

upcoming things to do

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● **'FROG PRINCE'**
A princess and magic spells will be mixed with music and comedy in a performance of the classic tale "The Frog Prince" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the Community Center, Farmington-Farming Hills. The musical comedy will be performed by the Ann Arbor Goodtime Players. The four-member Goodtime Player cast will be joined by three budding actors from the Farmington-Farming Hills area. Tickets are \$4 per person or \$12 per family. For tickets or more information, call the Community Center at 477-8404.

● **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**
"Traditions and Tidings" is the theme of the Farmington Musicale's Christmas program at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the Farmington Community Library. Medieval-musical group Les Flutes Douces will perform. These are local musicians who specialize in Renaissance music on replicas of instruments of the period, including recorders, harp, crum horn and percussion. Costumes of the period are part of the presentation. The Farmington Musicale Chorus, directed by Joyce Bigelow, will lend vocal traditional music of the season to the program.

● **READERS THEATER**
Final performance of the fall series of Readers Theater will be given at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, in the Aaron DeJoy Theater at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. A free wine bar will open at 3:15 p.m. The program will feature short stories by Isaac Bashevis Singer and Haimin Gary, presented by Harry Goldstein and David Fox. Scenes from Yolanda Fleischer's production of Ron Elisha's "Two" will be recreated by Arthur Beer and



DAN DEAN/staff photographer
Suzy Leonard is Edwin Drood and Barbara Edwin Drood." opening Friday, Nov. 24. Performances run through Sunday, Dec. 10. For ticket information, call 644-9567.

Miriam Yebeck. Professor Norma Goldman will serve as host for the program. Tickets are available at the door beginning at 3 p.m. the day of the performance. There is an admission charge. For further information, call Readers Theater at 967-4030.

● **SIGN LANGUAGE**
The performance of the Meadow Brook Theatre production of "A Christmas Carol" at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, will be American Sign Language interpreted, with special seating for the hearing impaired. The theater's eighth annual production of "A Christmas Carol" opens a five-week run at 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. The yuletide classic again will feature

Hollywood and Broadway actor Booth Colman as penny-pinching Ebenezer Scrooge. For tickets, call 377-3300.

● **ADDITION TIME**
The Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield, with Ted E. Bear Productions (a subsidiary company of Nancy Gurwin Productions), announces an additional audition for "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 26. Singers and dancers are needed. All roles are available. Construction people are needed to help with set building. For more information, call Nancy Gurwin at 352-2797 or 354-0545 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily or Donna Zatklin at 352-3729. Performances are at 8 p.m. Saturdays, Jan. 13, 20, and 27; at 7 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 14 and 21.

● **MUSICAL 'ANNIE'**
Players Guild of Dearborn will present the family musical "Annie," opening Friday, Nov. 24, and continuing through Saturday, Dec. 9. Featured in the title role is Alicia Holbrook, a 13-year old Livonia resident who attends Holmes Junior High School. Alicia has appeared as Baby June in "Gypsy" and Molly in "Annie," as well as in the cast of "Fid-

alter on the Roof," "Guys and Dolls" and "Broadway Melodies." She was crowned Miss Southeastern Michigan Pro-Teen for 1986-87.

Nicole A. Link, 8, who is the orphan Molly, attends Marshall Elementary School in Livonia. She has been studying ballet since the age of 3 and takes piano lessons. Shows she has appeared in are "The King and I," "Winnie the Pooh," and the "Summer Camp '66" Production. Other area residents in the cast are Norris Anderson of Southfield as Oliver Warbucks, Kim Kope Donovan of Canton as Grace Farrell and Nancy Donovan of Westland as Lily St. Regis. All performances are at 8 p.m. except for Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$9 in advance, \$10 at the door. For reservations or ticket information, call the guild ticket line at 561-1775.

● **OPEN AUDITIONS**
Players Guild of Dearborn will conduct open auditions for the mystery-comedy "Murder Among Friends" at 7:30 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 4-5. Production dates for "Murder Among Friends" are Jan. 26-28 and Feb. 1-3. Six featured adult roles are available, for four men and two women. The play will be directed by Chester Wojak. For further information call 277-5164.



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