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'A Symphony of Song' takes to stage May 8

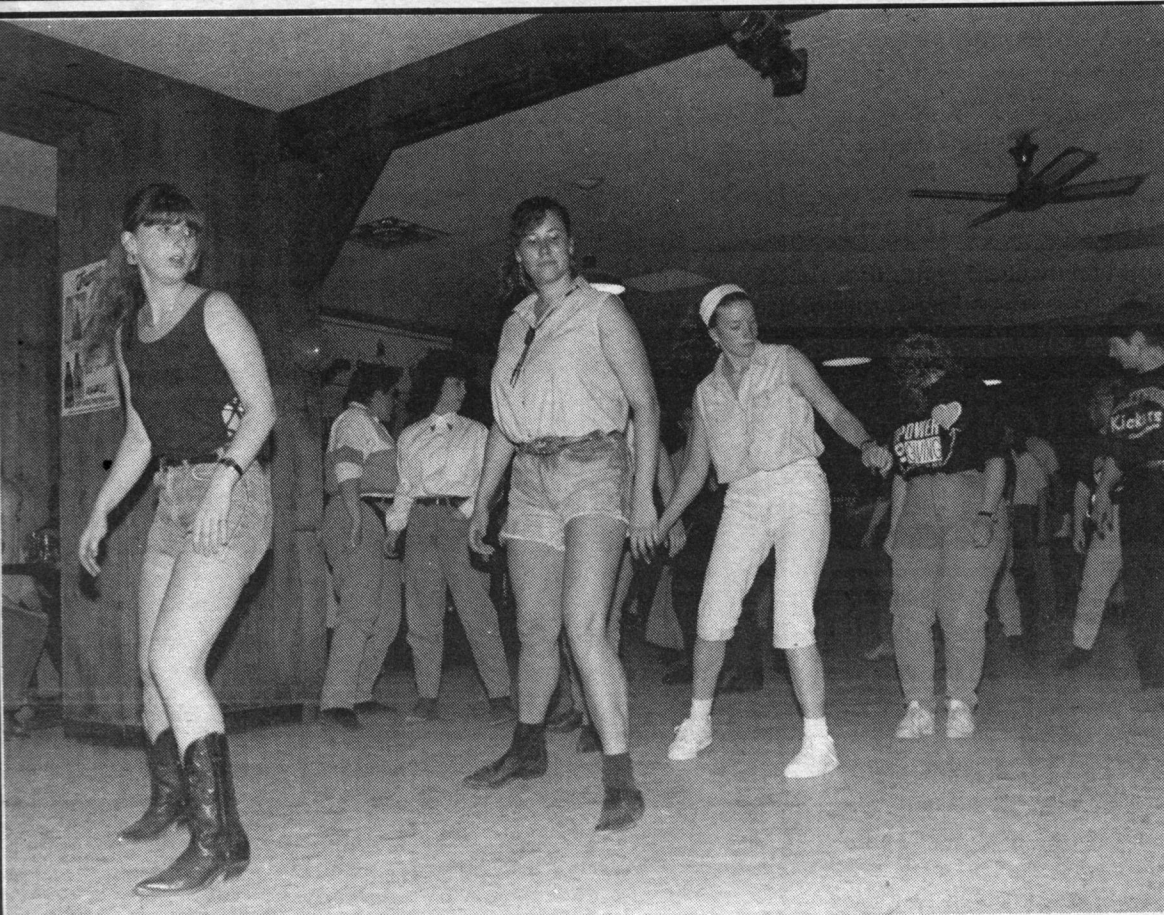
The Georgetown and Achill Choral Societies have joined forces once again to present a spring concert on May 8, 8 p.m. This year's concert is called "A Symphony of Song" and the choir will be accompanied by the Oakville Symphony. The Oakville Symphony is familiar to Halton Hills audiences as they performed here at the invitation of the University Women's Club.

Excerpts from two major works will be presented - Bach's Mass in B Minor and Brahms's Requiem.

Several lighter pieces such as They Rhythm of Life and Feller from Fortnum will round out the evening.

While the performers and the music may be familiar, the location marks a change for the choir. Mayfield Secondary School, a short drive from Georgetown, is a central point for Achill, Georgetown and Brampton choir members to meet.

Tickets for A Symphony of Song are \$10 each and are available at Oxbow Books, Main St. or from any choir member.



Norval's Hollywood Tavern was the scene last Saturday of a Country Line Dancing Challenge contest between the Hollywood Tavern's best and a crew from Loretto Inn, with money raised going to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Hollywood Tavern emerged on top, raising \$5,455, while the Loretto line dancers raised \$3,900.

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Benny and Joon is too contrived

By Dawn Wood and Lawson Oates
Special

From the promotional previews of Benny and Joon you would expect to see another kitschy teenage comedy. Expect differently.

Benny and Joon is foremost an expose of the trials and tribulations of life for those who are mentally ill and their families. This is nothing new to the big screen, but in fact, is one film in a genre that includes productions such as The Fisher King, Cybil, and One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest.

The story is about Benny (Aidan Quinn) and his mentally disabled sister, Joon (Mary Stuart Masterson). They have lived alone together since the death of their parents, but Joon's psychotic condition has posed questions regarding the suitability of her living with her brother. She has scared away numerous housekeepers and is on her way to a group home until she ironically loses a poker hand and "wins" the other player's cousin who she takes home as a "domestic engineer". Enter Johnny Depp as Sam.

Johnny Depp is Buster Keaton/Charlie Chaplin incarnate. He has mastered some of their arts and brings a lighter side to the story. He is as offbeat as Joon, and together they make an extraordinary couple.

Though Johnny Depp is the most well known actor in this movie (last major production was Edward Scissorhands), his role is limited to mostly slapstick acts. He is reported to have studied hard to mimic the routines of Keaton and Chaplin, the role models his character internalizes. The investment has definitely paid off.

Movie Review

The performances of Masterson and Quinn are much more dramatic and serious roles. She bears the pressures of Quinn's paternalistic, over-protective love for her and his selflessness. Under this pressure she rebels within the constraints of her disability.

This movie is fun to watch, but is too contrived in its plot and unrealistic in its resolution. These are not major offenses in themselves, but are definitely not issues in a comedy.

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for the week of May 1st to May 7th

Saturday May 1st OPEN HOUSE(Studio)	Thursday
10:00 a.m. Live and Taped programs to 5p.m.	5:30 Religion 6:00 Community Calendar 6:30 Change on Life 7:00 Sportszone 7:30 Focus on Europe 8:00 Germany Live
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