

# TV razzle-dazzle usurps significance of convention

It could not be said more clearly. The 1980 Republican convention in Detroit is not a convention.

Ken Rietz, convention planner, said the convention isn't just being shown on TV, it's being made for TV.

In fact, "The whole idea is to make the event into a TV production instead of a convention." He also was quoted in a newspaper article as saying that "our own delegates are not the people we should be talking to. We want the TV audience."

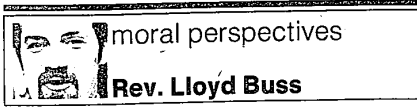
And so Rietz has planned a TV production that will give us actor Chad Everett, singer Wayne Newton and

skater Dorothy Hamill during prime time (10-11 p.m.) and House Minority Leader John Rhodes during the old-drum hour, 6 p.m.

Actor Jimmy Stewart, race car driver Richard Petty and hockey player Gordie Howe are also joining in the festivities.

And since videotapes of the 1976 convention showed people drifting away from speakers after the first five-eight minutes, Rietz is urging all but the most important to stop after eight minutes.

**BUT THERE IS more.** A brightly lit



**moral perspectives**

**Rev. Lloyd Buss**

convention hall would tend to cause the attention Rietz is carefully manipulating, so speakers and performers will be illuminated with spotlights.

This would cover up delegates who might be doing or absent.

"I think a black family performing on the convention stage is going to have more impact on the audience at home than a speech."

And don't be surprised if the spontaneous applause after the National Anthem is only scheduled for 10 seconds. They decided that was long enough for the 1972 convention where they learned many of the techniques they want to use in Detroit this year.

My first reaction to this incredible mixture of banality and blatant manipulation was to think that the public gets what the public wants. But that's not really true, because in this case the public gets only what some people believe the public wants.

And that set the stage for my second reaction, which is one of frustration and extreme disappointment.

AS A CONCERNED citizen, I hoped for a full and open discussion of the policies that the Republicans would present to implement the rights and responsibilities outlined in our Constitu-

tion.

To listen to the delegates from the states debate on issues of national and foreign policies was to open up a larger perspective of what this nation might do and need.

And I had even entertained the dream that an open discussion and review of some issues might create some new perspectives and policies.

Considering the different issues raised by our political candidates, it did not seem completely unrealistic.

Convention planner Rietz has anticipated this kind of reaction, "but that's not important," he figured. "What's important is what the reviewer at home thinks."

It's like getting a bad review for a film: If it's great box office, who cares about the reviewer?

I had planned to watch the TV coverage of the convention but not any more.

I'm going to look for the movie "Gone With the Wind," and add my vote to its box office. At least the heading on the marquee is correct.

## Dioceses host national Family Life conference

An African Cardinal, a top Vatican aide to Pope John Paul II and Maria von Trapp of "Sound of Music" fame are among the celebrities speaking at National Family Life Conference, set for Aug. 22-25 in Washington, D. C.'s Mayflower Hotel.

of the conference is "Sacred Heart -

## Family Life conference

Family. Retired St. Louis Archbishop, Cardinal Carberry will speak at the closing mass. An all-night vigil will precede the conference with prayers in English and Spanish to obtain God's blessings on America's families.

Bishop Edouard Gagnon, former head of the Vatican Committee for the enthronement of Jesus in their homes will be parents, including single parents, youth and newweds.

Reservation information is available by writing Family Life Bureau, Department NCFLC, 200 N. Glebe Road, Arlington, Va. 22203.

# Your Invitation to Worship

For Church Directory Information Please Call 644-1100 Ext. 200

**FAITH COVENANT CHURCH**

Sunday School and Sunday Worship 10:00 AM

Pastor Michael A. Halleen  
Minister to Youth David A. Rose  
35415 W. 14 Mile Road  
661-9191

**LIVONIA CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
36075 Seven Mile Road  
476-2075  
Sunday School 9:45 AM  
Worship Service 11 AM

**ST. JOHN AMERICAN LUTHERAN**  
2222 E. 10 Mile  
Charles Fox - Pastor  
Mark Radloff - Pastor  
John & Marie Scott, 7  
Worship 9:30 AM  
474-0584

**CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST**  
23200 W. 15 Mile Rd. Livonia  
474-2242

9:30 a.m. First Worship Service  
10:15 a.m. Church School  
11:15 a.m. Second Service of Worship

6:30 p.m. Youth Meetings  
7 p.m. Sunday Evening Service  
7:30 p.m. Wed. The Midweek Service

**SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
16360 Hubbard Road Livonia, Michigan 48154  
421-8451

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist  
9:00 A.M. Christian Education Classes  
10:00 A.M. Family Eucharist

Sunday Morning - Nursery Care Available  
10:30 A.M. - Wednesday Eucharist

The Rev. Kenneth G. Coris The Rev. R. Scott Kiehl  
The Rev. Edward A. King

**WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA**  
Farmington and Six Mile Roads 122-1150

Worship & Sunday School 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 A.M.

"Excuses" Dr. Bartlett L. Hess 7:00 p.m.  
Message by Rev. Frank Severn  
General Director, Far Eastern Gospel Crusade  
Wednesday 7:30 p.m. - HOUR OF POWER  
(Activities for All Ages)  
Air Conditioned Sanctuary

Sunday Service Broadcast 9:30 A.M., WUWZ-FM 103.5  
Nursery Provided at All Services  
Janet Ritter 422-1150

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165 E. Square Lane Road  
Bloomfield Hills  
338-8233

**WORSHIP 10 AM**  
Nursery Provided  
Dr. David Truax, Pastor

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28301 Middlebelt Rd., 1/2 Mile N. of 12 Mile  
A FULL SERVICE CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICES 11 AM and 6 PM  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH 11 AM - 11 AM  
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Douglas B. Brown, Pastor  
Nursery provided at All Services  
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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BIRMINGHAM**  
1669 West Maple Road  
Ministers  
F. Morgan Roberts  
Charles A. Sommers  
Dennis F. Barger  
Gerald S. Crawford

Summer Morning Worship and Church School 10:00 AM  
Nursery Provided

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON**  
Richard Duncan Pastor - Phone 474-0350

33400 SHILAWASSEE  
FARMINGTON ROAD

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 a.m.  
MORNING WORSHIP 11:00 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 p.m.

**Christ Church Cranbrook**  
On Lone Pine Road at Cranbrook Rd.  
Bloomfield Hills

**SUNDAY SUMMER SERVICES**  
8:00 AM - Holy Communion  
10:00 AM - Morning Prayer, Sermon,  
Holy Communion 1st Sunday in month

**CONCERTS EACH SUNDAY**  
4:00 PM - 50-bell carillon programs, played  
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29887 West Eleven Mile Road 476-8860  
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**COMMUNION SUNDAY**  
"One Year to Live"  
Rev. Wm. Frayer, preaching

Rev. William A. Ratter - Our New Senior Pastor  
Rev. William E. Prager, Assoc. Pastor  
Sharing the Word with Dr. E.C.  
McVey, Pastor, Dr. Mac

**First Baptist Church**  
First and Second Streets  
Robert A. Madson, Minister  
Nursery, Air Conditioning,  
Barbershop,  
Associate Minister

Church School 9:45 AM  
Worship 10 AM

**SHEPHERD BE THE WILDS**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
23200 W. 15 Mile Rd. Livonia  
474-2242

Lance R. Jennings, Pastor  
652-9226 317-5584

**ADULT EDUCATION**  
9 AM  
WORSHIP 10 AM  
Evening Wednes

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST**  
1589 West Maple St Pleasant  
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School 9:45 AM  
Nursery Care Provided at Both Services

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9:00 AM  
11:15 AM

Frank B. Cowick  
Minister

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26275 Northwestern Highway near Lahser  
Southfield Mich. Phone 356-1660  
United for the worship of God  
and service to Humanity

Rev. Mark P. Jensen, Senior Minister  
Rev. David W. Howell, Minister of Christian Education  
Dr. Harry Langatford, Dir. of Music

**SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM**  
**SUNDAY WORSHIP 10 AM**

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29425 Lahser Road  
West of 9 Mile  
Phone 356-1660

7:30 AM Church School  
10:00 AM The Service  
The Rev. L. Allen Edgerton

St. Andrew Lutheran Church LCA  
1135 Farmington Rd.  
Farmington Hills  
SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 AM  
THURSDAY CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOL 5:00 PM  
THURSDAY CHURCH SCHOOL 9:00 AM  
The Rev. R. St. Pierre, Pastor  
642-5257

**NORTHBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
14 Mile and Lahser Roads

Pastors  
M.L. Dunkelberger  
E.W. Dunn  
Phone 642-7000

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
33112 Grand Five  
Farmington - 474-6573  
Worship 10:00 AM  
Church School 10:00 AM  
Nursery Provided  
Minister - Charles H. Beynton

**HOPE LUTHERAN**  
39200 W. 12 Mile Road  
Farmington Hills

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:30 AM  
WED. WORSHIP 7:30 PM  
V.H. Kleinberger,  
Pastor

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church  
Missouri Synod  
12 Me & Farmington Roads  
Behind Clowes  
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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS 9 AM  
Church Phone 553-3380

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Call 679-6363

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350 South Bates, Birmingham

Sunday Service 8:30 AM  
Sunday School 10:00 AM

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6:00 P.M. Praise Service  
Wednesday 7:15 P.M.  
Bible Study

645-1202

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5800 W. Maple Road W. Bloomfield Hills 48103  
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425 N. Woodward at 16 Mile  
Bloomfield Hills

1:00 - Priesthood and Relief Society  
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3:00 - Sanctuary Meeting

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Woodward at Cranbrook  
Bloomfield Hills

10:00 AM - Worship  
Nursery Care Provided

Ministers:  
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Earl R. Eckart

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
3300 Eight Mile Road  
Farmington Hills  
Lester Anderson, Pastor  
WORSHIP 10:00 AM  
BIBLE STUDY & BIBLE STORY HOUR 9:00 AM  
478-6520

**Birk in the Hills PRESBYTERIAN**

MINISTERS  
James F. Anderson  
Robert L. Lindsey

9:30 AM - Worship Service and Church School  
11:30 AM - Worship Service and Child Care

**Ascension of Christ Lutheran Church**  
7225 W. 12th St.  
Farmington Hills

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:15 AM  
Monday - 10:30 A.M.  
244-8890

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Church of Christ  
Church School and DIVINE WORSHIP - 9 AM

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Church Office - 474-8880  
Parsonage - 474-2942

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READING ROOM - 355 East Maple - 644-7935  
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SUNDAY SERVICES ..... 10:30 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL ..... 10:30 A.M.  
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING ..... 8:15 P.M.

READING ROOM - 4361 Orchard Lake Rd. - 851-7740  
Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Sat.: 10-5:30; Friday 10-9

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Child care facilities provided Sunday and Wednesday.

"Train up a child in the way he should go..."  
-Proverbs 22-

In this age of "anything goes" children need and appreciate the sound foundation of the Bible; and a practical, useable, understanding of their relationship to God. Our Sunday Schools provide this, and they welcome young people up to age 20.

What does it mean to be born again?

The Evangelical Free Church believes:

"That the atonement of Jesus Christ and His resurrection provide the only ground for justification and salvation for all who believe, and who seek to receive Jesus Christ as Lord of the Holy Spirit and thus become children of God."

Meet a discussion of the new birth at:

**GRACE EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**  
Meeting at:  
Bloomfield Hills Junior High School  
Quarton Road  
2 blocks W. of Telegraph  
332-3305

**CENTRAL WOODWARD CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
3855 W. BIG BEAVER RD.  
PROF. H. Adams  
CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 AM  
WORSHIP 11:00 AM  
Minister  
ROBERT H. BOYTE  
644-0512

**CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER**  
11400 Center Rd  
Suite #2  
558-2245  
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Service 9:30 AM