

21-Year-Old Leads

'Commercial Music' Trio

When The Jim Allison trio packed up its instruments at the end of a 20-month engagement at Lady's, the members didn't have far to move.

The trio opened last week for an engagement in the Sherwood Inn of Livonia.

Leader of the group is 21-year-old Jim Allison of 20128 Antago, Livonia.



JIM ALLISON

Allison and all the members of the trio are part-time musicians. That is, they all hold down steady jobs during the day and are musicians at night as "a sideline."

Allison is employed in production control of the Burroughs plant in Plymouth during the day, while the other members of the trio are a high school teacher and a music instructor giving private lessons.

Will Allison ever become a full time musician?

"I don't think so," he said. "There is a lack of security and no fringes provided for musicians, and I have a family to support." The family is wife, Janis, and a 10-month-old son, Alan.

"Music is fun and it is good money for a sideline," Allison concluded.

WHILE the trio is booked to play six nights (Monday through Sunday), Allison will appear with the group only on weekends.

"Six nights a week is just

Allison says that the trio plays the dance standards and current tunes with the "Jimmy Allison sound."

WHAT'S THAT sound? He can't really describe it and says that you have to hear the music in order to understand. He does say that the music is both danceable and easy to listen to.

Someone can also talk to his friends while we are playing," he added.

Other members of the trio are Emory Robbins on the organ, Earl Pierson on the sax, and Dave Rodin on the drums on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

An original member of the trio will rejoin the group in about a week once he completes his service with the Army Reserve. That's a Bentley High School friend of Allison's, Dave Husted, who plays the organ.

Violinist Solos

DETROIT Mari Tsumura, a tiny wisp of a young woman who began playing the violin at the age of four, will appear in recital in the On-Campus Concert Series at Mercy College, Southfield and Outer Drive, at 8 p.m., Dec. 7.

Amusements

Old Time Comics Are Weekend Fare

DEARBORN In Hollywood's happiest era 40 years ago or so, comedy was absolute king. The beloved monarch is returning to the throne on Thanksgiving weekend as the Henry Ford Museum presents "The Golden Age of Comedy."

Laurel and Hardy, Will Rogers, Ben Turpin and many other comedy greats star in this nostalgic compilation from those glorious days Friday through Sunday in the Museum Theater.

HIGHLIGHTING scenes from the laugh factories of Mack Sennett and Hal Roach, the masters of the art of slapstick, this hilarious film re-creates the age of prat-falls, the Sennett bathing beauties, the Keystone Kops and the rough-and-tumble chase.

With the help of cleverly added sound effects and music and knowledgeable narration, "The Golden Age of Comedy" offers viewers outstanding scenes from comedy classics of the 20s and lesser known gems from even earlier. Audiences might be surprised to see Jean Harlow as a comedy foil to Laurel and Hardy and Carole Lombard in a line of Sennett bathing beauties.

DURABLE King Comedy offers delightful entertainment for the whole family throughout the holiday weekend.

Showings are at 1 and 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2 and 4 p.m. Sunday. There is no charge for the movies beyond the regular Museum admission.

Singles Fair Dec. 14

A second "Fair for Singles" is scheduled from 2 to 9 p.m. Dec. 14 in the grand ballroom of the Hotel Ponchartraine by T. Gambit, Entertainment and dining will be staged in the hotel's Le Cafe after 5 p.m. This fair follows the successful Singles Fair of last spring.

In one giant extravaganza, cast in the midst of a fashionable cocktail party, T. Gambit will bring together as much information as possible about items of interest to single people. The script will provide a type of clearing house of ideas, opportunities and organizations available for singles.

There will be all types of booths representing the various singles organization, ski clubs, BIG TELEPHONE BILL

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political parties, social clubs and businesses aimed to the interest of singles.

There will be booths containing professional people like doctors, attorneys, stock brokers, career counselors and members of the clergy to provide assistance or advice regarding their particular field.

Booths will be reserved for travel agencies and apartment complex operators anxious to plan a singles trip and/or help individuals decide where to live.

Also scheduled for appearances are Cleo, the nationally famous astrologer, and J. Robert Black, the people pot man.

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