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SHOW TIME

The Elephant Masi Broadway hit based on actual historical figure from Victorian England starring Courtney Burr as John Merrick, in American Theatre Productions' touring version, opens Friday at the Birmingham Theatre. Play continues through Jan. 4. Tickets at box office, 644-3553.

The Imaginary Invalid satire by Moliere through Sunday at Meadow Brook Theatre on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. Ticket information at box office, 377-3306.

LUNCH, DINNER, CABARET, LOUNGE THEATER

Chapter Two WJR personality Jimmy Lunn stars in Neil Simon comedy both at Lunch 'n Theatre at noon Wednesdays and Alfred's Dinner Theatre, with cocktails at 7 p.m., buffet at 7:30 and 8:45 curtain Fridays-Saturdays in lower level auditorium at Somerset Mall, Troy, through December. Lunch 'n Theatre also features fashions from Saks Fifth Avenue, reservations by calling 643-9000. Dinner theater reservations by calling 643-8865.

Gonzo Theatre musical satire about Detroit presented by Southfield Repertory Theatre in Stouffer's Showcase on Fridays-Saturdays at Stouffer's Northland Inn, Southfield. Dinner at 7:30 p.m.; show at 9 p.m. On New Year's Eve, package include dinner, Gonzo Theatre from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m., and room (optional). Further information at 569-4700.

Sailor Beware cabaret theater production presented by Metropolitan Repertory Company in new After Nine Room at The Cooper's Arms, Rochester. Performances Fridays-Saturdays; dinner from regular menu, before or during show. Chuck Mitchell in special guest appearance Friday-Saturday and New Year's Eve, in addition to the show. Fur-

ther information or reservations at 651-2255.

Play It Again, Sam Woody Allen comedy presented by Theatre of the Arts Saturdays-Sundays at "Rudy's" in Rochester. Saturday's show at 6 p.m., dinner follows; Sunday's dinner at 2 p.m. and show at 4. Further information or dinner theater reservations at 288-9450 or 652-7333.

CONCERTS

Concert a la Carte presents Thomas Cirin, recorder and baroque flute, and Daniel Jecka, harpsichord and baroque harp, Monday at Teeny's Cafe in Birmingham. Dinner and concert priced separately. Further information at 644-0050.

NIGHTLIFE

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.

Charley's Crab presents Bob Seeley playing boogie piano in the bar, alternating evenings with ragtime pianist Linda Milne, from 4:30-11:30 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Fridays, 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Saturdays and 6:30-9:30 p.m. Sundays, in Troy.

Comedy Castle presents Thom Sharp, from the "Tonight" show and Dick Purtan's morning show, at 8:30 and 11 p.m. (two shows) Friday-Saturday at Stafford's in Orchard Mall, West Bloomfield. Comics Dave Couwiler, Ollie Joe Prater and Joe Nipote entertain at 8 and 10 p.m. New Year's Eve; dinner at 8 and 10 p.m.; music and dancing after midnight. Further information at 545-2576, anytime.

Delta Queen Lounge presents Kenny Davis at the piano bar, playing for sing-along and dancing, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays. Happy Hour Mondays-Fridays 4-8 p.m. through January, at Sheraton Inn Bloomfield Hills.

Dewey's presents Saxony, six-member band featuring vocalist Alice Morgan, performing Top 40 music for the dancing crowd, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Monday through Jan. 10 in Michigan Inn, Southfield. Special performance New Year's Eve until 2:30 a.m. Further information at 559-6500.

Diggers presents Bob and Linda Milne alternating at the ragtime piano 5:30-10 p.m. Mondays-Fridays and 6-11 p.m. Saturdays, in Farmington.

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. Red Garter Band plays from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. New Year's Eve. Further information at 649-1880.

Fanny's presents Rumpelstiltskin, group of seven who turn out funk and disco for dancing, Mondays-Saturdays, at the Troy Hilton.

Farmington Holiday Inn presents Strider, instrumental-vocal ensemble, Tuesdays-Saturdays.

Mountain Jacks presents The Ron Caden Show on Wednesdays-Saturdays, in Troy. Further information at 689-7920.

Mountain Jacks presents Secrets, Mondays-Saturdays through Jan. 3, in Farmington.

Piper's Alley Troy presents the Charles Green Band every Saturday night. For more information call 649-3480.

Roma's of Bloomfield presents the return of big band sounds from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturdays 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 brunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays.

Wagon Wheel Saloon presents Radio City Friday-Tuesday, in Troy.



Saxony returns to Dewey's in Southfield's Michigan Inn for a two-week engagement beginning Monday. The group will perform at Dewey's through Jan. 10, including a special show on New Year's Eve.

ON FILM

Special Holiday Films at Bloomfield Township Public Library include Tolkien's "The Hobbit" at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday; four movies for children aged 3-5, including

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