Clarinet soloist featured

Veterans recall war

Concert group plans performance

The Nov. 19 West Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra concert will give area residents the chance to hear a world famous musician guest solo on an instrument which is seldom played

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saw action during World War II.

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Currie applied for emergency leave
to straighten out his business and sell
his car. On March 17, 1942 he was
added to the ranks of Americans in the
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HE WAS ASSIGNED to the maintenance division of Omar Bradley's 1st Army.

During the Battle of the Bulge, he remembers listening to the buzz tomks in the night.

They would sound like washing machines. When they quit running, they'd be silent until the explosion, when we were playing cards at night the guy who was dealing would stout util it exploded. Then he would start dealing again.

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Although he was hit with shrapnel once he never applied for a Purple Heart.
"Too many guys got them who didn't deserve them.
"I never knew I was hit until later, then I used my first aid kit." he said of the small wound in his right forearm. He was assigned to a half track as a gunner a transfer from his earlier position on a light tank.

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"The tank sergeant and the guy who replaced me were killed in a ambush. They didn't know the Germans were there and the Germans didn't know they were there until it was too late." he said.

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are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for seniors and youth and may be purchased at the symphony office located in the Secontine Realty office. 5722 W. 1-4 p.m. weekdays. Phone reservations and information are available at \$26-1500.

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Highlighting the evening of music which includes both classical and pops selections, clarinetist David Saltrin will perform the "Concerto No. 2 in E Flat for Clarinet" by Karl Maria von Weber and the "Introduction and Vari-ations for Clarinet" by composer Gasacchino Rossini.

Tickets for the Nov. 19 performance

CHARLES CURRIE THEN, THEY lost track of the "Someone said duck and we did.
"Someone said duck and we did.
When you can't hear the bomb come
toward you you know its going to hit
you. It hit the back of the truck and
milk and cheese were everywhere."

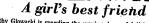
After the war he married and he and his wife Helen raised three children in

instrument in a solo role."
"At West Bloomfield High School,
we have about 40 students playing
clarinet with our symphony and concert bands and wind ensemble."
explains Carolyn Thibldeau of the
school's music department. "I'VE HEARD MR. Shifrin play in Ann Arbor and I think everyone will enjoy his performance, especially our own clarinetists," she adds.

"I'd say more youngsters play the clarinet at our school than any other instrument, even the flute." comments Mark Barton, who teaches the clarinet at Abbott Middle School and two of the as About Middle School and two of the West Bloomfield District elementaries. "It's light and easy to carry, It appeals to both boys and girls. These are a couple of reasons for its popularity which are not even related to bow it sounds." Shifrin first took up the clarinet as an elementary student in New York. He graduated from the Interiochen Arts Academy in Michigan and the Ourtis Institute in Philadelphia and went on to become the youngest principal player of the Cleveland, Honolulu and Dallas Symphony Orchestras. Now, at age 28, he is the youngest sessociate professor at the University of Michigan Music School and is principal clarinetis with the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra.

Just a year ago. Shifrin won the top prize in a clarinet category at the International Music Competition in Germany.

The next symphony concert will be Dec. 10 and highlights a world premiere performance of a new "Concerto for Violin and Orchestra" by Southfield resident Wade Marcus and featuring violinist Misha Rachlevsky.



Kathy Glowacki is spending the waning days of fall by riding her horse, Frosty, around the suburban countryside. (Staff photo)



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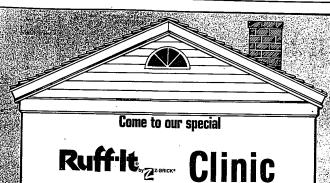
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