

## upcoming things to do

### • VILLAGE PLAYERS

The Birmingham Village Players' 1986-87 season has been announced by Donna Masters, president. Walter and Peter Marks' comedy-thriller "The Butler Did It" opens Friday, Sept. 27. Other productions this season include the musical "Two by Two," "The Children's Hour," "Last of the Hot Lovers" and "Invitation to a March." Season tickets may be arranged by calling 644-5016.

### • SEASON'S OPENER

Opening night for "A Touch of Spring" at Will-O-Way Theatre will be held at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, in Birmingham. The play, a comedy, will run Fridays-Saturdays through Oct. 25. Directors for the play, which ran on Broadway under the name "Avanti," are Celia Merrill Turner and Francine Hachem. For reservations, call 644-4418.

### • TV SEMINAR

An eight-week television production seminar designed by award-winning producer, director and writer Harvey Ovshinsky will begin Tuesday, Oct. 14, sponsored by Cranbrook P.M., an outreach program of Cranbrook Schools in Bloomfield Hills. The seminar, called "The Role of the Producer in Broadcast and Cable TV," will be held at area TV stations and production houses, as well as



STEPHEN CANTRELL/staff photographer

Michael Block (left) is Anthony Lefcourt and Bill Haycock is Detective Mumford, also known as Sam, in the Birmingham Village Players production of "The Butler Did It."

Cranbrook locations. Fee is \$300. For more information, call 645-3635.

### • OPEN AUDITIONS

Avon Players Community Theatre will hold auditions for its second production, "Alone Together," from 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, and 7:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the play-



Ed Duke of Metamora, Sheila Lyle of Rochester and Becky McIntyre of Troy discuss confused identities in "Move Over Mrs. Markham," opening Friday at the Avon Players Playhouse.

### • THEATER CLUB

Wednesdays will be the Kingsley Theater Club night beginning Oct. 1, with dinner-theater packages to both the Birmingham and Meadow Brook Theaters offered by the Kingsley Inn of Bloomfield Hills. A 15-percent discount on food will be given to anyone who makes reservations for dinner and the theater through the Kingsley on Wednesdays. For more information, call the Inn at 642-0100.

### • ACTORS NEEDED

Ileary K. Martin Productions of Birmingham is looking for men and women to appear in his theater's children's production of "Cinderella." Auditions will be held from 1-5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the Community Arts Auditorium at the Michigan State Fairgrounds, Detroit. Actors must be available during the day, for these paid positions. For more information call 557-1228.

### • FISHER SEASON

Tentative dates have been announced for the Fisher Theatre's 1986-87 season. Four musicals are on the schedule for the Detroit theater, with the world premiere of "Into the Light" continuing through Friday, Oct. 3, and the other musicals playing next year. "La Cage aux Folles" makes a return engagement (non-subscription) Feb. 3-22; "Stop the World, I Want to Get Off," starring Anthony Newley, plays Feb. 23 to March 22, and "Cats" arrives in May or June. Neil Simon's play, "Biloxi Blues," runs April 14 to May 10. For more information, call 872-1000.

### • BIDS FAREWELL

King Edward and his Royal Court will bid farewell to visitors Satur-



Harvey Ovshinsky will teach a TV production seminar, sponsored by Cranbrook P.M.

day-Sunday, Sept. 27-28, as the Michigan Renaissance Festival completes its seventh season, at the new village of Hollygrove. A Harvest of Fantasy will be the theme of the final weekend. Additional information is available by calling the festival office in Birmingham from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays at 645-9810.

### • LIGHT OPERA

Gilbert and Sullivan's "Ruddigore, or the Witch's Curse," will be presented by the Windsor Light Opera Association beginning at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8. Other performances are Friday-Saturday, Nov. 14-15; Friday-Saturday, Nov. 21, and Sunday, Nov. 23 (matinee at 2 p.m.). John Watson of Birmingham is producing and directing the production. Many cast members are from metropolitan Detroit. All performances are \$9. For mail orders, write the association at 2491 Jos. St. Louis, Windsor, Ont., Canada N8T 2M4. The box office (phone 974-6593) opens Tuesday, Oct. 14.

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### • WORLD ADVENTURE

"Teaching Koko to Talk," narrated live by Mitzi Phillips, will open the 53rd season for World Adventure Series at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Phillips will recount her experiences with Koko, the teenage gorilla who has been taught American sign language. For information on the season's schedule for the series, call the museum ticket office at 832-2738 during regular business hours.

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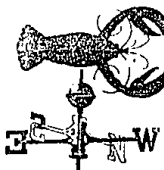
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