Entertainment Outlook

Really big shew — just for you!

By MELANIE NIXON Outlook Special

The Hills are alive with the sound of musici That's not all. They're also bursting with drama, dance, creative storytelling... in fact, the whole range of fine arts. It would be no exaggeration to say that ours is a community with 'art'!

Where would a community be without the pleasure and stimulation of the arts? And where would the arts be without the appreciation and participation of the community? In recognition of this interdependence, Halton Hills (Georgetown) will be hosting another arts featival at the Cultural Centre this year, and a

warm invitation is extended to YOU to join us in this community celebra-

Arts Alive '88 will run from May 1 to 7, and is similar in concept to the Festival Five event of 1986, which proved a grand success. This year. some alterations and additions have been incorporated into the Festival

Five format, and the program of scheduled events for Arts Alive '88 has been designed to appeal to the interests of every age group, from little ones to senior citizens.

The proceeds from Arts Alive '88 will go towards the advancement and improvement of the Halton Hills Library and Cultural Centre, so that our community may not only gain greater benefit from it, but that our collective pride may be further justified in possessing such an im-pressive institution for the promotion and preservation of this vital aspect of community life - the cultural arts.

Why not demonstrate your support of our creative community by lending your presence to one or more of Arts Alive 88s colorful events?

The festival kicks off on May I with "Remembering Ralph - A Classical Brunch", in memory of the late Ralph Ursel. A delivious altdown brunch will be served in the gallery, to be followed by the sweet strains of harp/flute duo "Divertimento" in concert.

May 2 and 3 sees some action for the four- to eight-year-olds. Waterwood Productions Inc. will be presenting "Mouse Tales", a 'funtastic' blend of puppetry, mime and music, with a morning and afternoon show on both days. The children are encouraged to participate in the question and answer periods which accompany each show, and the enthusiastic reviews which have trailed this production give it a weighty recommendation.

Wednesday May 4 features a luncheon meeting in the Cultural Centre gallery. "Business and the Arts" will be of interest to those who are concerned about community support of the arts, and a speaker will be addressing this subject.

On Wednesday and Thursday (May 4 and 5), our local schools will be parading their diverse talents for your enjoyment. Several schools have pitched in to exhibit their cache of creativity, so you can't miss this preview of future artists!

May 6. Scheduled for the entertainment segment is George Mitchell. . On the evening of May 6, local

For Halton's cherished seniors,

there will be a free afternoon tea

with entertainment in the gallery on

music and theatre groups will be staging a dazzling potpourti of choral, instrumental, dramatic and choreographic numbers in the John Elliott Theatre. Refreshments will be served in the gallery after the performance, to regain your energy spent in laughing, clapping and toe-tapping throughout "The Entertainers"!

Saturday May 7 bids a fond farewell to the arts festival till next

For the curious and aesthetic, there is offered a fascinating presentation of displays and demonstrations in the Cultural Centre gallery between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. "Artists in Residence" features engraver and bookwright Gerard Brender a Brandis, and waterfolorists, Lynn Barratt-Cowan. There is no admission charge.

In the evening, the festival wraps up with a zesty taste of hospitality, Cajun-style! "New Orleans Comes features exotic gastronomical delicacies in a buffet dinner held in the gallery (complete with appropriate decor and servers attired Dixieland style). For your dining pleasure, some well-known local names will treat you do musical entertainment, and then following dinner you can swing to some more good vibrations in an energetic jazz concert featuring Bryan Day and The Sensation Jazz Band, and chanteuse, Zoe Kendall, They are back by popular demand, having charmed Halton Hills with their galvanizing performances during 1966's Festival Five. For this event, tickets may be purchased separately for dinner and concert. One thing is certain - you won't want to miss both!

Well, Halton Hills, here's one "really big shew" - just for you! Entoy!

For more information on Arts Alive '88 and its related events, call 877-5185, ext. 260, 268 or 877-7915.

Plowman's euchre

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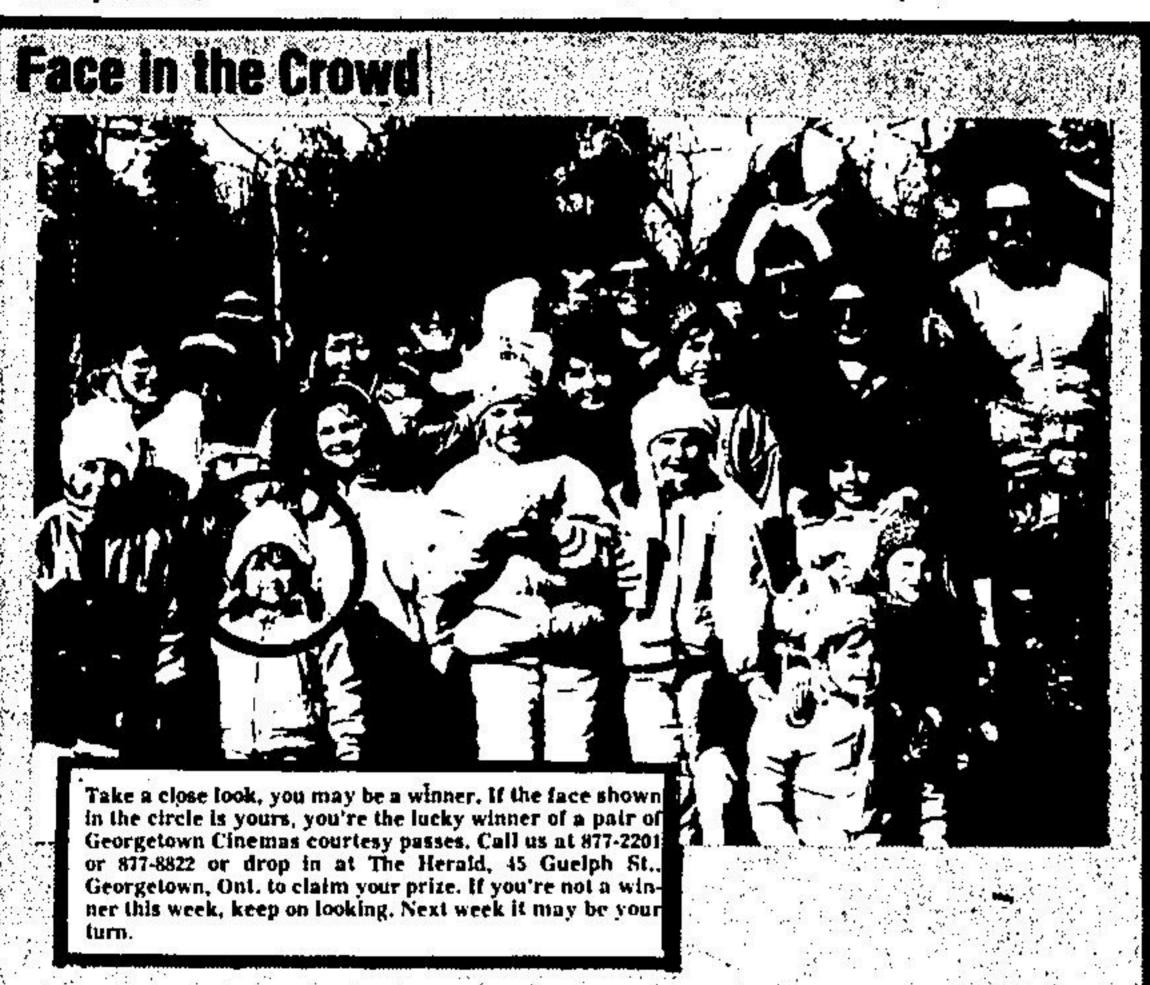
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