

Christmas Benefit Concert Planned

BARIUM SPRINGS — Barium Springs Home for Children would like to invite friends, supporters and the community to a Christmas Benefit Concert featuring opera singer Melody Morrison Beaty Thursday, Dec. 11, at 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Statesville.

Beaty will sing traditional sacred and secular Christmas music, accompanied by guest artists Jane Pardue, pianist; Rebecca Jones,

harpist; and an ensemble of harp players including McLain Mallory, Cameron Jordan and Ann Sterling Dale. A Children's Choir from the Wagner Family & Child Development Center will accompany Beaty.

The concert is free. During the offertory, attendees are asked to consider making a gift to benefit the work and ministry of Barium Springs Home for Children. According to the North Carolina

Touring Artist Directory, "Melody Morrison has been called 'one of the finest young sopranos singing in America today.' As a professional singer of opera, operetta, musical theater, oratorio and art song, Morrison has a voice that is smooth from top to bottom and commands attention from an audience."

Currently, Barium Springs Home for Children is responding to the needs of North Carolina's children and families through the operation of residential care, educational services, full-day childcare, clinical services and campus ministry.

YMCA promoting Angel Tree and Coat Donations

The YMCA of Iredell County is offering a couple of ways to warm up Christmas for others in Iredell County.

The annual Angel Trees will soon be up in both the Barium Springs and Statesville Y facilities. Gifts through the program will be donated to local childcare and non-profit agencies.

Coats for kids is a way to donate coats to help others in need one. If the coats have been worn, Jenkins Cleaners will clean them before they are given away.

For information, call 704-873-9622.



RESIDENTS OF THE GARDENS SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY have been busy for weeks making ornaments for the Angel Trees to benefit the many homeless, abandoned and abused animals of the county. Clients and visitors to the participating Veterinarian Offices, Pet Stores and Groomers can place an ornament on their Christmas Tree for a donation of \$5. All proceeds will go to the Humane Society of Iredell County. Shown in the picture from left are Ruth Pope; Xera Barkley; Fonda Stokes, activity director; and Frances Wilson.

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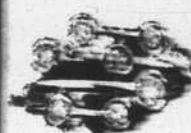


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