

at your leisure

SHOWTIME

Whose Life Is It Anyway? award-winning hit play starring Michael Moriarty continues through June 15 at the Birmingham Theatre.

Brigadoon musical by Lerner and Loewe presented by St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook at 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday at outdoor Creek Theatre in Bloomfield Hills.

The Comedy of Errors William Shakespeare's classic tale staged as it would be done by an itinerant Italian circus troupe Friday-Sunday and June 13-15, 20-22.

LUNCH, DINNER THEATER

Under the Yum Yum Tree satire presented by Jimmy Launce Productions on Fridays-Saturdays at Somerset Dinner Theatre, Somerset Mall, Troy.

CONCERTS

Nightcap with Mozart midnight chamber music party presents The Ben-Meir/Kilby Duo, Shaul Ben-Meir, flute, and Muriel Kilby, piano, at 11:30 p.m. until 12:15 a.m. Friday at Birmingham Unitarian Church in Bloomfield Hills.

Brookside Jazz Ensemble celebrates 10th anniversary with cabaret-style concert 3-6 p.m. Sunday at Cranbrook School Performing Arts Center, Bloomfield Hills.

NIGHTLIFE

Angle's big band sound of the Dick Murphy band 9 p.m. to midnight Sundays in Farmington Hills. Cover charge.

The Blue Parrot bar and grill in Franklin Shopping Plaza presents The Progressive Blues Band every Monday and Tuesday, "Soiree," a musical celebration 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Wednesday-Saturday, in Southfield.

Cafe Fior presents "Jam" with Gary Shunk, piano; Danny Jordan, bass; Larry Bell, drums; and George "Sax" Benson, saxophone, at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at Franklin Plaza in Southfield.

Comedy Castle presents comedians Wednesdays-Saturdays at Friday's in Pine Lake Mall, West Bloomfield. "The Wizard Is Odd" Dave Coullier from the L.A. Comedy Store, Wednesday-Saturday. One show Wednesday, Thursday, 9-11 p.m., and two shows Friday-Saturday, 8:30 and 11 p.m., at Friday's in Pine Lake Mall, West Bloomfield.

Dewey's lounge presents Dynamo playing for dancers 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. through Saturday at the Michigan Inn in Southfield.

Eden Glen Joe Grande Trio plays for listening and dancing 7:30-11:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays and 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays-Saturdays at restaurant in Troy. Doug Jacobs and the Red Garter Band plays for "Dixieland Brunch" from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sundays.

Ha'Penny Lounge presents Jeff LaDuke 7 p.m. to midnight Tuesdays-Thursdays and 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays through June at Win Schuler's Restaurant in West Bloomfield.

J. Ross Browne's Whaling Station presents the Ron Coden Show, Wednesdays-Saturdays, in Bloomfield Hills. Showtime at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday.

Roma's of Bloomfield presents the return of Big Band Sounds and Dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. every Saturday in Bloomfield Township. For more information call 332-9237.

Somerset Inn pianist Terry Alan plays at restaurant L'Auberge in Troy from 6-11 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays and for Sunday brunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Stafford's presents Dennis Vernier, one-man band, from 7-11 p.m. Wednesdays; 8 p.m. to midnight Thursdays; 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays-Saturdays, in West Bloomfield.

ON FILM

A New Leaf starring Elaine May and Walter Matthau at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Avon Township Public Library, Free.

For area events in Oakland County to be considered for listing, send information to: Ethel Simmons, entertainment editor, The Observer & Eccentric, 1225 Bowers, Birmingham 48012.

Stratford Youth Choir performs

The newly formed Stratford Youth Choir - 32 young singers chosen in Canadawide auditions - will make their concert debut on the Festival Stage in August, under the direction of Robert Cooper.

Each of the concerts in Stratford, Ont., will be totally different, covering the spectrum from Broadway show tunes to classical music and opera. A guest star from the festival company will appear with the choir for each concert.

The emergence of this newly formed choral group marks the first music season at the festival to be performed by the festival's own choir.

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On Aug. 11, the Stratford Youth Choir and guest artist William Hutt will explore the Broadway musical, from the creative tradition of Rodgers and Hammerstein, Jerome Kern and George Gershwin to their modern counterparts, with special emphasis on Stephen Sondheim.

THE FOLLOWING week Aug. 18, Peter Ustinov and the choir will take the audience on a tour of the whole world of music - classical music and

opera, modern composition and jazz - with Ustinov as guide.

Jessica Tandy and Hume Cronyn will join the choir Aug. 25 to examine the love song in all its manifestations. The theatrical couple also will explore the many and varied expressions of love in poetry, plays and prose.

Earlier in the season, audiences attending performances of "The Beggar's Opera" at the Avon Theatre will see the youth choir appearing as singing actors in this new production of John Gay's ballad opera, with their songs specially arranged by Berthold Car-

riere, director of music at Stratford.

Members of the choir also are recording incidental music for some of the other productions of the 1980 season.

The Stratford Youth Choir is a step toward making the festival as creative musically as it has been in the staging of drama.

Members of the choir - all between 20-25 years old - will be in residence throughout the season and will receive coaching in stage movement and speech as well as continuing their training with Robert Cooper.

EARLY SUMMER SIZZLERS

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