

# Symphony presents night of 'Rodgers & Hammerstein'

The Farmington area Philharmonic will present an evening of Rodgers & Hammerstein on Friday, Jan. 10 at Oakland Community College.

The program, "From Oklahoma to the South Pacific," will feature the vocal quartet SATB, sponsored by Century 21 Market Place of West Bloomfield.

The concert begins at 8 p.m. in the Wallace Smith Theatre on the Orchard Ridge campus, at 27055 Orchard Lake Road just south of I-96 (Reuther Freeway). The small theatre, with a capacity of only 420, is likely to sell out, so patrons are urged to purchase tickets early for this event.

Rodgers and Hammerstein never goes out of style," said Karen Nixon Lane, music director of the Farmington area Philharmonic since 1990.

"It's happy, singable music with lyrics that stick with you for a long time. We haven't even played the concert yet, and already I've caught myself singing 'The hills are alive' over and over. It's great stuff, and we're delighted to be able to devote an entire concert to it. It's fun and old-fashioned and memorable, and audiences love it."

The program covers the hit songs from the five great musicals from Rodgers & Hammerstein's golden years on Broad-

way. Included are works from Oklahoma, The Sound of Music, Carousel, The King and I and South Pacific - as well as the signature tune for the evening, "It's a Grand Night for Singing" from "State Fair."

The four singers that make up the vocal quartet SATB are Julia Broxholm, soprano, Wendy Bloom, alto, Todd Graber, tenor, and Chris Grapentine, baritone. They've been performing together for 7 years in recitals, concerts, and educational programs throughout the Midwest. Their enormous repertoire, drawn from a broad range of musical styles, is chosen carefully, based on its enjoyability factor - that is music that does not have to be studied to be appreciated. From Broadway to Baroque, and from Richard Rodgers to Rachmaninoff, their attention to musical detail, care with interpretation, and ensemble sound has captivated audiences throughout the Midwest.

Each of the singers has an advanced degree in vocal performance. Julia Broxholm has a master's degree from the University of Michigan as does Chris Grapentine, the baritone. The alto, Wendy Bloom, has a master of fine arts degree from the University of Iowa. Todd Graber, tenor, just completed a doctorate in vocal performance at the University of Michigan.

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Karen Nixon Lane  
Conductor

Russell Miller has a doctorate in piano accompanying from U of M as well, giving the quartet a "pair o' docs." All four singers teach voice, and Miller teaches accompanying at Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. They recently commissioned a 20 minute Christmas medley for vocal jazz quartet and symphony orchestra which has been well received by audiences and orchestras alike.

Tickets for the Rodgers & Hammerstein performance are \$15 and are now available at all area Metrobank locations, as well as at the office of Century 21 Market Place of West Bloomfield, 7855 Haggerty Road, and at the OCC box office. Call 471-7667 for information and hours. To charge your tickets by phone using your Discover card, call Metrobank at 474-6400.



**Croquet anyone?** The SATB quartet will be featured singers when the Farmington area Philharmonic presents an evening with Rodgers & Hammerstein on Friday, Jan. 10 at OCC. The singers are Chris Grapentine, Julia Broxholm, Todd Graber and Wendy Bloom.

# Rabbi opens film series at Hills Adat Shalom

Rabbi Azriel Fellner, an author, poet and movie producer, will launch Adat Shalom Synagogue's 1997 film series on Sunday, Jan. 12.

A frequent lecturer on film, Rabbi Fellner will illustrate through movie excerpts "The Changing Image of the Jew in Film."

Rabbi Fellner has been the spiritual leader of Temple Beth Shalom in Livingston, New Jersey since 1987. His numerous articles on film include "The Midrash of Star Trek, which explores Jewish and Biblical themes and motifs as they appear in the popular television series and films."

A lecturer at the Jewish Theological Seminary for eight years on Homiletics, Rabbi Fellner is also a regular contributor and film critic for the MetroWest Jewish News and for other publications. He is a member of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists.

The Adat Shalom film series will continue on Jan. 19 and Feb. 2 when Dan Greenberg, professor of film, film critic and Adat Shalom member will introduce and discuss two prize-winning Israeli films, which provide new



Rabbi Fellner

living side by side with out Jewish brothers and sisters.

All three evenings begin at 7 p.m. and are followed by coffee. They are open to the community at no charge.

The film series is arranged by the Adat Shalom Synagogue adult study commission.

# Post remembers vets on Christmas

The veterans at the Battle Creek Hospital have never been forgotten by the Roy F. Green Post and Auxiliary of the Jewish War Veterans.

The group has visited them every Christmas Day for 46 years.

The state commander and his wife, Irving and Shirley Marshall of Farmington Hills; Elaine Zeron, Ladies' Auxiliary President with husband, Nathan, Memorial Home president, brought a busload of volunteers to relieve hospital personnel on Christmas day.

They also brought gifts and

entertainment.

Through the efforts of Kathi Lefton and Debbie Spierstein of the Temple Israel Sisterhood, 34 hand knitted lap rugs were donated.

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