## Doctor who helped Betty Ford speaks about alcoholism

"Alcoholism Prevention" will be the theme of the June 1-2 annual confer-ence of the National Council on Alcoholism-Greater Detroit Area (KCA-GDA). The conference, in the Michigan Inn, Southfield, is open to the public as well as to counselors and other profession-able.

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And so the persons surrounding the drinker are guilty of literally loving the drinker to death.

Only one problem drinker in 10 will seek help, she said. The rest will either go insane or die as a direct result of their drinking

LACK OF information about alcohol or the alcoholic often prevents us from intervening in the behavior before it becomes a crisis," Ms. Shaver said. "There is no reason why someone has to get into a few car accidents, develop

"A preventive approach is really important. I think we all have to learn to develop more meaningful life skills in the way we deal with our own problems or in the way we relate to others," Ms. Shaver said.

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"I used to tell my kids they shouldn't drink, but I would buy them T-shirts with beer advertisements on them; the tidn't even notice this contradiction until one of my kids pointed it out to me. I was giving a double message, and I wasn't really being very clear that I didn't think they were old enough to drink responsibly."

## Kendallarks invite you to smile

The Kendallarks Chorus opens its 1979 season with "Smile, Darn Ya, Smile," in a performance at 7 pm. Monday, April 23, in Twelve Oaks Mall, Lord & Taylor Court. Director Jim Whitten has drafted a completely new repertoire "calculated to make you smile, set your toes tapping and win all your applause," said thorus member Pao Seaglion. The director has combined the best of the new songs and show tunes with some old favorites in innovative ways for the program, and those who are familiar with the Kendallarks will spot all to of new talent in the rows of faces. Among the more recent additions to to the extended to the tendent of the companion of th

mas season.

"Persons to call to make arrangemeets for performances are Sara
vice lard, president of the group, at
5550182 or Sue McLean, secretary, at

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In rehearsal now for "Smile, Darn Ya, Smile," Susan Garr (at left) Sue McLean, Joyce Messing director Jim Whitten.

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