

WHAT'S ON

HALTON HILLS CONCERT PAYS TRIBUTE TO ARMED FORCES

The Halton Hills Concert Band is ready to present its annual tattoo-concert hybrid in honour of the armed forces this weekend.

The show, slated for Saturday, Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the John Elliott Theatre, will be unlike anything local residents have seen, says band president Roper Galloway.

"Audience members last year said it was a great show, and this year we've kicked it up with more new twists," he said.

With *Glowing Hearts: The Seventh Annual Musical Tribute to the Armed Forces*, directed by Daniela Baryla, will feature the Halton Hills Concert Band, returning guest band the Lorne Scots Pipes & Drums and massed band selections with the Georgetown Dis-



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trict High School Symphonic Band.

Inspired by the traditions of the military tattoo, the show includes a colour guard of area cadets, the 187 Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps, 676 Lorne Scots Royal Canadian Army Cadets and 756 Wild Goose Royal Canadian Air Cadets.

Those who attend will enjoy a variety of music, including classic swing, popular movie music and a medley of Scottish, Irish and Cape Breton fiddle music from the Heather and James Duo.

There'll also be a performance of the Broadway hit *Singin' In The Rain* with

guest dancers from the Center Stage School of the Arts putting their spin on the classic Gene Kelly scene.

Complimentary refreshments will be provided at intermission by the Ladies Auxiliary of Legion Branch 120. Tickets cost \$20 for adults and \$10 for students aged 13 to 17, while children 12 and under are free. They can be purchased at the John Elliott Theatre, J.V. Clothing, Miller's Scottish Bakery, by calling 905-873-6144, and from any band member. A portion of the evening's proceeds will be donated to the Bennett Centre Long Term Care.

OPINION

READER PROVIDES MORE DETAILS ON PEQUEGNAT CLOCK

This concerns a recent article about finding an Arthur Pequegnat clock in Peterborough and returning it to the descendant of the McKane family of Georgetown now living in Warton.

George Pequegnat was building clocks in his jewelry store starting in 1896, during what spare time he had. Pequegnat also had a chain of stores and imported clocks and watches.

He had been creating his own brand of clocks before briefly turning to bicycles, which he quickly gave up on, and used the factory (circa 1904) to meet the de-

mand for his own clocks, and eventually later with his son Arthur when he turned 16.

Originally, the company was simply called the Berlin Clock Company (circa 1900) but whether there are any surviving pieces is not known with any certainty.

My dad's very best friend, Rev. James Pequegnat, said the family was part of the Huguenot diaspora and, although Rev. James did not know how the family arrived in Switzerland, the family had been building clocks in Switzerland before George decided to

immigrate to Canada.

Landing in Berlin was not a surprise, as George and his wife Alfarata were fluent in German. Thus a ready market for quality clocks.

He was listed as a jeweler in the Grand Trunk Employees Timetables, in connection with maintaining the railway-approved pocket watches, Elgin or Waltham, mainly.

This is how we can logically conclude that George was working with quality clocks and watches since his arrival in 1896.

George passed in 1937 at age 80, while Alfarata passed in 1915, age 59.

I hope this helps to clarify the story of the Arthur Pequegnat Clock Company a bit further.

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