

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 & Eccentric, 3025 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150.

PREMIERE PRODUCTION

The world-premiere production of the comedy "Some Things Are Forever," a two-act play by James Warner of Rochester Hills, will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25, at the Highland Lakes Campus of Oakland Community College in Union Lake. Tickets at \$5 are available by phoning the director, Sue Warner, at 360-3057.

SCHEDULE CHANGE

The performance of Meadow Brook Theatre's Detroit-area premiere production of "The Boys Next Door" by Tom Griffin will not be presented on Thursday, Nov. 23, as originally scheduled, but instead will be given at 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 20.

For ticket information about the production, which continues through Sunday, Nov. 26, call the box office on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills at 377-3300.

IN 'BARBARASONG'

Barbara Bredius of Troy is starring in "Barbarasong" a new musical revue produced by Phil Marcus Exner at 9 p.m. Fridays and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays at Somerset Mall in Troy. Accompanying Bredius on vocals and keyboards is Barbara Carbury. The performance is comprised of songs interspersed with monologues relating to today's women. A dinner theater package, with dinner at Sebastian's in the mall, is \$29.50. Tickets for show only are \$10. For reservations call Sebastian's at 649-6625.

CONCERT SERIES

Ernie Swan, piano stylist, is the attraction from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 5, in the free concert series at Somerset Mall in Troy. Other concerts this month include song stylist Ursula Walker, with Buddy Budson on piano, performing Nov. 12; the holiday



Dave Sikkelee (left), Mark Walters and Cathy Biber appear in a scene from the First Theatre Guild of Birmingham production of the musical classic "Carousel" opening Friday. For ticket information call 646-6033.

kick-off, with the Ink Spots returning (two shows, at 1 and 3 p.m.), Nov. 19, and the Terranova Duo, with Theresa Jenkins on clarinet and Michael Bryce on guitar, Nov. 26.

MUSICAL REVUE

A new holiday musical revue is scheduled for Saturdays, Dec. 2, 9, 16 and 23, at the Novi Hilton. TAP Ltd. (Theatre Arts Productions) of Farmington Hills will perform this family-oriented revue in the Novi Hilton's dinner/theater format. Dinner is served in the Orchard Cafe at 7:30 p.m. with the show following at 9 p.m. Spearheaded by Producer Michael J. Klier of West Bloomfield, the show features many of the traditional Christmas and winterland carols along with Broadway show-stoppers.

CELEBRITY 'LIFTATHON'

Powerhouse Gym & Fitness Center is sponsoring a celebrity "Liftathon" from 7-10 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, at the gym in the Commerce Towne Center in Union Lake. More than 50 local celebrities will pump up their muscles to help the Salvation Army Bed & Bread program, which provides lodging and meals to the homeless. From January to August this year, the program provided more than 120,000 nights of lodging for those who needed shelter and nearly 760,000 meals to the homeless. Call the Novi Hilton at 349-4000 for further information and reservations.

MULTI-MEDIA WORKSHOP

An afternoon of improvisation is

planned at a participatory multi-media workshop from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at Oakland University in Rochester Hills. The Department of Music, Theatre and Dance will sponsor the free event in Varner Recital Hall. Guest clinician Edward Sarath, director of jazz studies at the University of Michigan, will conduct the workshop. Participants will explore the potential in spontaneous creativity between the areas of music, theater and dance. For details call the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance at 370-2030.

• **"MUSIC MAN"**
Pontiac Theatre IV will perform Meredith Willson's "The Music Man"

at 8 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 10-11 and 17-18, at Pontiac Northern High School Auditorium. With this production, Pontiac Theatre IV celebrates its 20th anniversary of bringing musical comedy to area residents. As a community theater which specializes in musicals, it has produced nearly 60 shows during its 20-year history. Tickets at \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and students may be purchased from cast members, at the door or at the office of the Cultural Council of Pontiac, phone 334-2390. For further information call 338-2903.

• **WHISPERS LOUNGE**
Whispers Lounge in the Novi Hil-

ton offers a live band from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Mondays-Saturdays, providing upbeat Top-40 music. A happy hour buffet features everything from fajita to chocolate pasta with raspberry sauce, Mondays-Fridays at no charge. A limited menu is offered from 11 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

MOSCOW CIRCUS

One of the highlights of last year's historic Moscow Circus tour — the trained 5-foot Russian Brown Bears — have returned to delight audiences during the circus' current tour, which includes a 10-performance engagement at the Palace Nov. 8-12. A year ago, the bears danced and juggled for thousands during the troupe's first visit to North America in 10 years. Tickets at \$17.50, \$15, \$12.50, \$10 and \$7.50 (reserved) are now on sale at the Palace box office from opera companies, music and dance academies, and even the enlisted ranks. Tickets to see this Soviet troupe are priced at \$30, \$27.50, \$22.50 and \$20 and are available at the Fox Theatre box office, open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and the Joe Louis Arena Box Office, open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and all Ticketmaster locations. For more information, call 567-6000. To order by phone, using Visa or Mastercard, call 645-6666.

VIDEO WORKSHOP

Historic Trinity will have John Fuller, from WXYZ, conduct a video workshop for camcorder owners at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4. Fuller, a

member of the news staff of WXYZ-TV in Detroit since 1968, has 25 years of experience shooting news pictures with both film and videotape. The workshop, which runs 2½ hours, is \$10 per person. Fuller suggests that those attending bring their camcorders for some hands-on experience. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Edith Miller at 567-3100.

FOX THEATRE

Direct from the Soviet Union comes the Alexandrov Red Army Song and Dance Ensemble to make its first Detroit appearance at the Fox Theatre. It will perform at 8 p.m. Dec. 1 and 2 and at 2 p.m. Dec. 3. The company consists of almost 200 of the Soviet Union's finest singers and dancers, many being real soldiers, ranging in rank from private to colonel, as well as recruits from opera companies, music and dance academies, and even the enlisted ranks. Tickets to see this Soviet troupe are priced at \$30, \$27.50, \$22.50 and \$20 and are available at the Fox Theatre box office, open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and the Joe Louis Arena Box Office, open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and all Ticketmaster locations. For more information, call 567-6000. To order by phone, using Visa or Mastercard, call 645-6666.

table talk

Wine cellar

The London Chop House in Detroit will celebrate the reopening of its complete wine cellar with two special events. A three-course prix fixe dinner, at \$55 per person, will be held Tuesday-Wednesday. A five-course prix fixe dinner, at \$100 per person, is scheduled for Thursday-Friday, Nov. 9-10. A regular menu will be available both days. For more information or reservations call 962-0277.

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