upcoming

things to do

CABARET CONCERT
A carnival atmosphere is planned for the Oakway Symphony Orchestra's annual Cabaret Concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, Doors will open at 7 pm. for snacks, desert and bar service in the Activities Building of Madona College, 1-98 at Levan, Livenia. Kirsten Agresta, 12-year-old harpist from Bloomfield Hills who dazzled listeners in the orchestra's young artists competition, will join the symphony as soloist in a movement from the Handel Harp Concerto. Roland J. Sharette, Farmington Hills resident who is deputy director of the Michigan Council for the Arts, will narrate years the constitution of the Peter and the Michigan Council for the Arts, will narrate Peter and the Commissar, "a spoof on Prokofier's "Peter and the Commissar," a spoof on Prokofier's "Peter and the Julia Camona Brain and the Commissar, a spoof on Prokofier's "Peter and the Julia Camona Brain and Peter and the Julia Camona Brain and Peter and the Julia Camona Brain and Peter and the Julia Camona Brain and Julia Camona Brain and Julia Camona Brain and Peter and the Julia Camona Brain and Peter American Administration and Peter American Administration and Peter American A

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• FIRST FRIDAY
The Wayne State University Jazz

Lab Band will be joined by Jack Brokensha on vibes at Northland Center's free First Friday concert, 5-8 pm. Friday in the Penny North Court. The 22-member Jazz Lab Band includes sudents from WSU's Jazz Studies Program and from the university's School of Music. Denis Tini, director of jazz studies, will conduct the concert.

CAPTAIN WOODWIND
The Flip (Captain Woodwind) Jackson Quartet will appear on the fresson Sunday Concert Series, 2-4 p.m. Sünday at Somerset Mall, Troy. Other concerts during April Include the Ron Ellman Trio, with violin, bass and guitar, on April 18, and the Pastiche Wind Quintet on April 25.

● "THE WITNESS⁸
The Joyful Noise, a traveling, non-denominational Christian music group, will present the musical "The witness" at 7.45 p.m. Friday at First United Methodist Church of Birming-ham. Tove Jackson of Birmingham is choreographer and soloist as Mary. Mother of Jesus, in the production directed by Tom McKelvey.

BUFFO'S COMING
Detroit-born Howard Buten will
present his show "Buffo," at 2 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday and 8 p.m. MondayWednesday at the Attic Theatre in
Detroit. As Buffo, Buten appears in
white face accompanied by a ballet
dancer and a musician. "Buffo" was
recently produced in San Francisco
under contract with Broadway producer James B. Freydberg and may
soon be produced in New York. For

more information call the Attic at 983-7789.

◆ APRIL FOOL

An April Fool's costume dance and luncheon for senior citizens will be held from 11 a.m. to 2:39 pm. Friday at the Waterford Oaks Activities Center. Entertainment by Wayen Ball will feature square and ballroom dancing, in addition to easy-listening music. The event is sponsored by the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission. Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$5 at the door. Tickets are available at participating parks and recreation offices and senior centers. To arrange group bus transportation or obtain more information, call Dan Stenell at 858-0915.

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Production overdoes 'Arms and the Man'

The St. Dunstan's Guild of Cran-brook production of "Arms and the Man" by George Bernard Shaw con-tinues at 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday at the playhouse, on Lone Pine Road in Bloomfield. A special performance at 830 tonight will benefit the Oak-land Community College Founda-tion. For ticket information, call 644-0527.

By Barbara Michals

George Bernard Shaw's "Arms and he Man" is flat and lackluster as pre-ented by St. Dunstan's Guild of Cran-

Though individual performances are satisfactory, the total effect is badly lacking style and very. The cast semi-tostrive for, and achieve, perfect enunciation of the Shavian lines but in the process wrings the life from them. Director Jan Cable turns Shaw's classic satire on love and war into something, "kind of cute," as some audience members were commenting at the close of Friday night's performance.

ance.
Set in a small town in Bulgaria in the late 1800s, "Arms and the Man" debunks the popular 19th-century notion that war is a glamorous event filled with honor and glory.

RAINA, daughter of the town's leading clitzen, is betrothed to a young millitary hero, and has her head filled with too-much toronantic notions of a "ligher love." She quickly loses her heart to the unorthodox enerity soldier who breats into her room and sels her straight about the realities of war and love. Marian Nagel is convincing as the spoiled and petulant Raina. She is less stiff in the role after the first act, and

of Honor was given to him personally by President Johnson at the White

or Honer was given to him personal House.

At the end of the TV version of Medal of Honer Rag, "the psychiatrist describes the tragic finals of D.J.'s life (and real-life Dwight Johnson's). He never came back for another interview. He went that Johnson's). He never came back for another interview he went to be the state of the s

ALTHOUGH HANDLEMAN had wanted the show to be videotaped in Detroit, it was instead filmed in Connecticut because that location was more convenient for the director, 2 LLoyd Richards, dean of the Yale Drace ma School; the New York actors, and

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hero's story to television

review

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Richard Blumenfeld has a low-key charm as Captain Bluntschli, the Swiss mercenary who find the control of the control of the control of the control to the post into hattle. He sees right through Ralma's well-bred act and rec-gnizes the strong-minded woman in her control of the control of the control of the Assis Meddman has moments of firm

her.
Aggie Meldman has moments of firm
command on the role of Catherine, Raina's mother. Having helped her daughter save Bluntschil from the victorious
soldiers, she now finds herself caught
up in all sorts of machinations to keep
her husband from finding out.

There seems little reason for her to fear her husband, Major Petkoff. As played by Michael Cavanaugh he is a pussycat, easily manipulated by the women in his household.

BARBARA SOLVERSON and A. Da BARBARA SOLVERSON and A. Da-vikahn play the household servants, Louka and Nicola. Ms. Solverson comes the closest to bringing real spirit to her role as the outspoken servant girl who is relentlessly ambitious and calculat-ing. Kahn plays the sensible Nicola with too-much understatement. No wonder Louka seldom heeds his advice.

Although each of the plays three acts is actually quite short, pacing still seems slow. Costumes by Ginny Hadden and Susan Heinzerling are adequate, but Robert Raisen's set is not up to St. Dunstan's usual high standards of Years of effort brought

the playwright, who lives in Connecticut, he said.

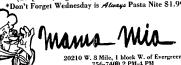
In the (TV) movie there is a great
each of reference to Detroit and Mitchigan and to the economy of 1971 that is
still applicable today, according to
Handleman.
The steps in getting the show together started, for Handleman, when he
first approached friends on Wall Street
for funds to make a videotape. That approach wasn't successful. "It would
have been a risky investment," he said.
He next decided it would be an ideal
project for public TV, talked to Channel 55 and was turned down.
Handleman then submitted his proposal to the Corporation for Public
Broadcasting in Washington, which had
apposnored a national theater competition for scripts for "American Playhouse." His proposal was one of four
accepted by CPB from 167 submitted
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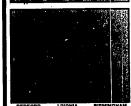
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With the property and the script in hand, Handleman encountered his major problems. "The playwright and his wife decided they didn't want to share any of the credit with me and tried to cut me out." This was despite the fact he had been in touch with the playwright's agent for three years, "and his agent encouraged me," he said. Handleman took legal action. "They didn't have any kind of a case, so they caved in. I received some compensation." 2001 Telegraph 2700 E30-0440



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