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FIFTEEN CENTS

Two upcoming Christmas concerts:

Handel's Messiah at DHS

The Donegal High School Vocal Music Department, under the direction of Mrs. RoAnn J. Lau, proudly presents the awe inspiring George Frederick Handel's "MESSIAH" on Saturday, December 16, 1978, in the Donegal High School auditorium beginning at 7:30 P.M.

The ever popular music of Christmas will be presented by the Donegal High School Chorus featuring Donegal Alumna: Miss Sharon Green (Soprano), Miss Lolly Baker (alto), Mr. Don Witman (Tenor), and Mr. Michael Kohler (Bass) and Miss Sharon Zimmerman as accompanist.

The Donegal Chorus will also sing various selections including "Sleigh Ride" and "Let Us Sing".

Also on the program will be the Rhythm Singers, a

select group of twelve girls and boys who will dance and sing "Winter Wonderland", "It's A Marshmallow World" (special arrangement by Steve Hassinger) and a medley of "Let It Snow" and "Home for Christmas". The present Rhythm Singers include: Deb Torres, Becky Zimmerman, Lisa Mummaw, Maxine Maxwell, Desiree Atkins and Kristin Straub; also, Mark Wagner, Bruce Wagner, Donald Kelly, Patrick Kenney, Wayne Mylin and James Landis.

A duet featuring Becky Zimmerman and Deb Torres will sing "The Birthday of the King".

The spirit of Christmas and very special music will be at Donegal on December 16. The public is invited to attend.

Maytown Ambulance needs support

East Donegal and Maytown people can support their ambulance service—and possibly save themselves money at the same time—by buying five dollar family memberships in the Maytown Ambulance Association.

A membership guarantees the family free ambulance service for a year. (Individual memberships cost three dollars).

To join, clip and mail the coupon on page 2 of this newspaper, along with a check for the appropriate amount.

Christmas music at Beahm

The Wilbur I. Beahm Junior High School Chorus and Band will present a Christmas Concert, free to the public, on December 14, at 7:30 PM in the Auditorium.

The chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Sue Ansell, will present songs ranging from Bach's "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring", to Ruth Artman's contemporary "Song of the Littlest Angel." Instrumental soloists include: Heather Farmer; finger cymbals; Ellen Endslo, flute; Lori Matriccino, triangle; Anne Musser, maracas; and Bob Nadeau, bongos.

Vocal soloists are Nancy

Brubaker, Grace Snyder and Coreen Gottlieb. Piano accompanists include Ellen Endslo, Nancy Brubaker, Donna Watto, Shellie Hoffer and Michele Vogt.

The chorus will present this program for the guests at Schock Presbyterian Home, Mount Joy, on December 8th.

Under the direction of Glen Leib, the Junior High School Band will perform such numbers as "Home for the Holidays," "Marshmallow World," and "Happy Holiday."

The concert will feature a brass choir. The audience will be asked to participate by singing a few carols with the band and chorus.



Bert Hiestand [left] and Ray Coyle pose with their giant sound system in The Longhouse.

The Longhouse

Hiestand and Coyle have a hot spot for cool teens

Two local young men will soon open a new nightclub near Maytown, to be called "The Longhouse." There kids can gather, dance, and socialize in a drug and alcohol-free setting. Except for the lack of booze, The Longhouse will just like the latest discotheque. There will be drinks (soft), loud music, strobes—the works.

"Kids who aren't into drugs have no place to go," says Ray Coyle, who thought up the idea. "We want the kids to have an alternative."

The other partner is Bert Hiestand. Both work for Hiestand Distributors, the wood stove business north of Marietta. Bert's father, Paul Hiestand, owns the business; Bert and Ray met when Ray got a job there earlier this year.

The many hours of work and many dollars spent out of Bert and Ray's pockets in putting together The Longhouse have been motivated by Christian faith, but Bert and Ray don't

plan to proselytize. The atmosphere will be low-keyed, they say.

"It's just a place where kids can come and have a good time," says Bert, who worked last summer at Christian youth center, and saw how the kids stayed away because they saw the place as "religious." There was nothing wrong with the center, he says; but the image made the kids wary.

What Bert and Ray hope to draw crowds with is a giant stereo system (200 watts per channel, professional quality), black lights, strobes, a mirrored wall, dance floor, pool table, pinball machines, light tubes, and at-cost soft drinks and pretzels.

All this will be housed in half of an old chicken house on Paul Hiestand's farm. (Paul donated the space). Bert and Ray are working on a huge cut stone sign for the wall, "The Longhouse" in four foot-high letters. They already have a soda machine,

furniture and cable spool tables, and most of the other things they need; they're hoping to get some of the finish work done soon so they can open. One wall consists of shower curtains now, and they hope to hide the sound system in a small room in the corner.

Neither of the two men hope to make any money from The Longhouse. If they can break even on operations, they'll be satisfied. All their labor and the cost of building materials won't be made up.

Why are they doing it? Bert says: "It was basically Ray's idea. I had more of the materials, so I'm helping out." They agree on the purpose, Bert says.

"TV and sports are about the only things kids have now," Bert adds. "We want to attract the kind of kids who don't go in for sports, and are left out of the social cliques."

"Before, the pressure was to 'make something of

your life'—now it seems the pressure on kids is just to conform."

Ray's motivation is rooted in his own experiences as a teenager. He went to E-town High School, which he says was "drug-infested." Drug users beat him up, he says, and put dope into his food in the lunch room. Because he wouldn't use drugs, he says, he was "an outcast."

Ray thinks there are many kids in school now who are, as he was, outcasts. He sees the Longhouse as a place where these youngsters can go without being pressured to use drugs. No alcohol or drugs will be allowed in the Longhouse.

The Longhouse is located about 2 miles north of Maytown along Bainbridge Road, at that road's intersection with Donegal Springs Road. Coming from Mount Joy, just follow Donegal Springs Road to a T-intersection, where it ends.