

"Tortured" mercilessly by Catherine the Great (Dorean Boss), Captain Edstaston (Neville Worsnop), left, is forced to agree with certain snippets of Voltaire's philosophy as Nornic Studio, Georgetown's Little Theatre and other talented actors

performed G.B. Shaw's "Great Catherine" Friday and Saturday nights in the Holy Cross Church Hall. Directed by Bev Nicholas, the one act comedy was enthusiastically received by its

Shaw's comedy

French philosopher Voltaire.

Rescued by his wife, Claire, haughtily portrayed

by Joyce Holland, Edstaston

is plunged into one more

dilemna: he must convince

his wife that he is being

tortured, and not willingly

seduced and regain his self-

esteem as a visiting soldier

in the court of Russian czar-

As the play ends, the cap-

tain has turned the tables on

Catherine, skillfully chiding

her for not finding a husband

and warning her of the dan-

gers of her age. No lessons

are learned, however, and as

the lights dim, Edstaston

remains the stuffy and sober-

minded army officer and the

court of Catherine the Great

continues its radical, courtly

Supporting roles by Mar-

garet Eggleton as Varinka,

Patiomkin's foxy cousin, and

by John Smedley as Narysh-

kin, Catherine's first officer

of assorted fools, helped car-

ry the comedy of the play, foiling some of the weaker

lines of the main characters.

formed well in a short role as

the aging and frazzled prin-

cess Dashkoff. John Day, as

the Serjeant, Gerry Eggleton

and Harry Van Spronsen as

the keystone cossacks bumb-

led convincingly on stage and

ladies-in-waiting Carol Bee-

ney and Angela Tucker add-

ed an extra touch of class to

row, Albert and Margaret

Dewdney.

round out the cast. .

Marie Cleaton also per-

Enthusiastic

response to

By CHRIS AAGAARD

Herald Staft Writer

among Halton Hills' theatri-

cal talents joined forces Fri-

day and Saturday night for a

presentation of George Ber-

nard Shaw's "Great Cather-

ine" that highlighted the Arts

Council's fourth annual Sum-

Directed by Bev Nicholas,

the play was enthusiastically

received by an audience that

lapped up Neville Worsnop's

hilaricus performance as

Captain Edstaston, the be-

leaguered, stuffy English ar-

my man who finds himself

coals of Queen Catherine's

decadent 18th century Rus-

Joe Delguidice was de-

lightful as the drunken bom-

bard Prince Patlomkin, who

attempts to capture forever the right-minded Edstaston and enslave him to Cather-

ine's wanton purposes and

Dorean Boss turned in a

fine performance as the deep

voiced lynx, Catherine, who

has the already happily mar-ried Edstaston captured and

bound and thrown before her

feet in the antercom of the

palace at St. Petersburg. There, the good captain is

mercilessly "tortured" -

tickled to the point of agree-

ing with a number of liber-

tarian points on the status of

women, as outlined by the

Sales of seat plaques for

the town's new library-thea-

tre complex have now passed

the halfway mark, according

to the Georgetown Little

Theatre, which is operating this unique fund-raising ef-

With 142 of the comme-

morative plaques sold, the

group has raised about

\$17,000 thus far in its bid to

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The "cream of the crop"

(Herald photo)

HALTON HILLS ARTS COUNCIL Summerfest a big success

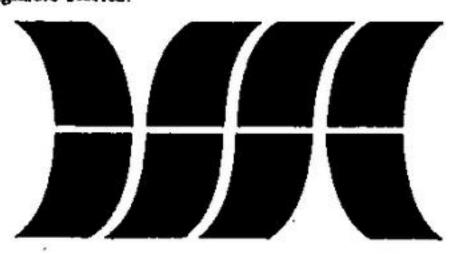
By ENID WILLIAMS Halton Hills Arts Council scored another big success with its SUMMERFEST '80 Festival of the Arts.

Saturday was perfect, as the sun shone and warm breezes teased and rustled the leaves of the trees at Cedarvale Park, a good choice for the exhibition.

Arts and crafts displayed were varied and more selective over other years, which gave the viewer scope and offered quality.

Some of the local artisans included Albert Dewdney, who showed his skills at making stained glass hangings; Gretchen Day with her beautiful collection of watercolors; Ron Warnock working in oils on the site; Bob Law, who showed pen and pencil sketches and some work in oils; Charis Pottery showed a choice collection of their work; Linda Roe displayed her skill at rug hooking; wood carvings in interesting pieces by Harrington Hand Crafts in Glen Williams, and others which showed good taste and artistic craftsmanship. Art work by Georgetown District High School students was a varied and colorful collection, and indication of great things to come from the young members of this community.

The performing arts events during the day were entertaining, light-hearted and very much appreciated. The P.A. system was handled well by Greg Cazaban. Jim Broughton, co-ordinator of the performing arts at Cedarvale, did a magnificent job. Not only is he a good organizer, but also an entertaining guitar player and vocalist who concentrates on folk music and tells some laughable stories.



Children and adults alike enjoyed the hayrides from Cedarvale to Ploneer Days downtown.

The two evening performances presented as a Halton Hills Arts Council production, directed and co-ordinated by Bev Nicholas, drew reasonable audiences. The one act play "Great Catherine", by George Bernard Shaw, was successful.

Sterling performances by Dorean Boss and Joe Delguidice, in their respective roles of Catherine and Patlomkin, supported by excellent portrayals by Neville Worsnop, Joyce Holland, Margaret Eggleton, Marie Cleaton, John Smedley, Harry Van Spronsen, Gerry Eggleton, John Day, Angela Tucker and Carol Beeney pleased the audience.

The backstage crew included Mike Jackson, stage manager; Mike Edwards on sound, Tom Johnson on lighting and assistance on set from Frank Holland, Jack Ferguson, Sid Nicholas as well as members of the crew and cast. Costume Design by Marie Cleaton was outstanding and very frugally co-ordinated.

The Cantante Singers, directed by Dale Wood, once again thrilled the audience with expert choral blend and pure tones. The repertoire was light, pleasing and complemented the young voices singing beautifully. The piano solo by Nancy Keslick and the voice solo by Brenda Archer delighted the audience, both girls having a lot of promise.

The cultural content of this programme was three-dimensional, with the inclusion of poetry readings on the theme "Love Is". Readers were Joyce Holland, Joe Delguidice, Vera Macdonald, Bev Nicholas and Enid

Williams, who read international love poems, The Arts Council succeeded in offering a cultural evening of entertainment. Those present enjoyed the bar

facilities provided by Howard Chase and his assistants, as well as the friendly banter over the bar. On display was the progress chart of fund-raising by Georgetown Little Theatre and the plan for the proposed cultural centre for Halton Hills.

COUNTRY GALLERY at Terra Colta, operated by Pat Bell, will have an ANNUAL SUMMER GARDEN SALE July 5 and 6 from noon to dusk. Mark these dates on your calendar and enjoy meandering in the beart of Terra Cotta's

artistic community. After visiting COUNTRY GALLERY, you could include a visit to THE FORGE Summer Gallery collection of artists; THE CRAFT BARN showing arts and crafts and Vivian Hunter's TIBETAN ART AND RUG COLLECTION

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In the next column we will also relate to you the results of the juried art show as part of the SUMMERFEST

Alice lost in Oz in Pineview play

Students from Pineview Public School undertook an ambitious project and pulled it off very well when they presented an operetta entitled "Alice in Oz" to delighted audiences last Wednesday and Thursday.

In "Alice in Oz", Alice for Wonderland (anie) finds herself in Oz, where everyone mistakes her for Dorothy. She meets the Wizard of Oz, who has a broken wand, and the Mad Hatter, the Marching Hare and the Cheshire Kittycat. The Wicked Witch of the West tries to "take care" of everyone, but the magic of the "broken" wand is too powerful

for her. However, the Wicked Witch of the West does manage to put everyone to sleep. Tweedle, Dec and Doubt come along and help free the heroes and heroines, and Alice finds the Emerald City and a way back to Wonderland.

Alice was played by Lisa Mullins on Wednesday and Sandra Heaton on Thursday. The Wizard of Oz was played by Peter Stabins and Jody Klymak. The Mad Hatter was played by Barry Rafka and Chris Gillard. The Marching Hare was played by Angela Whitlam and Lise Kipfer.

The Chesire Kittycat was

played by Janelle Lewis and Janet Kempton. Janice Lesley and Nicole Petrov played the menacing wicked witch. Lesley Phillips and Laclar Gundlack played Tweedle. Melissa Martin and Pauline Lendvay took turns as Dee, while Halle Van Wart and Alison

Amos played Doubt. The chorus of a deck of cards Included David Rus, Frank Lendvay, Bonnie Brunette, Karen Jubinville, Kyle Carlen, Tom Costein, Grant Parington, Rachael Kaulman, Michelle Amos, Ricky Barnes, Valerie Barnes, Ronald Bird, Wendy Brunelle, Richard Carman,

Raeanne Chudleigh, Michael Cooley, Colleen Cox, Scott Crocker, Kirsten Gundlack, Shonna Jones, Heather Kerr, Brigitte Liepelt, Nancy Mc-Donall, Michelle (AcDowell, Jennifer Nixon, Sharon Oldford, Kristi Petrov, Laurie Phillips, Tim Racinsky, Henny Rus, Bath Schulenberg, Heather Speck, Ginny Stewart, Jamie Stockwell, Mariene Tilstra, Tish Wilson and Karen Young.

were: Diane Graville, Alan Savege, Andrea Webb, Grant Bowler, Sharon Crocker, Alexandra Stabins, Kelly-Anne Diamond, Monica Englert, Bryan Baeumier, Tammy Semen, Krista Badluk, Michael Rosset, Patrick Matthews, Mark Costain, Danny Tonkin, Todd Jaques, Amy Leask, Tyler Brander, Carrie Walsh, Colin Woodworth, David Marshall, Laurie McDonnell, Benil Layfield, Bethany Lee, Rajan Purl, Cindy LOSS, Derek Breemhaar, Dayna Christi, Zara Dermo, Davie French, Doug Howard, Tracey MacArthur, Debby McLean, Karen Nicholis, Laura Partington and Amber

Members of the Jitterbugs Sat-Sun. - 2:00-4:15-7:10-9:45

Correction

'Catherine' a joint effort

A photo caption in last week's Herald incorrectly referred to The Great Catherine - the one-act play presented Friday and Saturday nights at Summerfest - as a Georgetown Little Theatre production. The play at Holy Cross was in fact a joint production by members of the Little Theatre, Nornic Studio for the Performing Arts and several individual contributors. The Herald regrets the error.



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