Little wooden puppet

Jen Smith of Birmingham (right) alternates (with Jill Asmus) in the title role in the Peanut Butter Players production of the musical play "Pinocchio." Colleen. O'Shaughnessey of Troy (left) alternates (with Leigh Jonatitis of Rochester) as the Blue Fairy. Peter Campbell (who alternates with P.J. Pow-

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ers of Southfield) is Geppetto, the wood carver. Performances of the professional children's luncheon theater are Saturdays-Sundays through Dec. 12 at Austin Hall/Mallard Pub on Detroil's east side. Lunch is at noon; show

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table talk

Rattlesnake Club

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Jimmy Schmidt, former executive
chef of the London Chop House in
Detroit and cofounder of the worldfamous Rattlesnake Club in Denver,
will open a second Rattlesnake Club in
this one in Detroit.

Schmidt's plans were unveiled recently at the site of the new restaurant, at Stroh Hiver Place in down
town Detroit's Rivertown. The club,
which will open next May, feature in
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Stroh Brewery Co. corporate head-quarters.
Along with Michael McCarty of Santa Monica, Calif., Schmidt is a major partner in Schmidt Company Ltd., which owns the new club. Schmidt also Joined with McCarty to open the Denver club.
The Detroit restaurant will have an elegant decor, turnishings and table settings. Chairs will be repro-ductions of the Kingswood chair from the Cranbrook collection of Finnish architect-designer Eliel Saarinen.

Finals architect-designer Eliel Salisa architect-designer Eliel Salisa architect-designer Eliel Salisa di sexpected to be unparalleded. "The menus will contain a broad representation of this courry's finest food products, but our emphasis will be on Michigan resources," said Master Chef Schmidt. Robin Leach's TV show "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" called the Denver Rattlesnake Club "ninth in the world of international restaurants." For Detroit's restaurant, Schmidt said, "I plan to de everything with upscale quality in a

very contemporary setting that would be world class, while reflecting the flavors of the Midwest."

Raddison Plaza

Two tasteful resturants are part of the new Raddison Plaza Hotel, which opened last month at Town Center in Southleid. The attractive, comfortable dining rooms are side by side on the main floor of the 385-room luxury hotel.

Guests may have breakfast, lunch or dinner in the informality of Tango's European bistro, or they may savor lunch or dinner in the special atmosphere of Bouquets. A comprehensive selection of domestic winge wimes is central to the decor at Bouquets, and the restaurant's name was chosen to indicate the bouquet of a fine wine. Private wine bins are available for customers to store their personal lavorities.

Everything from posta to pastries.

their personal favorites.

Everything from pasta to pastries is prepared from scratch in the kitchen of Executive Chef Tom Meler. Fresh fish is flown in daily from the East and West coasts. Mesquite-grilled and smoked meats and poultry are among the entrees, along with 18 sauces, from classic to new creations.

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Tango's cate/bistro, which serves seasonal culsine, has a plano bar and lounge. It olders an "office party special," where groups of six or more receive party favors, balloons and free desserts from 5-7 p.m.

Sunday brunch, which began this week, is served in the hotel's ball-room.

room.
Meler was chosen as Chef of the
Year in 1985 for the Radisson Hotel Year in 1985 for the Radisson Hotel Corporation, competing against counterparts in nearly 100 properties around the country. He encurages guests to make suggestions of favorite dishes, themes and special requests. "The motto is my kitchen is, 'Never say no," he said.

Maine lobster

An annual Lobsterrific dinner special, of steamed Maine lobster, continues through Sunday at D. Dennison's Scalood Tavern in Farmington Hills. Each lobster course, at \$12.95, comes with choice of side dish, coleslaw, rolls and butter.

New menus

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Steak and Ale Restaurants have introduced new Junet and dinner menus that the last of the l

New kitchen

Mary Ann's Kitchen in Bloomfield Hills has a menu that begins with muffins and rolls, freshly baked from scratch. There's a choice of five Frittatas, each made with two eggs, for \$3.25. American fries, old-fashioned oatmeal, quiche, salads, soups, sandwiches, sides and goodies are other selections.



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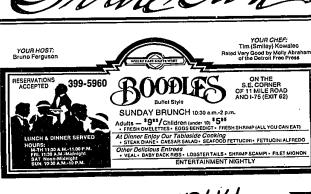
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