



A vocal group from Sweden called Cantamus is coming to town. Cantamus will be at St. John's United Church April 4 at 7:30 p.m. The church is located on Guelph Street in Georgetown. There is no admission fee. (Photo submitted)

## Swedish group Cantamus stops over in Georgetown

Cantamus, a ten-voice choral group from Vasteras in Sweden, will be making its first North-American appearance the end of March, which includes a stop in Georgetown. Cantamus consists of five young women and five young men in their early twenties, who specialize in the unaccompanied singing of Swedish folk tunes, classical choral music, liturgical pieces, African folk songs, Irish folk songs and contemporary music from various sources.

This is Cantamus' second tour outside Sweden since they started five years ago. In the summer of 1985, they were invited to Belfast in Ireland and participated in Cór rymela's Summerfest at Ballycastle, County Antrim.

Cantamus' goal is to make contacts and friends wherever they go, through their music. Their name simply means "we sing".

The group will perform April 4 at St. John's United Church at 7:30 p.m.

## AT THE MOVIES

### Mannequin

By DIANANN NADEAU  
Herald Special

About 4,000 years ago a girl ahead of her time appeals to the gods for help. She, a free-thinking, liberated type, is about to be married off to a camel-dung salesman. (Oh, the shame of it all). Well, doggone it, the gods listen and she ends up in 1987 Philadelphia. (Is this a blessing or a curse we must then ask ourselves).

Our hero, Jonathan Schwitzer, is a slumming sculptor who has fashioned a mannequin he considers a work of art. The boss doesn't appreciate ART and fires him. After a series of unsuitable jobs and some bizarre events, our lad is hired by a grateful department store owner (Estelle Getty, Sophia of Golden Girls, playing her a role closer to her own age), and before you know it, boy meets mannequin again.

You can imagine Jonathan's reaction when his art-work comes to life and tells him her name is Emmy. (Her nose doesn't grow though, so the resemblance to a certain wooden puppet ends there.) And poor Jonathan is in serious trouble when he discovers that he is the only one who can see Emmy alive. Yes movie fans, you can imagine the delicious complications arising from this situation. That is the trouble though, YOU can imagine it and sure enough, it's all there. Predictable is really the word I'm looking for here.

Well, enough about this original and complex plot. Mannequin stars Andrew McCarthy (Class, St. Elmo's Fire) as Jonathan. McCarthy is one of my favorites of the Brat

Pack; he has a very sweet face and very appealing looks (without appearing as tedious and insincere as Rob Lowe usually does to me). I liked him very much in this role. He carried off the silly scenes of being caught talking to, kissing and cuddling a dummy admirably. You can't help rooting for the guy.

Kim Cattrall, a Canadian actress, veteran of Porky's, plays Emmy. I had a lot more reservations about her performance. I don't know why the powers-that-be chose to die her hair from its original beautiful brown/black to a weird mousey yellow/red. I found her looks jarred me throughout the movie. My husband, I can assure you, was much less picky. Nor was I totally thrilled with her acting abilities. Oh well, it is an easy role to play woodenly (So sorry, a pun is irresistible here).

There are a number of supporting characters. There is Roxy, Jonathan's ex-girlfriend, an olive skinned beauty who works for a rival department store. She is played well by Carol Davis. G.W. Hailty plays the paranoid, paramilitary store security guard. He is funny, though a little broad. My favourite though, is Hollywood, a gay window dresser played by Munschach Taylor. Talk about broad. He's a campy delight!

Actually, despite the flippant nature of this review (what would you do with this premise?), I enjoyed the movie quite a bit. It is not going to be an Oscar contender, nor will it become a classic but it is pretty funny most of the time, so I give it somewhere between two and a half and three stars.

### Mayor speaks on his role

NORVAL, Norval Community Association held its annual meeting March 14 with president Walter Hildley in the chair.

Mayor of Halton Hills, Russell Miller, spoke, as did Vicky Baron who is the general manager of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority. Both spoke about their responsibilities while on the job.

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### Pre-Easter exhibit

From March 21 to April 9, Gallery House Sol is featuring a pre-Easter exhibition of Christian art and craft objects by Anne Boyle and Walter Sawron.

Anne Boyle is a painter, illustrator and designer who lives in Belleville, Ontario. All her works, paintings, fabric hangings, miniatures, and jewellery tell a religious story and for that reason, are suitable for exhibit now.

Both artists will be at House Sol on March 21, when their joint exhibition of pre-Easter Christian art and craft objects opens, from 2 to 6 p.m.

You can catch the exhibition Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 8 p.m. and Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 2 to 6 p.m. Admission is free.

### Painting exhibit

Two Canadian artists are sharing an exhibit at the Halton Hills Library-Cultural Centre gallery from March 31 - April 18.

One of the artists is former Georgetown resident Debbie Donald, a quadriplegic who was injured in a diving accident many years ago.

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### Spring celebration in song and spirit

Excitement is running high among the members of the Georgetown Choral Society as they concentrate on the music which has been selected for their next concert. Rehearsals are now well underway, and the potential audience can be assured an evening of top quality choral singing.

Following the "sell-out" success of their Hearts and Roses concert last month, the choir returns in a more serious vein to delight and entertain their Georgetown fans.

Aply titled Spring Celebration, the concert will be held April 26 at the Holy Cross Church, Georgetown, beginning at 8 p.m. Tickets are available from any choir member, or from Oxbow Books on Main Street, Georgetown. They are priced at \$6 each (\$5 for Seniors and students.)

The program will include several well-known anthems, among them, some which are often considered too difficult for the average Church choir, but which under the baton of A. Dale Wood, have been mastered by the singers of the Georgetown Choral Society.

The lovely Arnold arrangement of The Holy City, a perennial favourite of choirs and audiences around the world, will be on the program, as

well as Malotte's The Lord's Prayer and Thomas Matthews' lesser known, yet nonetheless beautiful, setting of The Lord is my Shepherd.

A change of tempo will bring the audience several Spirituals, such as Dale Wood's own arrangement of Deep River and one of the choir's own favourites, Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho.

For more information on this concert, or on membership in the Georgetown Choral Society, call 877-5831.

### Appleyard concert

Peter Appleyard is in concert again in North Halton. The popular entertainer will be at St. Paul's United Church in Milton March 27 for a charity event.

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