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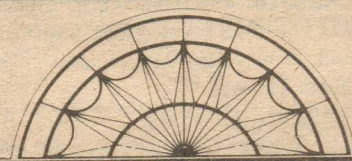
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Swan snatchers steal cygnets

By Grace Cameron

The swans at Riverdale Farm are in mourning. The pair is grieving the theft of their five cygnets hatched last summer in the farm's wild life sanctuary.

Farm operator Judy Spurr-Stevens, said the swans were very protective of the cygnets and would "look very sad and worried" when they used to squeeze under the fence leading from the pond.

The five cygnets were hatched on June 8, marking a first in the farm's history. Two were snatched within 15 days, however, and the others about three weeks ago.

Spurr-Stevens speculates that "kids who get their cheap thrills" from tormenting the animals are responsible.

She figured they hopped over the fence while the parents were in the water and snatched the cygnets who were probably on land, making a get away before the swans could attack.

Spurr-Stevens called the theft "sad and frustrating", saying it took the swans three years to nest. Moving them from the sanctuary to the pond closer to the house for safety would only delay the process even further because of the traffic, she said.

The swan population is now down to three, the parents of the stolen cygnets who were donated by a farm worker and a female swan whose mate died last year.

The swans are worth \$250 each and are quite common, according to Spurr-Stevens. "I don't know what anyone would want with them."

The farm which attracts approximately 150,000 visitors a year, has been plagued with people trying to steal the animals or feed them drugs or foods that cause illness.

Last year one goat almost died when it was fed a "Benny". Someone also fed a plastic bag to one of the ponies.

There have been other incidents, Spurr-Stevens added, and "it's very disappointing and frustrating."

The incidents have prompted farm officials to prohibit the feeding of the animals. "Recently though we've been really, really lucky," she said. "We've only lost chickens."

As for the swans, the farm is planning to buy another male, and is planting more berry bushes around the wild life sanctuary which is a haven for rare birds like the Warblers and Kingfishers.



Super Sonic Mania hits "Gray Ralph". Tom (DJ) and Naz (Kid Cut) lead the disc jockey group Super Sonic Sounds with the fresh/funk and krush/groove music that rock the halls of the Ralph Thornton Centre some Friday nights. Story on page 7. Photo by Pat Shroeder.

Archeologists find hundred year old artifacts near George Brown Campus

By Neil McGillvray

Archeologists have dug up more than 5,000 artifacts in the parking lot of George Brown College's St. James Campus.

Most of the findings are fragments of pottery, metal implements and nails that are more than 100 years old.

The lot on Adelaide St. E. and Sherbourne St., where the College's new hospitality building will be constructed, is the original site of the 19th century residence of Sir William Campbell.

Archeologists, working for the Toronto Board of Education, dug a 12-foot-long, L-shaped trench in the hope of finding evidence of early life in Toronto—particularly artifacts relating to Campbell.

"Personally, I'd like to find Sir William's alligator," says Peter Hamalainen, Field Director of the project.

Campbell was a famous eccentric who at one time had a pet alligator and lived for several years on a diet of snipes—a rare wild bird.

"One year the snipes flew away, and he died," says Hamalainen.

The area around the St. James Campus was the first part of Toronto to be settled and Adelaide St. was one of the first busy commercial streets, he says.

The Campbell house, which now sits at the northwest corner of Queen St. and University Ave., was used at one time as a horse nail factory. A butcher's shop sat between it and the post office building at 260 Adelaide St. E.



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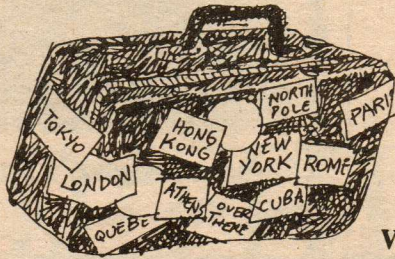
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How to read travel brochure



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Reading a travel brochure.

This is not as simple as it sounds. There are so many destinations in the world and in days gone by, the only way to get to most places was to plan an individual itinerary and try to match it with airline schedules and hotel availability. These were the days of F.I.T. (free and independent travel). This was time consuming, arduous and usually expensive.

Then along came a tour operator or "wholesaler" who chartered all or a part of a plane and secured a number of hotel rooms, added a bus ride to and from the hotel and there was a tour package. There are many variations of this and such a trip can include coach tours, cruises, rental cars and even meals as well as the expected flight and accommodation.

This is where care is needed in interpreting brochures. In Toronto there are many different tour companies and some of them offer the same hotels at the same time at various prices. Contracts between the tour companies and hotels are signed many months before the season starts and the cost to you, the consumer, has to be calculated to cover fluctuations in exchange, increases in price and allow a profit for the company and yet be equal to or lower than the competition. This is like juggling with apples and oranges and coming up with an attractive fruit salad and

"Service" is a somewhat misunderstood term. In Europe and the Caribbean it is usual to see a percentage automatically added to a hotel or restaurant bill, supposedly a gratuity or tip. In these countries this represents a portion of the wage and is not merely a reward for good service, as it is usually in North America. They claim that their service is good anyway and this mandatory addition means that you won't see an upturned palm every time you are in contact with a member of the staff. This does not mean that you can't or shouldn't tip for special service rendered. A little on top goes a long way to smooth things over, but is an entirely discretionary matter.

There are many frills available with packages too. Free airport parking, a beach bag, a low rate for overnight accommodation at an airport hotel for the night prior to your departure, meal plans at good rates and the early booking bonus. This early booking bonus can save you money but do your arithmetic. If you pay the full amount of the package within a few days of making the reservation and do not use a credit card you can save 5 per cent of the basic cost. Decide which if any of these frills are going to benefit you. If you have a friend who will drive you to the airport at 5 am then there are no advantages.

One additional point on the early booking bonus. Some companies guarantee that if the price is lowered after you have paid they will automatically refund the difference to you. Other companies have introduced a price match guarantee where they will match the lowest price offered on a regular package. This is going to virtually eliminate last seasons bonanza of "sell-offs" where packages were available at the last minute for a fraction of the regular price. If you plan to travel this winter then don't wait until the last minute to get a deal. There may not be any around this year.

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Lastly, compare the insurance coverage offered. This is a comparatively modest amount but it will ensure peace of mind and could save you hundreds of dollars in the event of an emergency. I will cover this complex topic at some length in a future column.

not a pulpy mess.

There is always small print listing exceptions and supplements. Check if the two different operators offer exactly the same

thing. Are both the rooms air-conditioned with an ocean view or is one way back in the garden with a city view and a ceiling fan? Compare the hotel tax and service charges. This may be an exact amount added or a 10 or 15 per cent levy over and above the basic price. This covers Canadian and foreign departure tax, hotel occupancy tax and a service charge.

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For that reason we have been working hard to develop "Education for the real world." There are many ways in which we have been working toward this. Through the Labour Studies Committee, which Fran Endicott participates in at the Board, efforts are being made to include examples and role models of people in all walks of life—traditionally, it has been primarily professionals who are represented. Since only a few students will become doctors or lawyers, it only makes sense to teach about other equally valid career options, and to present them as an integral part of the curriculum.

Another important aspect of education for the real world is the affirmative action work being done by the Board. The Toronto Board of Education is recognized as being a leader in the field of affirmative action—making sure that our daughters, as well as

our sons, have the widest possible range of career options, and that they have the education and skills which they need to succeed. Both of us have been actively involved with the affirmative action programs at the Board, with Fran Endicott chairing the Affirmative Action Committee. We have already seen concrete results from these programs in the changing attitudes and increased awareness of staff, parents, and students.

The recent publicity surrounding Jim Keegstra, the Alberta teacher found guilty of promoting hatred against Jews, showed that we cannot assume that our education system teaches the kind of tolerance which we would all want. For this reason, the work of the race relations committee, which Fran Endicott has chaired, is of continuing importance. Another area which is related to this is that of "Holocaust Studies". We have been working to develop ways of teaching about the Holocaust that will enable our students to learn from one of the most horrifying episodes of human history.

Our fundamental concern remains ensuring that our children learn to read, write and acquire mathematical skills. For that reason we have worked to see that Ward Seven schools have the smallest classes, and the best teachers available to give our children the attention and education they deserve. A sound grounding in the basics, coupled with an understanding of the fundamental issues facing the world in which we all live—these two combine to provide "Education for the real world."

COMMUNITY NEWS



Curtis McDonnell of Jones Ave. holds his daughter Kate while Caron Harrison, a nurse with the Department of Public Health takes a blood sample. More than 150 children were tested for blood lead levels in South Riverdale. *By J. Russell*



Queen-Broadview Village adds a dash of color to Queen St. E. with bright-colored banners adorning the street signs between the Don River bridge and Empire Ave.

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RIVERDALE KIDS TESTED FOR LEAD

More than 150 children in South Riverdale were tested for blood lead by the Department of Public Health between Sept. 23 and 29.

The department has been conducting the test since 1982 because of its concern over the high lead level in the area and its effect on children.

Two hundred and sixteen children under age six were tested last year. Eighteen per cent had blood levels of more than 20 micrograms per decilitre of blood. Levels above this amount have been associated with behavioural and learning problems in

children.

Results of this year's survey will be released later in the year.

A major source of lead exposure is from buildup in the soil. It gets into house dust, garden grown vegetables, and into the system of children each time they put a toy or finger their mouth. Lead from gasoline emissions and old leaded paint are also sources of exposure.

Although the Ministry of the Environment is testing soil in the area for lead levels, a process for soil replacement has not yet been decided.

All-candidates debate

CBC radio personality Shelagh Rogers will host an all-candidate meeting sponsored by the Cabbagetown-Riverdale News on Wednesday, Oct. 23.

Toronto Mayor Art Eggleton, and his main challenger, Ward 10 Alderman Anne Johnston are both planning to participate in the forum.

The meeting features candidates running in Ward 7 in the Nov. 12 municipal election, including incumbent alderman Joanne Campbell who is going after the Metro Council seat, and is running as a team with lawyer Barbara Hall who hopes to take the City Council seat.

The two are being challenged by Bill Mole and Mike Armstrong.

Trustees Fran Endicott and Pam McConnell, the two incumbents, face a challenge from Alice Chong and Cabbage-



Shelagh Rogers

town boxing coach Ken Hamilton.

The meeting begins at 7:30, after the annual general meeting of Seven News Inc. which publishes the Cabbagetown-Riverdale News. The Ralph Thornton Centre, 765 Queen St. E. will be the scene of the event.

Joyce Cheung moving up

By Grace Cameron

Joyce Cheung always knew she would be a fashion designer.

When she was a little girl she dreamed of designing her own clothes, and as a teenager growing up in her native Hong Kong, she diligently copied styles from fashion magazines.

Cheung not only wanted to design and sew though, she wanted her own label and her own store. Today at age 31 she has both.

Joyce Cheung Fashions, located in a quiet spot on Carlton St. at Ontario, is the young

designer's dream come true. Armed with \$10,000, some of which came from her parents, an eight-month fashion course at George Brown College, and experience from four years of working at Gaytown Sportswear, Cheung took the plunge and opened the store a year and a half ago.

"I felt scared starting out," she said in a heavily accented voice. "But I wanted to try. There's no harm done if I try my best."

Cheung, a tiny woman, dressed stylishly

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Zucchini with some passion

By Chris Taggart

When I was given the arduous task of choosing a vegetable to feature in this week's food page, I must admit I panicked. After many days of soul-searching and hair-tugging I finally settled on the zucchini.

I don't know about you, but I never know what to do with that stuff outside of baking and boiling, which is pretty blah. After careful research I came up with the following.

Zucchini Bread

- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 4 eggs
- 2 cups white sugar
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 3 1/2 cups flour
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 3/4 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 2 cups unskilled, grated zucchini
- 1 cup raisins (optional)

Blend eggs and add sugar gradually. Combine dry ingredients and alternate with zucchini. Stir in raisins, nuts and vanilla. Place in 2 greased and floured loaf pans. (9" x 5" x 3 1/4"). Bake at 350°F. for 55-60 minutes. Yields 2 loaves.

Zucchini Fritters

Trim stem and blossom end from zucchini and cut in 1/4-inch thick lengthwise slices. Dust strips lightly in all-purpose flour, dip in beaten egg (mix each egg with 1 1/2 tablespoons water). Fry over medium heat in a wide frying pan filled with 1 inch hot salad oil. Turn fritters to brown evenly; in a single layer on baking sheets lined with absorbent material in a 350 degree oven for 5 minutes. Serve with lemon wedges.

The following day, drain off the liquid from the zucchini. Put the liquid in a large pan and add 3 cups of granulated sugar to each 2 1/2 cups of liquid. Put in the ginger, lemon peel and candied peel. Boil all this fast for 10 minutes, then add the zucchini cubes and cook slowly for three hours. Remove the lemon peel and ginger before putting the jam in jars. Process.

Zucchini Jam/Confiture de Courges To make about 6 pints

- 6 lb. large zucchini, peeled, seeded and cubed (about 4 quarts)
- 1 lb. brown sugar
- about 8 cups granulated sugar
- 1/4 lb. fresh ginger, crushed slightly with a mallet and tied in a cheesecloth bag
- 1 lemon, peel only, pared in thin strips
- 1/3 cup chopped mixed candied fruit peel

In a bowl, sprinkle the cubes of zucchini with the brown sugar and let the mixture stand for a day.

Zucchini Pickles

- 2 pounds zucchini
- 1/2 pound onions
- 1/4 cup salt
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 cups cider vinegar
- 1 teaspoon celery seeds
- 1 teaspoon ground turmeric
- 1/2 tablespoon prepared mustard
- 2 teaspoons mustard seeds

Wash zucchini and cut into thin slices. Peel and quarter onions and cut into thin slices. Cover with water and add salt. Let stand for 2 hours, then drain. Bring to a boil then sugar, vinegar and spices and pour over the vegetables. Let stand for 2 hours. Boil for 5 minutes and pack in 4 hot sterilized pint jars. Seal. Makes 4 pints.

Zucchini Layered Casserole

- 3/4 cup soft bread crumbs
- 2 medium-sized zucchini, sliced
- 1 large onion, thinly sliced
- 2 medium-sized tomatoes, peeled and sliced



Taggart's new ambition is to try all the zucchini recipes she can find. Ellen Hanbidge

- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon each pepper and oregano leaves
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine

Place 1/2 cup of the soft bread crumbs in the bottom of a well greased 1 1/2 quart casserole. Arrange zucchini, onion, and tomatoes in layers, using half of each vegetable per layer. Sprinkle each layer with salt, pepper, and oregano. Repeat with remaining vegetables; sprinkle remaining 1/4 cup soft bread crumbs over the top and dot with the butter. Bake, uncovered, in a 350 degree oven for 1 hour or until vegetables are tender. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Shredded Zucchini Salad

- 1 fully ripe avocado, peeled
 - Lemon juice
 - 4 cups shredded unpeeled zucchini (about 4 zucchini)
 - Mustard Mayonnaise (recipe follows)
 - 1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved
- Carefully slice the avocado into crescents; turn each slice in lemon juice and set them aside. In a salad bowl, mix together the zucchini and Mustard Mayonnaise; then add tomatoes and toss lightly. Arrange avocado on top. Makes 4 servings.

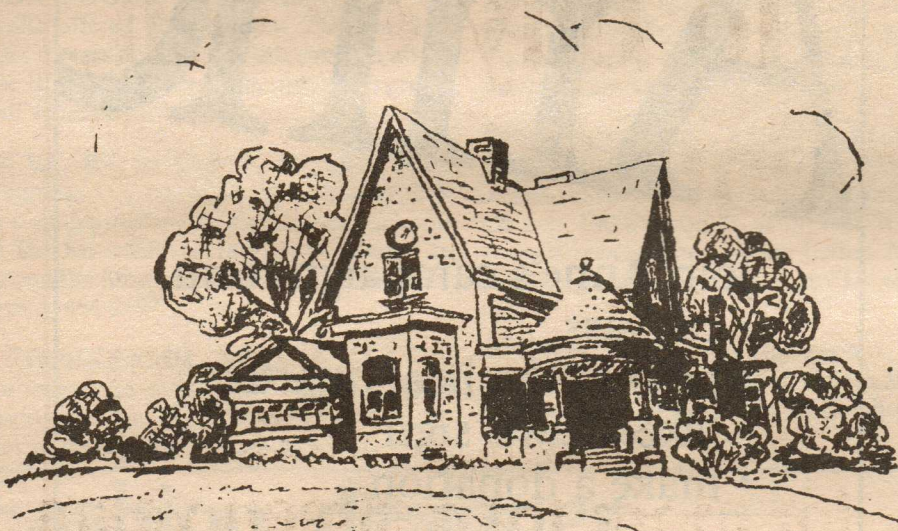
Mustard Mayonnaise: In a small bowl, stir

together until thoroughly combined 1/3 cup mayonnaise, 1 teaspoon prepared dijon-style mustard, 1/8 teaspoon pepper, and 1/4 teaspoon Worcestershire.

Scalloped Zucchini

- 1 medium-sized carrot, thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons each chopped onion and green pepper
- 1/2 cup sliced celery
- 1/4 cup salted water
- 3 medium sized zucchini
- 1 large tomato, peeled
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 cup crushed corn chips

In a saucepan simmer the carrot, onion, green pepper, and celery in the 1/4 cup salted water until vegetables are tender and water has evaporated. Turn into a greased 1 1/2 quart casserole. Thinly slice zucchini, arrange over carrot mixture, then cover with sliced tomatoes. Melt butter, blend in flour, and gradually stir in milk; cook until thickened. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Pour cream sauce over the vegetables. Sprinkle crushed corn chips over the top. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 45 minutes or until zucchini is tender. Makes 6-8 servings.



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Jimmie Simpson fought for the rights of workers

By Laurie McLure and Pat Shroeder

Jimmie Simpson stood for "human considerations rather than the interests of vested rights." He looked for "spiritual and moral qualities in people rather than wealth."

To honor Simpson, in 1975 the city named the Jimmie Simpson Recreation Centre after him. As a salute to the humanitarian, the building stands erect on 870 Queen Street E.

In 1933 he was City Controller and in 1935 became the mayor of Toronto. During his time in office, he fought for the rights of Toronto firefighters, who then had to work seven days a week. Simpson endured and won the "one-day-off-in-seven" for the firefighters.

Simpson was born in Lancashire, England on Dec. 14 1873. His family came to

Canada in 1887 and settled at Dundas and Ontario Sts.

The son of a stone mason, he was active in the Trade Union Movement, and was one of the founders of the Canadian Labour Party.

Simpson's humanitarian qualities extended to his strong attachment to sports. He was good at running, cycling, pole vaulting, rugby, soccer, football and cricket.

His life tragically ended in 1938, three months short of his 65th birthday, when his car collided with a trolley car at Bay and Harbour Sts.

Jimmie Simpson will be long remembered for his achievements and humanitarian qualities. He will always be chronicled as the man who "throughout his public life, his main efforts were directed toward the betterment and improvement of the working classes."

Playter estates—unique

By Charles Noble

Captain George Playter (1736-1822), born in England, came to America and then Canada after the civil war and became one of the earliest settlers.

The Playter farmhouse which still stands at 28 Playter Crescent, was built by William Playter in about 1870. Although the house has now changed greatly in appearance over the years, the inside is as you would expect; a centre hall plan, chunky wood trim, oak beams, large principal rooms, fireplace and functional farmhouse kitchen. It has been a well used house and is still being lived in today and appreciated like cozy well-worn carpet slippers.

In a sought after Toronto Pocket situated to the east of the town centre is the Playter Estates. Close to Broadview and Danforth, sandwiched between Jackman Avenue to the East and Ellerbeck Street to the west, Danforth Avenue to the south and Butternut Street to the north. This pocket is zoned residential R.I. and the residents hope to keep it that way.

Yonge and Bloor are just three stops west on the subway helping to make this a demand area in Real Estate terms. The Don Valley is just a couple of blocks away, lending fast and easy access to the parkway. Close by is Todmorden Mills Historic Village site, good for visits and picnics, the Don River for rambling walks and cross country skiing.

The area attracts all kinds of people, academics, business professionals, with or without children, who want close proximity to the city centre and a residential community spirit. Jackman Avenue Public schools offering a French immersion program has been well received and the home and school association has been very active. The Playter area has its own residents association. These two combined make available a variety of community activities including spring and autumn fairs, corn roasts, etc. One major

event during Sesqui-Centennial was a period costume tea party in the grounds of the farmhouse and the residents donated a plaque designating the farmhouse as an historic site.

The houses in the neighbourhood are in the main grand custom built Edwardian homes built around 1911. Many of these are mansions with in excess of 11 rooms, appointed with hand selected quarter cut oak for stairways, trim and panelling for dining rooms. Some houses have many fireplaces, hardwood floors, lots of stained glass and pocket doors.

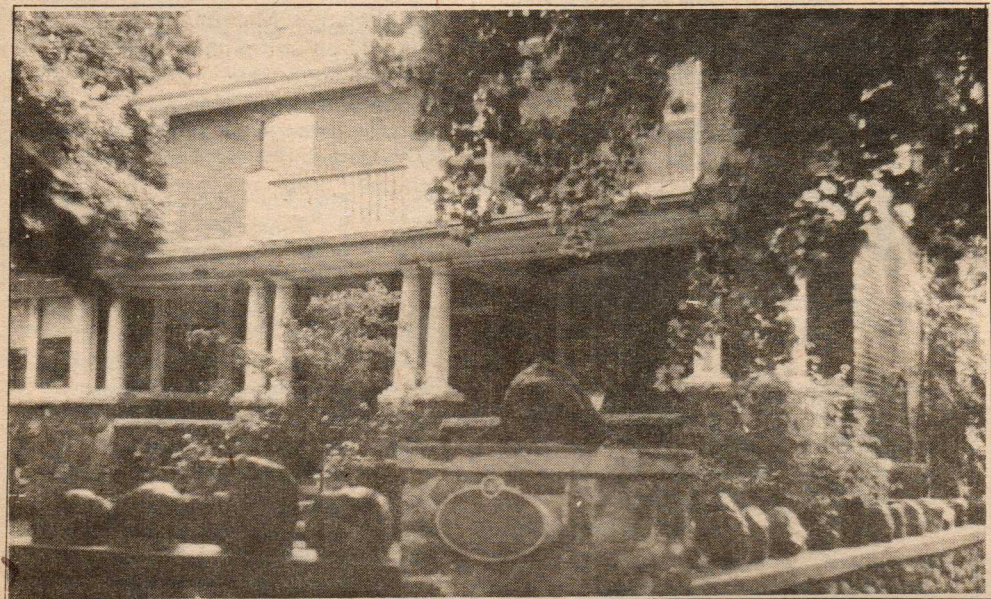
The streets are lined with Nowegian Maple giving a softened atmosphere to one of Toronto's finest neighbourhoods.

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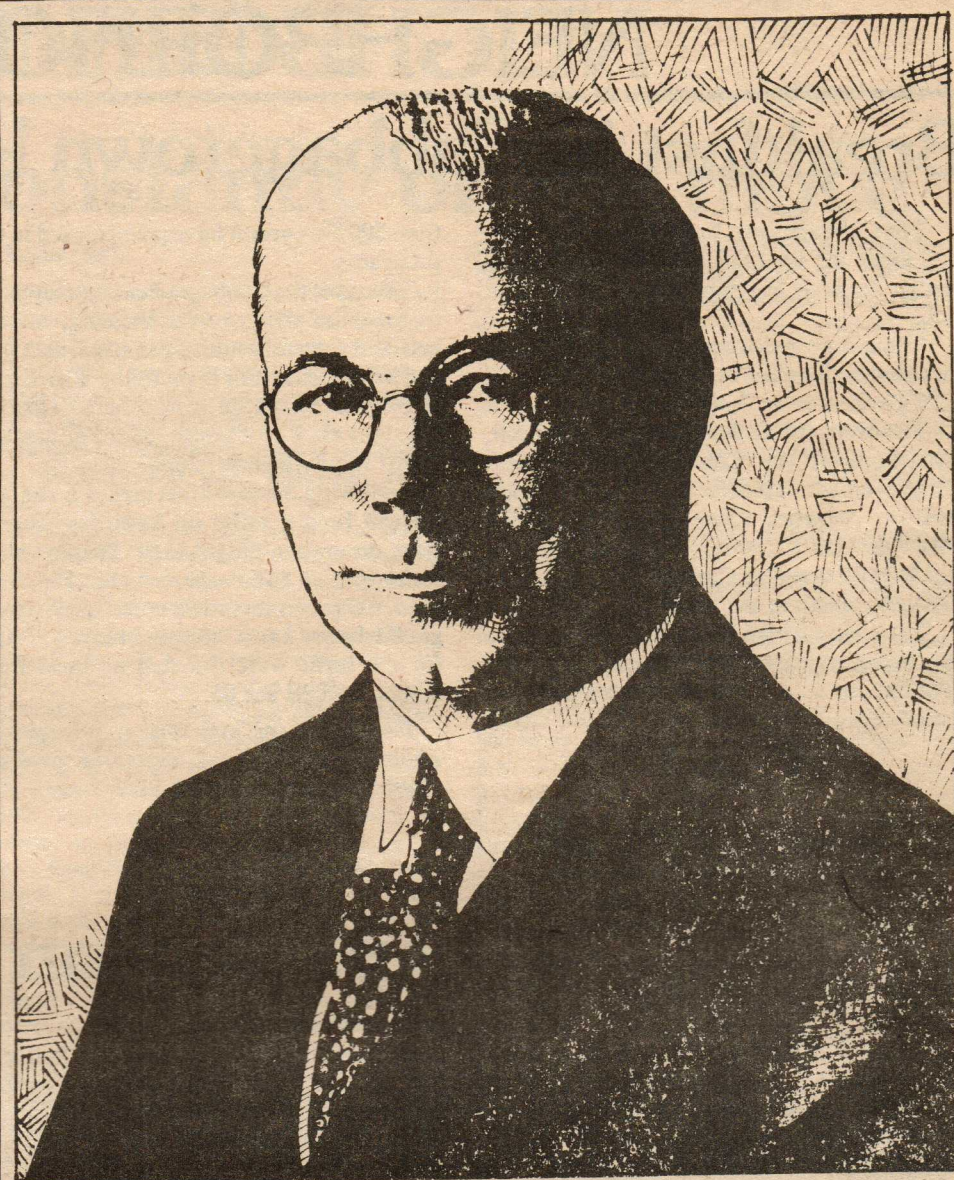
kids enjoy corn roast

September 28 saw the Playter farm property busy with children playing at the Playter Area Residents Association Corn Roast and children's games afternoon. In addition to the games for the children (who ranged in age from 18 months to over 40 years), there was corn, hot-dogs, and apple cider, and the chance to chat with neighbours and friends from the area. The weather was perfect, and everyone enjoyed themselves—particularly the children, many of whom showed themselves as potential star athletes by completing the "rigorous" series of game organized by Nola McIntyre.

Congratulations to Marty Moore and Elin Grayholme, organizers of the event, which made a profit of over one dollar fifty cents for the Playter Area Residents Association.



Playter Farmhouse—With historic plaque on the stone wall, the Playter Area Residents Association's Sesqui-Centennial gift. The farmhouse is now deemed to be an historic site.



Jimmie Simpson was both athlete and international statesman

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

Breakfast in Cabbagetown kicks off fundraising campaign

The Cabbagetown Community Arts Centre kicks off its 1985/86 fundraising campaign an early morning breakfast on Oct. 25.

"Breakfast in Cabbagetown" as the event is billed, will be at Vee Jays Dining Lounge, 229 Carlton St. at 7:30 a.m.

The event will be hosted by Darrell Kent, chairman of the Cabbagetown Business Improvement Association. Guest speaker will be Attorney General and St. David MPP Ian Scott. The senior vice president of the Retail Council of Canada, Gerald Doucet will also speak at the function.

The centre which is a non-profit, charitable organization set up operations at its 435 Parliament St. address two years ago. More

than 500 area youth have participated in the programs.

This year, the Cabbagetown centre intends to focus on theatre, jazz dancing, martial arts and the community's first drum corps.

The organization is planning a membership drive to increase its members. Membership fees are \$3 for youth, \$5 for adults and \$7 for family memberships.

Following the breakfast kick-off, the centre will hold a raffle on Saturday Oct. 26 from noon to midnight at the Purple Onion restaurant at 547 Parliament St. The more than 100 prizes include a color television, a gas barbeque and a ten speed bicycle. Prizes for the raffle were donated by local businesses. Tickets are \$5.

For donations and further information about the centre call executive director, David Blackmore at 925-7222.

Get involved

You are invited to attend a public meeting to nominate and elect an Advisory Council at Jimmie Simpson Recreation Centre at 370 Queen St. East on Tuesday Oct. 29 at 7:30 pm.

The Advisory Council is an important link between you and your centre. Made up of interested community representatives, the council works with the centre's staff to assess community recreational needs, suggest new programmes, evaluate existing ones, and fund-raise. It also assists in organizing special events, like our Winter Carnival, and reviews and approves requests for use of the centre's space. In order to serve the community effectively, the Advisory Council needs community support so why not get involved. For more information call 461-2550.

Crime prevention

By Pat Shroeder

On Sept. 28, the Metro Toronto Police of the 55 Division held a crime prevention, home security workshop to help east-end residents to protect their homes and themselves.

The workshop included information on the Neighbourhood Watch program, lectures on street proofing children, crime prevention and relations between the community and the police. Two workshops are planned for next year.

For further information contact the 55 Division, Neighbourhood Watch block captains or by calling 461-1277 or 967-2158.



Fun and frolic at the Cabbagetown Community Arts Centre.

Chinese storytelling

If you have gone past Riverdale park recently, you may have seen a lone figure under the trees going through a set of graceful movements, half exercise, half dance.

This is the "24 stance" set of Tai Chi, an ancient art of Chinese exercise. The lone figure is that of a woman of 63, the noted Peking Drumsinger Sun Shujun.

The University of Toronto's East Asian Studies Department has invited her as a guest lecturer for a month on this Chinese art of sung storytelling.

Sun Shujun is staying in the Cabbagetown area during her visit, and makes use of the park for her daily exercise. Exercise of this kind is, she says, partly responsible for strong voice, and her ability at 63 to have the stamina and control to sing a 20-minute story from beginning to end, without the assistance of the accompanists with whom she performs in Peking.

Sun Shujun began studying the art of Peking Drumsong at age 8, going to the park every morning in good and bad weather. She would bounce her voice against the brick wall surrounding the park to hear it more clearly.

By age 30 she was leading her own troupe

which held nightly variety shows in tea-houses and theatres. In 1935 she joined the Central Broadcasting Station's Narrative Arts Troupe, and is still a member.

Her stage appearances are rare these days. However, she remains an active teacher.

Sun Shujun's visit to Canada and her stint as guest lecturer at the University of Toronto were initiated by Cabbagetown resident, Prof. Kate Stevens.

Prof. Stevens, a professor at the university, first met Sun Shujun in Peking five years ago. Stevens was so intrigued she became a student of the drumsinger during her 1982 Sabbatical.

Prof. Stevens who lectures on Asian studies plans to lead a tour to China next May which will take a behind-the-scenes look at that country's performing arts.

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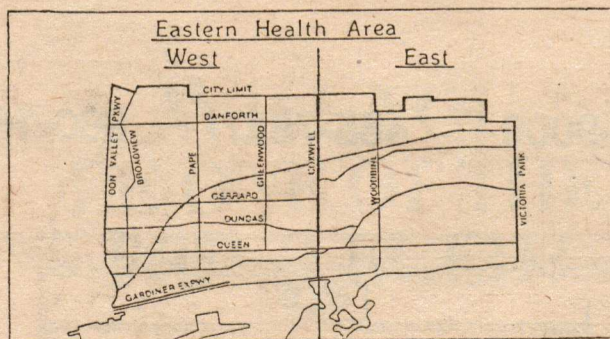


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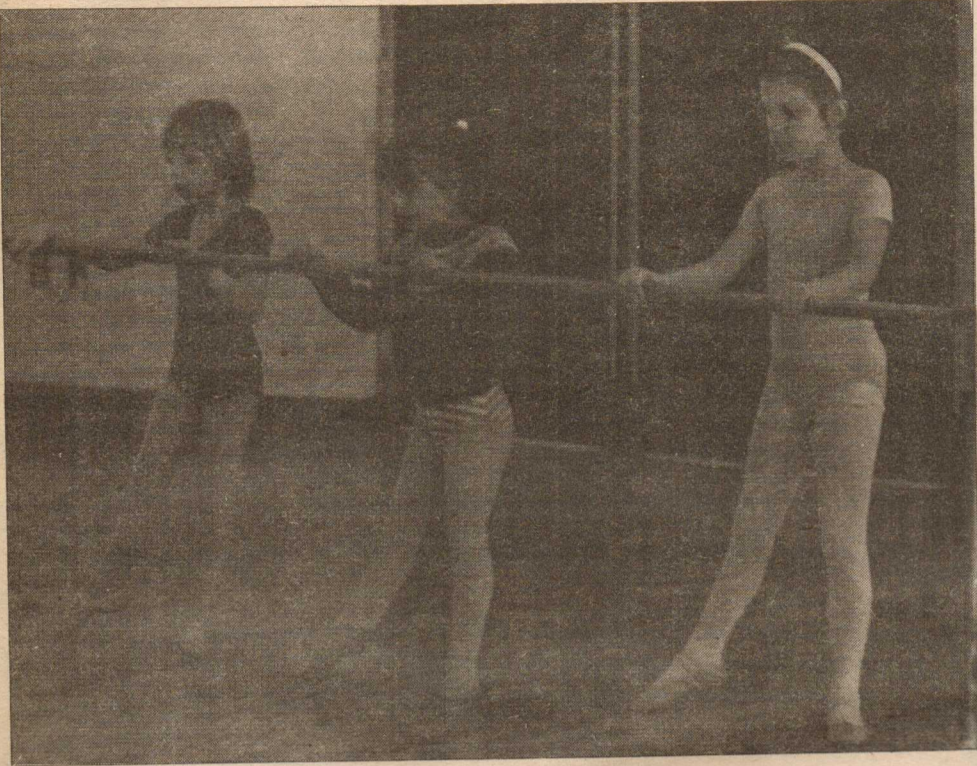
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ENTERTAINMENT

Jacqui Simm a woman constantly on the move



Primary ballet class at the Ralph Thornton Centre on Saturday morning. Young ballerinas: Elizabeth, Natalie and Carolyn show their form.

By Kathe Sesto

On Saturdays, from 9:30 to 4:30 the Ralph Thornton Centre on Queen and Saulter is bustling with 25 little bodies in multi-coloured tights and leotards. They're stretching and strutting, holding the barre, their toes pointing outward, trying to move with rhythmical steps.

Riverdale resident Jacqui Simm is leading the class. She's teaching these youngsters ballet basics.

She might not be teaching today if her piano teacher back in Jamaica hadn't died. Simm was into a year of music lessons when this happened. She couldn't find another teacher, so she headed off to ballet classes with her next door neighbour. She was 9 years old, a little late to start ballet, she says, but, she was determined to catch up, so she eagerly joined in with her 3-year old classmates. Since then, she hasn't stopped moving.

Moving—geographically and artistically—is nothing new to Jacqui. From Jamaica to Canada in 1971, studying ballet with Janet Baldwin in Toronto, to Ryerson's Canadian College of Dance, Banff School of Fine Arts, a scholarship to New York City for a summer with Alvin Ailey's dance school. Jacqui kept moving. To London, England in 1976 where she taught ballet in community centres, co-founded "Images" company and performed with Maas Movers, a modern company with Afro-Caribbean influences.

Four years ago she returned to Toronto. She taught at the Toronto High School for the Performing Arts and decided she wanted to learn about choreography.

Today, she's finishing her fourth year at York University in the Honours Fine Arts Program, majoring in Dance. But, that's not all. She's teaching dance classes four afternoons a week, at Cowan Avenue Firehall Community Centre, Balmy Beach Recreation Centre and in the Ralph Thornton Centre. Plus, she has four children—9-year old son Tai who dances, 4-year old daughter Nirvanda who's registered in pre-ballet, son Grier and baby Kieron—to contend with.

Jacqui's been at the Ralph Thornton Centre since last March. She was looking for a base where she could establish her Riverdale Dance Theatre School, so she presented a proposal to the centre for the school to be part of the community and it was accepted.

Subsidies are available for all the programs she teaches.

"If a child wants to dance, we'll try to make it possible," she says.

Her classes, which adhere to the standards of

the Royal Academy of Dance include classes for children age 4 and up, all day Saturday. The class is \$60 a term, winter classes start January 11. Classes include pre-elementary, pre-ballet, majors—elementary to performance.

She says registration for the Saturday classes is good.

"A lot of mothers like to dance. They tell me their children like moving to the music on television or radio so they want to give them dance classes."

Jacqui says her beginners ballet classes are not a pressured environment.

"I want to give them a sense of their body," she says. "Musicality, creativity and co-ordination are the key elements stressed. The more formal work starts at age seven when the basic positions of the feet and arms are taught."

She's also teaching jazz for 8 to 12-year olds on Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:30 and for teens from 5:30 to 6:30. An adult jazz fit class is held Tuesday from 7 to 8 p.m.

When teaching and school isn't occupying her time, Jacqui is firming up other plans. She wants to make the Riverdale Dance Theatre school a community school and hopes she gets support from the community. She adds that the school needs mirrors and barres.

She's also planning a Dance Performance Series which will start on Sunday, January 19, 1986. The series will display the talent of four new choreographers. The Ralph Thornton Centre is providing the space for rehearsal and the auditorium for the shows.

"Young choreographers need to show their work but they just don't have the finances to rent space for rehearsals or shows, or the dollars for publicity."

Her plans don't end here. She also wants to start a dance performance program for children. She hopes to see choreographers working with youngsters so their dance pieces can be composed and performed.

"Children need goals. It would open up another aspect of dance to them."

The dance scene in Toronto is exploding," she says. "Modern dance expression today is so wide. Choreographers can draw from their own experiences. It's become a marriage of art forms. Choreographers are using video, sometimes they're using no music, the scope is unlimited. I hope it offers paid work for a lot of dancers."

She knows the importance of teaching dance to children.

"Hopefully, they're our next audience." Simm has to go now. She needs to refuel so she can keep on moving.

Sparkling and expressive

"...there blows a King of the Horn, whose playing is as sparkling as it is expressive; as brilliant as it is sensitive" (Frieburger Zeitung)

On Sunday October 27 at 3 pm, The Hannaford Street Silver Band will present the first concert of its 1985-1986 concert series entitled; *Virtuoso Brass with Ifor James and the Hannaford Street Silver Band*. All concerts in this series of brass music take place at Little Trinity Church, 425 King Street East. (near Parliament)

The career of Ifor James is as varied as it is brilliant. As a member of the London Symphony Orchestra he performed under Sir John Barbirolli, Sir Thomas Beecham and Bruno Walter. As a chamber musician he spent fifteen years as a member of the Philip Jones Brass Ensemble. As a soloist he specializes in the Horn concertos of W.A. Mozart and Richard Strauss and as a teacher he is professor at both the Royal Academy of Music in London and the Hochschule Fur Musik in Freiburg. Mr. James will join the H.S.S.B. in a performance of a work written

for him by the English composer Edward Gregson entitled *Concerto for French Horn and Brass Band*. He will also conduct the band in Gilbert Vinter's *Spectrum*. Other works being performed include the *Grand March from Tannhauser* by Wagner, selections from Mascagni's *Cavalleria Rusticana* and Faure's *Pavanne*.

Since its founding, The Hannaford Street Silver Band, Canada's only professional brass band, has been enthusiastically received by public and critics alike. The band's recent sold out performance at the 1985 Festival of the Sound will be broadcast by the CBC on Arts National this coming November.

This is the first concert of The Hannaford Street Silver Band's four concert series at Little Trinity Church. The other concert dates are Dec. 15. "Christmas Festival" with The Hart House Chorus, March 23, 1986 "Calling All Britons" and May 18, 1986, "Spring Showcase". Ticket prices for the series are; Regular \$20/Senior, Student \$12. Single tickets will be available at the door, regular \$6/student senior \$4.

Fresh funk and krush groove

By Pat Shroeder

On some Friday nights the second floor halls of "Gray Ralph" vibrate with the sounds of funk and groove. Not just any funk, or any groove, however. It's fresh/funk and krush/groove as emitted by the Super Sonic Sounds.

The Super Sonic Sounds, a group of record-spinning teenagers, take over the second floor of the Ralph Thornton Centre, dubbed Gray Ralph, with the kind of soulful music that leaves the over 20 age group bemused.

The group of seven, aged 15 to 19, are really DJs with racy names and fancy footwork. They play their brand of music for the teenagers in neighborhood schools such as Eastern Commerce, Danforth Technical and Riverdale Collegiate.

Tom Dorion (DJD) a 15-year old from Empire Ave. is the innovative and high-spirited member of the group. He, along with Naz, "Kid Cut", 17 are the core members of the group. Other group members include Paul, known as "Chunk" or "Tubby

D," Dave (Romeo), Troy, Steve and yet another member named Troy.

Super Sonic Sounds members take their music seriously, they buy all the records and equipment necessary for their craft and frequently tune in to radio stations like CKLN, Toronto and WBLK, New York.

Romeo, makes sure the dances held at the centre are well publicized by creating flyers which are distributed in the schools. To make sure that there never is a dull moment, breakdancing Steve usually pulls out his bag of antics to delight the audience.

This group of greased-hair teenagers claim the music they play is derived from rhythm and blues and even jazz.

"It's mostly a mix of electronic synthesizer, but more updated," they explained.

The seven are from a diverse background, with members like Naz and Dave hailing from the Caribbean and Tom from Antigonish, Nova Scotia.

When they meet at "Mosquito Park", their preferred name for the park at Queen St. and Jones Ave., fresh/funk and krush/groove are the only things that matter.



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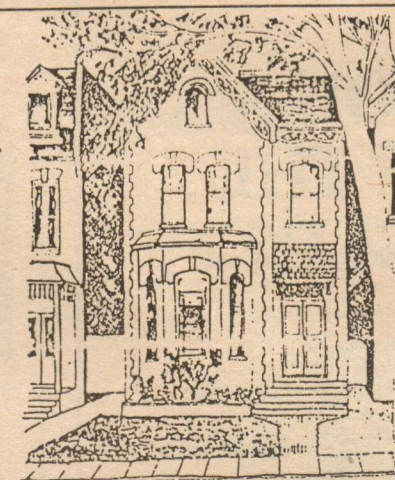
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SPORTS

The heat's on for Women's Volleyball team to improve

The Cabbagetown Women's Volleyball Team is preparing for its 8th season in the Ontario Volleyball League, and has been practising again at Winchester Gym on Wednesday nights. The first game is tentatively set for Oct. 20 at Borden Secondary School, in Scarborough.

According to Rose Pontarini, the team's coordinator and captain, the team should do very well this season. It received a generous grant from the Cabbagetown Youth

Centre to help cover league fees and equipment costs. As well, the team retained its standing in the A-division despite its poor finish last season.

According to Pontarini, the team was forced to make many changes last year as a result of losing a few veterans and the addition of new players last year. However, the process of rebuilding appears to have been a success, as the team is composed of many experienced players.

Cabbagetown Royals set for 1986 basketball season

By Sam Scattarelli

The Cabbagetown Royals had a successful season in the Junior Men's division of the Metro Basketball Association (M.B.A.), finishing first with a 7 and 1 record and were crowned the 1985 champions.

The Royals defeated Central Neighborhood House in the finals to take the championship. The team was led by captain Ivan Matthews and co-captains, Brett Quance and Vince Bowen.

The team hopes to retain the championship when the season begins again in January. To prepare for the task, the Royals are planning to travel to Arizona in December

for some exhibition matches. The Cabbagetown side will be led by George Witters (Central Technical School), Calvin Green, Austin Mayers and Andy Henry (Eastern Commerce). Henry is also a member of the Canadian team.

The Royals also took part in the George Brown Spring League, considered as the most prestigious league in Canada. They finished with a 4 and 6 record, managing to grab the last playoff spot.

They lost in the semi-finals, however, by 10 points to the Toronto Tornados.

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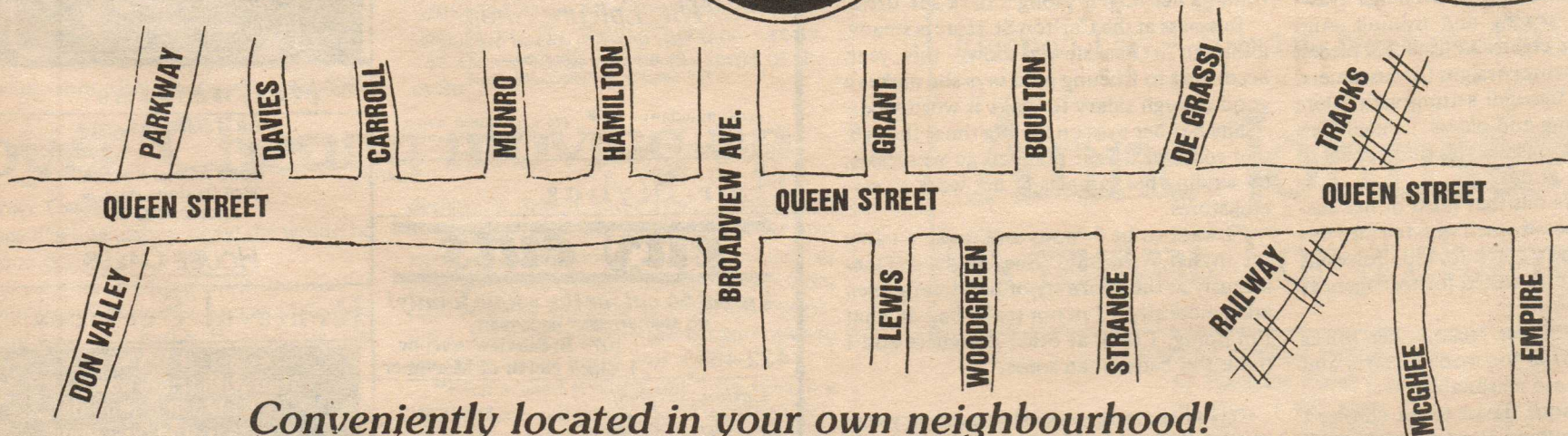
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LIBRARIES

FRENCH FILM NIGHT on Thursday Nov. 7 at 7:30 at the Parliament St. Library at 269 Gerrard St. E. at Parliament.

"Zazee dans le Metro" will be shown at the Parliament St. Library on Thursday Nov. 7 at 7:30 pm as part of the library's French film night. Admission is free and the French film will have English subtitles.

ENGLISH AS A Second Language for Chinese speaking persons every Tuesday and Thursday night from 6:30-8:30 pm at the Parliament St. Library at 269 Gerrard St. E. at Parliament. For more information call 924-7122.

FOR YOUNG CHILDREN: Stories at the Parliament St. Library on Saturdays beginning at 2:00 pm for children 3 and up. On Oct. 19, the puppet show: The Blacksmith and the Devil.

FAMILY STORY TELLING Evening with storytellers Sally Jaeger and Frieda Laing at Riverdale Library, 370 Broadview Ave. on Friday, Oct. 18 at 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome.

FOR YOUNG DUNGEONS & Dragons players, every Tuesday at 4:00 pm at the Riverdale Library. Bring your own dungeonmaster. On Tuesday, Oct. 29 there will be a D&D Halloween party. Please register Oct. 22.

FOR YOUNG CHILDREN: films and crafts offered Saturdays at 2:00 pm. For ages 6 years and up. For information about the Riverdale Libraries Saturday programs call 466-2197.

NURSERY SCHOOL STORYTIME: Thursday October 10 at 10:30. A story, film and song program for local nursery schools at the Riverdale Library. It is advised to phone the library and book space for your group. 466-2197.

AFTERSCHOOL ARTS & CRAFTS for boys and girls at the Queen/Saulter library on Oct. 18 (Thursday) and Oct. 25. For more information call 465-2156.

Fashion designer

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in green jacket and matching cropped pants, is the lone worker in this one-woman enterprise. Her days are long, and sometimes hard, but "it's worth it," she figures.

After eight-hour days in the store, Cheung spends untold hours in the evenings drawing, designing, sewing and ironing. And every season she creates at least 200 pieces, in addition to custom designs for customers.

The store, a tranquil setting with white walls, soft lighting and plants, is filled with simple, classic designs, styles that appeal to the 30 to 45 age group.

Cheung points out that most of her customers are businesswomen who fall into this age category. She's quick to add, however, that there are pieces suited for teenagers as well as older women.

The young designer reckons her prices which average \$100 for woolen skirts and \$200 for dresses are reasonable.

"There's a unique flavor to the clothes I make because nothing is mass produced," she says. "A lot of my customers like that because they're not wearing what everyone else is."

GENERAL

LANDSCAPES-ORIENTAL Water-colour-by Haeng-Cha Kim. The exhibit will open Wednesday Oct. 16 from 6-9 pm at the Bridgestown Gallery at 267 Dundas St. E. and continues until Oct. 31. For more information, call 961-9780.

THE JOHN HOWARD Society is holding a Halloween Party at 168 Isabella St. on Thursday, Oct. 31 from 7:30 - 10:30 pm. Music, dancing and prizes. Price: 50¢ and for those in costume 25¢.

ROOMERS BENEFIT DANCE to be held at St. Pauls Church, on Saturday, Oct. 26 at 9 pm featuring L'étranger. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door. For more information call John Laurie at 366-7124.

ART & PEACE in the Family: a series of workshops for children and adults presented by the Changing Places Theatre. The workshops will begin Sat. Oct. 19-10:30 and will continue to May 10. Registration fees: children \$8 for all 7 workshops, \$7 with membership; adults \$15 or \$14 with membership. Register at the Ralph Thornton Centre, 765 Queen St. E. or call 469-4226.

SENIOR CITIZENS

A SERVICES FOR SENIORS Auction will take place on Saturday, Oct. 19 at 1:30 pm at the East Toronto Seniors Centre, 2029 Gerrard St. E. All proceeds will go to the centre. Admission is free. For more details call 690-3877.

RENDEZVOUS FOR SENIORS: a chance to learn disco and ballroom dancing on Tuesday Oct. 22 and folkdancing on Thursday Oct. 24 from 10:30-2:30 pm, in York Quay Centre, 235 Queen's Quay West. For more information call 364-5665.

BAZAARS

THE CANADIAN SUNSHINE CLUB will hold its annual bazaar on Saturday Oct. 26 from 1:30 to 4 pm at the St. Luke United Church, 353 Sherbourne St. (at Carlton). Come and find attic treasures and explore the unknown at the mystery table.

THE CANADIAN CHAPTER of the Showmen's League of America, holds a bazaar on Nov. 2 at the St. Peter's Anglican Church, 190 Carlton St. at Bleeker St. The event is being hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary of the league and begins at 9 am until 3 pm.

ON NOV. 2, a Harvest Thanksgiving Bazaar will be held at All Saints Church at 315 Dundas St. E. at the corner of Sherbourne St. from 10 am to 4 pm.

Hamlet



The Canadian Opera Company takes to the O'Keefe Centre stage this fall with the incomparable Dame Joan Sutherland starring in the Shakespeare classic, Hamlet. This production opened the COC's 35th season and will be presented again on Oct. 16 and 19 in French with English surtitles. Madame Butterfly, the heart-rending tale of a doomed love affair between a Japanese geisha and an American naval officer will take the stage Oct. 17, 20, 22, 24, 25 and 26. Tickets are available at the O'Keefe Centre box office, all BASS outlets or by calling 872-2262.

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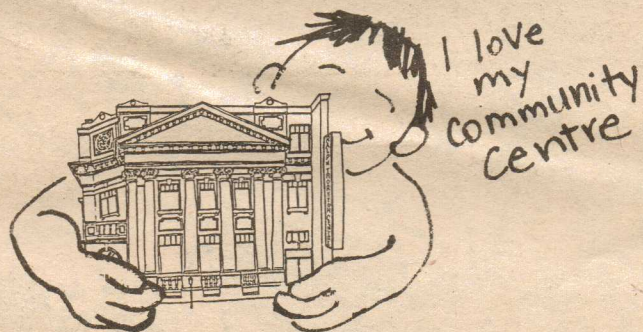
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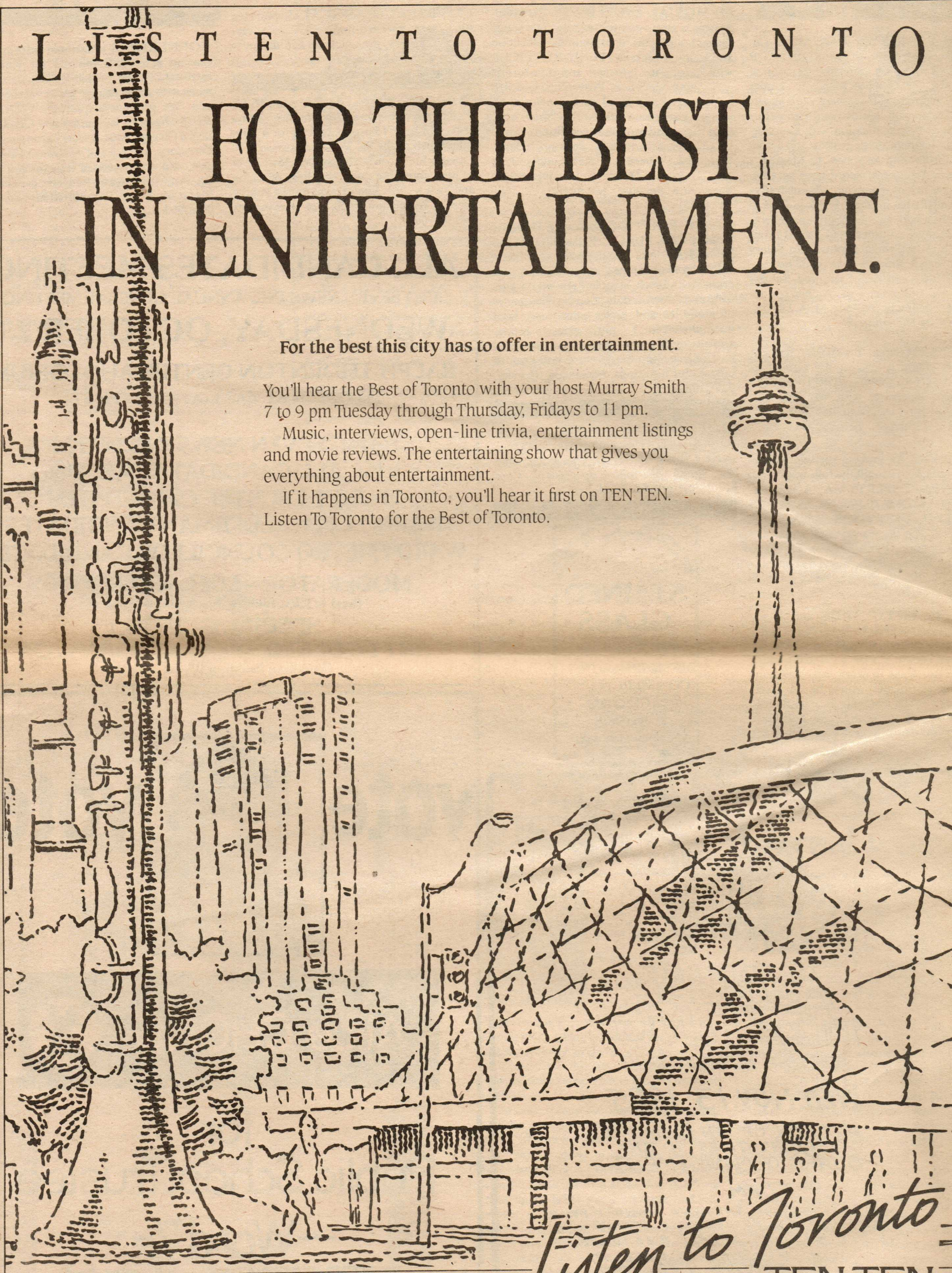
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