

Planet earth revealed

by Deborah Quaile

The opening reception of a I new exhibit at The Williams Mill took place June 16, featuring the work of Guelph artist Susan Lapp.

The show, entitled, The Earth, Our Planet, offers works in acrylic and mixed media on canvas and paper.

"The paintings I always do I categorize as abstract," commented Lapp. "My work is very abstract and natural. I love colours, and I love people to use their imaginations when looking at my work."

Overall, Lapp's pieces are bold and vibrant in colour, texture and form. Several of her large pieces are bright, yet more softly coloured. They generate a marvellous feeling of flow and movement with their windswept scenes. Shorelines of PEI is an example of this, with those bright but soft shoreside colours and shell fragments, grouped to make a wonderful collage of intermingled feeling and vision.

Lapp paints a world full of life, one in which her audience

can visualize flora and fauna leaping, waving, darting and splashing. There are over 40 pieces in the gallery, with a lovely selection in miniature.

The artist remarks, "A freedom of interpretation coupled with the sensitivity to my art's intimate world connects me to the natural world... My paintings are about colours, textures, created by inspiration, always nature sea, land or sky. Always abstract. My inner experience, not to be felt for that is mine, but to paint it into an image for you to experience in your own way."

Susan Lapp is curator of Art-in-Guelph Gallery, a flautist, and artist who teaches, has made freelance recordings, and holds

The Earth, Our Planet runs until July 15, 2001. The gallery is located at 515 Main Street, Glen Williams, and open Wednesday to Sunday from 12 to 5 pm. Please call 905-873-8203, or you may visit the website at www.williamsmill.com for further information.



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Milton's Canada Day celebrations

The historic Mill Pond at Centennial Park in downtown Milton is to be officially reopened to the public and the Mill Pond Millennium Gazebo is to be formally dedicated on Canada Day. The official ceremonies will take place in front of the gazebo at 3:30 pm. There will be a 45 minute presentation with remarks by Mayor Gord Halton MPP Krantz, Chudleigh and Director of Community Services for the Town of Milton Jennifer Reynolds. All Milton residents are invited to attend.

Milton the Millennium Garden at Chris Hadfield Park will be officially dedicated at a special two-hour presentation and family barbecue on Saturday, June 30, beginning at 11 am. Attendance at the dedication is open to more than 130 individuals, businesses and organizations that purchased a special commemorative stone to line the pathway connecting the gazebo with the gardens.



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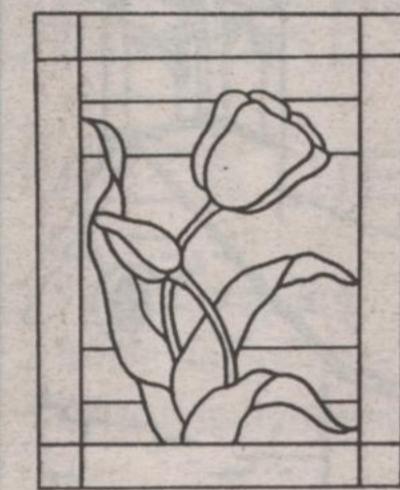
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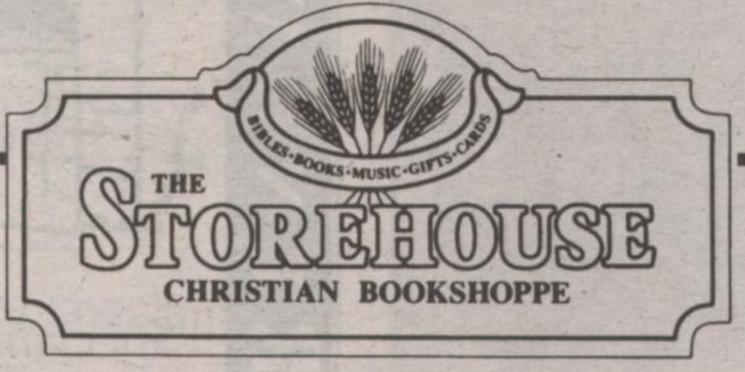


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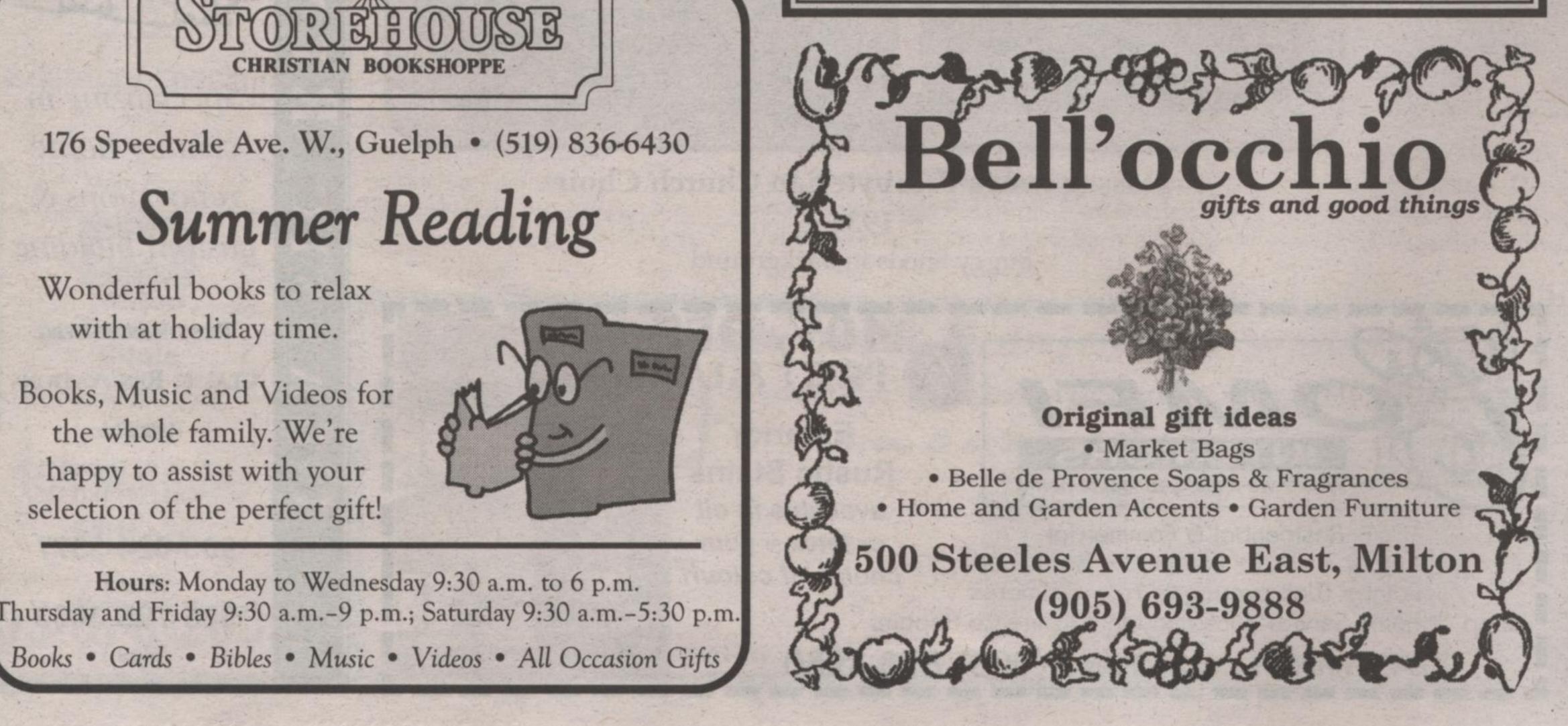
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