## Georgian Theatre coordinator—actress, singer

home base of an actress, momentoes

Wendy Hicks has spent singer, comedienne, her life in the theatre, but writer and theatre adher office on the campus ministrator. There are no of Georgian College is not framed autographed

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is hung with a few flower drenched homilies about friendship and courtesy. what you'd expect. As the celebrities, or flashy The desk is clean, and a row of very homey looking plants sits on the windowsill. Aside from a picture of the youngsters from last summer's Gryphon Theatre company, and an signed cartoon of Ivan Rebroff, the walls are dominated by a couple of enormous

> This says a lot about the woman who sits behind the uncluttered desk. "I'm an organizer," she says with a smile that combines dignity and disarming warmth. "I love tiny details." She's been Theatre Coordinator for Georgian

HERE

Dining & Entertainment

squared-off calenders.

raising - like the night the

which thank heaven, job she takes very here that has everything late hours." hadn't closed yet." she asked somebody to says, "and I'm the one moves across to the other move a potted plant from person that people that side of the footlights. Last the lobby which was come to our theatre can summer she played Miss packed with patrons always relate to." She's Prism in The Importance neatly funnelled into at every performance, of Being Ernest." This orderly lines with velvet smiling and welcoming summer, she'll be on

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is a life saver," she says. large calenders. "He managed to find a

fan belt at Canadian Tire, greeter for the theatre - a says. "We have a facility seriously. "I represent they need." Then there was the time Georgian College," she Once a year, Wendy ropes. "There was a patrons with sincere stage in "Our Wildermisunderstanding." she warmth. ("How good of ness" moans. "The plant got you to come")

have been pretty hair- a riot on our hands." ()'Keefe first-nighter, take her shoes off and As theatre coordinator, ("Clothes are part of my collapse in front of the Irish Rovers darkly Wendy Hicks is job") her mind is con-television set. Home life threatened to cancel their responsible for all "front stantly ticking over the with her physician second performance if of house" arrangements, details (tickets, husband Dr. John Hicks is something wasn't done as well as bookings, programs, ushers, quiet. Her only son about the faulty air "Already we have reception arrangements) conditioning. "My bookings into 1977", she that make an evening at technician Norm Hannon says, indicating one of the Georgian Theatre a pleasant one. "We want She's also the official people to come back," she

This adds up to many 18

some of the "tiny details" ropes, and we almost had and elegant as any gets home she's apt to Timothy was recently married, "We have a small group of good friends," she says, "but I'm not really a party person. I just can't handle

Probably because she's such a superb organizer. she fits a lot of other activities into her life. She's a member of her church choir, and of the King Edward Choir. "That takes care of two nights a week, and Sunday morning." She's on the board of

the Georgian Foundation for the Performing arts, and produces and directs musical productions for the Georgian College Music Theatre. "This gives me great personal satisfaction.'

Up until recently she wrote a weekly column for a Barrie newspaper. 'It was becoming a chore," she says, "and that means it's time to settled into what she calls

She's chairman of the Barrie branch of the Canadian Save the Children Fund, (which she founded) and she's frequently on the afterdinner-speech circuit.

Her history in arts and drama is impressive. For four years she was women's editor of CKVR -TV and CKBB radio, and she won two awards for her work in this field. She wrote a musical play for children which won her the Canadian Women's Press Club Award. She's appeared on the CBC, and has done national

television commercials which brought her yet another award in 1962. She was the fashion area. The new office is when a position which

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THEATRE

Students register for jobs About 40 students have intended for students suits their needs and employment at the newly Penetanguishene, Jafopened Student Man- ontaine, and RR1, RR2, power Office on Robert and RR3 districts.

Raising money for ballpark lights

Dancing is supposed to be for pleasure, dance-a-thon last Friday with action

coming to work each day.

Sean Mulcahy

Cryphon's director for the

Penetanguishene. The centre was opened said she has about 15 jobs last week and already open to students listed students have indicated they are interested in who come to see Downer finding summer jobs in are asked to fill in a form the Penetanguishene and are later contacted

but when it turns into a marathon, the

pleasure is replaced by endurance. The

commentator at the CNE Really, I look forward to

Now she's happily I love what I'm doing."

she says. "All of us here past several summers

care about each other. says of Wendy Hicks:

turn-out was quite good at a 12 hour

a dream job. "This is a

civilized place to work,"

with the centre. Students

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a.m. the next morning.

Penetanguishene office is Student placement in cahoots with the officer Kathryn Downer Midland centre, said Downer. She previously worked at the Midland centre before taking charge of the newer branch this year. All applications listed with Midland are transferred to Penetanguishene, as

are the job vacancies. The office hours are Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Telephone number 549-

Downer said she could not estimate what percentage of students who apply are successful in finding jobs. She did say that in her opinion the student placement offices in the area are generally most successful.

### Grant approved

Wintario officials this week approved grants totalling \$75,115 for ten projects in Simcoe

The town of Midland received official word this week that Wintario had approved a grant of \$33,751 for the construction of the Gallery of

## Hoffman is speaker

Historic Huronia.

Canadian Olympic competitors Abbie Hoffman will be the guest speaker at the Simcoe County general meeting for Women in Sport, Fitness, and Recreation. The public is welcome to attend and express their interest in sport, fitness and recreation on Wednesday June 16 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is being sponsored by Experience '76, Program 50 in affiliation with the Greater Huronia Sports Council and the Barrie Recreation department. The meeting will be held at the Sunnidale Community centre on

Sunnidale Road, Barrie.

### Ihank you

For the second time school year Ma Maurice and his band 'The Northeners' have freely donated their musical talent and time at a dance to raise funds to send the grade four pupils to Camp Kitchekewana. Parents of the school children and friends of the parents attended the dance at the Wyevale Orange Hall, Saturday, May 29.

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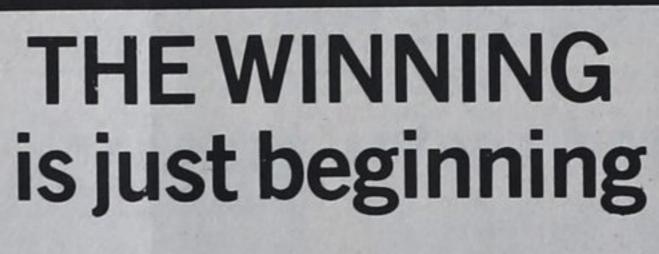
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