

# Outing offers play, luncheon

Meadow Brook Theatre and the Pulitzer Prize winning comedy "You Can't Take It With You" is the destination May 14 by a group outing sponsored by The Community House in Birmingham.

Theater seats, luncheon and round-trip transportation from Birmingham are all part of the entertainment package. Reservation information is available by calling The Community House at 644-5832.

"You Can't Take It With You" is one of the most enduring comedies of the American Theater. The play tells the story of a merry, mad, Manhattan family and its eccentric friends during the mid-1930s.

Heading the tribe of genial madcaps is Grandpa Banderhof, who for 35 years has confined his activities to hunting snakes, practicing dart throwing, attending commencement exercises and ignoring his income tax payments.

MEADOW BROOK actor Harry Ellerbe portrays Grandpa. Ellerbe's long career has numbered 20 Broadway plays in roles opposite such stars as Laurette Taylor, Ethel Barrymore and Tallulah Bankhead.

Other equally uninhibited members of the Vanderhof household are Penelope, Grandpa's daughter, who writes plays because a typewriter was delivered to her by mistake. Penelope is portrayed by Mary Benson, who will be remembered by Meadow Brook audiences for her appearance in several plays including "Born Yesterday," "Picnic," "The Corn Is Green" and last season's "Ring Round the Moon."

Penelope's husband Paul is played by Andrew Dunn, an alumnus of the Hillberry Theatre, who was first seen at Meadow Brook last fall in "The School for Scandal."

Henderson, representing the Internal Revenue Department, is played by J.L. Dahlmann, who last appeared at Meadow Brook in "The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial." His recent national television commercial features Mr. Dahlmann with a Golden Retriever in a Buick LeSabre spot.



Harry Ellerbe is Grandpa Banderhof in Meadow Brook Theatre's "You Can't Take It With You."



## 'Fernwood' funnyman

Bill Kirchenbauer, best remembered as Tony Roletti on Martin Mull's "Fernwood Tonight," is appearing through Saturday at the Comedy Castle at Friday's in West Bloomfield. Kirchenbauer most recently was seen on the "Tonight" show and "Make Me Laugh." Show times for Kirchenbauer and the Comedy Castle regulars are 9 p.m. Thursday and 8:30 and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday. For further information and reservations, call 851-3252.

## Famous recipes featured at plaza

Famous family recipes from restaurants with history will highlight the Michigan Restaurant Association's "Taste of Detroit" fine foods ethnic festival Friday-Sunday at Hart Plaza, Detroit.

The festival, which runs from noon to 11 p.m. each day, features servings of food specialties from 27 Detroit-area restaurants at prices beginning at less than \$1.

For 76 years, Jacoby's restaurant has been serving German cuisine at the same location on Brush Street in Detroit. Jacoby's will offer several old world treats at the festival, including sauerbraten from a recipe handed down through four generations.

Ciro's in Keego Harbor will bring the family's 70 years of experience in Italian cooking to the festival with man-

cotti, cannelloni, minestrone and more. Lefkofsky's Deli, owned by the same family in Detroit since 1898, will serve up corned beef sandwiches. The recipe for sweet potato pie from Maudie's Fine Foods in Detroit has been in the family for 22 years.

FESTIVAL-GOERS may taste foods made famous by Detroit area establishments: Maurice salad from J.L. Hudson Co., Charley's Chowder from Charley's Raw Bar and ribs from Brother's Barbeque.

"Last year was our first year here and we opened the festival season with attendance of at least 300,000 people," said Taste Chairman Terry Young of Catering, Inc., one of the MRA's 1,800 members. "We think our second season will be even bigger and better."

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