

## 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: Ellet Simmonds, Entertainment Editor, the Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150.

### • POOLSIDE PARTY

Sheraton Oaks Hotel hosts a poolside party, "Cool Nights," with free admission from 6-9 p.m. every Wednesday in Novi. Featured bands include Steve King and the Dittillies July 20.

### • 'TOP GUN'

"An Evening with the Real 'Top Gun,'" (Randall H. (Duke) Cunningham, commander U.S.N. (Ret.), and the premiere of the Handelman Filmworks documentary, "Action Air Show," will be presented at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 19, at the Riverfront Cafe at the Riverfront Apartments in Detroit. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be featured. The event is a benefit for the science center. Reservations at \$15 per person must be made by Friday, July 15. Checks should be made payable to the Detroit Science Center, 5920 John R, Detroit 48202.

### • 'SUMMER NIGHTS'

The Troy Hilton's "Summer Nights" outdoor concert series continues Fridays through Sept. 9. Featured are the Laredos, at a WHND Party, July 15; Rumpleslitskin, July 22; the Sun Messengers, July 29; Rumpleslitskin, Aug. 5; Rare Earth, Aug. 12; Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band, Aug. 19; Teen Angels, Aug. 26; Just Us and Krosswinds, Sept. 2; and Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band, Sept. 9.

### • MEADOW BROOK

Manhattan Transfer's close-harmony songs will be heard Thursday, Friday, July 14-15, at Meadow Brook

Music Festival at Baldwin Pavilion on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills. Sergio Mendes and Brasil '88 share the Meadow Brook bill with the 5th Dimension on Saturday, July 16. Bob Dylan performs two nights, Sunday-Monday, July 17-18, with the Alarm opening the show (lawn tickets available only, \$20). Earl Klugh and Friends appear Tuesday, July 19. All concerts are at 8 p.m. For ticket information call 377-2010.

### • 'GHOSTS' COMING

"Ghosts," a classic drama by Henrik Ibsen, will have a two-weekend run July 22-24 and 29-31 at the Avon Playhouse in Rochester Hills. Curtain is 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. for the Sunday matinee. Rochester resident Dorothy Smith, a member of Avon Players, is producing and directing the old "family drama" as a requirement for obtaining her master's degree in theater arts from Wayne State University.

### • SOCK HOP

Elvis impersonator Danny Vann will perform his tribute to the fabulous '50s during a sock hop at the Novi Hilton Friday, July 15, in conjunction with Novi's first Michigan '50s Festival. The Novi Hilton Sock Hop will be part of a progressive '50s party held at each of the following hotels: Sheraton Oaks, Wyndham Hotel and Farmington Holiday Inn. For \$12 per person, be-boppers may ride the "Sock Hop Express" bus from one party to another. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. A transformation of the Novi Hilton Grand Ballroom into a high school gymnasium with '50s memorabilia and a sock bar will take one heck in time. Tickets for the Sock Hop Express are available at the front desk of the Novi Hilton. For more information, call 349-4000.

### • POP ARTIST

Joe Tackett appears Tuesdays at Carlos Murphy's in Southfield and

Thursdays-Saturdays, through Aug. 27, at Mountain Jack's in Troy.

### • JAZZ/POP

The Bugs Beddow Band will appear at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 17, at the Farmington Community Center in Farmington Hills. Beddow brings his blend of jazz/pop music and a contemporary sound for an evening of easy listening. For tickets at \$10, call 477-8404. Tickets may be picked up at the center, or will be available at the gate. Tickets are not refundable.

### • NIGHT OUT

The Perfect Gentlemen will play at Bates Street Night out from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursday, July 14, at the Community House in Birmingham. Bates Street Night Out is held every month for informal socializing with adults. Adults are encouraged to come alone or bring a friend. Tickets at \$5 are available at the door or by reservation by calling 644-5832.

### • YOUTH THEATER

Stagecrafters' Youth Theatre will present its second annual summer production, "Alice in Wonderland," with a cast and crew of 8-17 year olds. Performances are at 7 p.m. Friday, July 29; at 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, July 30, and 2 p.m. Sunday, July 31. General admission is \$3.

### • SUMMER SERIES

The Jewish Community Center is presenting a summer series of theatrical plays for children under the direction of Henry K. Martin. Performances are in the center's DeWolf Auditorium. Upcoming productions include "Hansel and Gretel," July 19 and 26; "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," Aug. 2 and 9; "Beauty and the Beast," Aug. 16 and 23. All performances are Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the information booth in the lobby of the

The Manhattan Transfer, Grammy-winning vocal group, will harmonize Thursday-Friday, July 14-15, at Meadow Brook Music Festival.

Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield, or at the door half an hour before performance. For information, call 661-1000.

### • FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

The 24th annual Farmington/Farmington Hills Founders Festival,

through Saturday, July 16, includes a big, outdoor jazz festival featuring four groups popular throughout the Midwest. Scheduled to appear are the Detroit Music Company, the Wolverine Jazz Band, the Flight One band of the U.S. Air Force and the J.C. Heard Band. The jazz festival, a

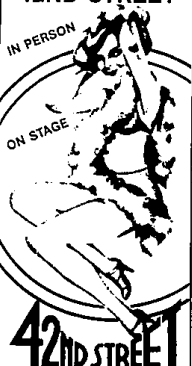
free event (\$2 parking charge), will be held from 5-11 p.m. Saturday, July 16, at the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. Showmobile entertainment will be ongoing throughout the afternoon and evening Thursday, July 14, through Saturday.



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