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THE HEARTLAND CHAMBER CHORALE PRESENTS

### **Yom HaShoah Remembrance Concert**

**Sunday April 15, 2007 at 4:00PM**

First Wayne Street United Methodist Church

Program also features Snider High School Choir (Brenda Butler, Director)

**The Heartland Chamber Chorale will present a Yom HaShoah remembrance concert on Sunday April 15, 2007 at 4:00PM, the Jewish National Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust, Martyrs, and Heroism. This concert – free and open to the public – will be held at First Wayne Street United Methodist Church in downtown Fort Wayne.**

An important component of the Heartland Chamber Chorale is the ensemble's ongoing Community Outreach effort, striving to build bridges and change lives through choral music. Yom HaShoah is the Jewish National Day of Remembrance for the souls lost during the Holocaust. Music Director Robert Nance will lead the Chorale in a performance of *A Holocaust Cantata* by Don McCullough, based on authentic music and letters written by prisoners in German concentration camps during WWII. The *Cantata* features the Chorale accompanied by pianist Dale Tucker and cellist Lori Morgan. Letters will be recited by Manuel Silverman, Aaron Bradley, Julia Goodall, Scott McMeen, MaryJo Meyer, Marcia Reynolds, Michael Spath, Mark Stachofsky, and Leslie Gubitz.

This highly acclaimed and emotionally stirring work will be presented in one performance only: Sunday April 15 at 4:00PM in the sanctuary of First Wayne Street United Methodist Church (300 E Wayne St in downtown Fort Wayne). A freewill offering will be accepted to benefit educational outreach programs of the Fort Wayne Jewish Federation.

The program concludes with several selections featuring Snider High School Choir, one of the choirs participating in HCC's *Side by Side* educational initiative in 2006-07. The songs performed are dedicated to the memory of those we remember today.

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Now presenting outstanding vocal music performances in its tenth season, the 26-member Heartland Chamber Chorale is Northern Indiana's only professional chorus. Founded by music and executive director Robert Nance, the Heartland Chamber Chorale performs in and around Fort Wayne throughout the year. The HCC also engages promising young vocalists through educational outreach programs like our *Side-by-Side in Song* and *Project Sing!* initiatives. The purpose of the Heartland Chamber Chorale is to perform high quality choral chamber music to enrich audiences in the Fort Wayne community, Northeast Indiana, and beyond, with a goal to serve as a professional resource to the community for matters pertaining to the art of chamber vocal music.

The Heartland Chamber Chorale is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and is funded in part through gifts from Arts United (a local agency), the Indiana Arts Commission (a state agency), and the National Endowment for the Arts (a federal agency). Additional funding is provided by HCC Member-Supporters, the English Bontier Mitchell Foundation, Target Foundation, the Wilson Foundation, and the Lincoln Financial Group Foundation. For additional information and a current schedule of concerts, please visit [www.heartlandchorale.org](http://www.heartlandchorale.org) or call the HCC office at 260-436-8080.

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