

'Liar' costars

Angels Yannon is Rosaurs and Tom Whalen is Lelio in "The Liar," a comedy by Carlo Goldoni, with previews scheduled at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday and Jan. 8-7 at the Hilberry Theatre on the Wayne State University campus in Detroit. The production opens Jan. 12 and continues through Feb. 3. For further information, contact the Wayne State University Theatre box office at Cass and Hancock, Detroit, phone 577-2972.

Santa arriving at Detroit Zoo

Santa Claus and Christmas Carol will food item for distribution to the Feed make personal appearances Friday-standay at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak. Admission is free for children 12 years and under who bring any canned

Fine Californias are on the way

The last few weeks have brought to local shelves, or very soon will, some truly remarkable Issues from Califormatical truly remarkable Issues from Califormatical them, especially when such a large group can be reviewed. Here's a great nisted case to consider, selected for quality as well as value per dollar.

Cabernet Sauvignor: From Monterey County, long the bome of poorly matured cabernets resulting in a cooked taste, is the 1990 Smith and Hook Vine-yards issue. No faults here, just massive, intensive fruit with great acidity and tannin to balance.

The producers make only cabernet and are new to the state. Hard to find but worth the effort. Cost about \$12.50, very exasonable for the quality in the ball. To the west of Monterey, in the

bottle. To the west of Monterey, in the Coastal Range of the Santa Cruz Mountains, is Santa Cruz Mountain Vineyard. Known chiefly for marvelous phot noirs, winemaker Ken Burnap occasionally makes a cabernet when he can get the right grapes. In 1980 he did.

THIS IS A beautifully structured wine, complex and full of good rich fla-over. A bit ceedly. You should not pay more than \$20 for it. Age this one for several years, however.

One of the most memorable wines I experienced on a 1981 journey to Call-fornia was drinking the Estrella. River 1978 Reserve. I have not drunk it since but the memory lingers of a great ca-

bernet. Should cost about \$18. From the Paso Robles area, this is due soon. Recently released, in the more reasonable cost range (\$12), is the Napa Rutherford Hill 1978 cabernet. A splendid wine, ready to drink now or will take age well.
Zinfandel: Sometime in the next air_roomab, Gallo will issue its first ever from this grape. When it comes in, it should be well-priced and you'll find it light and full of good berry flavors. This is an everyday wine, not great but good the excellent side of the ledger, and one of the best infinandels I have had in a long time, is the 1980 from Preston Vineyards. It is estate-bottled, which means the grapes are from the excellent benchland along Dry Creek in Sonoma, and came in at 14.4 alcohol.

THE FULL, warm flavors complete.

THE FULL, warm flavors completely mask the alcohol; the mouth is simply filled with deep fruit, ripe and lush. Priced at 38, this is a Best Value wine, either for drinking or aging. This villus wine, either for drinking or aging. This villus wine marks a dramatic change for Lou Preston, away from his fresh, berry-like earlier releases. Let us hope this marks a sustained change for him.

Chardonnay: Amazingly, three of them in the under-86-a-bottle range, all of excellent quality for overyday drink-ing. (After all, who needs more \$15 chardonnays? They can be found too readily). The Geyser Peak Winery 1881

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issue is a delightful wine, crisp yet full of good chardonnay fruit, unmaaked within oak aging. The recently issued Zaca Mesa Winery's 1982 toyon chardonnay is well-crafted, complex and reminiscent of circus flavors, and the state of the complex and reminiscent of circus flavors, and the state of the Clen Ellen Winery's Proprietor's While Reserve, a blend that contains 75 percent chardonnay, a bit fat and opplient. This issue is in marked contrast to its 1981 Issue, which was a crisp French colombard. Some stores sell this at two for \$7.
Sauvignon (Pump) Blane: Three Issues here, two of them affordable. Most subtle and elegant, easily overpowered by strong foods, is the Girqrd Winery's 1982 edition. This has been discussed in an earlier column. At about \$8\$ is the

Fetzer Vineyard, fuller and riper than the Girard, full of good sauvignon flavors and a complexity that suggests more semilion is blended in flott isn'il.

Finally, a lit costly at nearly \$10 is Robort Fecota's 1922 Issue. Always good, this does constitute a price reduction of the state of

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Auditions slated on campus

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The play has roles for 17 men and five women. Dick McGowan will direct

McGowan at 853-4200.

College hosts Wassail feast

A traditional "Olde English Wassail Feast" will be held from 630- 17.3 t Manygrove College, 1825 W. McNichols in northwest Detroit. The event will be presented by the college's Chorale and Chamber Salaria Singers in March 1984. For tickets and further information, contact the process used to defray the reforming Arts at Margrove College, 862-8000, with processing the processing and Wales planned with the processing the pro

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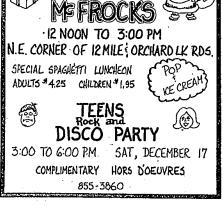
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