

## Entertainment series for children is on its way to a sellout

Do you have a special affection for such characters as Slimey the Slug, Dickey Dinosaur and the Hug Bug? Do you feel incomplete without at least "four hugs a day"?

If the answer to these questions is yes, then you are in for a real treat this fall as ever-popular Canadian children's entertainer Charlotte Diamond makes a long-awaited return visit to Milton

Her concert on Saturday, Nov. 28 at Milton Baptist Church as part of the 1992-93 Family Concert Series presented by Milton Performing Arts for Children, a volunteer-run organization that is committed to bringing quality family entertainment to local residents.

Charlotte Diamond is well-known throughout North America not only due to her many records and her extensive touring schedule but also via her TV specials.

great popularity among children and parents alike is guaranteed to ensure a full house, and a

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concert experience not to be missed.

Her music is so infectious and her approach so warm-hearted that an audience can't help but jump in and participate.

The intimacy of Milton Baptist Church is perfectly suited to her style of performing, as she is dedicated to "fooling around and having fun" while communicating with her audience at the same time.

The second concert of the series will be staged on January 31, 1993, and will feature the Beirdo Brothers, a zany duo with an amazing repertoire of musical styles from Country and Western to Hawaiian, that is sure to please everyone from the young to the young at heart.

Tickets for this year's series have been selling well, which has come as a pleasant surprise, considering that the recession has been hitting everyone hard.

"It's been very encouraging," says Janice Garrod, president of MPAC, " We have sold more than twice as many tickets as we had at this time läst year, and we haven't even begun to advertise yet."

The success of this season's series is particularily satisfying to MPAC, seeing as the future of the organization was very much up in the air last

"A lot of our original members were leaving us to move on to other things, and we were not sure we could continue without some new blood," says Barb Bangay, former president of MPAC.

"It would have been very disappointing to have to call it quits after seven years."

But a call for volunteers at last successfully year's concerts recruited several new members, which along with the rapid sale of this year's tickets has left the members of Milton Performing Arts for Children feeling positive.

"It's obvious that families in Milton really want us to continue our work, and that's very gratifying," says Ms Bangay. Of course, new members are always welcome to join this enthusiastic group of volun-

To obtain more information about Milton Performing Arts for Children, or to order Series tickets, call Janice Garrod at 878-4533.

## Neighbourhood party supports women's shelter

Several boxes of food and close to \$500 was collected for Halton Women's Place when a group of Commercial Street neighbours got together for a barbecue and fundraiser Saturday afternoon.

The residents at 551 Commercial St. townhouses held a barbecue, dance, draws and raffles to raise funds for the local shelter for abused women and their children. About 150 took part in what organizers hope will be an annual event.

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