

upcoming things to do

Deadline for the Upcoming calendar is one week ahead of publication. Items must be received by Thursday to be considered for publication the following Thursday. Send to: Ethel Simmons, Entertainment Editor, The Observer & Reviewer, 3625 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150.

BIRMINGHAM THEATRE

TV star David Groh is the aggressive, joke-playing, acerbic Lennie in "Doubles," comedy by David Witte, opening a five-week engagement Tuesday, April 5, through Sunday, May 8, at the Birmingham Theatre. Groh played Joe, Valerie Harper's ensigning husband on the TV series "Rhoda" and D.L. Brock, nasty wife-beater on the soap opera "General Hospital." Ticket prices are \$14.50-\$23. Tickets and information are available at the theater box office at 614-3533 with charge card and at all Ticketmaster outlets including Hudson's and AAA offices.

RUN EXTENDED

The comedy "Social Security" has been held over through Sunday, March 27, at the Birmingham Theatre. Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; 7 p.m. Sunday; 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday matinees. Information and tickets are available at the box office, 614-3533, and at all Ticketmaster outlets including Hudson's and AAA offices.

MEADOW BROOK

"Deathtrap," the hit Broadway thriller by Ira Levin, will open a four-week run at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 24, at Meadow Brook Theatre on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. James Anthony stars as Sidney Bruhl, Geoffrey



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Beauchamp is Clifford Anderson, Bethany Carpenter is Myra and Jeanne Arnold is Helga Ten Dorp. Tickets are available by calling the box office at 377-3300.

SMITH THEATRE

A potpourri of Broadway hits will be performed in the "Best of Broadway" show at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 18-19 and Friday-Sunday, March 25-27, at Smith Theatre on the Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills. The March 18 performance will be a Muscular Dystrophy Benefit Show. A dinner package is available for evening performances. For tickets and further information, call 471-7700.

MUSICAL GROUP

Musical group Gemini appears 1 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at Oakland Community College's Smith Theatre as part of the ongoing Children's Se-

ries. The theater is on the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. For tickets and further information, call 471-7700.

ON BROADWAY

The Let Us Entertain You series presents "An Evening On Broadway," the Julius Chajes Music Fund Concert, at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. There is an admission charge. For further information, call 661-1000, Ext. 341.

BENEFIT NIGHT

A performance of "The Boyfriend," sponsored by the Village Woman's Club of Beverly Hills, will be presented by the Birmingham Village Players at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 20, at the playhouse in Birmingham. Tickets at \$10 each include an Afterglow. Proceeds will go toward scholarships for SCAMP, a local summer camp for handicapped children. Tickets are available by calling Pat Greening at 644-7802.

MOVIE COSTUMES

Hollywood memorabilia will be on display Thursday-Sunday, March 24-27, at Somerset Mall in Troy. The Oscar Edited Head won for costume design will be exhibited, along with the original gown Marilyn Monroe wore in "Some Like It Hot" and the 17th century gown worn by Linda Darnell in "Forever Amber."

'BYE-BYE BIRDIE'

Seventeen metropolitan Detroit-area high schools will be featured in the Mercy High School production of the musical "Bye-Bye Birdie" from Friday-Sunday, March 25-27, in Farmington Hills. Tickets may be obtained by calling 356-7562.

'SNOW WHITE'

Oakland Mall will present performances of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" at 7 p.m. Friday, March 25, and 1 and 3 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, March 26-27, in Troy. The play is presented by the Actor's Trunk Company and directed by Henry K. Martin Productions.

DIRECTOR RETIRING

A retirement party is being planned to honor Dr. Harry M. Langford, director of choral groups at Wayne State University in Detroit. The party will be held Saturday, April 23, the day after the annual Alumni Concert Friday, April 22, at Orchestra Hall. For dinner reservations or more information, contact David or Dianne Cragg at 861-5499, or write them at 10395 Lanark, Detroit 48224.

'PHILEMON' OPENS

"Philemon" by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt will be presented by the Main Stage Theatre Guild for a two-weekend run starting Friday, April 8, at Lawrence Institute of Technology in Southfield. Performances will be at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 8-9 and 15-16, in S-100 of the Science Building. Tickets are \$5 general reserved and \$4 for seniors and students reserved. For more information and tickets, call 465-7548 during business hours.

SHRINE CIRCUS

Metropromotions Inc., in cooperation with the Moslem Temple Shrine, is offering up to 30 percent discount on 10 selected performances of the Shrine Circus. It is a mail-in-only offer. Only the top-two-price-range seats are offered, rows 1-18 only. Call the 24-hour hotline of



Bobby Vinton will appear Thursday-Sunday, March 24-27, at the Omni Star Theatre in Livonia.

the Metropromotions discount tickets program at 353-9777 for current ticket information.

BOBBY VINTON

Bobby Vinton plays across the metropolitan area will have an opportunity to see and hear "The Polish Prince" Thursday-Sunday, March 24-27, in the intimate setting of the new Omni Star Theatre in Livonia. Comedian Tony Garland will open for Vinton. Hollywood stars Donald O'Connor and Debbie Reynolds are the current attraction at the Omni, appearing Thursday-Sunday, March 17-20. Tickets for Omni Star shows are on sale through all Ticketmaster

outlets and the theater box office 422-6664.

'SOUTH PACIFIC'

Players Guild of Dearborn will present the musical classic "South Pacific" on Friday-Sundays, March 11-13, 18-20 and 25-27. Performances are at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturdays 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Stephen Sells plays Emile DeBeque, Peggy Jones is Nellie Forbush and Carl Jones is Lt. Joe Cable. All are from Dearborn. Tickets are \$8 reserved, \$5 at the door. For reservations or information, call 356-0951.

AUDITIONS OPEN

Plymouth Theatre Guild will continue auditions for "Dining Room" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 17, at the cafeteria at East Middle School in Plymouth.

COLLEGE NIGHT

Madonna College Night at Jamie's on 7 will be held from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Monday, March 21, in Livonia. Ten bands will play Top 40 hits. All drinks are 75 cents apiece. Cover charge is \$3, with all proceeds going to Madonna College.

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