

# Messiah Sing-in Slated

Nearly 1,200 men and women from Rochester, Buffalo and Syracuse are expected to raise their voices in song as part of the second Messiah Sing-In at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 20, at the Nazareth Arts Center.

The Messiah Sing-In is a community singing event created and produced by the National Choral Council. First presented in Avery Fisher Hall in New York's Lincoln Center, it has been an annual tradition ever since.

In recent years, the Sing-In has become a regular Christmas treat in many other cities across the United States as well. The first Rochester Sing-In attracted 900 area singers to the Eastman Theatre.

At the Messiah Sing-In, the audience is the event. In each city, the members of the audience join to sing the choruses of Handel's Messiah under the baton of Martin Josman, artistic director, and 19 guest conductors. Each leads one chorus, making musical suggestions and briefly rehearsing the audience. At regular intervals, soloists Janet Graves-Wright, soprano, and Harold McAulliffe, tenor, take center stage. Kenneth Bowen, organist, accompanies the chorus and soloists.

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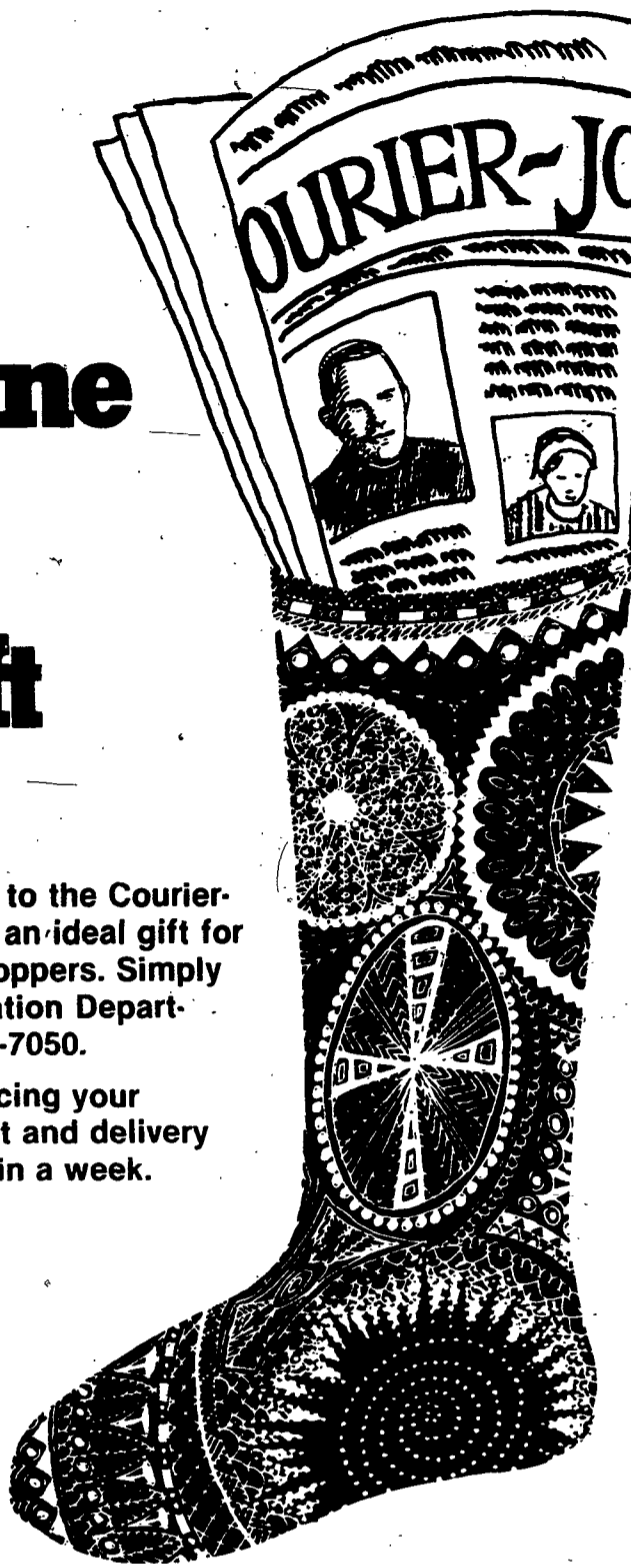
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