

table talk

Seafood house

Panache in downtown Birmingham has changed from American continental cuisine to a seafood restaurant. The new menu includes such items as Shrimp Marinara Pasta, Seafood Fettuccine Alfredo, Paella, Bouillabaisse and Shrimp Danielle.

Norwegian salmon, yellowfin tuna, Canadian whitefish and Atlantic pickerel round out an international fare of at least 15 fish varieties of seafood flown in daily. Additions at the restaurant include Hot Rock Seafood Appetizers, which involve the guest in the preparation process.

Panache also offers predetermined seafood specialties for each separate night of the week. Specialties include such items as Sauteed Walleyed Pike on Monday night, Seafood Santa on Tuesday night and Snapper en Papillote on Wednesday.

The restaurant is managed by Bob Sikorski and the Charley's Restaurant Group. It is open Monday-Friday for lunch and Monday-Saturday for dinner.

Ski race

Several area chefs will participate in the Grand Mariner Chefs Ski Race Sunday at Boyne Highlands. They are Tom Lomkowski, sous chef, at the Troy Hilton, Matthew Chuchman, chef, at Mark

of Excellence Catering, Southfield; Randall Lorenz, owner, Mayflower Hotel, Plymouth; Greg Goodman, chef/owner, Cafe Bon Homme, Plymouth; Edmund Krumins, chef, Matus Red Fox, West Bloomfield; and David McShane, dean, Schoolcraft College, Livonia.

Indian feast

Mark Miller, chef-owner of Santa Fe's Coyote Cafe, will bring his modern Southwestern cuisine to the kitchen of Detroit's Rattlesnake Club on Saturday. He will prepare a multi-course feast, in the tradition of ancient Indian culture, for a 7 p.m. seating at the riverfront restaurant. Dinner is \$65 per person, \$120 per couple, and includes an autographed copy of Miller's new cook-book, "Coyote Cafe, Foods from the Great Southwest." Reservations are required.

Annual benefit

Rattlesnake Club owner/chef Jimmy Schmidt is leading a consortium of Michigan chefs in preparing dinner and a multi-course dessert extravaganza Thursday, March 29, for the Detroit version of the national event — Bon Appetit's Tash of the Nation, to benefit the hungry. Tickets are \$100 and \$75 for reserved patron seating. Tickets for unreserved seating are \$50. For more information call the Rattlesnake Club at 567-4843.

upcoming things to do

Arts camps

Oakland University Center for the Arts is registering children for its annual Arts-for-Youth Camps, running Monday, July 2, to Friday, July 13, and Monday, July 16, to Friday, July 27, at Vassar Hall on campus in Rochester Hills. Each two-week camp is identical, and enrollment in each is limited to 40 persons. Age groupings for each camp are 7-9 and 10-12. Campers will learn about art, dance and movement, music theater and theater. This summer's camps offer for the first time an opportunity for participants to perform on a voluntary basis in the children's programs at Meadow Brook Music Festival. For registration information, call the Center for the Arts at 370-3018.

At Tango's

Pam Martin performs Top 40 music from 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays through March 31 at Tango's European bistro at the Radisson Plaza Hotel at Town Center in Southfield. For more information or reservations, call Tango's at 827-1282.

In concert

Jennifer Roberts, singer, will perform at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 11, at Covenant Baptist Church in West Bloomfield. The program also features Alan Finkbeiner, Jan Brachel and Paul King. For more information call 855-9191.

Plays Palace

Chrysler/Plymouth presents the Royal Lipizzaner Stallions in "The Wonderful World of Horses," in association with Northwest Airlines, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 10, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets may be charged by calling 645-6666.

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Creative theatre

The Labor Zionist Family presents The Creative Theatre of Israel in an original production, In English, of "On the Crossroad..." written by Goren Agmon and Dorit Rivlin-Rak and starring Salla Yehai and Dorit Rivlin-Rak (formerly members of the Habimah National Theatre), at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 25, at Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield. An open discussion with the artists will follow. The event is open to the public without charge. For further information call 967-3171.

Troy Players

The hit musical "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," by Frank Loesser and Abe Burrows, will be presented by Troy Players on Friday-Sunday, March 9-11 and 16-18, and Friday-Saturday, March 23-24, at the Troy Community Center. Performances are at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets at \$7, or \$6 for students and senior citizens, are available at the door. For reservations or information call 879-1285.



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Casting call

Open auditions for the Troy Players production of the Thornton Wilder classic "Our Town" will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 13, and Thursday, March 15, at the Troy Community Center. Show dates are Friday-Saturday, May 4-5, 11-12 and 18-19. For more information call 879-1285.

'Boss Clown'

Respectfully referred to as "Boss Clown," 62-year-old Barry DeChant of Livonia is the leader of the 16-member clown contingent that will perform in the Planters LifeSavers Royal Handford Circus on Sunday-Wednesday, March 11-14 at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Performances are at 1 and 5 p.m. Sunday, 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Monday-Tuesday and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Adult tickets at \$12, \$9 (reserved) and \$7 (general admission), and children's tickets (12 and under) at \$4 are on sale at the box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets may be charged by calling 645-6666.



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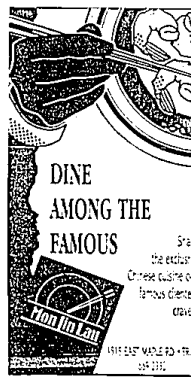
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