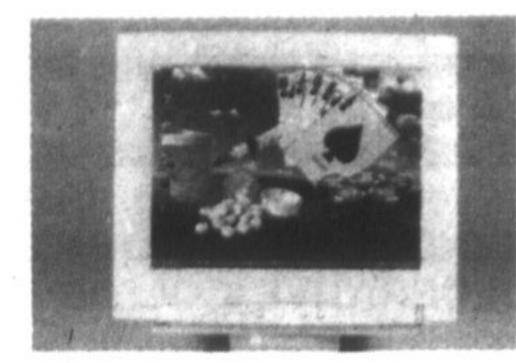
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Members of the Aurora/Newmarket Chapter of the Canadian Federation of University Women take a hike in the York Region Forest, in the McCowan and Aurora Roads area

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'Future looks good' for Stouffville job seekers

BY HANNELORE VOLPE Staff Writer

Looking for work in the new year?

Searching in the right places, being well prepared and having an upbeat attitude and patience are the ingredients for a successful job search, according to the YMCA Stouffville Employment Resource Centre.

There are jobs in Whitchurch-

Stouffville, but it's a time of transition as more businesses of various types open.

"The future looks good," Karen Cashin, the centre's employment programs team leader, said.

Many people from the Stouffville area have found jobs with the opening of new businesses in the Hoover Park big box retail complex on Hwy.

More new businesses should be coming to town this year.

More than 1,300 people have come to the employment centre since June and 80 per cent of them have found jobs, Ms Cashin said.

Some of them have decided to seek a second career, some are students looking for summer work, while others of various ages are looking for full-time or part-time employment, preferably close to home.

New jobs are anticipated in

west Stouffville as more retail space opens, a multi-dealer auto mall on Hwy. 48 north of Stouffville Road opens and lands are developed south of Main Street.

With Whitchurch-Stouffville's mix of country and urban areas, there are always jobs in landscaping, in nurseries and at horse farms, Ms Cashin said.

While many of the jobs are in reception, in offices, in the hospitality and fast-food sectors, many

people who have university degrees also come knocking on Ms Cashin's door and they find employment that suits them.

Because of their skills, people are also finding work in the health care sectors.

The employment centre offers people practical help in writing cover letters and resumes, going

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