

Students to film concert

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CHEBOYGAN — Video cameras and microphones probably won't be noticed by audiences at "Symphonic Lightfoot!" scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday on the Opera House stage.

The audiences, will however, be part of a live taping for a public television broadcast of the concerts by "Whispers of the North — The Gordon Lightfoot Tribute."

Local public access originator Sunrise Cable Network of Onaway has charge of the production end of the television version of the show.

"Sunrise Cable Network will be filming the concert, along with editing and distribution," said Rachel Woodard, production and program-

ming coordinator. "The concert will be seen on each of our channels in Rogers City, Onaway, Hillman, Atlanta, Cedarville, and Pickford."

Woodard estimated that the program will be ready for viewing after post-production work sometime in late spring or early summer.

Some of the cameras are tiny and will be mounted on unobtrusive stands to capture the show from different angles, but other cameras will be manned by students from Sandy Safford's media literacy class at Cheboygan Area High School.

"We're hoping for participation from about a half dozen students, said Safford, whose class numbers 20 pupils. "It's an experience they may not seek on their own, since most of our projects right now in-

volve basketball or hockey games. They may find a different aspect of TV than the sports component that we rely heavily upon."

Safford said the concert taping gives students an opportunity to branch out and do something beyond the scope of what they normally see in school.

"They can take a stake in producing something and calling it their own," Safford added.

Woodard explained that Sunrise Cable is excited about the opportunity to televise the show and involve the students in the learning process.

"This is great local programming for Sunrise Cable Network," said Woodard. "We are thrilled to have the opportunity to film this event."