



Watson Gallery officially opens

Crowds of art lovers and photography enthusiasts gathered Sunday afternoon at the new gallery of well known local photographer Budd Watson, for the official opening of his new enterprise.

The gallery, located in the old YMCA building on Hugel Avenue, houses a huge collection of prints that have made Watson a name in the art world.

In attendance for the ceremonies was David Nichol, president of Loblaws, who recently purchased a collection of 10 Watson prints for his offices on St. Clair Avenue in Toronto, a group of offices which were later chosen for the outstanding office design award for all of North America.

Nichol's admiration for Watson's work was evident in his address to the 200 or so onlookers, as he compared himself to the artist saying, "We have a lot in common. We're both essentially in the same business. 'The food business,'" he quipped.

"Budd is in the spiritual food business and I'm in the material food business."

"Too often we are separated from the land and nature," he said, "These pictures fill that primeval need to make the connection."

With tears in his eyes, Budd Watson was the next to speak. He remembered how, six months ago he got the idea for and began work on the gallery.

He expressed his deepest appreciation to those who supported him, both morally and financially and begged those people to 'keep it coming'.

Cameras in place during the ceremonies, were then set in motion and a shot was taken of Watson and Nichol with crowds of onlookers in the background.

Watson mentioned his showing at the McMichael Gallery at Kleinberg, a 16 month stint where he first met Dave Nichol. While waiting for his visitor, Watson said he noticed about 247 people file through the doors, starving for the beauty on display there.

"Let them be entertained and let their minds be fed", he stated.

Special Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving became something special for 13 ladies from Elm Home in Waubaushene when grade seven and eight students from St. John's School in

Waubaushene prepared a turkey dinner for them Friday. The students sang for the ladies afterward which made for a nice finish to the day.

Polio clinic tomorrow

An immunization clinic will be held tomorrow between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Simcoe County District Health Unit, 578 King

St., Midland. Proper entrance is the rear door of the Department of Transportation Unit office.

Persons concerned

about protection against polio or with questions about immunization of any kind can call 526-9325, or visit the office.

PROCLAMATION

The Huronia Association for the Mentally Retarded is actively engaged in a campaign for funds to initiate required new programmes.

This campaign will include a telethon called Opportunathon, featured on Cable 12 from noon October 18 to noon October 19, 1980.

The councils of

**Midland
Penetanguishene
Elmvale
Port McNicoll
Victoria Harbour
Township of Flos
Township of Tay
Township of Tiny**

are pleased to proclaim the week of October 13 as Opportunathon Week and we urge all our citizens to co-operate with the Huronia Association for the Mentally Retarded in meeting their objectives.

ATTENTION:

Mayors, Fire Chiefs, Police Chiefs, Medical Officers of Health, Municipal Emergency Planners.

Register now to attend a conference entitled **Emergency Preparedness for the Eighties**. This important conference will deal with practical issues facing all those involved in emergency planning in government and industry.

Issues to be covered include the nature of emergencies and the capabilities of response; the role of the local emergency planner and the responsibility of elected officials.

The Mississauga train derailment will be used as an example of the sort of emergency for which you must be prepared.

Emergency Preparedness for the Eighties.

November 16-19, 1980, at the Harbour Castle Hilton, Toronto.

To register, phone (416) 961-6505. Telex 06-986766.

Ask for Emergency Conference Secretariat. Address is: Emergency Conference, Conference Secretariat, 112 St. Clair Ave. West, Suite 303, Toronto, Ontario M4V 2Y3.

Please note - the date for this Conference is November 16-19, 1980 at the Harbour Castle Hilton, Toronto, not October as printed in last week's advertisement.

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