

Crowds gather at local park to hear area talent

"If music be the food of love, play on", goes the old saying, and play on they did Sunday in Little Lake Park.

About 250 people gathered in a southwest

corner of the park to listen to a day-long Centennial Outdoor Concert, sponsored by the Midland Centennial Committee, the parks board and numerous local

businesses, featuring home grown talent. The concert was the first such event to be held in the park since the festival-crazed sixties, and it was a day to soak in

the sunshine and relax to variety of sounds. Unlike some of its larger predecessors, Sunday's open air concert was an easy-going event—so easygoing in fact, that the

policeman required to be on duty seemed a little redundant. There were the usual hitches: unco-operative sound systems, electronic gizmos that failed to

work, and bands that didn't show. But the hitches didn't dampen the spirits of those who came for an afternoon of sunshine punctuated with music.

"It was a good way to get a tan," commented one halter top clad member of the audience.

The concert was the brainchild of Cable 12's Grant Peever, who did most of the preliminary arranging of bands, obtained the necessary permits, and rented the tons of amplification equipment needed to stage an event of this type.

Music lovers had a wide range of styles to listen to: from the foot stomping bluegrass sound of Mike King and Country Morning to the contemporary harmonies of Dan Irvine and Anne Brownell; from the California-bred stylings of the Dave MacVittie Band to the New Orleans

inspired Dixieland jazz of Dave Cameron and his friends; from the folk duet of Grant Peever and Shelley Pinkney to the country rock sounds of Keith Tippen and Straw Wind.

The concert ran from 2 p.m. until about 9:30 p.m. and for a single admission price of \$1, listeners could wander in and out of the fenced in concert site at will. Organizers are unsure at this point whether the concert will become an annual affair. "We're just worried about getting this year's cleaned up," one commented as the day drew to an end.



What's a parade without a clown? This youngster got a firsthand view of his favourite parade entry atop his father's sturdy shoulders. Clowns walked up and down the perimeter of the parade

route delighting the young of years and the young of heart with their crazy antics.

Staff photo

Indian program at local library

Inspiring, funny, serious, terrifying—every mood or character trait was captured by Canada master mask makers—the Indians. A program which lets children try their own skills at mask making will be held at the Penetanguishene Public Library on July 11th.

The program, which starts at 2 p.m. is sponsored by the assistance of the McMichael Canadian Collection, the Georgian Bay Regional Library System and the Experience 78 program of the Ministry of Culture and Recreation.

Canada's native peoples used masks to help them assume other characteristics—the bravery of the eagle, the strength of the bear—and to enable the spirit world

to work through man. An Indian wearing a "false face", as masks were called, was no longer just a human; he was a medium for the spirit honored by the mask.

At the library program, fine art students employed for the summer by the McMichael gallery will show samples of authentic native peoples masks, talk about their significance, and help the children create a modern-day false face.

Admission is free and all ages of children are welcome.

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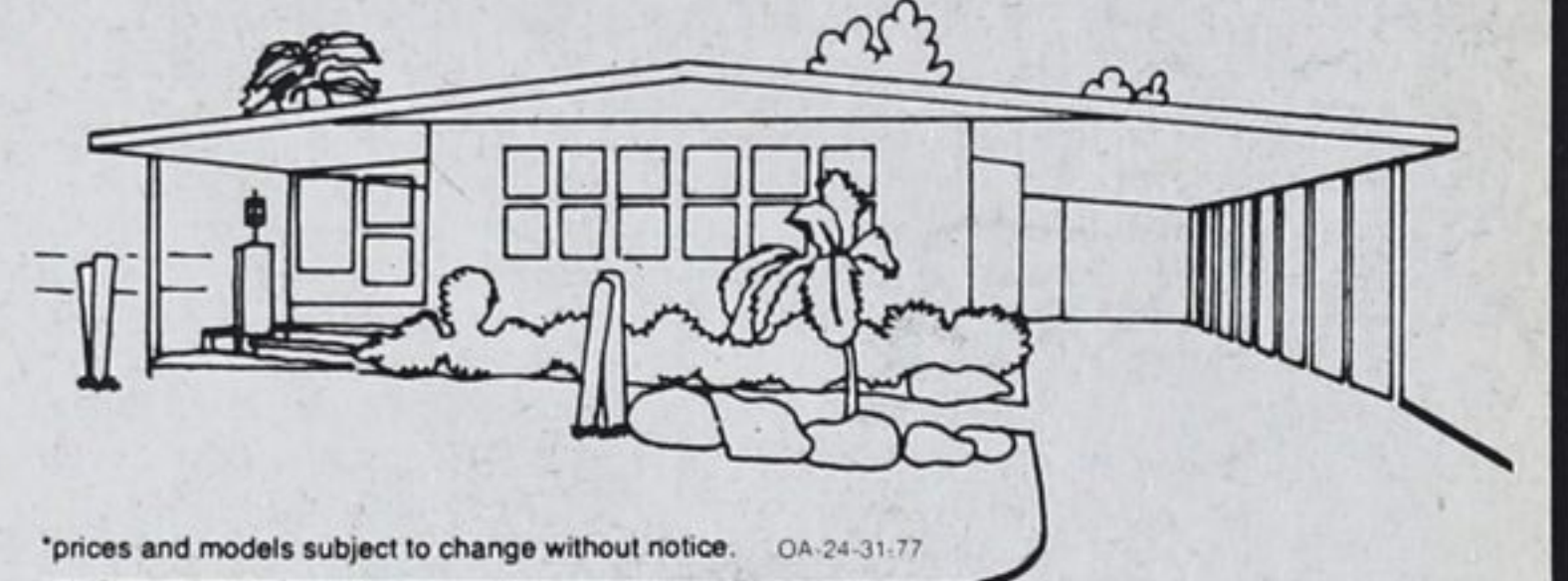
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Canadian art to be featured at library

The strengths and excitement of Canadian art will be explored during an unusual mixed-media program to be held at the Penetanguishene Public Library on July 11th.

The program, which starts at 7:30 p.m. is sponsored by the library with the assistance of the

McMichael Canadian Collection, the Georgian Bay Regional Library System and the Experience 78 program of the Ministry of Culture and Recreation. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

Fine art university students employed for the summer by the

McMichael gallery in Kleinburg will be visiting Penetanguishene to present the program. They will show a film, give a slide show and a lecture, and set up a display of Canadian art reproductions, and lead a discussion. The program centres on the bold, powerful paintings of Tom Thomson, the Group of Seven, and artwork by Canada's native peoples.

Tom Thomson is probably Canada's most famous painter. His canvases capture the ruggedness of the northern Ontario landscape, and exhibit a remarkable skill in using color. Canadian Indian and Inuit art also springs from the study of nature, but takes quite different forms. The carvings, masks prints and paintings shown during the program display an almost mystical view of nature.

The program promises to be lively and informative: an opportunity to gain some insights into our artistic heritage while enjoying an entertaining evening.

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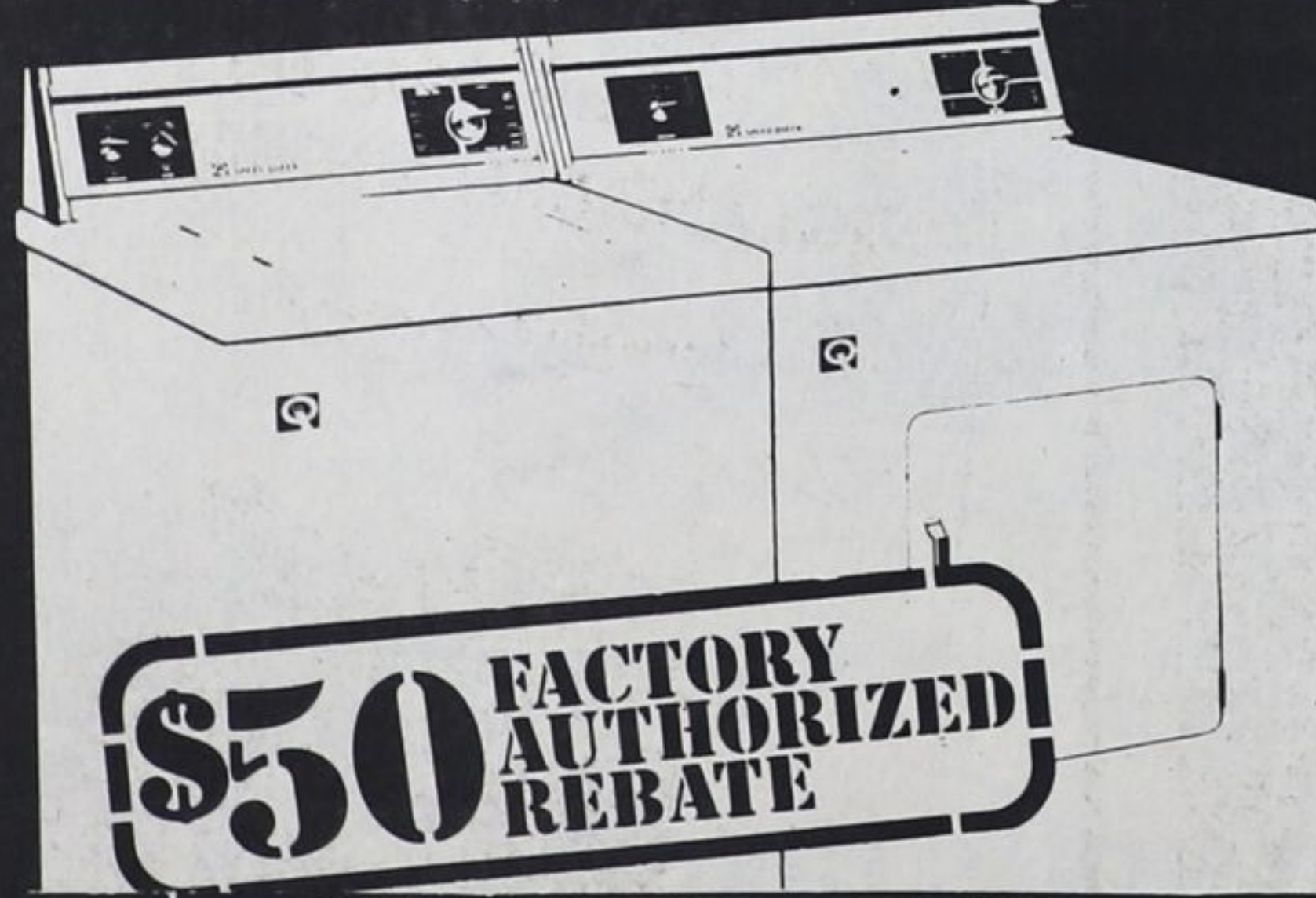
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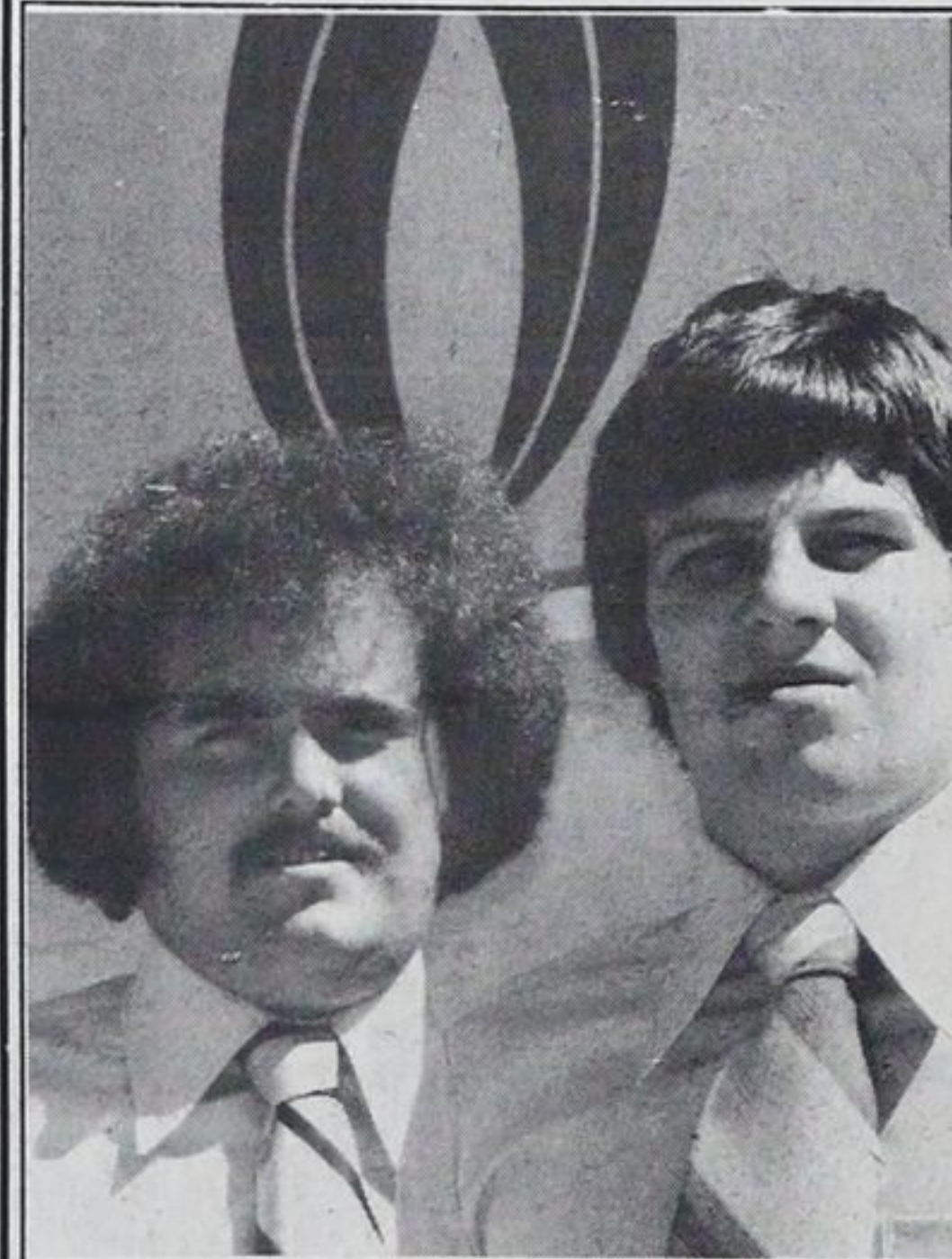
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