

Detroit Mormon Choir sings Christmas festival

The Detroit Mormon Concert Choir, built along the same pattern as the world famous Salt Lake City Mormon Tabernacle Choir, will give three concerts during the holiday season. "A Christmas Festival" is the program's title.

The first concert is scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, in the Plymouth-Salem High School auditorium, 46181 Joy Road, west of Canton Center Road.

It will be a benefit concert, sponsored by the Plymouth Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, which is presided over by Bishop Glen L. Willardson.

The evening will include both classical and traditional Christmas Choral music. Tickets are \$1.50 and are available at the door.

"The Christmas Festival" is repeated on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 10-11, at 8 p.m. in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 425 North Woodward, in Bloomfield Hills, and as the Easter concert last spring, is a community service with free admission.

The choir's president is Marsha Hansen.

son, of 18250 New Jersey in Southfield, and it is conducted by Ed Yager of Pleasant Ridge. The group began as a Ward Choir in the Royal Oak Ward.

"ORDINARILY a Ward choir has 20 to 25 voices but this one grew to 40 and developed a repertoire and an expertise to go with it, so it was possible to begin giving public concerts," said Robert Kroepel, of Farmington, choir spokesman.

That was in January. Now it has reached 70 voices and is no longer a Ward Choir. Members come from "Flint, Plymouth, Wayne, East Detroit, Ferndale, Rochester, and in fact about all Detroit and all suburbs," he said.

Choir members are screened through auditions, and when all present commitments are filled this season, choir membership will expand to 100 voices for bookings already committed for next year.

THE TABERNAACLE CHOIR is filled with many traditions and boasts the longest record of continuous weekly broadcasts of any group that has ever been on radio or television.

"Music and the Spoken Word" is broadcast every Sunday morning on CBS.

Following in its pattern, the Detroit Mormon Concert Choir draws its members from all walks of life. In addition to daily occupations, many also hold church positions.

Kroepel said members "receive no compensation of any kind except the satisfaction derived from following our 13th article of faith which states in part: 'If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things.'"

The first benefit scheduled for the spring of the year will be on behalf of the Livonia Ward of the church, presided over by Bishop Roger J. Browne, Jr., in March.

The choir also is booked to participate in Southfield's bicentennial celebration.

Choir president Hansen and her husband Bill, both members of the Bloomfield Hills-Michigan State High Council, and Mark Bauer, regional music chairman for the church, are currently traveling to wards and branches on speaking assignments.

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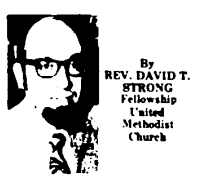
Our family has just returned from two days in northern Michigan. We were fortunate enough to be able to roam through the woods as the beauties of the fall turned to winter.

As we drove down one of the gravel roads that we noted that a subdivision of these woods had taken place since we had last been there.

This experience started us thinking about the preservation of our Michigan woodlands from the subdividers.

Is it not time to consider a kind of zoning that will preserve enough of our forested areas in the northern portion of our state?

Many values are at stake. Will the pressure of "let's buy some land up north" soon destroy the natural beauty, solitude, the silent and dark starry nights, the delicate plant and animal life and the vistas without buildings?



By
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Southfield Christian concert set

A special Christmas concert featuring the cantata "A Christmas Festival" by Jimmy Owens and Ois Killings will be presented by the choir and orchestra of Southfield Christian School Friday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Highland Park Baptist Church, 28800 Lahser, Southfield.

The groups are under the direction of Joseph Lombardi, director of music for the past three years. He is a graduate of the Wheaton Conservatory of Music (Illinois). Solists for the performance are: Duane Oyer, Rob Humrickhouse, Dan Sigmon, Jane Sasser, Gary Sinclair, Nancy Peters, Betty Wolfe will accompany the choir.

The choir will also perform the "Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Messiah" and will close the program with their rendition of Andree Crouche's "My Tribute," arranged specially for the Southfield Christian School choir and orchestra by Dr. Al Youngman.

Tickets may be purchased at the door.

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Worship Service at 10:15 A.M.
Pastor: John W. Smith
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