

'Christmas for Today'

"Christmas for Today, With just a Touch of Tradition" is the theme for the Ronald Senkowski home on Applewood Lane, Mary Ann Senkowski joins six other Hill and Dale Garden Club members in opening their bomes when the club stages its Christmas Walk, from 1-6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9.

Tickets and maps are available in Farmington Community Center on the day of the event, where the walk starts. Guests are also invited to tea and shop in the club's boutique of handcrafted items created for the holidays. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)

Ballet joins symphony for holiday concert

The Oak Park Symphony Orchestra will present its holiday concert Sunday, bec. 9, 32.30 p.m. at Oak Park High School.

The orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Morris Hochberg, will perform with the Contemporary Civic Ballet Company under the leadership of Rosemarie Floyd.

The program will be all Tchaikovsky the first number being "Sereande for Strings," followed by the Overfure, "Pantasia" and "Rome and Juliet."

The orchestra will accompany the

ballet in a peformance of the last act of "Sleeping Beauty," with guest dancer James Dunn of New York.

Both the symphony and Hochberg have been cited for their outstanding performances. Hochberg heads both the string department and the chamber music department at Wayne State Uni-versity Music School. He is also the conductor of the St. Clair Shores Sym-nhony Orchesting.

phony Orchestra.

Ms. Floyd and the Contemporary
Civic Ballet Co., located in Royal Oak,
are in their 24th year. The company

has been invited to perform many times with symphony orchestras in the

MEMBERS OF Floyd's company have performed in London, England, at the Golden Lane Theater. Their leader is any the Golden Lane Theater their leader is uptil summer sessions in England for an International Teachers Conference and holds a Fellow-Membership with the Imperial Society of London. She also received the Advanced Maestro Cecchetti Diploma, the highest honor in the ballet branch of the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dance. This honor is shared by four other teachers in the U.S.

Other honors Floyd holds are a Head-liners Award by Wayne State Universi-ty in 1978, given to alumnae for out-standing contributions in their field, and "Woman of the Year" in 1975 by the Scroptimist International of Royal Oak.

Dancers in the company will per-orm a variety of solos, duets and trios. For ticket information call 542-4668.

Beth Gordon stars in 'Sweet Charity'

Beth Gordon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Gordon, of Farmington Hills, takes the title role in University of Michigan's production of "Sweet Chester"

of Michigan's production of "sweet Charity." A 1978 graduate of Harrison High School and now a sophomore at U-M, she will recreate the dancing and sing-ing character performed in the 1960s by Gwen Verdon on stage and Shirley

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Maclaine in the film.

"Sweet Charity" will be presented by the New Musket Company in Ann Ar-bor's Lydia Mendelsohn Theater, Nov. 29-30 and Dec. 1.

When Ms. Gordon was a student at Harrison, she directed "A Curious Sav-age," and appeared in "Our Town," "Harvey" and "Oklahoma."

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