

# Where There's Life

## MAIN STREET

**Cranbrook House Tours** open to groups of not less than 10 people, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays. Guided tours of 1908 home of George and Ellen Scripps Booth, at 330 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills. Call 645-3152 for reservations. Admission charge.

**Bicentennial Quilt** by Big Beaver Elementary School children on display through April at Troy Public Library.

**Neon fashion show** and lunch sponsored by Christ Church. Cranbrook Episcopal Churchwomen on April 20. Preview of designer clothes to be sold at spring rummage sale. Call 644-5210 for tickets. At church in Bloomfield Hills.

**Spring Rummage Sale** sponsored by United Methodist Women of First Farmington Methodist from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 22 and 23 at the church.

**Detroit Fold-a-face Club** meets for regular session from 8:11 to 9 p.m. April 23 at Brookside School Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills.

**Thrill Show and Destruction Derby** with Ben Robinson planning jump from top of Pontiac Stadium into air bag. Also Joe Chilwood and his Legion of Daredevils. At 8:30 p.m. April 24 in Pontiac Stadium.

**Gala Preview of two Cranbrook Academy of Art auctions** in Bloomfield Hills. Student art auction and art-Antique Auction from 8:30 p.m. April 24 in museum. Auction begins at 8 p.m. Benefit art auction in museum from 3-4 p.m. April 25 is preceded by viewing beginning at 1 p.m.

**Guided Public Tour** sponsored by Cranbrook House Auxiliary and Cranbrook Garden Auxiliary in Bloomfield Hills. At 1 p.m. April 25, of home and parts of the gardens. Call 643-3152 for reservations.

## AT THE MALL

**Annual boat show** "Gateway to the Lakes," through April 19 at Orchard Mall, West Bloomfield Township. Displays of boats of all sizes and shapes, recreational vehicles, fishing and scuba diving equipment.

**Wheels 'N' Keels** free exposition for motorcycle and sailboat fans April 19 through 24 at Pontiac Mall in Waterford Township. Motorcycles, trail bikes, competition cycles, sailboats, catamarans, sailing canoes and scuba diving gear exhibited daily from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

**Antique and Classic Car Exhibit** April 20 through May 1 at Somerset Mall. Troy Members of the Birmingham Chapter, Veteran Motor Car Club of America, exhibit some of their prized automobiles from their private collections.

**CHILDREN'S CHOICE**  
Talk to the Animals from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 19 and 20 at The Community House, Bates and Townsend, Birmingham. Farmer Webster from Upland Hills Farm brings holy farm animals for children to see and pet. Hourly demonstrations in shearing the sheep, spinning and weaving the wool, milking the cow.

**April Movies** at West Bloomfield Public Library feature "Giants Come in Different Sizes" and "Drama Store" at 4:15 p.m. April 21. For all early elementary school aged children, also preschoolers if accompanied by an adult.

**Morning Storybook** for preschoolers at 10:30 a.m. April 22 at Bloomfield Township Library. No pre-registration necessary.

**Saturday Cinema** at Troy Public Library presents "Fluffy the Ostrich," "Woody the Lamb" and "Peano" at 9:30 a.m. April 24. Reservations by calling 689-6865.

**Tom Sawyer** free marionette show Saturdays at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m., Sundays at 1 and 3:30 p.m. in the Overlook at Meadow Brook Village Mall, Avon Township.

## CURTAIN TIME

**'Yankee Ingenuity'** musical comedy, world premiere April 22 through May 18 at Meadow Brook Theatre on Oakland University campus. Rochester Tickets at Hudson's or Meadow Brook Theatre Box Office. Phone 377-3300 for ticket information.

**'Last of the Red Hot Lovers'** Neil Simon comedy, at Somerset. Dinner Theatre Friday and Saturday nights through May 1 in Somerset Mall. Troy Buffet dinner begins at 7:30 p.m. with 8:45 p.m. curtain. For reservations call 644-8868. Performances in auditorium on lower level of mall at Big Beaver Road and Coode.

## CONCERTS

**Coffee Concert** April 23 with bus to Ford Auditorium at 9 a.m. from Farmington Community Center, for concert of Detroit Symphony Orchestra preceded by fashion show and pre-curtain coffee. Call center at 677-8404 for further information.

**Family Film night** at 7:15 p.m. April 22 at Troy Public Library presents two Disney films, "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" and "The Sandlot" (R-rated). For reservations call 689-5665.

**Family Film Program** at Bloomfield Township Library features "One Wish Too Many" and "Paul Revere's Ride" from 5-7 p.m. April 22. No pre-registration necessary.

**Awareness Through Films** open to everyone Mondays from 8-9:30 p.m. at Common Ground, corner Adams and Lincoln, Birmingham.

## TALKING

**Russell Barnes** Cervest Events Lecture from 1-3 p.m. April 20 at Baldwin Public Library, Birmingham. Admission charge.

**How to Develop A Neighborhood Watch Program** film series in talk, third in series "Protecting Yourself and Your Property," at 8 p.m. April 21 at Baldwin Public Library, Birmingham.

**Southfield Series**, presents George Van Peursem at noon April 22 in Raleigh House, Southfield. Van Peursem, president of Michigan Manufacturer's Association, is expected to include an update on what is taking place in Lansing.

For area events 18 Oakland County to be considered for listing, send information to: Ethel Simmons, Entertainment Editor, The Observer & Eccentric, Birmingham 08112. Deadline is a week ahead of publication.



## 'Two Gentlemen of Verona'

Wayman Thompson (left) as Valentine and Ron Merkin of 4165 Blackburn, West Bloomfield, as Speed are appearing in The Theatre of the University of Detroit-Marygrove College production of "Two Gentlemen of Verona." Performances in the rocking musical version, first presented by producer Joe Papp for the New York Shakespeare Festival, are scheduled Fridays through Sundays until May 2. Curtain is at 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Ticket information is available by calling the box office at 341-1838 or 927-1130.

## Shawn in farce

Stage, film and television star Dick Shawn will play the lead role in *Misc Hall's* production of "El Capitan" for two weeks only, May 3-16 at the center.

According to Music Hall artistic director, Dr. David D'Chera, the signing of Shawn ends a 18-month search for a versatile actor, comedian and singer to perform the demanding dual role created by John Philip Sousa for his 1898 Comic Opera.

With Mr. Shawn on board I think we're ready to give Detroit a show unlike any they're likely to see for a while. D'Chera said.

"El Capitan" is a musical farce on the order of Gilbert and Sullivan. A banding towards scenes of a South American banana republic. Don Meduga senses unrest among his people, declares himself as the mythical national hero. "El Capitan" to infiltrate the enemy camp to disassemble them or hedge his bets" in case they win.

Instead, "El Capitan" mere presence inspires their falling movement and Don Meduga alias "El Capitan" finds himself in the ridiculous predicament of leading an uprising against his own regime.

"El Capitan" will be presented nightly for two weeks, except Monday and Thursday, May 10 and 13, at Music Hall, with matinee Wednesdays and Friday, the first week (Saturdays and Sundays) the last week.

Evening performances are at 8:30, except Sundays, 4:30 p.m. and matinees are at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at Hudson's, Greenleaf's, Box Office or Instant Charge by phone, 963-7600. For group discounts, call 963-7622.

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