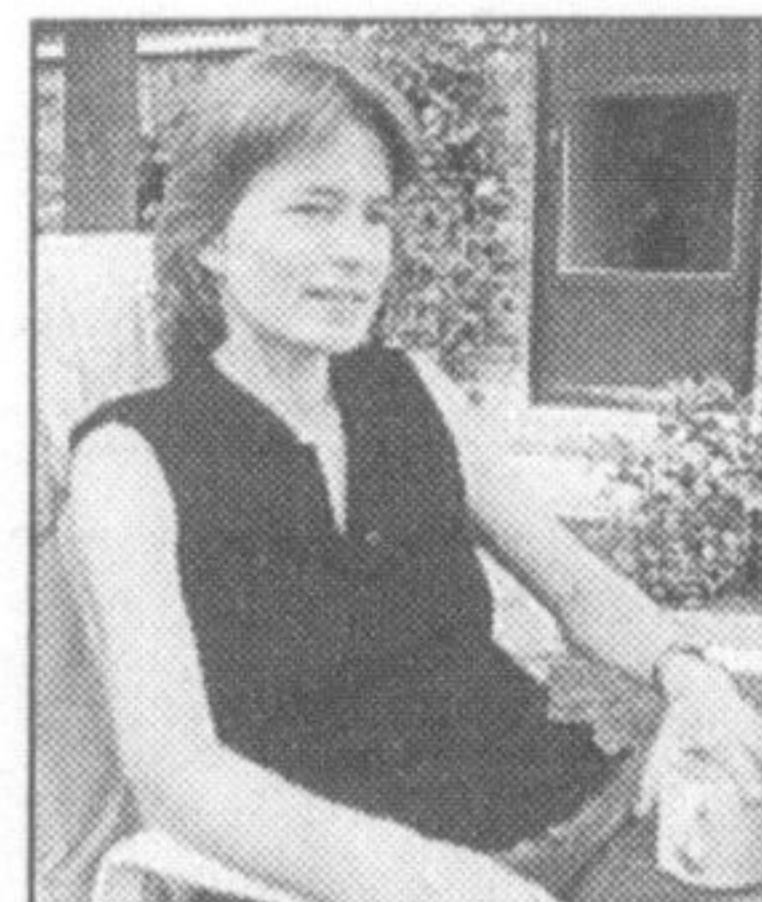


Childrens' book festival coming up



Deborah Ellis

Open the cover of a book, and you can be instantly transported to a whole different time and place.

Tickets are now on sale for Milton's Book Festival for Children, which encourage kids to do just that.

The 10th annual event will take place November 5 from noon to 4:30 p.m. at Chris Hadfield Public School, 114 Woodward Ave.

Headlining the festival will be Deborah Ellis, author of the controversial book 'Three Wishes: Palestinian and Israeli Children Speak' and 'The Breadwinner',

who'll speak to parents, teachers and kids about her experiences as a writer.

Also participating will be Barbara Reid, creator of books including 'The Subway Mouse' and 'The Golden Goose', who'll discuss her unique plasticine illustrations.

Children will also have the opportunity to enjoy the humorous stylings of Richard Scrimger, who wrote 'The Nose from Jupiter' and 'From Charlie's Point of View'.

Several other authors will be presenting, and musical entertainment will be provided by the

Smudge Fundaes.

Face painting, refreshments and vendors will complete the afternoon.

Tickets cost \$5 for adults and \$2 for kids, and are on sale at the Milton Public Library and both branches (Georgetown and Acton) of the Halton Hills Public Library.

Tickets purchased in advance will be entered into a draw for brunch with Scrimger.

For more information, call (905) 875-2665 or visit <http://bookfestival.mpl.on.ca>.

Church fundraiser features folk concert

A concert of traditional Irish and Scottish folk music will take place tomorrow night.

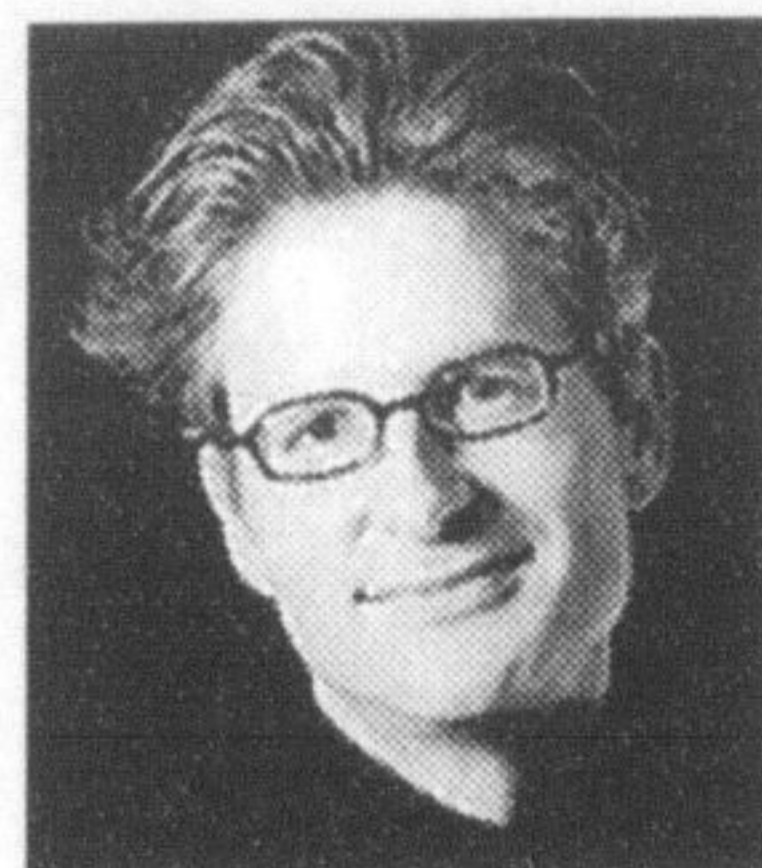
The Celtic band Whirlygig will take to the stage at 7:30 p.m. at Grace United Church, 317 Main St. E.

Tickets cost \$10, with proceeds going to the church's window restoration fund.

Whirlygig members have been leaders in the local Celtic music scene for many years, specializing in traditional jigs, reels, hornpipes, strathspeys and airs from Ireland, Scotland, Brittany and Galicia.

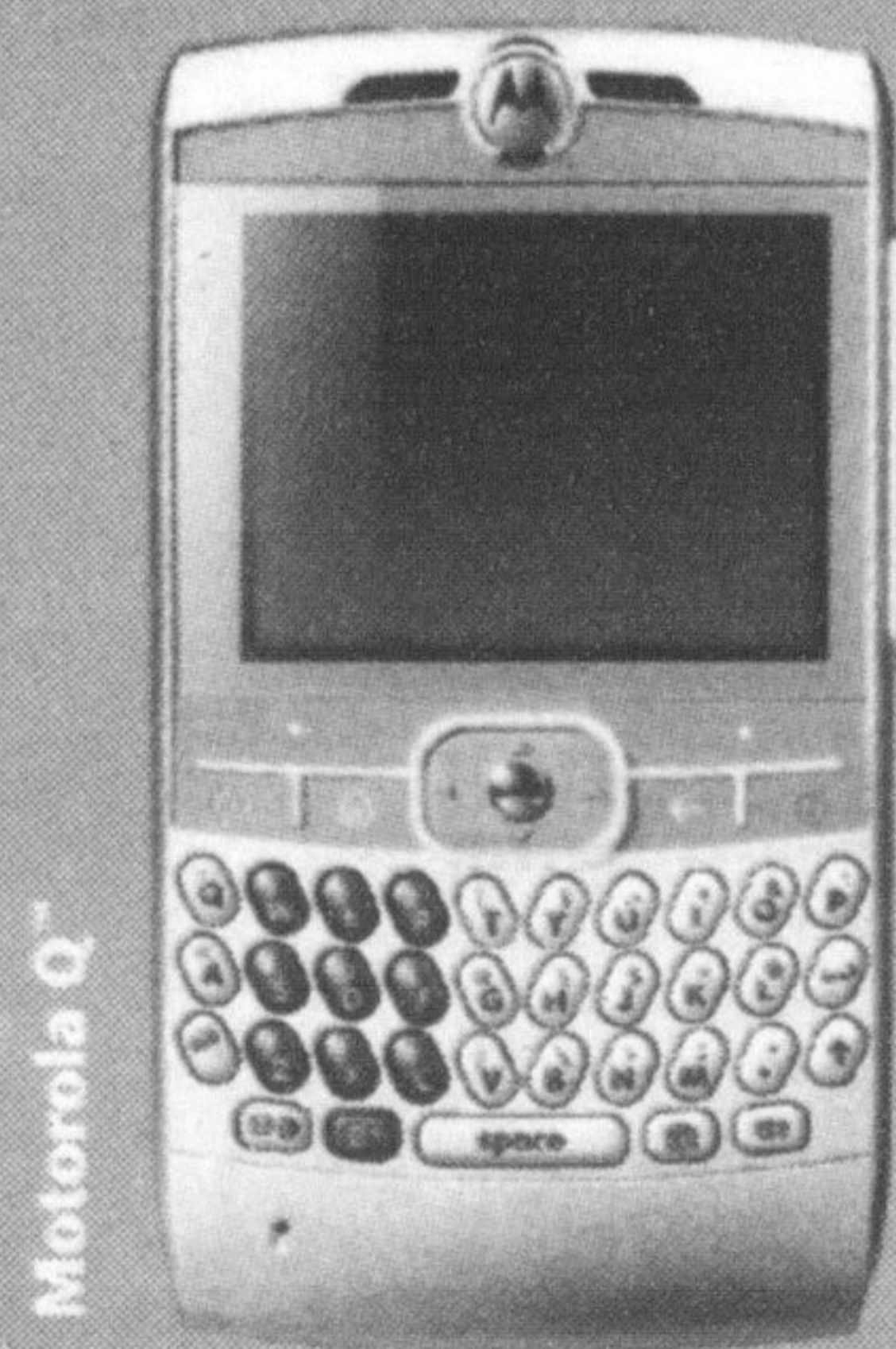
Band members play a wide range of instruments including the fiddle, mandolin, whistle, bodhran (drum), flute, Scottish smallpipes, Northumbrian pipes and border pipes.

Tickets are available by calling the church at (905) 878-2411 or at the door, unless they're sold out.



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