

Symphony, Chorale billed

Rogue Valley Chorale, an 80-member singing group, will be featured on the first program of the Rogue Valley Symphony Orchestra.

The concert is set for Tuesday, Oct. 26, at 8 p.m. in First Church of the Nazarene, 1974 E. McAndrews Road, Medford.

The orchestra, which has been in rehearsal since August, is directed by Roger Dickey. They will play "Canzona per Sonare" No. 1 and No. 28 by Giovanni Gabrieli, and Mozart's Symphony No. 38.

Directing the Chorale will be Lynn Sjolund, who formed the singing group which is now entering its fourth season. He has studied at the University of Oregon and in Europe and is choir director at Medford Senior High School.

The Chorale will sing Benjamin Britten's Festival Te Deum, Opus 32 and Missa Sancti Nicolai by Joseph Haydn.

The Missa (mass) is presumed to have been written to celebrate the nameday of Prince Nicolaus Esterhazy on Dec. 6, 1772. Later, Haydn seems to have used this Mass for another occasion — one entry in the Entwurf Katalog lists it as Missa St. Nicolai, but the last word was crossed out and "Josephi" substituted, all in Haydn's own hand.

The "Festival Te Deum" on the program is by Britten, an English composer, born in 1913.

Admission to the concert is by single ticket, available at the door for \$3; or by membership ticket for the season.

Memberships in the Association still are available: \$100 for sponsor; \$50 for sustaining members; \$35 for contributing member; \$25 for subscriber.

Although it is too late for listing in this program, all donors will be listed in succeeding programs for the symphony season. Each donor will receive two season tickets. All amounts in excess of \$20 are tax deductible contributions.

Season tickets are \$10 each and serve as admission for the winter season concerts, Jan. 17 in Grants Pass and Jan. 18 in Ashland; the Young artist Competition, Feb. 8 in Ashland; the spring season, March 7 in Grants Pass, and March 8 in Medford; May 16

in Medford and May 17 in Ashland.

Randall Bays, concert guitarist, will be featured performer during the January concerts. Winner of the Young Artist Competition will be soloist at the March concerts and Cynthia Whittier, pianist, at the May concerts.