

Huronia Symphony tackles Tchaikovsky

By Chris Simon

The music of Tchaikovsky will be taking over the Gryphon Theatre in Barrie this weekend.

The Huronia Symphony will present A Tchaikovsky Celebration, featuring piano soloist Kathryn Tremills, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Several works of music will be played, including Arensky's Variations on a theme by Tchaikovsky and

Richard Masall's Celebration.

The evening will give residents a chance to watch first-rate musicians perform some of classical music's best songs, said symphony president David Chambers.

"It's a Tchaikovsky concert, we're going to play Tchaikovsky piano concerto," he said. "It's a very popular piano concerto. It's an event; a night out."

Chambers recommends

everyone should try listening to the symphony.

"We play a broad variety of symphonic music," said Chambers. "We do a wide variety of music, all the way from Brohm's Requiem to American jazz music. We try to please everyone. (People) should come to hear what live music sounds like.

"We all know what it sounds like on the radio and stereo, so let's go see the

real thing.

"People are supporting a local symphony orchestra that might be there for their children; we're there for local people."

Tremills recently joined the Canadian Opera Company's Ensemble Studio as an intern opera coach. This season, she'll be producing Mozart's *Così fan tutte*, William Walton's *The Bear*, James Rolfe's *Swoon*

and a school tour of Mozart's *The Magic Flute*.

She studied in Italy, has coached voice students at the University of Toronto, and appeared at the Ottawa International Chamber Music Festival. Tremills was an international finalist for the Grace Welsh Prize for piano and has given performances with orchestras across North America including the world

première of Andrew Ager's Piano Concerto.

The Huronia Symphony is the only community orchestra in Barrie and Simcoe County. It is comprised of 50 local volunteer musicians, four professionals and an experienced conductor.

They have also performed in Barrie's Collier Street United Church and the MacLaren Art Centre.

Even the BBC like to play April Fool's jokes

CHURCHILL NEWS

by Linda Gerow

The origin of April Fool's Day is difficult to pinpoint but over many centuries, people have been pulling jokes on unsuspecting friends and family.

It may be that we are just gullible or maybe we're just willing to believe what our friends seem sincere in telling us is true. I searched for such a joke to share and found that this has been going on for some time, as far back as the 1700s. I found one a little closer in

time than that. In 1957, the respected BBC news show, *Panorama*, announced that thanks to a very mild winter and the virtual elimination of the dreaded spaghetti weevil, Swiss farmers were enjoying a bumper spaghetti crop. It accompanied this announcement with footage of Swiss peasants pulling strands of spaghetti down from trees. Huge numbers of viewers were taken in. Many called the BBC wanting to know how they

could grow their own spaghetti tree. To this the BBC diplomatically replied that they should "place a sprig of spaghetti in a tin of tomato sauce and hope for the best."

Library news: Churchill branch manager, Debra Mann. Phone number is 456-2671. The branch is closed on Sundays, Mondays and Fridays.

Registration has begun for library programs. Sign up for the all-ages family storytime at the Churchill branch, which runs Thursdays from 2 to 2:45 p.m. Programs run the weeks of March 25 to April 29. Call or visit your nearest branch for more details.

Keep your eyes peeled on April Food's Day, because something wacky is about to happen on the library's

website. Go to www.innisfil.library.on.ca on Tuesday April 1 and see if you can spot the difference, I dare you!

Looking for work? Help is here. Receive assistance with resumes, cover letters, job search skills and more. Call Marilee or Kathy from the Employment Resource Centre at 728-0897 for more information or to schedule an appointment at the Churchill branch.

Euchre: Bid euchre at St. Peter's Anglican church takes place on Wednesdays at 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome to drop by any Wednesday and join in. Light refreshments are served.

Ham and scalloped potato dinner at St. Peter's Anglican Church, Friday April 4th from 5 to 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for the students (12 and under). Preschoolers are free.

Start your spring with a great meal and fellowship. Call 705-456-7293 or 705-436-9769.

The Churchill United Church will be holding a spring auction presented by A Touch of Class Auctions on Friday April 11, beginning at 7 p.m. Previews start at 6:30 p.m. Place your bid on home baking, hand-crafted items, a registered shitzu puppy, gift certificates, gift baskets, tools, local services, and much more. A snack bar will be open and a child-minding service is available for children five and under (limited spaces on a first-come basis). There will be something for everyone, so

join in the excitement and take home a great deal

Smile: A duck walked into a bakery one day and asked for a pork chop. The baker said, "We aren't a butcher shop. We don't sell meat here."

So the duck left. The following day the duck went back and asked again. This time the baker said, "No, and if you come here again I will nail your feet to the floor."

The following day the duck returned and asked, "Have you any nails?"

The baker replied, "No". So the duck said, "Well, I'll have two pork chops then."

If you have any news or items for this column, please contact me at lagerow@rogers.com or call 436-9769.



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Peoples Credit Union Limited will be held on Thursday, April 10, 2008 at 8:00 p.m., with registration at 7:30 p.m., at the St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall, 3294 St. Paul's Crescent, Innisfil, for the purpose of receiving the Reports and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2007, to elect Directors and Audit Committee members, to appoint auditors, and to transact all other business of an Annual Meeting.

TAKE NOTICE that the Chair of the Board of the Credit Union has received a recommendation from the Chair of the Audit Committee that Tinkham and Associates LLP, Chartered Accountants, rather than the incumbent BDO Dunwoody LLP, Chartered Accountants, be appointed as the external auditors of the Credit Union, and this recommendation will be considered by the membership at the meeting.

Special Business at the Annual Meeting:

To consider and, if thought advisable, to pass, a special resolution further amending the general by-law of the Credit Union as follows (Full copies of the resolution is available at any Peoples Credit Union branch):

1. Amending section 5.04 of the by-law to provide for an audit committee which functions as a sub-committee of the Board and consists entirely of Board members, to comply with a legislative amendment which will require this structure.

DATED the 26th day of March, 2008.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
"June Money"
Corporate Secretary

Notes:

1. The resolution to be considered at this meeting as special business is a special resolution. The special resolution requires the approval of at least two-thirds of the members of the Credit Union present at the Annual Meeting in person, or, as permitted by the Act and by the Credit Union's by-laws, represented at the Annual Meeting by proxy, and voting.

2. Only members of the Credit Union, according to its records as of March 25th, 2008 (the "Record Date" according to the Credit Union's by-laws), shall be entitled to notice of the meeting.

Three Thornton girls know how to dance

THORNTON NEWS

by Cathie Miller

Recently, dance exams were held at the Positive Step Dance Academy in

Cookstown for students taking jazz and tap. Three Thornton girls, Emily Miller and Catherine and Amy Alksnis spent many hours perfecting their dance steps

to take the exams. All three girls passed with flying colours and have all moved up to the next dance levels in both jazz and tap dancing. Congratulations girls, your

hard work paid off!

On March 23 the Thornton Chapter of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) celebrated their 26th anniversary as a group. Their goals are to help members lose weight sensibly and make wise life style changes to keep the weight off. It is an affordable alternative to the often quick fix and costly programs that are offered elsewhere. If you are tired of diet programs that haven't worked, perhaps you'll want to give them a try. Meetings are held every Tuesday evening from 6:45 until 8 p.m. at the Thornton library.

For more information, call 424-9433 or 458-0937. Thornton TOPS elected their new executive recently with the following results; leader Yvonne Sauve, co-leader Karen Bradley, treasurer Bonnie Sander, secretary Monica Busato, weight recorder Elaine Hitchman and weight recorder assistant Joan McGean.

If you have any news, announcements, or coming events, you can e-mail me at thorntonnews@rogers.com; call 458-0869 or drop it off at 25 Robert Street. Bye for now.



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