Quality musicians need better piano

By Avigdor Zaromp special writer

Among the many Detroit-area musi-clans, there are two (but not only two, one might add) who deserve attention. These are planist Pauline Martin and flutist Nickolai Lemberg.

Both of them have made extensive appearances in the area. They com-bined forces for the recent "Nightcap with Mozart" program.

Martin, born in Canada, a University of Michigan graduate, studied under Theodore Lettvin, who has produced everal other prominent disciples in his area.

his area. Lemberg is a recent immigrant from he Soviet Union. During his short stay here he has been instrumental in estab-ishing the Lycee International Acad-

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Mariin had appeared on Nightcap
just two weeks earlier with a solo rectial, consisting of works by Beethoven,
Chopin and Scribhin. On the present occasion, the two artists performed
works by Corelli, Paganial, Duvernoy
and Rakov. While the last two names
aren't as familiar, their music proved
to be no less exciting.

The Corelli variations on the "Folia"
theme proved to be a source of inspiration to Beethoven, Listri and Rachmaninoff, among others. Here, in their original form, they projected the sparkling
beauty which might explain their attraction by the more prominent composers.

THE "LA STREGHA" variations by Paganini were written, naturally, for

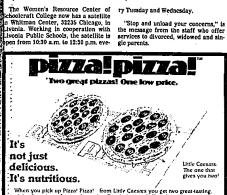
the violin with plano accompaniment. One of the major differences between a fluits and a violinist is the fact that the start has a chance to breath. This, however, didn't prevent Lemberg fromence of these variations.

Alphonse Duvernoy, in apite of his last name, was a French, late-Romanic composer (1842-1097). His Concerting, composed in 1899, provided a rare glimpse to the turnor-di-hecentury masks. The last composer Nickolal Petrovich Ratov, born in 1908. This suite, composed during the 1930s, reflects an earlier Russian style.

While in the role of an accompanist, Martin didn't fail to shine in some of the brilliant passages, notably in the last compromised the quality of this performance, as well as Martin's recital two weeks earlier. This was not due to



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