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## Blithe Spirit in rehearsal

by Jacky Willows

'Blithe Spirit' was produced at the Opera-House, Manchester on June 18th, 1941 and then played at the Piccadilly Theatre, London on July 2nd, 1941. Some well known names appear in the cast of characters for that particular production, for instance, Fay Compton as Ruth; Cecil Parker as Charles; and Margaret Rutherford as Madame Arcati.

Georgetown Little Theatre brings their version of this production to John Elliott Theatre staged, as it was written, by Noel Coward, in the 1930s.

If you enjoyed "The Lion In Winter' last season you will be well aware of the talent Florence O'Connor (Queen Eleanor) brings to her role as Madame Arcati. Director Ron Hunt and Florence have turned this role into quite an extraordinary character.

Edith the maid, although not on stage throughout, is an integral part of the plot. Edith is portrayed by Fern Slawson who has been a member of G.L.T. since 1981.

Opening night is October 19 and the play continues on the 20, 24, 25, 28 and 27. Tickets may be ordered by telephoning 877-3700. The Box Office at the John Elliott Theatre

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### Award winner joins GLT cast

The set for Georgetown Little Theatre production of 'Blithe Spirit' was designed by David Clifton and construction of the more intricate parts of the set will begin this weekend under his direction. He will also serve as stage manager.

Patrons will see another new face on stage at the John Elliott Theatre with the appearance of Margi Gibson as Violet Bradman, the doctor's wife. Dr. Bradman, (Ed. Arcuri), and his wife join the Condomines for dinner which is to be followed by anextraordinary entertainment.

New to the John Elliott Theatre and GLT, Margi, but to the stage she is not. Before joining the GLT Margi was an active member of the Woodstock Little Theatre acting and helping in all kinds of back stage work. She also worked as secretary on the Woodstock Little Theatre's executive.

She has appeared in such production as 'Plaza Suite', 'How The Other Half Loves' and 'Hand That Cradles the Rock! In 'Mumberly Inheritance' her role as Dottle won her best supporting actress. In 'How The Other Half Loves', her part as the younger wife yet again won her best supporting acress. She has been nominated twice as best actress-as Ethel in 'Ovelaid' and Anne the teacher in 'Helen Keller'.

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The mirth and satire of the well-known Second City comedy group comes to John Elliott theatre Friday, October 12 at 8 p.m. For reserved tickets costing \$9, call the recreation office 877-5185, extension 260.



If you are female, between the ages of 12 and 46 and live in the Hornby area you are likely to know Ella Patterson.



Leading more than 450 4-H Club meetings in the past 25 years makes Mrs. Patterson the longest serving leader in the organization's history in Halton.

Like most leaders, she became involved while her daughter Joanne was a member. The homemaking club leader was

retiring and as her daughter "enjoyed it so much" Mrs. Patterson somewhat reluct antly of fered her time.

She was at the time and still is a member of Hornby Women's Institute, the group responsible for providing leaders. Someone at a WI meeting suggested Mrs. Patterson lead the 4-H Club and after a two-day training course she had the job.

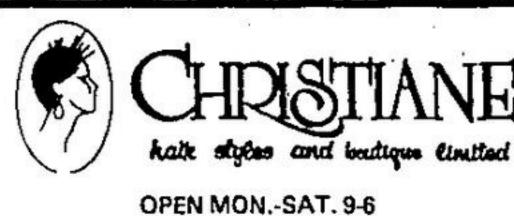
The feather-weight sewing machine purchased for that first club still accompanies the leader to meetings. Hundreds of young women have learned numerous sewing techniques on the 25-hear-old machine.

"I have never missed a training school and only one achievement day," recalls Mrs. Patterson.

Prior to every three-month session leaders participate in training programs sponsored by the Ministry of Agriculture and food.

The clubs operate under the guidance of the ministry's home economist. Donna Sunter, who currently holds that position in Peel and Halton Regions noted it is rare for someone to continue in the organization as long as Mrs. Patterson.

"Most leaders come into it because they have a daughter involved and they stay involved as long as the child is," said Mrs.



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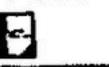
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