

ANGELIC EFFORTS IN CHINA -- Last week you read in this column about the concert given by Cleveland's Singing Angels at Divinity Lutheran Church in Parma Heights Sept. 20.

Well, **Janet Safran** of Parma Heights' Cassidy Theatre was the travel agent working with the Angels on their June trip to China, which saw 13 area students visit the cities of Xian, Beijing and Shanghai.

She shares with RH that the trip was a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Highlights of the 10-day Chinese tour were diplomatic receptions given by **Madame Gu Xin Lian**, one of the "leading ladies of China," and officials in each of the cities visited.

The tour included major concerts in Shanghai at the Shanghai Conservatory, a sold-out concert attended by the director of the Shanghai Symphony Orchestra with 800 in the audience; another sold-out performance in Xian at Xian Normal University attended by 1,200 students; and a concert at the Tang Dynasty Dinner Theatre in Beijing.

Safran said the Angels also sang in the Concert Hall in the Forbidden City -- another sell-out with 2,400 in attendance, and in another concert on the Great Wall of China.

While visiting the Terra Cotta Warriors in Xian, the Angels met up with the Shaw High School Band from Cleveland, which resulted in some excellent photos, Safran said.

Music director for the tour was the brilliant **Charles Eversole**, and tour manager was **Karen Harris**. The Angels making the trek included **Amy Phillips** from Parma; **Dawn Culp** and **Bryan Webb** from Parma Heights; **Jacqueline Uhlik** from Seven Hills; **Chelsea Maldonado** from Berea; **Alyssa McClearnon** from Strongsville; Medina's **Henry Mader**; **Tim Kubick** from Independence, and **Janis Augustine** and **Amanda Lawer** from Broadview Heights.

Lawer is also Safran's granddaughter.