

# Oakland symphonies present concerts

Plan to attend the season opening concert of the Birmingham-Bloomfield, Pontiac, Oakland Symphonies, and Rochester Symphony Orchestra this month.

Pontiac Oakland Symphony opens its season 8:15 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8 with "He Said - She Said," featuring the music of Weber, Beethoven, Tchaikovsky, and Mendelssohn. The concert will be at the Strand Theatre in Pontiac. Call (810) 370-3013 for information.

There will be lots of "Music to Enjoy" 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14 when the Rochester Symphony Orchestra opens its 34th season at Varner Hall on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester. There's still time to purchase a season ticket - six concerts for \$60 compared to the individual concert ticket price of \$12. Discounts are available for senior citizens and students. Call (810) 651-4181.

The Oct. 14 program, under the direction of James Hohmeyer, will feature Beethoven's Overture to "Leonore," No. 3; Handel's Selections from "Water Music"; and Brahms Concerto No. 1 for Orchestra and piano in D minor, Op. 15 with soloist Tomas Schwartz.

Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Felix Rietveld opens their 20th year with the "Three B's" - Berlioz, Bernstein and Beethoven

in a concert 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23 at Temple Beth El, 14 Mile at Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills.

There's still time to take advantage of the season ticket savings at \$72 for all six concerts or pick three concerts for \$40. Individual concert tickets are \$16 for adults, \$10 for students under 18. Call (810) 645-2276 for information.

"We're excited about this opening because the music is so tremendous and what a great way to celebrate our 20th anniversary," said Rietveld.

The Temple's Music Committee has planned an afterglow after the concert to meet the guest artists. There is an additional \$10 charge to attend the afterglow reception.

Joining the BBBO on Oct. 23 are Gail Hirschenfang, soprano; Susan Stott, soprano; Robert Bracey, tenor; Timothy Jones, bass; along with The Cantata Academy under the direction of Frederick Bellinger.

Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms" will be performed with counter-tenor Paul Moran as the guest soloist. The concert will open with Berlioz's "Le Corsaire Overture."

Also of note

■ The Cranbrook Music Guild begins its series 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18 with award-winning Israeli pianist Rina Dokshinsky. She

has played to critical acclaim in the U.S. and Europe. She will perform the last sonata of Schubert, the Sonata in A major, opus posthumous; and the last of the 32 sonatas of Beethoven, opus 111.

All performances take place in the library wing of Cranbrook House on Lons Pine Road in Bloomfield Hills. Concerts are followed by candlelight receptions in the Oak Room. Call (810) 761-2435 for tickets, seating is limited.

■ Southfield Symphony - Season opens 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6 with a concert featuring Alexan-

der Mishnevsky, viola and the St. Hugo of the Hills Festival Choir. Call 1-810-364-4717.

■ Julius Chajes - Series of five concerts, three at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield, and two at the Jimmy Prentice Morris Campus of the JCC in Oak Park. Concert on Sunday, Oct. 23 features internationally acclaimed Leningrad violinist Dmitri Berlinsky. Series tickets \$45, individual concert tickets, \$10 with discounts available for seniors and students. Call 1-810-661-1008, 661-7632 or 661-7634.

## Colleges host Christmas dinners

Reserve tickets now for Madrigal dinners to be presented at Schoolcraft College, Dec. 8-10, and the Wassall Feast to be presented at Oakland Community College on Dec. 1, per person. Call (810) 471-7786 for details.

Tickets for the Madrigal dinners are \$35 per person. Call (313) 462-4417. Tickets for the Wassall Feast at OCC in Farmington Hills are also \$35. Call (810) 471-7786.

## Fall festivals

Every season in Michigan offers something to celebrate. Join the fun at these festivals you won't want to miss. There will be parades, good things to eat, free entertainment and fun for the whole family. Here are some upcoming harvest-time festivals you won't want to miss. For more information, call the Michigan Travel Bureau at 1-800-292-2520.

■ Apple Butter Festival, Lansing, Oct. 15-16, 1-800-648-6630.

■ Oktober Fest, Port Huron, Oct. 7-8, (313) 985-6116.

■ Autumnfest, Wyandotte, Oct. 8, (313) 246-4505.

### Wish you were here

Gone fishing: Scott Dixon of Farmington Hills brought his Observer along just in case the fish weren't biting. But, apparently they were. The Dixon family enjoyed a fine vacation at Lake Margrethe in Grayling.



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## REFLECTIONS ON THE WORD

by K.R. Elander

### CHASING GEESE

Humans are fallible. We all make mistakes. And mistakes, even small ones, can easily lead us astray: a letter missing some slight detail results in a big red "Return to Sender." One misdialed digit sends our phone call far from our intended destination. Two numbers are inverted on our memo pad and we end up at the wrong address. From there we have to backtrack, re-checking our facts and expending precious time and energy carefully trying to figure out the mistake that led us astray.

The wild goose chase. We've all gone on one at one time or another. That expression makes it sound like an adventure, something full of laughter and fun that we play at a family picnic, but the results are far from enjoyable: frustration, wasted time and nothing to show for our efforts. None of us wants that!

When God led the Israelites out of their Egyptian slavery 3,500 years ago, they were thrilled. (Exo. 12:13). "Finally," they thought, "our lives are taking a turn for the better!" Until they noticed that their daily journeys always wound up in the same desert. "Didn't Moses say something about a Promised Land?" Sand is nice, but it's better next to an ocean with cabanas and a refreshment stand! They began to doubt both Moses and God. (Exo. 15:22-17:7) Over 600,000 people began grumbling about being on one long, relentless wild goose chase with kids, animals and belongings in tow!

A perceived wild goose chase can often lead to scornful actions. For example, when, after three years of work, Jesus wasn't bringing about the Jewish political revolution that Judas expected, Judas helped get Jesus arrested by his opponents.

With there being so many different ideas about spirituality and religion today, how can we avoid going on a wild goose chase while seeking answers to questions about life and God? Thankfully, God has provided a reliable source of truth for us in the Bible. Therein we can check and double-check any spiritual information that we come across, no matter what the source. The facts with which God provides us can help us avoid wrong turns, mistaken concepts and save us from a frustrating "wild goose chase" that can lead us to scornfully reject God altogether.

If we can help you in any way in your study of the Bible, please contact the Farmington Hills Church of Christ, 25500 W. Eleven Mile Rd., (between Drake & Halladay), Worship is at 11 a.m. Sunday. We can also study with you privately in your home.

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