

# Prelude to Opera slated May 6 and 8

By SHIRLEE IDEN

The passion for opera is like a narcotic. If you're an aficionado, you're always looking for more."

Father Walter Zebrowski voiced the above sentiments in a recent interview concerning the Prelude to Opera program planned in Southfield on May 6 and 8.

The multi-media sessions will include infor-

mal lecture presentations with recordings, a live singer and dancer, and visual displays.

"I put it together, am the co-ordinator and also a lecturer," Father Zebrowski said.

The programs will focus on two of the operas being presented later this month at the Masonic Temple by the Metropolitan Opera Company.

They are: "Carmen" and "Eugene Onegin."

"We're going to spend an hour on 'Carmen' and one on 'Eugene Onegin,'" Father Zebrowski said.

"I'll be speaking about the literary background of both operas."

Father Zebrowski is associated with St. Mary's College at Orchard Lake. Though teaching and theology are his vocation, opera is his avocation.

His love of the medium began in Providence, Rhode Island when he was only 14.

He has seen opera in many cities in this country and in Europe and has watched a number of them from backstage.

Candace De Latre of the Michigan Lyric Opera will sing the "Habanera" from Act I of Carmen and

The program will include recorded music with commentary in addition to the live performance. The Opera Prelude 12 dancers in period costumes from the Wavel Ensemble will perform the "Polonaise" from Act III of "Eugene Onegin."

Father Zebrowski has a special fondness for "Carmen," the first opera he saw as a young teenager.

"Once it took all my pennies and nickels to save up to see a performance," he recalled.

Exhibits will include original costume designs done in Warsaw, books and photos.

programs are open to any interested persons.

Prelude to Opera Met Week 1980 is sponsored by Southfield's Cultural Arts Division and is made possible through a grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts.

Admission for each evening is \$2.50 per person. For more information call 354-4717.

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It will probably be some time before we do see any of them, but if chance requires you to travel in this most beautiful area there is a great variety to find on local wine merchant shelves.

However, one winery, Chateau Ste. Michelle, bonded quietly back in 1934, has attained national distribution and now has their full line of wines on our shelves. In general they are priced in the middle of the range of West Coast wines, most released in the \$3.50-\$7. range. I have recently sampled the whole group and am most enthusiastic about them.

The vineyards are located between the Yakima and Columbia Rivers in the Yakima Valley, east of the Cascade Mountain Range, and then are taken to the winery in Woodinville, a suburb of Seattle, just northeast of town. The vineyard latitudes correspond almost perfectly to Burgundy, as they are proud to point out in their promotional literature.

To date their releases have been predominantly white wines, although at least three reds have shown as well.

Following are some general tasting impressions:

JOHANNISBERG REISLING — estate bottling called "White Reisling," their most prominent and successful release, the wine is beautifully balanced with soft fruit and enough acid to produce character.

SEMILOOON BLANC — a lush, soft

wine from a varietal greatly out of favor in California now. Excellent introduction to a most elegant grape of subtle spice.

SAUVIGNON BLANC — excels most of the white Bordeaux now coming out at half the price. This is my personal favorite of their white wine releases.

GEWURZTRANNER — light flowery bouquet with a beautiful aftertaste. A marvelous accompaniment to a mildly spicy dinner.

CHABLIS — their only generic release, this is a crisp wine with a strong hint of fruit. This is vintage dated. Be sure to get a recent vintage, this you'll want to drink young.

GRENADE ROSE — very full-bodied and rich in color, the fruit nearly jumps out of the glass. This is as close to a Tavel as the West Coast has come. It may even be a bit too rich for some.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON — the 1973-74-75 vintages are all available and all worthwhile. They tend more to the soft and elegant style and will require little more bottle age.

MERLOT — the 1976 issue is the first we have seen locally. It is now very drinkable although a hearty amount of tannin will hold it some more years.

There is also a sparkling wine, available only at the winery. This I eagerly look forward to trying, whatever its price.

To be a wine critic suggests some negative comments are in order somewhere, and it is somewhat frustrating to acknowledge that, to date at least, none of the Chateau Ste. Michelle wines have disappointed me.

They are dependable and frequently exciting and, perhaps best of all, they do not yet charge those inflated prices that some of their California counterparts do. Let's hope this continues and the quality holds.



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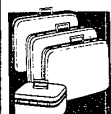
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