

upcoming things to do

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show for children. Coden, who has a bachelor of science degree in education, was the star of the nationally syndicated television show "Hot Fudge." The show won many national awards for excellence in the field of children's television. Along with the Children's Concert Series, Prock's will offer a full menu. Cover charge for the show is \$3. For more information and reservations, call 260-2628.

● OPERA LITE

Broadway's most memorable melodies come alive again in Opera Lite's "Give My Regards to Broadway" at 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 7-8 and 14-15, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at Adray Auditorium in Dearborn. "Give My Regards to Broadway, Part II" will be presented at 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 11-12, 19-19, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13. Cast members for both shows include Judith Zorn and Bev-

erly Labuta of Bloomfield Hills, Chris Wehrli of Farmington and David Pulice of Southfield. Tickets for each show are \$10 general admission, \$5 for senior citizens. For reservations, call 535-1377.

● COMEDY IMPROV

Michael J. Gellman and Don DePollo, past directors of Second City Theatre Company, along with Susan Sweetzer of Los Angeles' Comedy Store and the Improv, will lead an intensive training weekend of improvisation and comedy technique from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 15-16, at the Actors Alliance Theatre Company in Southfield. Fees are \$200 per student. For more information or to register by phone, call 642-1528 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays-Fridays.

● HARVEST HOME

The Ruffwater String Band, contra-dance group under the direction of caller Glen Morningstar, will be

featured at the eighth annual Harvest Home Festival of the Troy Historical Museum, 5-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8. Admission is free. For more information, call the museum at 534-3570.

● NIGHT OUT

The Sun Messengers, an 11-piece band from the Detroit area, will play at Bales Street Night Out from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, at the Community House in Birmingham. The Sun Messengers are headed by saxophonist Rick Steiger. Tickets are available at the door or by calling the Community House at 644-5832. Cost is \$5. Wine, beer and liquor are available as well as simple snack food.

● AVON PLAYERS

Avon Players Youth Theatre announces auditions for its show, "The Pale Pink Dragon," a musical fairy tale, from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, and 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16,

at the Avon Players Theatre in Rochester Hills. Auditions are open to all students in the seventh through 12th grades — junior and senior high school students. Students will be involved with all areas of the play's production. The play will be performed at the theater Thursday-Sunday, Dec. 8-11. Students are asked to pay a \$5 membership fee to take part in the production. For more information, contact Muriel Gyde, director, at 731-3359, or Cricket Salswedel, producer, at 739-8140.

● READERS THEATER

Second performance of the fall series of Readers Theater will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, in the DeRoy Studio Theater at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. A pre-theater wine bar will begin at 3:15 p.m. This program is under the sponsorship of the Institute for Retired Professionals at the Jewish Community Center and supported by an endowment from the Irwin

and Sadie Cohn Fund. Tickets will be available at the door the day of the performance. There is an admission charge. For further information, call Readers Theater at 987-4030.

● 'SOMERSET STRUT'

Somerset Dinner Theatre continues "Somerset Strut" starring Phil Marcus Esner and featuring Barbara Bredius and Charlie Latimer at 7 p.m. for dinner, 9 p.m. showtime Fridays, and 6 and 8 p.m. for dinner, 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. showtime Saturdays. Ticket price of \$29.50 per person includes a gourmet dinner at Sebastian's at Somerset Mall in Troy. For reservations, call 649-6629.

● 35TH SEASON

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford opens its 35th season with "Home" by David Storey. The play is winner of the New York Critics Award for Best Play of the Year. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 14-15, 21-22, 28-29, at the playhouse in Redford. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. For reservations, call 427-1905.

● ELVIS' FRIENDS

Elvis — Family of Friends of Michigan, a newly formed club for Elvis Presley fans, will meet 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at Metro Hall in Redford. For information call Pat Patterson at 535-0866.

● YOUNG MAGICIAN

Award-winning Magician Matt Jacobson, the nation's youngest professional magician, will perform at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at the Civic Center Library auditorium in Livonia. Jacobson has been seen on national and foreign television. His magic show includes two Harry Houdini effects and major Las Vegas-style illusions. The show is sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission. Free tickets are available 3:30-5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, at the Civic Center Library. For more information call 421-2000, ext. 351.

● DIXIELAND MUSIC

"Original Dixieland" by Mike Karoub's "Little" Dixie Syncopators will be featured at the Woodbridge Tavern from 6:30-10:30 Thursday, Oct. 6, 13, 20 and 27 in Detroit. Musicians vary every week. Call 259-0578 for reservations.

● WORLD PREMIERE

Detroit Center for the Performing Arts presents "The Golden Dawn," in the world premiere of an award-winning drama by Robert Schroeder and Jan Henson Dow, at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, to Saturday, Nov. 12, in Detroit. The play is about the inner sanctums of the secret, mystical society known as the Order of the Golden Dawn. For information, call 961-7925.

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