

Community

Caribbean Festival coming June 7

The sun will shine brightly at the Recreation Centre June 7, no matter what the weather is like outside.

That's the date of the fourth annual Caribbean Festival, a celebration of the music, dance, culture and food of the islands sponsored by Christ Church Anglican. "We have changed our focus a little bit as a result of feedback from the community," explained organizer John Hall. Although cultural presentations will still be featured, the main emphasis will be on music and dancing, he said. "We will be having The Amazing

Tunka, who has performed for many audiences including Canadian prime ministers, Hollywood stars and a president of the United States."

Tunka's repertoire includes a spectacular display of fire-eating, limbo dancing and a performance on a bed of spikes - this venerable entertainer proved to be a highlight of last year's festival. Festival-goers will also enjoy a preview of some of the stunning costumes which will be featured in Toronto's Caribana '97. "The support we have had from the town council, the business community and resi-

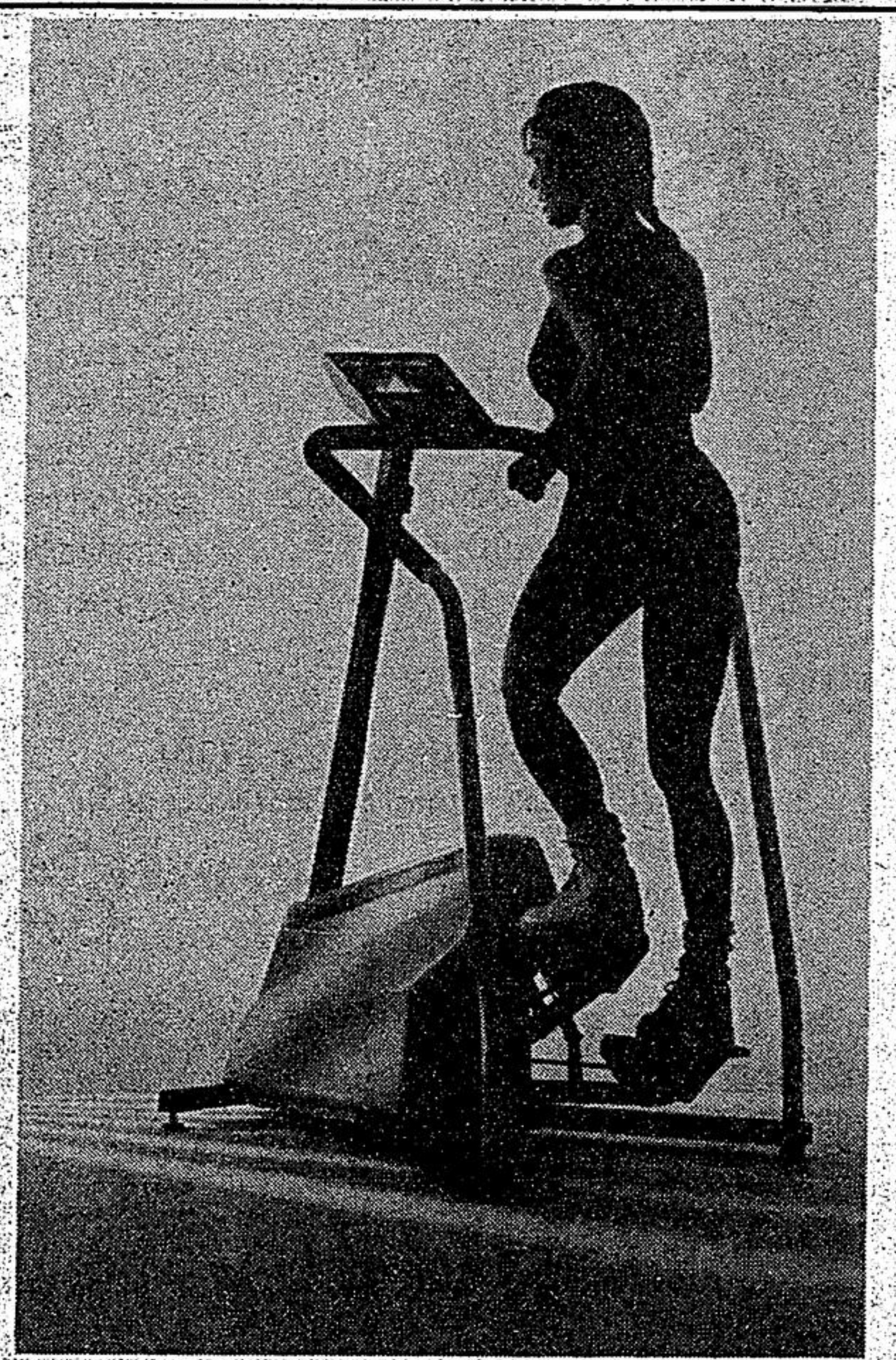
dents has been tremendous," Hall noted. "We want to show our culture and let people know we have something to offer and the response from everyone since we started the festival has been very gratifying." A silent auction will be held during the evening and donations of new items are welcome, he said. Tickets for the festival are \$35, which includes a delicious Caribbean meal, with both mild and spicy dishes to suit all tastes. "We'll have the steel band playing a couple of classical tunes as well as traditional music." For more information call 640-1461.

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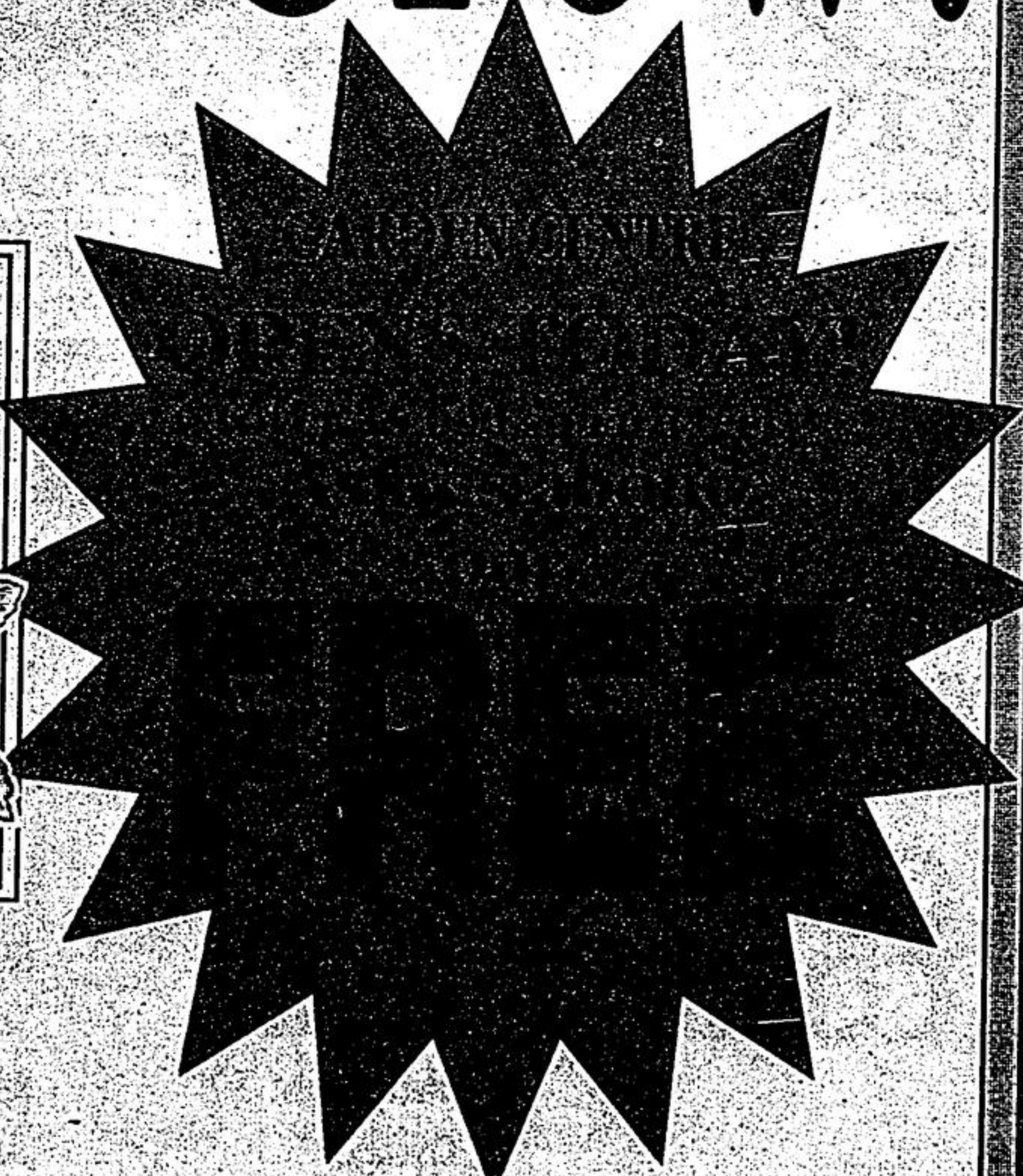
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