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Friday, June 4, 1982



The Cantante Singers performed a repertoire of popular songs Friday night before a full house in the John Elliott Theatre, drawing on hit tunes from Broadway, the Beatles, Barbra Streisand and others, as well as a few original numbers written by members of the group. So successful was the two-hour performance that they received a standing ovation from the audience while the singers concluded their final number for the evening, "Time to Take Our Place". The song was also the popular concluding number in the internationally-acclaimed "Up With People" tour, of which Janine Prouse and Bill Kent, special guests with the Cantante Singers, were a part.

'Thankyou for the Music' reviewed

Cantante's contemporary hits earned fans' standing ovation

By CHRIS AAGAARD
Herald Staff Writer

Immensely pleased with the performance it had just witnessed, the audience at John Elliott Theatre last Friday night rose and gave the Can-

tante Singers and special guests Janine Prouse and Bill Kent a resounding standing ovation.

The choir, under the direction of Dale Wood, deftly carried off another end-of-season success and

there was good reason for celebration.

Dipping into a deep pool of modern musical hits, most of them written in the 1960s and '70s, Mr. Wood had arranged an informal program of song for the

group. The arrangement was interspersed with pieces performed by Miss Prouse and Mr. Kent who recently returned from a world tour with the "Up With People" musical ensemble.

It wasn't a visually stimulating event at the theatre; the Cantante Singers didn't dress in costumes to dramatize songs the way the Georgetown Choral Society did for their recent "Broadway Beat". In fact, a more suitable ambience for Friday night's music might have seen the singers casually garbed and breaking into song somewhere in the green surroundings of Fairgrounds Park.

Nevertheless, the performance was relaxingly melodic. Among the old favorites were "Send In The Clowns", "Hey Jude" and "How Deep Is Your Love". Cathy McGowan's flute contribution to the Simon and Garfunkel hit "El Condor Pasa" gave the song its characteristic smoothness.

There is little doubt that Miss Prouse and Mr. Kent are seasoned performers. They had an immediate rapport with the audience and, as Mr. Kent accompanied on guitar, they sang a number of lively tunes and some moving slower pieces. The duo's harmonizing passed a musical "acid test", having the ability to send delightful ripples up the spinal chord.

"Thank you for the Music" had room for a number of solos and selections written by Cantante Singer members themselves. Dianne Collett sang her "Rainbows" composition, a mellow, nighttime-ish piece.

Jane Timleck sang a Broadway melody entitled "A Million Miles Away", also a dreamy, moonlit selection and she provided the right type of emphasis in the way she handled the song.

The "title track" of the evening, "Thank You For The Music" was sung by Brenda Archer. No stranger to stage musicals, Miss Archer delivered the song with her accustomed resilient gusto. Masterfully steering through the undulating and difficult passages of "Nobody Does It Better" was Sheila Prouse, Janine's sister.

Mr. Kent introduced some of his own writing to the audience which gobbled it up and would have screamed for more had there been time. He and Janine combined to produce razor-sharp harmony on "Real Test", Mr. Kent's song about the trials of love.

Suitably enough, the Cantante Singers, joined by Miss Prouse and Mr. Kent wrapped up the evening with "Time To Take Our Place", one of the numbers from the "Up With People" tour. The group proved once again that they have taken their own place along with the other, much-appreciated musical and theatre groups in town.

loaded with a lot of technical stuff, which people don't understand and don't care to read. They are also cartoon illustrated, so to appeal to the children.

Many of the better brochures and booklets are now available at the library - We suggest to any parent or youngster to take the time to read these. They are listed elsewhere in this paper today.

Nowhere is the slogan "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure", more true than in drug abuse awareness. If we teach our kids the hazards and the long lasting ill effects of the misuse of drugs, just as we teach them what can happen if they walk on thin ice, or cross a busy street without looking etc., then surely they won't misuse drugs, anymore than they will go out on thin ice.

It is our moral obligation to see that this information gets to our kids, long before the pushers get to them.

With this in mind we approach the local schools - for this is where the kids are every day. Many schools are hesitant to talk about drug abuse - Most say we don't have a drug problem. Great, nobody says they do and nobody wants one. You don't wait for a kid to get run over before you teach them traffic rules.

The kids' biggest problem is peer pressure. If you don't do as the group you don't belong or you are chicken. So what is wrong with being chicken - nothing - for in fact we have organized a chicken club in the grade schools of Georgetown. Any child can join for 25 cents. For this he or she will get a button, a poster and a membership card. On this card the definition of CHICKEN is laid out beautifully. It goes like this:

- Cool
- Honest
- Intelligent
- Clear headed
- Keen
- Energetic
- Not interested in drugs

It takes character to be a chicken. Anyone can be a follower and bend to peer pressure, but not everyone has the guts to be a chicken.

It all depends on your point of view; to the riff

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Acton map error 'bound to hurt'

Herald Special
The fact that Acton got left out when the latest Ontario road maps were printed may be a bit disturbing to some residents, but business improvement area chairman Ed Wood is taking it in his stride.

"What can I say?" Mr. Wood quipped. "We've been done in again. We didn't lose our identity. We've been wiped right off the map, obliterated." Then turning serious Mr. Wood said he's sure the omission will have some effect on the town.

"I'm not sure how many people will hear a Hide House advertisement, for example, then whip out a map to find out where it is and discover Acton isn't there," he said, "but it's bound to have a certain amount of effect on the business and the town."

Mr. Wood said he heard about the omission on a late radio newscast and learned that Acton is to be included in the next printing.

"I guess we'll just have to wait for Big Jim (Snow, Ontario transportation minister) to look after us."

Choosing sides, part 1

Gun control debate rages - but outside Parliament

EDITOR'S NOTE: Few public issues have been as persistent, widespread and far-reaching as has legislation governing the control of firearms. Recently, a Georgia community of 7,000 responded to anti-handgun legislation passed for the first time in North America by the municipal council of Morton Grove, Illinois. Kennesaw, Georgia's town council took exception to Morton Grove's ban on handguns and passed legislation requiring all Kennesaw citizens to own a gun and ammunition, citing concern for their safety. The Ottawa Bureau for Thomson Newspapers, including The Herald, has prepared a series of articles on our own Parliament's views on the issue.

crimes has been decreasing since the mid-1970s, prior to introduction of the control legislation.

Hunting accidents and deaths have also been declining since the late 1960s, apparently as a

result of provincially-sponsored hunter safety training programs. Continued on page 4



MAYOR QUICK ON THE DRAW

Mayor Pete Pomeroy joined Margaret Hellwell to choose winners in the Classic Paint and Wallpaper draw held as part of the business' opening day festivities. Karen Harrison, a Wilson Court, Georgetown, resident, won \$250 worth of Waldec wallpaper to claim first prize. Second prize was awarded to Guelph Street resident Julie Varricchio and consisted of a \$100 worth of Benjamin Moore Paint. Len Bunton, RR2 Georgetown, won \$100 worth of Sunworthy wallpaper and fourth prize winner J. Melkyuty of Irwin Crescent in Georgetown picked up ten rolls of Serenade Compliments and four rolls of Mayfair wallpaper.

(Photo submitted)

A mom in need

There's got to be someone out there willing to do a good deed for a mom without transportation. A Silvercreek mom needs rides twice a week for her small child to attend daycare classes either in Georgetown or Milton. The days are flexible. Any two days the volunteer driver is free. No mileage costs can be offered. If you're driving that way anyway, why not call Public Health Nurse Sandy Murphy at 877-2238 or Halton Helping Hands co-ordinator Barb Stevens at 873-1177.

Getting info to parents is drug committee's task

The many hours of research and training for the members of our Drug Abuse Committee chaired by Optimist Ray Martin who is the charter president of our club and the man responsible for bringing Optimism to Georgetown, is now really coming together.



OPTIMIST CLUB
of Georgetown

This Drug Abuse Committee is really an awareness committee. They have tediously worked for many months, getting up-to-date credited information on the ill effects of drugs - it is a big job to gather all this information - sift through it and make a program out of it and then to figure out what to do with it.

get this information to concerned parents and make them aware of what the abuse of drugs can do while they have their head in the sand. Likewise they want to educate the children about the effects drugs have on your body. To reach the parents the committee has posted information in various

retail stores around town which they rotate periodically. They have also published two brochures which are very informative and are suitable for children and adults and are available free of charge at Young's Pharmacy, the library, the medical centre and at various doctors' offices. These brochures are not



A "Herald" of a different community - this one from Buenos Aires, capital city of Argentina - proclaims that country's invasion of the Malvinas, as Argentinians call the Falkland Islands, on its April 3 front page. Terra Cotta resident Andy Foley brought several historic copies of the English-language newspaper home from his recent business trip to Argentina, comprising a daily journal of the crisis that terminated his stay.

Local man's Argentine trip aborted

British passport meant quick exit

By ANI FEDERIAN
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As the Falkland Islands conflict gets bloodier, Andy Foley of Terra Cotta has more and more reason to be glad he's no longer in

Argentina. The field service representative for Acres Davy McKee Ltd. (ADM), a Rexdale firm, had been sent to Argentina Feb. 8 to commission a water treat-

ment plant for Alto Parana, an Argentinian company in Puerto Igazu, a town of 4,000 near the Brazil border. As the political situation became graver and rela-

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LAST CHANCE TONIGHT

Spirits are still floating high and low on the Georgetown District High School (GDHS) stage. Medium Madame Arcati, played by GDHS student Cathy McGowan, will again be using her powers to draw the dead wives of a non-believing author back to cause mischief. Tonight's the last of two evening performances

being staged by the GDHS Young Players of Georgetown drama club. To catch the three-act comedy by Noel Coward, called Blythe Spirit, come early to buy tickets before the 8 p.m. show in the school cafeteria. Tickets are only \$2.

(Herald photo by Harold Bransch)