

Upcoming

Holiday chorus concerts next weekend

Next weekend the Jamestown Community Chorus will present "Our Holiday Favorites" at the Central Baptist Church on Narragansett Avenue.

There will be two performances of this choral program, one on Sat., Dec. 9, at 7:30 p.m., the other on Sun., Dec. 10, at 3 p.m.

Directed by B. J. Whitehouse and accompanied on the piano by Janet Grant, the concert will fea-

ture some traditional Christmas music, along with choral music of the wintery season.

A special addition to the program will be the inclusion of a mummer's play. Members of the cast are Tina Quackenbush, George Rice, Maureen Ryall, Judith Anderson, Julie Adams, and B.J. Whitehouse. It is a great old English folk play that is sure to bring added joy to the holiday season.

Tickets cost \$10 for general admission and \$7 for seniors and children. They are available at Baker's Pharmacy, Jamestown Hardware, the Secret Garden, from chorus members, and at the door.

There will be refreshment tables featuring holiday goodies. For more information, call 423-1574 or visit www.jamestownri.com/chorus.

Exploring 'A Tree Grows in Brooklyn'

The Afternoon Book Discussion at the Jamestown library continues on Dec. 12, the second Tuesday of the month, from 1 to 2 p.m. with the book "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" by Betty Smith.

A review in the New York Times said, "A profoundly moving novel, and an honest and true one. It cuts right to the heart of life. . . . If you miss A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, you will deny yourself a rich experience. . . . It is a poignant and deeply understanding story of childhood and family relationships. The Nolan's lived in the Williamsburg slums of Brooklyn from 1902 until 1919. . . . Their daughter Francie and their son Neely knew more than their fair share of the privations and sufferings that are the lot of a great city's poor. Primarily this is Francie's book. She is a superb feat of characterization, an imaginative, alert, resource-

ful child. And Francie's growing up and beginnings of wisdom are the substance of 'A Tree Grows in Brooklyn.'"

The last book discussion in this series will be on Soheir Khashoggi's "Mirage," Jan. 9. The group will also be choosing books for future discussions in both February and March.

Books for the discussions may be obtained through the Jamestown library by placing holds on one of the many copies in the state available through the Cooperating Libraries Automated Network or CLAN. These meetings are free and open to the public.

For more information, call the library at 423-7280.

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