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YOUR GUIDE TO WHAT'S ON IN HALTON

film review

By LAURA COOK

Are we there yet?

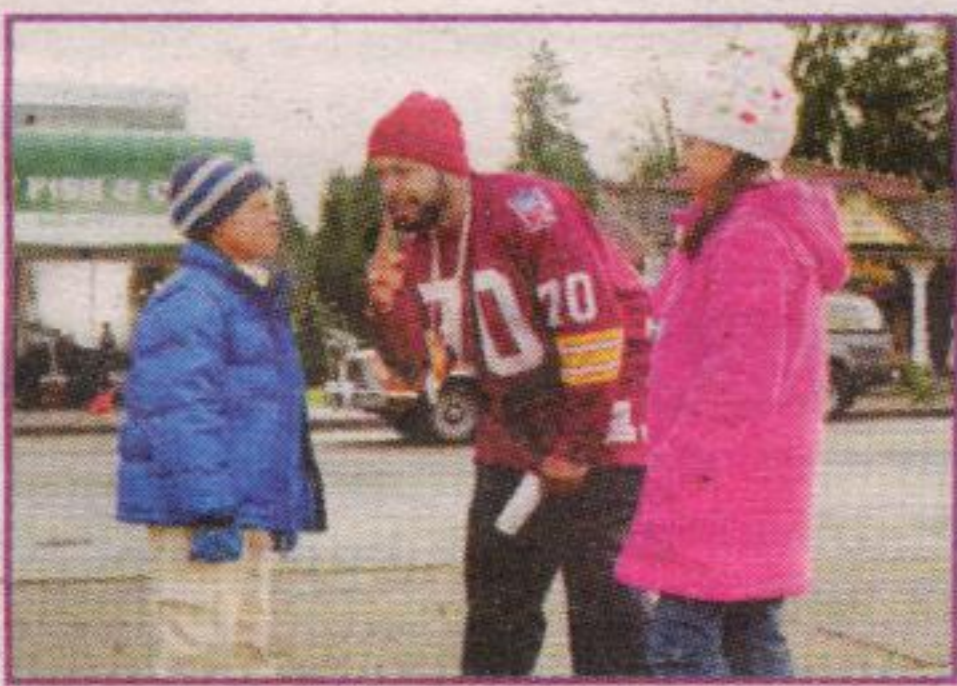


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Everyone has heard the expression in dating that nobody is good enough for my son or daughter. There are tons of hilarious films out there about the horrible father or mother who terrorizes their children's dates only to realize that they have to let them grow up and be their own person... but what happens when the parent starts dating and the kids don't approve? *Are We There Yet* is the sidesplitting comedy that tells audiences the story of a bombshell divorcee Suzanne (played by Nia Long) whose children become a little too overprotective of their mother on the dating scene.

Encouraged by a friend at work, Nick (Ice Cube) notices the beautiful Suzanne working across the street from his sports collectible shop and tries to get a date with her on the spot. While their romance does not exactly flourish from the beginning, Nick befriends Suzanne and her children and eventually offers to help her get her children to Vancouver where she is on assignment working. What Nick does not realize however, is that Suzanne's children Lindsey and Kevin, think that nobody is good enough for their mother and take every chance they get to let him know that he is unwelcome.

Throughout the film there are several comedic sketches that play on physical humour reminiscent of the *Home Alone* films from the nineties. For Nick and his brand new Lincoln Navigator, these sketches become a series of unfortunate events that eventually end in the demise of his vehicle. The resulting story is a comical film full of laughs for both parents and children alike. Although in some Ontario theatres the film is rated G, meaning that it is appropriate for all audiences, the MPAA rating for the film is PG (Parental Guidance recommended) because of some language issues and crude humour. If you can get past the crude slapstick style, you'll find this film a refreshing story of what it means to be a family in present day society.



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Mel Collie, one of the entertainers appearing at Erin Arts Foundation's fourth annual dinner theatre, enjoys playing old George Formby favourites on his banjo.

Footlights Follies promises to be a fast-paced variety show

By JENNIFER ENRIGHT

The Erin Arts Foundation is hosting its fourth annual dinner theatre to raise money to sponsor live entertainment in Erin and to support the Foundation's programs for children and youth.

The show, entitled *Footlight Follies: Let's All go to the Music Hall*, begins after 7 pm. at the Erin Legion on February 19. Dinner, which includes a cash bar, will be served from 6 p.m. until 7 pm.

Organizers say the production is a fast-paced variety show "filled with music, song, stand-up, and comedy sketches" that's in the tradition of olde tyme music hall and vaudeville. Sandy Faux, a Canadian jazz vocalist, will sing standard ballads and blues. And there will be other performers, including Banjo Man Mel Collie, known for entertaining audiences with his mixture of stand-up comedy and music, as well as

ventriloquist and comedian Jo Hubbard (with her dragon companion Dai), and Nick Holmes and Neville Worsnop, two local performers known for their comedy sketches and running gags.

Tickets are \$55 each or \$520 for a table of 10. A tax receipt of \$25 will be issued for each ticket. Reservations should be made for all seats and tables. To purchase tickets, call the box office at 519-855-4586.

The Erin Arts Foundation is a charitable organization that supports both professional and amateur performers in Erin. For more information on the Foundation, log onto the website www.erinlivetheatre.com. If you would like to become a volunteer with the Foundation, contact Barb Perkins at 519-833-6810.

MCP to hold Valentine concert

By JENNIFER ENRIGHT

Milton Concert Presentations (MCP) will be holding a Valentine's concert on February 11 at St. Paul's United Church in Milton.

The concert, which begins at 8 pm, will feature music by *Ensemble Vivant*, a

group known for its performances of both traditional and more modern classical music. The group, which includes Sharon Prater (cello), Adele Armin (violin) and artistic director Catherine Wilson (piano), has performed in both

North America and Europe.

To purchase tickets for the concert, contact Sandra Kenzie at 905-878-4732.

St. Paul's United Church is located at 123 Main St. E. in Milton.

Top 10 Rentals

THE MAGIC OF THE MOVIES AT HOME

This week's Top Ten Movie Rentals brought to you by

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1 Ray	6 The Forgotten
2 The Grudge	7 Cellular
3 Alien vs Predator	8 Without a Paddle
4 Shall we dance?	9 Friday Night Lights
5 Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow	10 The Village

New Releases

Ray

Cast: Jamie Foxx, Regina King, Kerry Washington, Clifton Powell, Harry J. Lennix, Terrence Dashon Howard, Larenz Tate, Richard Schiff, Elizabeth Omilami, David Krumholtz

Born in a poor town in Georgia, Ray Charles went blind at the age of seven shortly after witnessing his younger brother's accidental death. Inspired by a fiercely independent mother who insisted he make...

The Grudge

Cast: Sarah Michelle Gellar, Jason Behr, Clea Duvall, William Mapother, Kadee Strickland, Bill Pullman, Rosa Blasi, Grace Zabriskie, Courtney Webb, Ted Raimi

While working as a nurse in Tokyo, an American woman is subjected to a ghostly curse that engulfs it's victims in a state of fury that ultimately causes their death.

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