



The Cantante Singers made their debut appearance Sunday afternoon at St. John's United Church. The singers entertained the audience with such songs as "What the World Needs Now", "Swinging Shepherd Blues" and "Send in the Clowns". The Cantante Singers are under the direction of A. Dale Wood.

Cantante's renditions highlight church fest

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"Swinging Shepherd Blues" followed with flute solo by Cathy McGowan lifting the spirits of the audience as the swinging tune put all in a buoyant mood. The chorus

took pleasure in singing this piece and the alto section had a mature depth. Cathy on flute finished the piece with a syncopated melody over the choir which had a light touch. The next piece "The Nightingale" was a delicate, haunting

melody, obviously well rehearsed and sung with great feeling and interesting shading. Control on the quiet passages and precise diction was noted in this rendition. In beautiful, balanced harmony the choir sang "Sing a Rainbow" and drew attention to a sweet soprano line as well as the altos rendering a good, round tone.

The second portion of the programme opened with a medley from "Hair" wherein the sopranos were required to soar to high notes and did so with true tones while the altos complemented them, creating ringing chords throughout the medley. The young singers had a natural feeling for this modern selection. The choir was convincing as it had command of the rhythm and melodious line of the music.

A solo followed Janine Prouse who sang "Weekend in New England". Janine has a pleasing performance voice which was complemented by the choral background. Janine sang with confidence and the Broadway musical companies in neighboring areas will, no doubt, cast an interested look her way.

The song "You've Got a Friend" was sung by the choir in a rhythmic stride in three-part harmony. The piano accompaniment by director Dale Wood was tremendous, giving the girls every support required.

Susie Kelly sang a solo, "You Light Up My Life", in a clear well projected voice. She sang with effective expression and her diction was well understood. Her high notes were supported well with power and control.

The choral number "The Water is Wide" was rendered with gentle awareness of the beautiful melody while a ripping accompaniment made the wide expanse of water very real to the audience. A flute trio followed entitled "Flocks in Pasture" played by Cathy McGowan, Judy Maestus and Barb Trevisanus, a trio which plays together in the music programme at Georgetown high school. Perhaps these three young musicians will be an inspiration to others to take up woodwind instruments, in fact, any musical instrument. Well done, girls!

"Send in the Clowns" was sung by the choir with the alto section shining through in melodic tones. The beautiful blend and control singing S-s was appreciated. This being a very sophisticated, modern piece, the choir deserves praise for rendering it with mature artistry.

A lovely, light, frothy piece entitled "Windy" allowed the young voices to fully relate to this piece with a great deal of expression and excellent diction. The final rendition was "Over the Rainbow", a perfect vehicle for young voices to permeate the air with sweet, true, clear, musical tones which the Cantante Singers

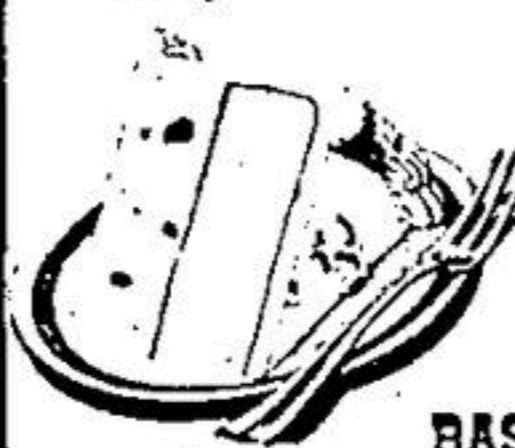
Sweet Adelines compete

On April 19 in Syracuse, New York, the Mississauga City Sweet Adelines participated in the regional 16 competition. There were 20 choruses competing. Mississauga was jubilant in retaining fifth place. They have a new director since competing last year, and have just finished a new show that ran two nights, March 30 and 31. After that, they worked on two songs for competition. Mississauga has a membership of 140 women who meet every Tuesday evening in the auditorium at Square One at 7:30 p.m. Local members are Angie Ogden and Mary Knowles of Acton, and Marion Miles, Pat Taylor, Hazel Gorin and Edna Turnbull of Georgetown.



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By ENID WILLIAMS

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DEAR LIAR tickets still available for May 7, 9, 10 this week. Curtain, 8:30 p.m., at Knox Church hall. Information, 877-0702 or drop in The Hot Bed on Mill Street. Nornic Studio Productions debuted as a semi-pro theatre company in Halton Hills. "Dear Liar" will be available as a package for tour and negotiations are in process to mount the production elsewhere.

Spring into action and plan to take in "HOLIDAY IN SPRING", a concert by Georgetown Choral Society. A special FREE performance for senior citizens will take place at Holy Cross Church May 9, a performance at Acton May 10 at McKenzie-Smith Middle School and back to Georgetown at Holy Cross Church May 11. All performances 8 p.m. A very inexpensive holiday, book your tickets for an early flight. 877-3474.



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CREATIVE SPRING May 17 at Knox Church hall 7 p.m. Drama and jazz dance students of NORNIC STUDIO perform for parents and friends. Registrations for September accepted now warranting a discount. Highland dance classes begin September. Our brochure for 1980-81 is now available. Information 877-0702.

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University Women's Club knows how to beat inflation! A book sale is scheduled for May 24 at Knox Church Hall. This is a chance to expand your library without hurting your pocket book.

The week of May 26 opens an ART SHOW at Georgetown High School exhibiting art work by students from grade 9 to grade 13. Through the arts programme implemented by teachers, Mr. McDonald, Mrs. Ridley and Mr. Mathe, the students develop skill, knowledge, and artistic ability. Further information in this column next week.

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