

upcoming things to do



JOHN STORMZAND

Karen Katz is Dr. Joan Scott and Tom Christopher is Ken Harris in the St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook production of "Whose Life Is It Anyway," opening Friday, April 15, in Bloomfield Hills.

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 & Eccentric, 30251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150.

● FORTUNE'S WHEEL

Southfield resident Steven Winkler will be a contestant on "Wheel of Fortune" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31, on Channel 4. Vicki Logan of Southfield appeared Wednesday. They were chosen from among 800 who auditioned as part of a nationwide contestant search.

● SOMERSET MALL

Free Sunday concerts 2-4 p.m. continue in the Center Court at Somerset Mall in Troy. Concert dates are: April 10 — Borkowski and Roschacki, contemporary folk singers; April 17 — Ron Jackson Jazz Trio; April 24 — Dennis Vernier, vocalist, guitarist, song stylist.

● JAZZ NIGHTS

Max & Erma's holds Jazz Nights in April 9-11:30 p.m. Sundays, with a \$2 cover charge redeemable with any food purchase. Features are: April 3 — Limited Access; April 10 — Paul Vornhagen and Friends (members of Lunar Club Group); April 17 — Separate Checks; April 24 — Fast Tracks.

● ST. DUNSTAN'S

"Whose Life Is It Anyway?" will be presented by St. Dunstan's Theater Guild at 8:30 p.m. Saturdays-Sun-

days, April 15-16, 22-23 at St. Dunstan's Playhouse in Bloomfield Hills. Reservations may be made by calling 644-0527.

● POOLSIDE JAZZ

"POOL JAZZ '88" a new jazz series, will be held 5-8 p.m. Wednesdays, in April and May, at the enclosed atrium of the Sheraton Oaks Hotel in Novi. Scheduled are the following entertainers: April 13 — Alexander Zonjic; April 20 — Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band; April 27 — Larry Nozoro Quartet; May 4 — Alexander Zonjic; May 11 — Matt Michaels/Jack Breakenshaw.

There is no cover charge. For more information, call 348-5000.

● OMNI SCHEDULE

Cornelius Joe Nipote, Michael Davis, Darryl Sivard and Jeff Altman will perform in the "Omni Star Comedy Express" at 7:30 and 10:30 p.m. Friday, April 8, at the Omni Star Theatre in Livonia. The event is a benefit for Children's Hospital. Tickets are \$19.50. Other concert dates include the Temptations, Thursday-Sunday, April 21-24; Paul Anka, Friday-Saturday, April 29-30; Joan Rivers, Saturday-Sunday, May 14-15, and Dionne Warwick, along with the Spinners, Thursday-Sunday, June 2-5. The Tom Jones Show, originally set for Thursday-Sunday, April 28 through May 1, has been canceled. For ticket information, call 423-6666.

● DEBBI COMBS

Debbi Combs, local singer, songwriter and musician, has won the fourth-week championship of the

current 13-week country music singing competition show, "You Can Be a Star," hosted by Jim Ed Brown on the nationally syndicated Nashville Network. Beginning Wednesday, April 6, she will perform through the month at the Pied Piper Inn in Livonia.

● MAPLEWOOD CENTER

The Family Dessert Theatre will present an ice cream social and performance of "Rumpelstiltskin" at 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, at the Maplewood Center in Garden City. Guest may make their own ice cream sundaes. Following dessert will be a live, tongue-in-cheek musical comedy version of "Rumpelstiltskin." Tickets are \$3.50 and must be purchased in advance at Maplewood Center.

● FISHER THEATRE

The musical "Me and My Girl" starring Timm Curry continues through Sunday, April 24, at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit. Curry is best known for his starring role in the "Rocky Horror Picture Show." Tickets are available at the Fisher Theatre box office and all Ticketmaster outlets or by phone at 423-6666.

● MUSICAL REVUES

"An Evening with Oscar" opens Saturday, April 2, at the Novi Hilton. The musical revue is presented in conjunction with TAP Ltd., as part of the hotel's "Red and Broadway" season. Other musical revues in the

series will include "America's Red, White and Broadway," "Cole, George, Ira and More" and "Broadway Stagefight." Dinner before the show is part of the package. For more information call the Novi Hilton at 349-4000. At the Holiday Inn Windsor, a cabaret-style musical revue, "Hearts and Flowers," is being presented by TAP Ltd. through Sunday, April 10. Dinner is at 6, show at 8 p.m. For reservations call 963-7550.

● JAZZ SEARCH

The fourth annual Hennessey Cognac Jazz Search is inviting Michigan jazz musicians to submit a tape of their best efforts. Audition tapes of aspiring jazz groups will be reviewed for originality, technique and creative flair. Jazz musicians may submit a 20-minute audio tape to be judged by a panel of recognized jazz experts. Entries must be postmarked by Friday, April 1, and sent to the Hennessey Cognac Jazz Search, Suite JAZZ 2801 "B" Ocean Park Blvd., Santa Monica, Calif. 90405. Three bands from Michigan will be chosen to perform at a semifinal competition in Detroit on Thursday, May 12. Each band selected to compete in the semifinal competition will win a \$1,500 cash prize.

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