

Curtain goes up on 'Iolanthe' tonight

Spring fever reached epidemic proportions this week as Mother Nature treated us with some delightful spring weather.

Spirits were high at the McIntyre Cub Scout March pack meeting last Thursday as each den presented skits and projects.

A circus theme provided the background for the entertainment.

Awards were presented to the following Lathrup boys at the meeting: Derrick Laytner, Paul Scherschun, Todd Surtile, Ken Keyes, Jamie Smalley, Kerby Sheddin, Jim Irwin, Blitt Sigh, Matt Hansel, Adam Harrison, Tim Carr and Cory Sheddin.



village vignettes
Marianne Nelson

Patti Kimberly, Karen Prystycki, Jim McCrory and Marianne and Paul Twigg.

A south-of-the-border theme will provide the backdrop for the Casa Maria Mexican Fiesta benefit dinner dance tomorrow evening at the Detroit Yacht Club.

The benefit will aid the Casa Maria Center, a social service agency near Tiger Stadium. Villagers on the committee include: Josie Sosa, Mirta Soler and Mrs. Carlos Morelos.

For last minute reservations call the center at 962-4230.

Anyone interested in joining the Lathrup Village Woman's Club is invited to attend the April meeting scheduled for 1 p.m. Monday in the Community Room of the Municipal Building.

A program on handwriting analysis is on the agenda with expert Al Woods doing the honors.

Liz Carnacchi, Catherine Laporce and Claudia Reed are in charge.

the month for the St. Bede Cub Scout Pack 1682 last Thursday.

Scouts from each den displayed ingenious inventions for judging. Receiving "Genius" awards for creative efforts were: Jeff Labood, first prize winner, and Chris McKenna, second prize winner.

The pack welcomed three new members to the group: Paul Zabramsky, Brian Carey and Jeff Labood.

Scouts who earned merit awards were Jerry Flood, Matt Hill, Brian Carey, Pat Sweeney, Chris Lasota, Jeff Labood and Paul Zabramsky.

A spring yoga class begins Wednesday and will run to June 11. Classes meet in the municipal building Wednesday evenings and Thursday mornings.

Sign up for either session at the recreation center or by calling Gary Egerer at 557-2600. Cost of the sessions is \$20.

to music. Sessions meet Tuesday and Thursday mornings and evenings in the municipal building.

Cost per class is \$2; you may opt for as few or as many as you like.

Everyone's favorite hare, the Easter Bunny, invites all Lathrup youngsters to join him for an Easter luncheon and Egg Hunt April 18 in the municipal building.

Cost of the tickets is \$2.50 per child. Reservations should be made by April 13. Tickets may be purchased at the recreation center or by mailing a check to the Lathrup Recreation Department, 27400 Southfield Road in Lathrup Village. The tickets will be mailed.

A FULL schedule of activities is planned for Lathrup children and teens during the upcoming spring vacation. Watch for details.

Lathrup Village mom, dads and teens who may be interested in forming a youth soccer league in Lathrup Village should call Gary Egerer at 557-2600.

Pink, red and salmon geraniums are being offered by the MorningSide Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association now through April.

The geraniums are priced at \$1.45 per plant and may be ordered by calling 559-4281. They are fully grown and will be delivered in May.

You can get a head start on your spring house cleaning chores and help suffering refugees in Somalia at the same time reports the St. Bede Christian Service Commission.

The group is collecting warm blankets or blanket material, children's summer and winter clothing for the refugees. Donations for Somalia relief should be brought to the back of St. Bede Church April 3-5.

Only useable, functional clothing and goods will be accepted. The clothing will be turned over to Somalia Solidarity, an assistance group headquartered at the Capuchin Mission.

Others are: Anthony Alleman, Jack Hovda, Jason Milstone, Tony Shaberman, Neal Deford, Mark Bower, Bill Kauffman, Bill Drake, Joshua Goodman, Eric Pullstein and Eddie Richter.

St. Bede Players production of "Iolanthe," the popular Gilbert and Sullivan operetta opens at 8 p.m. tonight at the Mercy College Auditorium at

TICKETS are \$4.50 for adults at the door and \$2.50 for students and senior citizens.

Lathrupites Joanne Lamun and Daniel Kaminski directed and produced the operetta. Others involved in the production include: Joe Ganche, Jim Peterson, Joyce Herron, Eileen Marer,

Her pageant draws from 80-100 young women a year and holds the reputation as one of the most prestigious of its kind in the U.S.

"I took advantage of the pageant and every thing it could do for me," she said. "If the girl is serious about a show business career, the pageant can help her. Photographers and spotters from talent agencies are always in the audience on pageant night."

Ms. Guenther, former pageant winners and a back stage crew of six help prepare the contestants for their on-stage appearance. Ms. Guenther works with winners through the year helping them in their chosen career.

It isn't too late to exercise your option and join Vital Options, a fitness program of choreographed movements

Search is on for Miss Michigan

By Loraine McClish
staff writer

Entries are now being accepted from young women for the Miss Michigan United Beauty Pageant.

"This is a beauty contest that opens doors for women from 17-28 years; the same pageant that opened the door for Lynda Carter (Wonder Woman) and Marji Wallace who made her name in TV commercials," said Cynthia Guenther, 1975 pageant winner, who took over the directorship of the pageants four years ago.

Closer to home, Carolyn Tolley, the title-holder from Farmington Hills, who gives up her crown in June, now makes her living as a model as a result of the pageant. She is narrator for the Detroit Auto Show, has been chosen as an English Leather calendar girl and can be seen in Waterbed Gallery and General Motors commercials.

"Wendy Martin (of Redford) didn't make the finals last year but she was seen by a photographer in the audience and is now in Penney's catalog and does fashion modeling for Saks," Ms. Guenther said.

"Rene Bowes, another who didn't make the finals, from Walled Lake, is traveling with Chrysler's auto shows. Every girl benefits some way by being seen and meeting people in show business who are part of the pageant and part of the round of parties and interviews the week before the pageant."

ENTRY FORMS will be sent on request by contacting the pageant headquarters at 271-8783. Other than meeting the age requirements, pageant contenders must never have been married and must be a resident of Michigan or attending school here.

The pageant will be staged on the evening of Wednesday, June 24 in Detroit's 20 Grand Club. Entry deadline is June 7.

"The new Miss Michigan United will receive the use of a new car, from Renaissance Ford in Detroit, and a \$1,500 John Robert Powers modeling school scholarship.

She will get a complete professional model portfolio and portfolio case from Tom McVickers, who is the official pageant photographer. McVickers' model entry recently took first place in Cosmopolitan's 1981 Cosmo Girl contest.

The winner will receive a personal audition from Ford Motor Company for work in the Detroit, New York and Chicago auto shows, and a weekend vacation for two at Northern Michigan Chateau.

She will be awarded a gold-and-diamond Russian fanlike necklace and a gown from Kay's Bridal to wear for public appearances.

"And there is another long string of prizes for the runners-up," Ms. Guenther said.

MS. GUENTHER has just patented her own trademark name, Miss Michi-

gan United, and is rapidly expanding her base of operations in Michigan to go nationwide.

"When I do this I will be the first woman pageant director in the U.S. and maybe the world. All of them are directed by men now," she said.

Winning the pageant title six years ago, coupled with training at the Speech Howard School of Broadcast Arts, acted as a springboard to her work as hostess for Michigame, the Michigan state lottery WWJ-TV show.

Now she travels extensively as a model and narrator for Ford Motor Company and is actively involved in photographic modeling and TV commercial work.

GENIUS MONTH was the theme of

Almira-Simpson

Mr. and Mrs. Romulo Laranang of Southfield announce the engagement of their niece, Maria Rowena Almira, to Dr. Bobby J. Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Simpson of Tulsa, Okla.

The bride-elect is a registered nurse. Her fiance is an osteopathic physician intern at Martin Place Hospital.

A June 27 wedding is planned.



Magna-irwin

Freda Magnus of Southfield announces the engagement of her daughter Nancy to David John Irwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Irwin of Studio City, Calif.

Miss Magnus was graduated from the University of Michigan and has a master's degree in broadcast journalism from the University of Colorado. Her fiance is associated with Sandy Frank Productions at KTLA-TV in Los Angeles.

A June 14 wedding is planned.

Physicians to be honored

Five Providence Hospital physicians who have served a total of more than 150 years on the hospital's medical staff will be honored at an April 3 dinner.

The event, slated for the Detroit Plaza Hotel, is the annual Friends of Providence dinner.

Receiving awards will be: Dr. Frank A. Duwe of Lathrup Village, Dr. James D. Fryfogle of Southfield, Dr. Joseph Watis of Farmington Hills, and Dr. Bruce K. Lemon and Dr. Kenneth N. Trader, both of Birmingham.

Dr. Fryfogle, a surgeon, is president-elect of the Michigan State Medical Society.

Dr. Duwe is an obstetrician currently serving as associate chairman of the Providence Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

The dinner is sponsored by the Providence Hospital Foundation with the cooperation of the Providence Medical Staff Research Foundation.

Additional information about reservations for the black-tie event is available by calling 552-9001.

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