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Exhilarating musical adventures are in store for you in the Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra's highly-anticipated 56th season, "Expect the Unexpected," beginning Saturday, October 1 at 7:00 p.m. at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church with "The Beatles and Friends." Lavish orchestral arrangements of Beatles favorites and choral settings of music by John Lennon and Paul McCartney, sung by members of the Apollo Chorus of Chicago, along with music of Bill Joel and selections from Elton John's "The Lion King" promise a fabulous evening of musical treats you will long remember.

To make your Beatles experience complete you won't want to miss a special showing of the Beatles film, "A Hard Day's Night," on Sunday, September 18, at 4:30 p.m. at the York Theater, 150 N. York Rd. in Elmhurst. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased on the ESO's web site, www.elmhurstsymphony.org or by calling the ESO Box Office at 630-941-0202. A limited number of tickets will be available at the theater the day of the event.

Those attending the October 1 concert are invited to a festive buffet dinner catered by DiLeo's beginning at 5:15 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person. Please call the ESO Box Office to purchase tickets.

Concert costs are underwritten in part with generous gifts from Elaine Libovicz (music) and John and Reva Lizzadro (the Apollo Chorus singers.)

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church, the ESO's musical home, is located at 149 W. Brush Hill Rd. in Elmhurst. The church has accessible parking and facilities; parking is free. The concert experience at ECRC is enhanced by the informative and lively discussion, Behind the Music Stand, led by audience favorite Dr. Ted Hatmaker, which takes place at 5:45 p.m.prior to the concert. Joining Dr. Hatmaker for this discussion will be Beatles expert Greg Alexander, aka Professor Moptop.

Concert tickets, which can be purchased on the ESO web site or by calling the ESO Box Office, are \$32 for adults, \$30 for seniors, and \$9 for students. Group and family rates are also available. Save on ticket costs by purchasing a 2016-17 season subscription on the ESO web site, by calling the ESO Box Office, or at the October 1 concert. Subscriber benefits include purchase of additional single tickets for \$25, free exchange of tickets (conditions apply), and subscriber-only special gatherings. For more information call the ESO Box Office.

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