

# Russian Tour Set

Two area high school graduates will be among a group of singers making a tour of Russia this spring.

They are Karen Jean Upton, a graduate of Plymouth High School, and Mrs. Nancy Von Oeyen, daughter of Mrs. Thornhill Zanoli of Detroit, and a graduate of Redford Union High School. Miss Upton's parents are Mr. and Mrs. William R. Upton of Plymouth.

The two will tour Russia with the University of Michigan Chamber Choir under the 1970-71 U.S.S.R. Exchange Program.



KAREN UPTON

NANCY VON OEYEN

**DIRECTED BY Prof. Thomas Hilbish,** the choir was selected as the only university ensemble in the U.S. to participate in the State Department tour. The proposed schedule is for a seven-week period beginning April 15.

Mrs. Von Oeyen won the Aeolian medal and a scholarship to the U of M school of Music on graduation from Redford Union. She received her bachelor of music degree in 1970 and is now working on her master's studying piano, cello and voice.

MISS UPTON is working

for a bachelor of music degree and plans to teach music. She went on a Youth for Understanding Chorale tour of South America in 1956 and to Europe in 1967.

The Chamber Choir is being sent to Russia under a new cultural agreement, the seventh two-year agreement between the two countries.

The group, which Hilbish organized in 1964, is composed of graduate and undergraduate music students. Though it performs material from all periods of music history, the ensemble places great emphasis on contempo-

rary music. It has been praised for its performances of works by Stravinsky and Schoenberg.

## Few Tickets Still On Sale

A few tickets remain for the Glenn Miller concert Sunday, Jan. 17, at 8 p.m. in the Louis E. Schmidt Auditorium of Claremont High School. The band will feature famed clarinetist Buddy DeFrance. The tickets, priced at \$2 each, are available from Mrs. Henry Ellis at 474-2720.

# Amusements

## Masque Players To Stage Musical

The Masque Players of Schoolcraft College will present a musical, "The Apple Tree" in February. It will be staged Feb. 3, 4, 5 and 6 in the Liberal Arts Theater on the campus of the college at 8 p.m.

"The Apple Tree" is based on "The Diary of Adam and Eve" by Mark Twain. "The Lady or the Tiger?" by Frank R. Stockton and "Passionella" by Jules Feiffer. Tickets may be purchased at the campus book store.

Written by Sheldon Harnick and Jerry Bock in 1968, the three-part musical gives

the players an opportunity to display their varied talents.

Eve is played by Charlotte LeBlanc of Livonia. Barbara, the barbarian, is played by Karen Kahn of Westland, and Passionella, the Mae West type, is played by Judy Utley of Northville.

The main theme of the play is the eternal problem of man and woman, but in this case it is the women who control the men without their being any the wiser. The play suggests it is the men who should struggle for liberation.



KARL HAAS will present a piano concert and lecture Sunday, Jan. 24, at 4 p.m., in Thurston High School, 26255 Schoolcraft. His appearance is being sponsored by the Redford Township Music Society. Tickets may be obtained by calling Mrs. Arthur Gill, 537-2142, or Mrs. John Kargul, KE 2-4040. Haas is author and host of WJR's "Adventures in Good Music."

## Basic Acting Course Open

There are still a few openings in the winter term basic acting course being offered at Greenfield Village, Dearborn, according to Dr. Joseph French, theater arts department manager and instructor of the course.

Students will learn the basics of speech, movement and

improvisation. They will take part in the rehearsal and presentation of scenes from early American drama and Shakespeare. Lecture demonstrations in make-up, scenery and costumes are included.

The class, which is a part of the adult education program, will meet each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. for 10 weeks beginning Saturday, Jan. 16. Enrollment is limited to 12 students. Students must be over 15 years old. Tuition is \$37.50.

To enroll call the Henry Ford Museum, Theater Arts department at 271-1620, extension 306.

## Club To Meet In Plymouth

Postage Due Stamps and Their Use" is the topic of a talk to be given at the next meeting of the West Suburban Stamp Club. The club will meet Thursday, Jan. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the Plymouth Community Credit Union, 500 S. Harvey, Plymouth.

Dr. Peter A. S. Smith of Ann Arbor will give the talk, and will display some materials from his collection.

The club will hold an "auction night" Friday, Feb. 5, at 7:30 p.m. at its regular meeting. Its Feb. 18 meeting will be on "Olympia."

## Madrigal Club Has Auditions

The Madrigal Club of Detroit will hold auditions for its spring concert season Monday, Jan. 18, at 8 p.m., in Covenant Baptist Church, James Couzens near Seven Mile Rd., Detroit.

The club is a professional choral group for women. It is now in its 55th year and in its 25th year under the direction of August Maelborge.

Those interested may get in touch with Nancy Morrow, at 836-7066, or Annalee Mathes at 349-7334.



PLAY WILL TOUR--Richard Drutchas of Redford Township is shown as the hero, Road Wanderer, in "Land of the Dragon." With him is Cris Becker of Northville as the heroine, Jade Pure, and Charlotte Russ of Detroit (she's the dragon). The play will be performed in the Detroit Metropolitan area as Wayne State University's touring children's play.

# Redford Student Rehearsals Under Way In Leading Role For 'Lion'

Richard Drutchas, son of Mrs. Sophia Drutchas of Redford Township, is appearing as the hero, Road Wanderer, in Wayne State University's touring children's play, "The Land of the Dragon."

The play will have more than 30 performances on weekends in the greater Detroit area, including two performances at 1 and 3 p.m., Saturday, April 10, under the sponsorship of the Livonia Children's Entertainment Guild. Mrs. Mickey Huysken, 39584 Westfield, is in charge of arrangements.

Richard is an undergraduate student in the college of liberal arts at Wayne. He graduated from Redford Union High School and attended Eastern Michigan University and the Sorbonne in Paris, France.

Last season he played Jack in the touring production of "Jack and the Beanstalk."

CRIS BECKER of North-

ville is cast as Jade Pure, the princess. Carole Davis of Taylor and Fred Falden of Southfield are the two villains.

"The Land of the Dragon" is a fantasy by a contemporary writer, Madge Miller. It concerns a Chinese princess who is in danger of losing her throne to a pair of usurpers. She is finally saved by a wandering student and his flying dragon.

THE UNIVERSITY Children's Theatre has been touring children's plays for 29 years, playing to more than 50,000 annually. Its performances are sponsored by such organizations as Parent-Teacher associations, American Association of University Women groups, Mothers Clubs and Girl Scout organizations.

The current production of "Land of the Dragon" runs a little over an hour in length.

With the holidays gone, lights are again burning at the Farmington Players Barn on 12 Mile Rd. The cast has been named and rehearsals are under way for James Goldman's play "The Lion in Winter."

Bob Vohon is cast as Richard the Lion-Hearted, the oldest of Henry II's surviving sons. Joe Papp plays Henry II, and Marsha Martin plays his wife, Eleanor. Their youngest son, John, is played by Ross Pedicini and John Barrett is cast as Geoffrey, another son.

Carol Long as the French princess, Aليس, and Dennis Broadhead, as Phillip, King of France, complete the cast.

James Goldman's story has been described as a medieval Virginia Wolf. The time and setting are the 12th century. Performances are scheduled for the last three weekends in February. For tickets, call Alberta or George Mullin, 474-2873.



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