

\$4,000-plus fireworks show slated for July 1 in centennial town

Town of Penetanguishene is very happy to announce that arrangements have now been finalized for a giant fireworks display. Beginning at dusk (approximately 8:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.) on July 1 this Scorpio display provides a 40 minute non-stop, action packed, spectacular show which will thrill its audience with its brilliance.

The total cost for the show is in excess of \$4,000 but a substantial grant has been received from the Secretary of State of Canada and local donations have further reduced the net cost. There is however, still a substantial amount to be covered and it is for this reason that there will be donation booths and buckets at different points in the Waterfront.

Since there will not be an admission charge we are asking people to voluntarily donate some money to assist in defraying the costs.

We are inviting the residents and friends of this municipality to be with us in the McGibbon Point-Curling Club area of the Waterfront Park on July 1. Come and watch the biggest and the best fireworks display seen in the area in many a year.

Help us celebrate Canada Day and Our Centennial as the fireworks are touched off under the very capable supervision of the Penetanguishene Fire Department.

—From the Office of the Mayor

Canoeists meet PM

by Murray Moore

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau stopped on his way to Parliament Hill last Thursday to speak and shake hands with the 17 canoeists on their way by water to Sainte-Marie among the Hurons from Quebec City when they turned up unannounced at 24 Sussex Drive.

The prime minister was sent a letter in advance informing him of the trip and requesting an appointment. When Bill Byrick and Jim McKinnon, both of Midland, walked up to the Mountie on guard at the prime minister's residence, having walked from the river where they left the rest of their party, and explained their purpose, the word was passed to the prime minister, who recalled the letter and met with the 17 canoeists.

The prime minister spent 10 minutes with the group, asking them about their route and expressing an interest. Trudeau has in the past gone on long canoe trips.

People in this area who want to meet the 17 canoeists before they reach Sainte-Marie on July 10 for Shonecti, can telephone Sainte-Marie, and arrange for a seat on a bus being chartered by the Friends of Sainte-Marie that will meet the Destination: Sainte-Marie group on July 3 where Highway 69 meets the French River.

Last week, and on the weekend, between meeting politicians, such as Liberal cabinet minister Paul Cosgrove, and Reuben Baetz, Ontario Minister of Tourism and Recreation, the canoeists have been paddling against winds and swatting mosquitos.

The youngest member of the group, Jamie McKinnon, reported counting 32 mosquito bites, Sainte-Marie spokesman Bob Kennedy says.

The group arrived in Arnprior on Monday, on schedule, but only by paddling late Sunday.

\$24,700 grant okayed

Natural Resources Minister Alan Pope announced today that the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority will receive a \$24,700 Ontario grant to carry out erosion control and channel improvement works on Lamont Creek in the Town of Stayner.

Over the years high water flows during spring runoff periods have caused excessive bank erosion along Lamont Creek.

Bank stabilization works, including minor realignment and creek widening and regrading and placing of stone riprap will be undertaken along a 150 metre length of the Creek. The proposed works are a continuation of two previously completed erosion control projects.

As well as controlling bank erosion, the project will improve the flow capacity of the channel during peak runoff periods, minimize the danger associated with steep and unstable creek banks and assist in improving downstream water quality by reducing turbidity and sedimentation.

Total estimated cost of the project is \$38,000.

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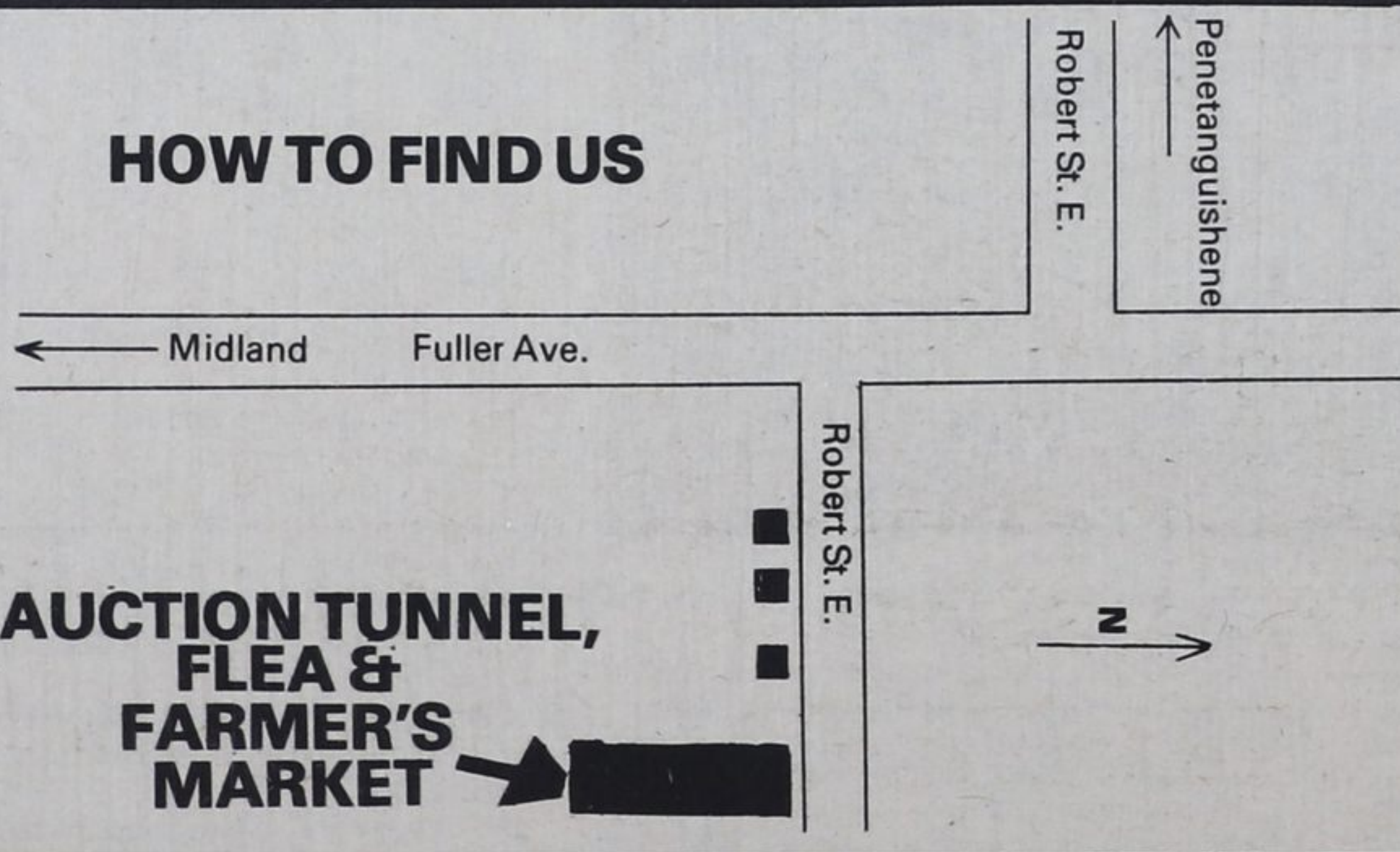
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