

Entertainment



Room for lots more

The talent was there, the music was right and the weather was perfect, but where were the crowds? That's Eugene Amaro and his Sextet up there on stage at the Mill Pond in Richmond Hill last week, performing on the second of four of the town's free summer concerts. Next week, Aug. 3, it will be Ron Rully and his Quintet, followed by Jim Galloway and his Metro Stompers, Aug. 17. All the concerts get under way at 7:30 p.m.

Impressive diner from ashes

There's no crack of the whip or thundering noise of hooves pounding the terrain, but The Stagecoach Restaurant and Tavern has risen from the ashes of a devastating fire and reopened under a new roof at the corner of Don Mills Road and Bloomington Sideroad.

The new building is larger and much more impressive than the one destroyed by fire over a year ago. The exterior of white stucco walls framed in natural barnwood is accentuated by the entrance of brick arches, open roof and hanging, potted plants.

In the parking area next to patrons' modern cars is a covered wagon. Indoors, a vestibule with red, tile floor is somewhat spoiled by a cigarette dispensing machine.

The dining room is warm and intimate, with the perfect blend of coach lanterns on suspended wagon wheels, lights made from the hubs only of wagon wheels, a large brick fireplace surrounded by stucco and wooden walls.

A wall-length mural (approximately 27 feet by five feet) depicts a scene from the wild, wild west with Indians on horseback attacking... what else? ... a stagecoach. The room would seat about 120 people comfortably.

My companion and I, as always, enjoyed a cocktail before the meal, comprising a daiquiri (\$1.35) and a Harvey Wallbanger (\$1.75). A stagecoach banger was also available but I didn't notice it on the menu until I had ordered.

Help yourself

A basket of hot, garlic bread was placed on the table for us to nibble. The menu states that all meals are "served with a salad" and elsewhere, "unlimited helpings from the salad bar". Following the pattern of some other patrons, we helped ourselves to baby lima beans, potato salad, chick peas, garden salad, cole slaw, black olives, and macaroni salad, adding a drizzle of dressing from the large earthenware pots nearby. The salad bar is a stopover must for anyone professing gourmandism.

The French onion soup at \$1.25 was my companion's choice of appetizer, and she found it to be a pleasant broth with light-colored onion pieces, covered by a slightly chewy layer of cheese. I decided to try their homemade soup, being cream of tomato at 75 cents, and the flavor of this fruit and solanaceous plant was simple but tasty.

Surrounded by stagecoach symbols, I was compelled to order the Wells Fargo cut of prime ribs of beef at \$10.50, and my choice proved to be a wise one. The generous portion filled my plate with tender beef and rugged

dining out with norm

A side dish of sour cream and butter patties was provided for a large, baked potato plus a small serving of green peas. Truly, one of the better meals I've enjoyed as of late.

Delicious "From the open ocean" part of the menu, my companion selected surf and turf at \$10.50, which she found quite delicious. One tender piece of young lobster was perched delicately on top of its prehistoric looking shell. A candle kept the drawn butter warm for dunking chunks of lobster. The steak was not the filet mignon often served with this fare, but nevertheless a tender, charcoaled slice of meat, served medium as requested. Her choice of potatoes was french fried.

A half bottle of Prince de Galles French rose wine at \$5.75, was just perfect for the meal. Served slightly chilled and at the appropriate time.

At this point, you would think we had partaken sufficiently, but we succumbed to the temptation of dessert.

Cheese Cake at \$1.50 for the lady and apple pie at 75 cents for me.

The pie was substantial and pleasant tasting, although not served "hot" as advertised.

We both enjoyed a cup of tea but were disappointed that the small teapots didn't give us two

cups each. Chimes from a wall-mounted school clock heralded the hour of 8 p.m. as we finished.

Bill for two was \$34.90 plus \$3.51 tax and a \$3 gratuity, for a total of \$41.41.

Oh Canada

"If we could only sing the song of unity, then we could all be living here in harmony."



Sandy Michaels... united we stand

That's the way 17-year-old Sandy Michaels of 368 Alper St. in Richmond Hill, looks at it anyway, and that's why she's put it all down in words and music.

Along with Lenny Blum of Toronto, she has written and recorded The Song of Unity, both a plea and

a paean for a united Canada.

Sandy, a graduate of Bayview secondary school, has also written another song, which will be featured on the other side, called Freddie — There'll never be another you.

Chico's song The song is a tribute to the late Freddie Prinz of TV's Chico and the Man. Prinz committed suicide earlier in the year.

It's the first venture into song writing for Sandy, who plans to make singing her career.

The album, which will be out this week, was produced by her vocal coach, Art Snider, of Sound Canada, and will be available in The Record Shop in Richmond Heights Plaza.

In her recording, Sandy not only talks unity, but practices it, too, singing the middle verse in French.

Muggy weather shouldn't spoil your pleasures

If the weather's a bit too muggy for standing on your head on your skateboards, and other youthful pleasures, you might head for Richmond Hill public library any afternoon or morning.

Wednesday afternoon, especially. For that's when the library holds its story hour at 2 o'clock. Children's librarian Anna Marchione conducts the session, assisted by films and a session in simple crafts.

That's every Wednesday afternoon. In between, the library's available for what all libraries are available for: books, books, books.

the reading of which also provide a pretty good

pastime for a summer day.

Puppet show
August 3 at 2 p.m., the library will present a puppet show, as part of its summer program.

Taking part will be three students, Ronaldo Jones and Diane Bingham of Richmond Hill, and Heather Mulder of Brampton. Miss Jones will also be

taking part in The Real Inspector Hound at the Curtain Club, Aug. 10-13. The play is the finale to a summer acting workshop conducted by Dave Phillips of Richmond Hill. Admission to the puppet show is free, but is limited to 150 people. Tickets will be picked up at the library beforehand.



Anna Marchione... children's hour

Calendar

Puppet Show — Richmond Hill public library; Aug. 3, 2 p.m. Admission free. Story hour every Wednesday afternoon at 2 at library.

Mill Pond — Ron Rully Quintette, Toronto; 7:30 p.m. Aug. 3. Presented by town recreation department.

Red Barn Theatre, Jackson's Point — The Last of the Red Hot Lovers, Neil Simon's comedy about a born loser who tries to cash in on the sexual revolution; to July 30. Call 722-3741.

C.W. Jeffrey and Franz Johnston — a selection of works - on loan from the Canadian War Museum - by these two great artists; at Fort York to Dec. 31. Jeffreys also has exhibition of drawings, water colors and oil paintings at the Art Gallery of Ontario.



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