

upcoming things to do

BROADWAY HIT

Broadway stars Patricia Morison and Giulia Paganò will star in the critically acclaimed hit "Nuts," opening with previews Friday-Sunday at the Birmingham Theatre. The show continues through Feb. 6. A suspense-filled courtroom battle of wits, "Nuts" was nominated for several Tony awards. Stephen Zuckerman, who directed the original Broadway production, will direct the Birmingham engagement. Actress Morison is best known as Kate in Cole Porter's "Kiss Me Kate." Paganò recently appeared in the Broadway and cable TV production of "Medea" with Zoe Caldwell. For ticket information call the Birmingham Theatre box office at 644-3553.

PUPPET FESTIVAL

Meadowbrook Village Mall's own Village Puppet Players will present an expanded version of its free weekend marionette performances today through Sunday at the mall, at the corner of Walton and Adams roads in Aven Township. Hourly performances will be presented in the Village Court Puppet Theater. The players' newest show, "Pinnocchio," will be featured. In addition, the performers will present the return of two of their most popular shows, "The Littlest Mermaid" and "Peter Rabbit." Details about specific shows may be obtained by calling the mall office at 375-8451. Also during the weekend there will be entertainment by the Meadowbrook Village Mimes, Phoebe the Clown and many more performers.

RICK HALL

The Rick Hall Band, combining Top-40 hits and some old rock 'n' roll favorites, is appearing from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. through Saturday at Fanny's in the Troy Hilton Inn. The group plays for listening and dancing. Humphreys will open Monday and

continue through Jan. 29. The Top-40 dance band led by Chris McCann includes three female vocalists backed by four musicians.

SUNDAY CONCERTS

The Lowell Greer French Horn Quartet will perform from 2-4 p.m. Sunday at Somerset Mall in Troy. The free Sunday concert series also will include the original Broadway production of "The Sound of Music" by the Marvin Kohn Trio, Jan. 16; Bork 'em Riff Bassoon Quartet, Jan. 23, and Musique Unique, Jan. 30. All concerts are stated in the center mall court.

WAGON WHEEL

The Rick Hall Band plays through Saturday at the Wagon Wheel Saloon at Rochester and Big Beaver roads in Troy.

DANCE GROUP

Visitor, a five-piece, Top-40 dance group, with vocals and instrumentals, is appearing from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Sundays-Thursdays and 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Fridays-Saturdays through Jan. 15 at Hurley's in the Northfield Hilton in Troy.

RECORD PARTY

"The Record Release Party" will be presented by McCourt Productions at 8:30 p.m. Monday at the Double Eagle restaurant, corner of Rochester and Square Lake roads, Troy. Kevin McCourt of Bloomfield Hills will officially release his newest single, "Loves Light," backed with "Precious Love." The event includes a champagne toast, hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

OAKWAY AUDITIONS

Forty-four contestants will vie in the Young Artists Competition sponsored by the Oakway Symphony Orchestra in the Troy Hilton Inn. The auditions, open to the public without charge, will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Sunday at Madonna College in Livonia. The contestants are competing for four prizes totaling \$3,000 and an appearance with the orchestra in March.

FILM THEATRE

"Thrillers of the 1930s," "The Amazing Films of Tod Browning," will fill

the January schedule of Afternoon Film Theatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Each film will be shown at 1 p.m. daily during its run, at the art institute Rectal Hall. "Dracula" will be shown Tuesday through Jan. 16; "Frankie," Jan. 18-23, and "Mark of the Vampire," Jan. 25-30. Admission is \$1 at the door.

TRAXX CLUB

The Daniel Warren Band and Tin Soldier perform tonight at Traxx, 14050 Gratiot, Detroit. The Look, the Falcones and the Lifters play Friday; Freeman James Band and Control play Saturday, and the Teen Angels and a special guest appear Wednesday.

ATTI

"Zastzi: The Master of Discipline," a character melodrama by George Walker, continues through Feb. 12 at the Attie Theatre in Detroit's Gektown. Zastzi is the master criminal of Europe in this swashbuckling thriller, set somewhere in Europe in 1890.

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Rolf C. Spinning (left), Ruth Shain and George Dwelley are shown in scene from "A Husband for Breakfast," staged in 1941 by the Birmingham Village Players.

Players endures, through 60 years

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for the key, hidden under a carpet on the stairs outside the locked door. Unknown to him, the lock has been changed by the police.

Unfortunately, the locked door in the players' production swung open.

"The audience saw a hand move across the gap to shut it," Dwelley said.

Actors waiting for their cues wait in the Green Room under the stage. Once an actor became so engrossed in a card game, he forgot about appearing on stage.

A similar problem plagued the production of "Staging 17." In the play's key scene during the second act, a traitor

prisoner meets with a Nazi guard to plot. The Nazi guard never showed up on stage, leaving the prisoner to aimlessly pace until the curtain went down.

More than the curtain came down on Elsie Bliss' stage career in a play given only for members. Since a play for the public was in the works, the set was propped against the wall.

When Bliss made her appearance as the wife in a James Barrie play, part of the set fell on her head. When the curtain closed, she was standing on stage with her head poking out through the scenery. True to tradition, Bliss was caricatured and the show continued. But then, continuity and teamwork are players' traditions.

Emerson, the head doctor who sees it as his duty to keep the young man alive at any cost.

The show is produced by Dianne McKeon and Debra Ball and directed by Tim Wittlinger, with set design by David (Skip) Polst.

Tickets at \$4 are available at the door, but reservations are recommended. For reservations, call 644-2075 anytime.

Other productions of the 60th season include "How the Other Half Loves" by Alan Ayckbourn, March 4-6 and 11-12, and "The Crucible" by Arthur Miller on April 29-30 and May 1, 4-7. For further information, call the players at 644-2075.

'Whose Life' presented by Birmingham players

The Village Players of Birmingham will present "Whose Life Is It Anyway?" on Jan. 14-16 and 21-22 at the playhouse on the corner of Hunter and Chestnut, south of Maple in Birmingham.

"Whose Life Is It Anyway?" is about a young, gifted sculptor, who has been paralyzed from the neck down as the result of an automobile accident.

Steven Makowski is cast as Ken Harrison, the young paralytic who pleads for death. Dana Quell-Gough plays Dr. Joan Scott who, though trained to preserve life, comes to believe that the young man has the right to choose between life and death.

Gene Ewald is cast as Dr. Michael

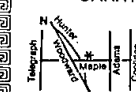
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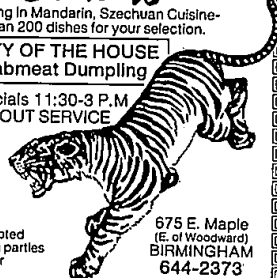
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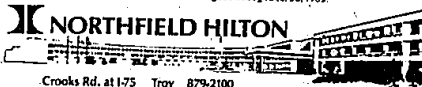
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