

Christmas Show 2000

This year's Christmas show will be a nice change of pace for the chorus. Rather than having the show at an auditorium, we will have a dinner-theatre-style show at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Portage.

We are planning on having two shows on Saturday, Dec. 9.

Having the shows at the church will save us money in some areas (the space is free!), but it will cost us in other areas. Kalamazoo Central High School will provide the staging, but we will have to rent lights, tables, chairs, and possibly some more sound equipment.

Kristen Tyrrell, a very talented director here in K'Zoo, has agreed to help us out with the acting. Most of the actors will be the same as last year, and the music will be very similar. In addition to the Christmas music we sang last year, we will also be singing the Clancy arrangements, and someone will read "'Twas the Night Before Christmas."

This is the concept of the show:

"What the Dickens"
Sing-a-long
"'Twas the Night"
Clancy Arrangements

Here are some dates to remember for the chorus:

Saturday, Nov. 11 - Chorus rehearsal and show at the Festival of Trees
Tuesday, Dec. 5 - Full run-through at Wesley
Friday, Dec. 8 - Full Dress Rehearsal
Saturday, Dec. 9 - Rehearsal at 9:00 am
 Show 1 - 3:00 pm
 Show 2 - 8:00 pm

At this point, we still need some volunteers to help with the show. These are the positions that need to be filled:

Assistant Chairman - help make phone calls and make sure everyone's duties are being fulfilled.

Funding/Sponsorship - Find people and businesses to help pay for the show.

Props/Set - Find props/costumes/stuff for the show.

Ticket Sales - Promote ticket sales - find us an audience!

Food - Organize some light snacks / hors d'oeuvre for the show, which will probably include finding a caterer.

Most importantly, we should remember that the show is not just for our benefit. We will be raising money for the New Direction Community Outreach Center in downtown Kalamazoo. The quality of our show should reflect our dedication to the community and our respect for the outreach center. It will take a concentrated effort by a lot of people to make the show a success, and it is certainly within our reach.

Chris Fenner
Show Chairman

Happy Birthday!

10/1	Ron Bower
10/4	Dorothy Dykema
10/8	John M Gillespie
10/8	Gwen Graham
10/10	Bonny Smith
10/12	Cindy Derksen
10/13	Matt Root
10/24	Paige Perry
10/28	Joyce Benedict
10/30	Bob Shafer

Happy Anniversary!

10/1	Murray & Bonny Smith
10/16	Frank & Thelma Sebastian
10/29	Stuart & Joyce Benedict