

Terra Cotta Inn changes

A quiet, friendly place to eat

Fresh caught trout, smoked using local pine needles, is the latest specialty introduced by new chef Fred Scholl to the Terra Cotta Inn's menu.

Scholl, five-year co-ordinator of Sheridan College's Hotel and Restaurant Administration Program (he holds a Master's Chef degree from Heidelberg); Clem Neiman, corporate lawyer; and Ray Martin, former executive manager of one of Canada's thriving corporations; purchased the Terra Cotta Inn from Strachan Bongard about a month ago.

Helping them to uphold the traditional hospitality of the quiet country inn is assistant manager Gabriel Sara, Sheridan's Hotel and Restaurant course instructor. Since he graduated from Ryerson's Hotel and Restaurant program in 1970, he has held managerial positions at the Old Mill, and the Constellation Hotel,

amongst other places. The expertise of these men combines to make the renowned Terra Cotta Inn an oasis from the hustle and bustle of daily life. Patrons are allowed the luxury of leisurely and privately enjoying a meal. The atmosphere alone makes any day into a special occasion.

Smiling, the maitre 'd leads you... to the bar - a novel room filled with plushy couches and polished antique coffee tables - for a casual pre-dinner drink... to the spacious banquet hall - its popularity indicated by the fact that two wedding receptions were booked for last weekend alone... to one of the cozy dining rooms - furnished in restored antiques and accented by decor in ye olde country theme; gingham drapes and napery, handmade ceramic cream and sugar bowls, shiny copper kettles, "pioneer" artwork...

...to the terrace, overlooking the scenic Credit River carving through the red soil of the forested slopes over where 100 can be seated. The patio is "packed on weekends" said Sara, when customers fill the round umbrella tables to indulge in afternoon tea, featuring homemade scones with butter, jams and whipped cream amongst other sweet delicacies.

The terrace is also used for barbecue parties. Last Thursday night, saw Scholl, dressed in native German garb-knickers and a balloon-sleeved blouse-turning the steaks over the coals for the German Canadian Businessmen's Association dinner.

Noticeably, the staff were pleasant and efficient without making the mistake which so many waiters/waitresses at other eateries do: acting as watchdogs.

And the meal was superb. Sauce to compliment the

apple pie fare. Featured are English trifle, Strawberry shortcake, creme caramel, cheesecake and strawberries romaneoff.

Appetizers range from the old stand-by, tossed salad, to escargot in mushroom cups.

Summer specials include iced cream of cucumber soup and various salad plates.

For the price, portions served are generous.

The menu presently being offered to Terra Cotta Inn customers is temporary. New dishes have been added experimentally, and Sara explained that records are being kept of all orders to judge the popularity of all selections. A new menu describing the dishes is planned.

As far as changing the fare is concerned, Chef Scholl's philosophy is: "Don't put both feet in hot water. Take the temperature first."

The wine list-offering a variety yet limited-is being

expanded using a similar test technique. Mixed drinks, carafes of house wine and beer, are also available of course.

Sara has introduced a new book-keeping system and is brushing up the skills of the staff with a training program he used at the Constellation Hotel.

"We took over a very good business staff," said Sara, explaining that the majority of the 47 employees are local people, some being students. Appropriately, pioneer type brown and white checked 19th century uniforms are worn.

One month before the official transfer of ownership, the new management moved in to get to know the staff and get the feel of the place.

"In two months," smiled Sara, "business has increased 31 to 40 percent."

And the customers are smiling, too.



FREDDY SCHOLL, new chef at the Terra Cotta Inn, is busy barbecuing steaks in the backyard while staff members serve the rest of the meal to members of the German Canadian Businessmen's Association, dining on the terrace last Thursday night.

Graham Bell AIB rules in favour of local firm's contract

The Anti-Inflation Board has approved a contract negotiated between P. Graham Bell Ltd. of Georgetown and 23 employees of that firm. The terms of the contract granted an 11.40 percent wage increase which is 3 percent above the AIB guidelines.

The contract between the firm and the employees—members of the Machinists and Aerospace Workers Union—will run for one year, expiring at the end of 1976. It was the first Halton Hills firm to receive a ruling from the AIB. As of May 6 the AIB had received some 8,400 forms reporting changes in compensation plans, representing 777,000 employees.

Over 60 percent report changes that are under the percentage AIB guidelines. The total average compensation increase sought by those covered by the AIB reports to date is 12.1 percent. The average percentage increase allowed by the arithmetic guidelines (taking into account the basic protection factor of two percent and the experience adjustment factor of plus or minus two percent) is 11 percent. That means of all those AIB forms received, the average compensation increase requested was 1.1 percent above the arithmetic guidelines.

As of May 6 the seven members of the Anti-Inflation Board had considered 457 cases representing 148,411 employees including 302 cases in the private sector with 96,083 employees and 155 cases in the public sector with 52,328 employees.

CVCA hires 31 students for Experience '76

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority is again running a student summer program Program 130 is one part of Experience '76, the name given collectively to all the student programs administered by the Ontario Provincial Government's Youth Secretariat.

The authority has employed 31 students from both high school and university for periods of 14 to 2 weeks. The students are divided into four work crews. One is a technical crew that is doing research work at Rattray Marsh and the other three crews will be working throughout the watershed on various labour intensive projects.

Proposed projects include: Rattray Marsh-Survey and clean-up; J. Darling Park-User Survey and clean-up; Churchville-Erosion Control along the riverbank; Mary Fix Creek-Erosion Control along bank; Lake Ontario beach clean-up; Cooksville Creek clean-up; Mullett Creek clean-up; Orangeville Reservoir shoreline clean-up; Meadowdale Conservation Area-construct and repair gabions; Orangeville Reservoir Conservation Area-assist in landscaping and painting picnic shelter and interpretive centre and assist in interpretive centre display construction; Other projects as requested by municipalities.

Graduate



Catherine Milton graduated from York University on June 10, 1976. Catherine, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Milton, received her Honours B.A. in English. She is a graduate of Georgetown District High School.

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Little Cherub Nursery School grads

If your child comes home from nursery school one day and tells you that he went to the moon, believe him.

During a class demonstration of the Little Cherub Nursery School, Georgetown, last week, the kids did just that. Using props, they enjoyed many adventures including an encounter with a box constrictor, the necessity of calling a policeman to find a little girl lost at the fair, a farm visit, an Indian drum party.

Intermittently, the youngsters sang songs, many of them with actions.

The trip was educational because lessons were to be learned from each experience and imaginations were exercised.

Upon returning home, graduation diplomas were presented to the following nursery students of Mrs. Pottruff, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Tyler and Mrs. Barton:

Andrew Barton, Jennifer Becker, Napoleon Benito, Daphne Dalton, Mark Derry, Adam Farmer, Wendy Farley, Sean Gaffey, Andrew Hodinot, David Hogue, Vivki Hughes, Susan Lamb, Dean Mills, Shawn O'Sullivan, David Reynolds, David Schouten, Connie Shier, Bev Waters, Bobby Neild, Johnathon Allen, Michelle Beatt, Robert Bergin, Laurel Brown, Jennifer Campbell, Craig Cantlee, Rebecca Dobbins, Kara Lyn Gourley, Donnie Guest, Glen Hannam, Alison Kozma, Jonathon Krys, Catherine Lovely, Vicki Murray, Sandra Moore, Peter Pederson, Joey Ramautarsingh.

David Rawson, Hubert Scholz, Kim Taylor, and Trina Wasylenko.



LITTLE CHERUB Nursery School graduation ceremonies held at Maple Baptist Church last week. Alison Kozma, 5, are capped and gowned at the ceremony.

School safety patrollers visit Parliament

It's refreshing to hear about people who give something for nothing when they get something in return. Volunteers deserve appreciation, and recently, school patrol guards have been getting it.

Chosen by their schools for doing an outstanding job, the following students recently accompanied their Safety Officer Constable Keith Woods to Ottawa for the annual three-day National School Patrol Jamboree: Dean Reynolds and Kristine Doherty (Glen Williams School) Dann Dunleavy (Harrison School, Georgetown), Bernice Boissonneault (Holy Cross School, Georgetown), Claire Perrow Sacre Coeur, Georgetown), Wendy Van Dam (Limehouse), Lori De Bruyn (Robert Little, Acton) and Trevor Denny (M.Z. Bennett, Acton).

Together with approximately 6,000 patrols from across Canada, these students marched in a gala parade past Parliament Hill, went on city tours, and attended a circus at Lansdowne Park, amongst other planned activities.

Miss Marg Gregory of the Halton School Board and Miss Teresa Vermeer of the Separate School Board helped Woods chaperone the trip, which was financed 50 percent by the community and 50 percent by the Hamilton Automobile Club.

Another treat for the patrollers came when Constable Woods took an interested group of parents and kids, via a bus provided by Safety Council funds, to the stock car races at Flamboro Speedway on the evening of June 5.

The seasonal festivities for the patrollers will wind up with a series of picnics being held at Bronte Provincial Park. From North Halton, 300 are expected to attend this week to see the animals enjoy an outdoor lunch, and play various games.

Lions winner

Tom Cooper is the lucky winner of the \$100 Lions Lottery draw made June 15. Along with Mr. Cooper other lucky winners included: K. Wilcock of Weston and Karen Hein, Jim Blain, Julie Harlow and Bob May, all of Georgetown.



CREDIT VALLEY ARTISANS new executive were elected recently. They include: (from left to right) Honey Cornfoot, president; Hanjit Reel, treasurer; Eva Middleton, secretary; Etta Mills, director; Peggy Reel, director and Susanne Plumley, registrar. Not pictured are Gillian Tyler, vice-president and Barbara Herner, newsletter director.

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