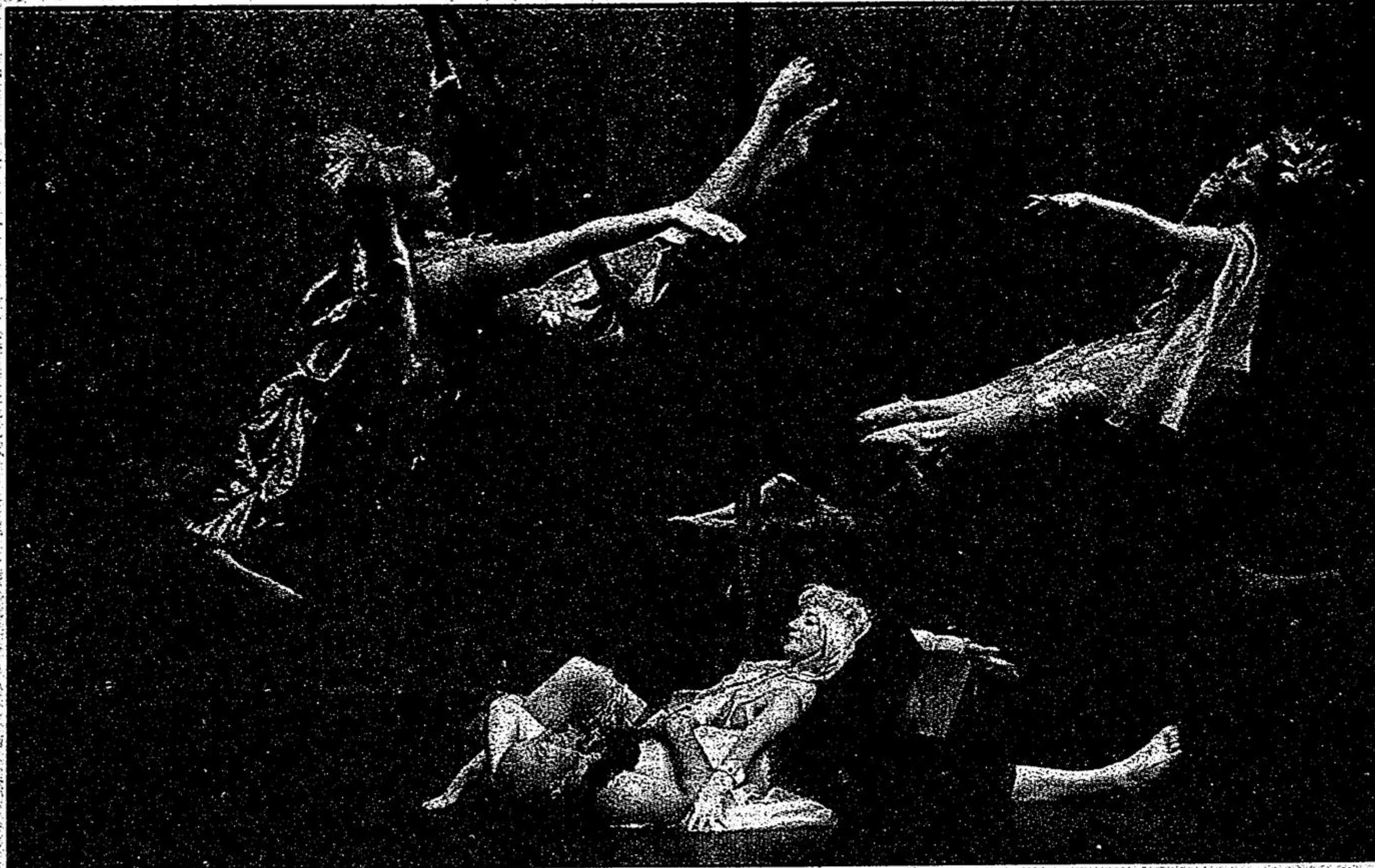
A two-week course for women who have been out of the workforce for some time is being held at NERC from March 24 to April 4.

For those who have gone as far as they want in their current careers or jobs, the employment centre's "Freedom 45+" program on Wednesday, April 16, will help them make realistic decisions about a career change.

The centre is also one of the sponsors of a monthly four-part small business seminar covering everything from tax strategies for business owners to structuring your business to maximize tax deductions.

For information on any of the employment centre's programs, call 905-640-2856 or email nerc.stouffville.biz.

Hannelore Volpe



UP IN THE AIR:

Motus O Dance of Stouffville presented *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at the Markham Theatre recently. The production featured a cast of 18 performers doing aerial acrobatics and dance.

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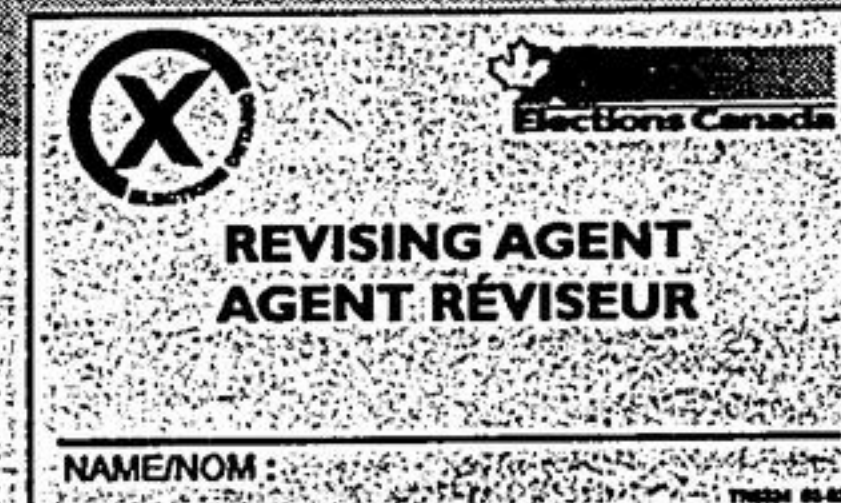


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North Conference final
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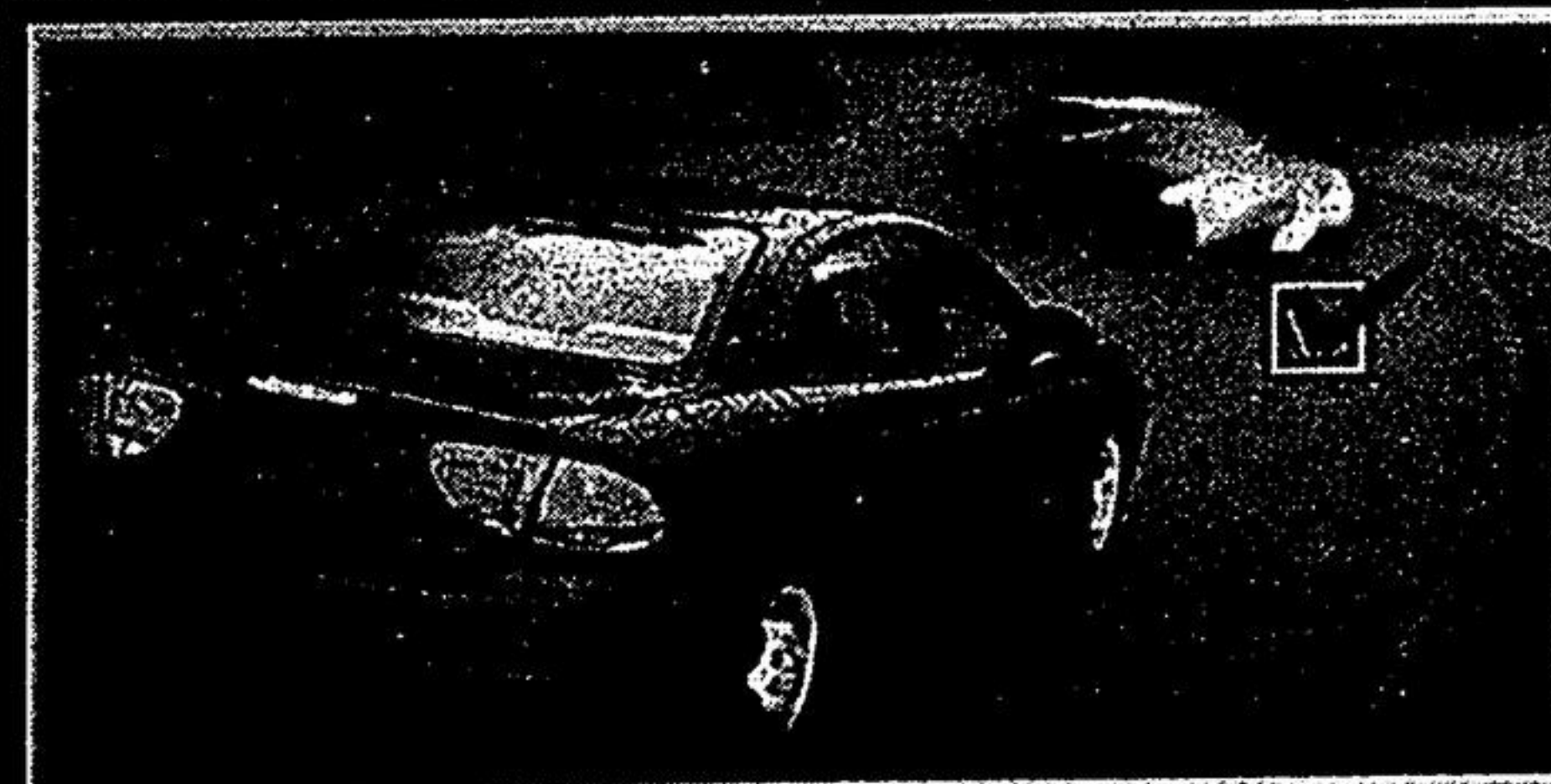
Dates to be announced
go to stouffvillespirit.com for updates
(best of seven series)

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