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**Stick out your tongue week?**

Even though Shakespeare said "Give thy thoughts no tongue..." this summer acting class at the Curtain Club in Richmond Hill obviously thinks differently. The twice-a-week sessions are conducted by David Phillips of Markham Road, a graduate in theatre arts from the University of Wind-

sor. That's Carolyn Trenton and Brian Moore; bottom row, left to right, Pera Miller and Beryl Forestall. Phillips will direct some of the members of the classes in a special presentation of *Waltz of the Toreadors*, August 21 at the club.

**"Ah, Wilderness" O'Neill comedy next at Barrie**

**BARRIE** — Sean Sullivan and Deni Allaire star in the Eugene O'Neill classic, "Ah, Wilderness," which opens at Barrie's Georgian College Theatre July 19. The play, which runs until July 24, is O'Neill's only comedy and was one of his greatest successes when first produced in 1933. Sullivan plays Nat Miller, a genial editor of a newspaper in a leafy, sunlit town in Connecticut, a role first played by George M. Cohan. The action takes

place on the fourth of July in the year 1906. In this misty-eyed document of O'Neill's boyhood, Allaire portrays the teenaged son, whose anguished love affair has him quoting Omar Khayyam and others in love letters to a neighbor's daughter, played by Mary Haney. Among others in the cast are Sandra Scott as the mother; Wendy Hicks as the maiden aunt; and Claude Rae as her ne'er-do-well swain. Sean Mulcahy directs.

**Dual approach to Hamlet in Stratford Festival tour**

Stratford Festival Theatre will tour three Canadian cities this spring, with productions of *Hamlet* and *The Tempest*. The tour will open March 1 in Kingston and continue for six weeks in Montreal and Ottawa. *Hamlet* is being done with two sets of leading characters. In one production, Nicholas Pennell will play the title role, with Pat Galloway as Gertrude. In the other, *Hamlet* will be played by Richard Monette, with Pat Bentley-Fisher as Gertrude. Robin Phillips, who co-directs with William Hutt, explained the dual ap-

proached this way. "It's important that a theatre fortunate enough to have a number of extremely talented actors in the company be prepared to give them a chance to stretch their artistic muscles and to face the challenge of the most demanding roles." In the production of *The Tempest*, co-director Hutt will play Prospero, a role

he did before the 1962 production at Stratford. After the tour winds up in Ottawa April 17, both productions will return to Stratford for school matinee performances prior to the opening of the season in June. By opening the Avon Theatre to student audiences this year, a record 90,897 of them saw the productions.

**Entertainment**

**Calendar**

**Georgian College Theatre, Barrie** — "Ah, Wilderness," Eugene O'Neill's only comedy, with Sean Sullivan and Deni Allaire; July 19 to 24.

**Mohawk College Theatre, Hamilton** — Evenings of operatic excerpts, featuring Workshop's finest singers; July 15 and 17. On July 16 and 17, the college will present a full stage production of "Rigoletto, with the opera festival orchestra.

**St. Lawrence Centre — The Beggar's Opera** — to July 17.

**Niagara-on-the-Lake** — Distinguished chamber music at Court House Theatre; each Sunday at 2 p.m. to August 15.

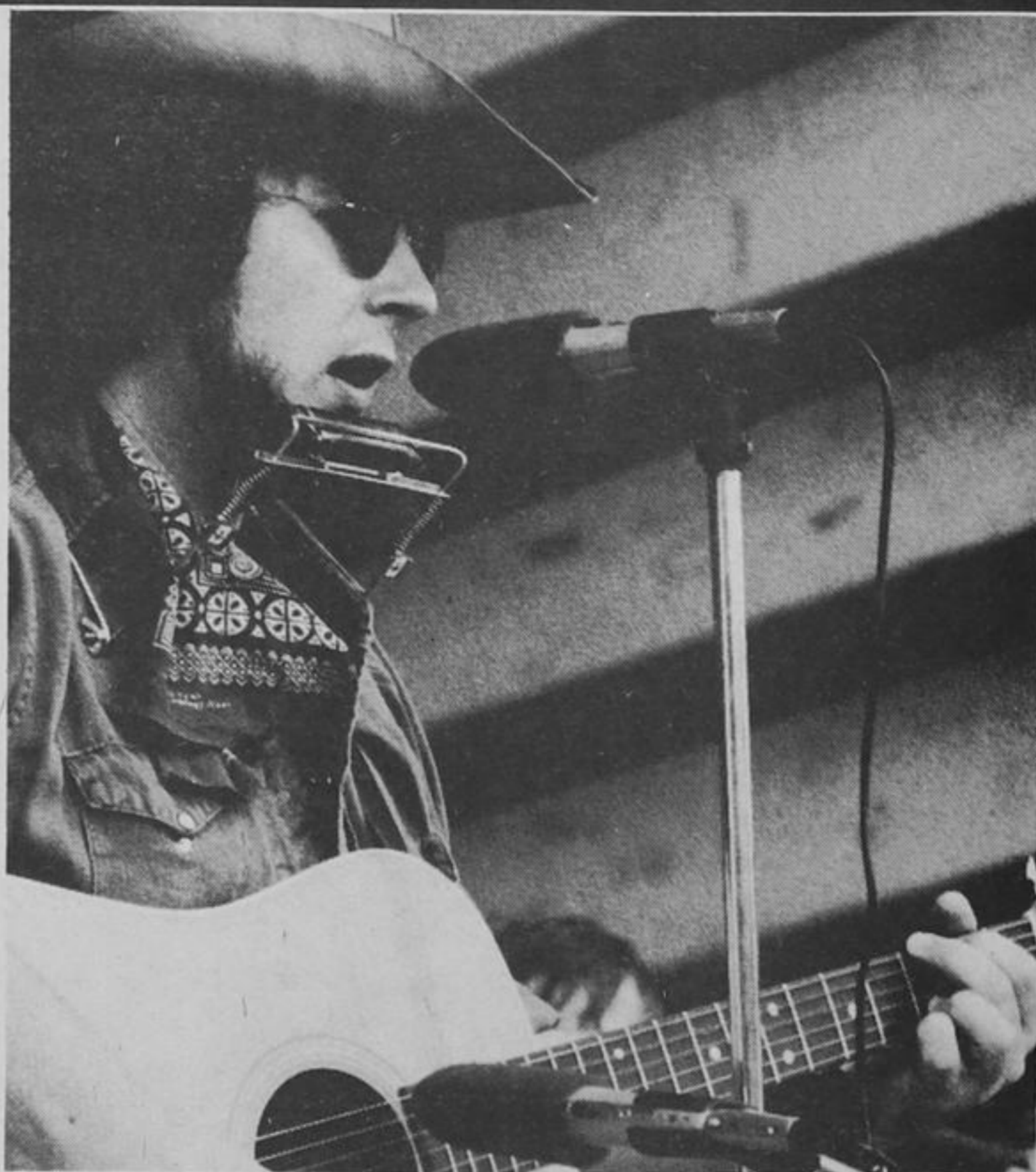
**Zodiac, Ramada Inn, Willowdale**; to July 24. Call 493-9000.

**Art Gallery of Ontario — The People Within**, "intensely personal expressions of the Inuit culture of Baker Lake, NWT, by eight living Canadian artists"; to August 4. Canadian historical works; July 16 to Sept. 5.

**Niagara-on-the-Lake** — Shaw Festival features The Admirable Crichton, Mrs. Warren's Profession, Arms and the Man; to September 26.

**Music at Stratford** — Chuck Mangione Quartet; July 19.

**St. Lawrence Centre — Theatre Plus** — *Waltz of the Toreadors*, with Gerard Parkes and Patricia Collins opens July 21, with previews July 19 and 20.



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Good music, lousy weather — a combination that made for a thoroughly enjoyable but not too well attended Aurora folk music and crafts festival Saturday in the town park on Wells Street. About 20 singers from around York region performed in a series of afternoon concerts and workshops. One of the performers was Mike Thompson of Aurora (above) who contributed to a session on original songs, via the harmonica and guitar. The festival was sponsored by Folk Night at the Factory, Aurora's non-profit coffee house, and organized by John Lott.

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