The Berlin American High School Music Pepartment Presents: Po Swiss nativity Pec. 16th 1971 Berlin american High School auditorium 1930 hrs.

## PAUL BURKHARD

Schweizer Komponist, Verfasser volkstümlicher, musikalischer Komödien wie "FEUERWERK" (O mein Papa) und Musik zu Dramen wie Friedrich Dürrenmatts "FRANK V." sowie der Oper "EIN STERN GEHT AUF AUS JAAKOB" die voriges Jahr in Hamburg uraufgeführt wurde, lebt in dem kleinen Dorfe Zell in der Schweiz.

Auf Bitten des Lehrers und Dorfpfarrers schrieb er für die Kinder und Jugendlichen seines Dorfes dieses Spiel, das nun schon in mehreren Sprachen übersetzt wurde. Es wurden Schallplattenaufnahmen gemacht und das Fernsehen, auch in Amerika, strahlte dieses Spiel-aus.

Die Lieder wurden schon bald ein Begriff und fehlen in der Schweiz an keiner Weihnachtsfeier mehr. Es gibt keine Dekoration, keine Requisiten und die Kinder sind nicht kostümiert. Sie spielen gewissermassen sich selber. Alles Sentimentale, Niedliche wurde vermieden und die Musik ist so, dass jeder sie sofort mitsingen kann. So geht die Botschaft, die dieses Spiel zu verkündigen hat, in ihrer Unschuld, in ihrer echten Naivität und Direktheit in die Herzen derer, die sie hören.

Marika Heyck

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Swiss composer, lives in the small village of Zell, Switzerland. He is well-known in Europe for his musical comedies and operas. In America he is best known through the hit song "Oh, My Papa" from the musical comedy "FIREWORKS." His opera, "THERE SHALL A STAR COME OUT OF JACOB," had its world premiere at the Hamburg Stattsoper last year and is repeating its success this Christmas season. We are fortunate and honored to him him present at tonight's performance.

Mr. Burkhard was requested by the teachers and village priest to write this music-drama for the children and teen-agers of Zell. The songs have become an indispensible part of the season's music and can be heard at every Swiss Christmas celebration. There are no decorations, props, or costumes. For all practical purposes the young people play themselves. All sticky-sweet sentimentality and corny cuteness have been purposely avoided, and the music is so simple and catchy that anyone can sing along with it at the first hearing.

"THE SWISS NATIVITY" has been translated into several languages and both recordings and television performances have brought it to the attention of the public in Europe and America. The English translation by Mrs. Eleanor Gurewitsch is having its European premiere at our performance tonight. We are also happy and fortunate to have Mrs. Gurewitsch among our honored guests.

Though the story of this music-drama is an ancient one, its beauty rests on its simplicity and innocence.

# PROGRAM

INTRODUCTION	
1st Senior 2nd Senior 3rd Senior 4th Senior 5th Senior 6th Senior 1st Junior 2nd Junior 3rd Junior 4th Junior 6th Junior 6th Junior 7th Junior 8th Junior Young Boy	Gary Griffin Bruce Bottorff Jack Hancock Mike Foster Earl Fulmer Randy Daugherty Kenneth Morphis Mitchell Hancock Hans Fenstermacher Warren Knarr Sean O'Day Ronald Daggett Bruce Aycock Tim Olsen Joey Sartiano
GABRIEL and MARY Gabriel Mary Herodias Black Lady Girls Dede Henderson Suzy Henderson Wendy Henderson	Cindy Gilbert Debby Ferguson Leslie Neeb Linda Jones Marie Bauer Sharon Bush Marcy Borg Sharon Greer Holly von Dach
THREE WISE MEN  Kaspar  1st Student 2nd Student  Melchior 1st School Girl 2nd School Girl Balthasar Girl	Gary Griffin Tammy Baker Eva Trent Bruce Bottorff Darlene Leda Gail Wood Jack Hancock
Black Mother Black Father	Suzy Henderson Linda Jones Lynn Schneider

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Herodias		Leslie Nee	72. I
1st Servant		Kenneth Mo	
2nd Servant		Mitchell H	ancock
3rd Servant		Hans Fenst	ermacher
1st Soldier		Warren Kna Sean O'Day	rr
2nd Soldier		Sean O'Day	
3rd Soldier War Minister		Ronald Dag	gett
Police Chief		Bruce Ayco	ck
Girls		Tim Olsen Wanda Evan	_
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		Janet Urich	3
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		William Kna Joey Sartia	
Shepherds		8 Juniors	ano
Dale Allison		Mike Cassio	dv
John Evans		Wardell Tur	rner
Rob von Dach			
Gabriel		Cindy Gilbe	ert
1st Angel 2nd Angel		Fleta Leste	r
		Bonnie Bate	
Angels		Senior Girl	2.525
Beth Callana	n	Andrea Carp	penter
Vicki Evans Debbie Hewett		Judy Evans	
Kathy Garriso		Linda Jones	
Shelia Zimmen	omo n	Lynn Schnei	
Jenny Gartlan	nd	Susan Cassi Sharon Gilb	lay
Dede Henders	on	Wendy Hende	reon
Mitzi Johnson	1	Wendy Hende Patricia Po	llock
Corrinne Time	othy	Gloria Turr	er
Janet Urich		Gina Zimmer	man
Cynthia Ackli	ın	Marsha Kino	aid
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AT THE INNS Mary ...... Debbie Ferguson Joseph ..... Mike Foster 1st Innkeeper ..... Tim Olsen 1st Innkeeper's Wife .. Sharon Bush 1st Maid ...... Sally Short 1st Boy ..... Joey Sartiano 2nd Innkeeper ...... Sean O'Day 2nd Innkeeper's Wife .. Teresa Greer 2nd Maid ..... Marjorie Jones 2nd Boy ..... Warren Knarr 3rd Innkeeper ..... Bruce Aycock 3rd Innkeeper's Wife .. Marilyn Halvorsen 3rd Maid ..... Clarisse Baril 3rd Boy ..... Hans Fenstermacher THE MIRACLE 1st Girl ...... Bonnie Bates Marsha Ball 2nd Girl ........ Calf ..... Nary Kennedy Donkey ..... Wanda Evans 8 Juniors Young Girls THE ADORATION Entire Cast INSTRUMENTALISTS 1st Flute ..... Diana Green 2nd Flute ..... Charlotte Lee 1st Trumpet ....... Thomas Webb 2nd Trumpet ...... Robert Halvorsen 3rd Trumpet ..... Marvin Lindroth 1st Trombone Stûdent Director ... Paul Greer 2nd Trombone ..... Brit Ball 3rd Trombone David Mills
Norman Bergstrasser
Clayton White Bass Drum ...... Mike Stevenson Cembalo (Harpsichord).. Frau Charlotte Krutina Organ ..... Herr Gustav Wolff

#### SINGING CHORUS

Myra Allen
Elfride Bailey
Mario Corrente
Linda Fulmer
Harvey Irvin
Antoinette Hurst
Charles Kelker
Clarisse Loafman
Libby McDaniel
Lorraine Ridley
Carol Souder
Debbie Viti

Joanna Anderson
Vannessa Buck
Cathy Eckford
Jeana Gilbert
Jancy Hall
Katie Howard
Mike Johnson
Patricia Lieber
Jeanette Martel
Ellen Morphis
Jeanne Sell
Dwana Stevenson

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