

Everyone invited to sing Messiah

The Georgetown Choral Society is holding an interesting rehearsal on Monday, May 28 hatched from an idea by Dale Wood who waves the wand as conductor of the choral society.

They are going to read through all the choruses of Handel's Messiah as an introduction to the oratorio they will be presenting in the next Christmas season. But there's a new wrinkle - eve-

ryone in Halton Hills and area is welcome to join in singing with them.

Handel's Messiah is arguably the most famous oratorio ever composed, it may even be up there with the most famous compositions ever written. Almost every choir of note has performed the Messiah. Some have recorded it. And it has created intense interest among who love to sing.

So here's a chance to sing Handel's famous oratorio and perhaps an opportunity of joining the Georgetown Choral Society which sings the Messiah in its entirety every other year, drawing sellout audiences. Whether

it is just an opportunity to sing the famous oratorio on a one-time basis or if you're interested in joining the choral society, all singers are welcome.

The rehearsal is on Monday, May 28 at Knox Presbyterian Church in Georgetown, beginning at 7:30 p.m. It will only take a couple of hours of your time and there is no commitment to join the choir, says Jack Morrison, president of the Georgetown Choral Society, who will gladly supply more information on the rehearsal (905) 459-7149. Morrison is the former music program advisor for the Toronto District Board of Education.

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LAKE LOVERS: The Friends of Fairy Lake elected a new board recently and began planning for a May 26th spring shoreline cleanup. The dedicated team includes, front from left: Sue Milne, Eileen Dix, Val Slater, Nancy Cain and Betsy Cornwell. Back: Councillor Rick Bonnette, Scott Jackson, Stan Slater, Herb Dodds, Bob Jeffries and Councillor Clark Somerville. - Submitted photo

Friends of Fairy Lake plan summer events

Friends of Fairy Lake (FOFL) held their annual public meeting on April 25 and expressed thanks to sponsors and all who came out to the meeting. Present members were pleased to set up a new board of directors and note that they are well on their way to becoming a recognized volunteer non-profit organization.

FOFL's Mission Statement reads "Friends of Fairy Lake is a group of volunteers committed to the protection and enhancement of the health and natural wealth of the lake and its watershed."

There were presentations

by Bob Morris of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority and Ken Cornelisse of the Ministry of Natural Resources. Stan Slater updated everyone on past achievements and future projects, which include Saturday, May 26 Clean-up of the Fairy Lake shoreline and Prospect Park area, Fishing Tournament with Royal Fishing Store in July, shrub planting, frog monitoring, FOFL logo contest and more. FOFL is always open to ideas and suggestions and welcomes everyone to come out to meetings and events.

June McHugh's 50 years recognized by IODE

By Joyce Sprowl

The May meeting of the Lakeside Chapter IODE was held at the Royal Café for the annual Chinese dinner. Following the dinner, Regent Helen Jocque opened the meeting.

A letter of Congratulations from National was reported by June McHugh for 50 years of service with the chapter. A letter of thanks was received from retired Constable Bill Riddle for the Certificate of Recognition presented to him from the chapter.

Joyce Sprowl reported on items needed at the Halton Women's Place, also all articles for the bale and layettes must be in this week as it is being packed for headquarters in Hamilton on May 8.

It was decided to send tea towels and answer roll call next month with a wash cloth for Halton Women's Place, Milton.

A letter was read from Provincial Annual meeting held at Niagara Falls in April. The

theme "Believe and Succeed" reported the total raised for all departments of IODE was \$1,564,277 with a total of 575,152 volunteer hours in Ontario.

Final plans were discussed for the annual bake sale to be held at "Off the Wall" on Friday, May 11 at 10 a.m. Penny Sale tickets were given to each member by Ernestine Foster.

Rosealee Dawkins and Kathleen Harding asked for volunteers for the first day to sell the 50/50 draw tickets for the Bazaar in November. The annual picnic will be held in June.

Construction site fire

Halton police are investigating a small suspicious fire on the roof of a house being built at the corner of Mason Boulevard and Division Street last Wednesday at 8:49 p.m. Fire officials "aren't sure if it was started by kids, seen in the area." Minimal damage was done.

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