

Orchestra Is Now On Tour

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, following a Feb. 4 "Southfield Night" at the Symphony, is spending three weeks visiting cities in Michigan, Florida, Alabama and Mississippi.

Sixteen Ehrlich will conduct

all performances throughout the tour. Concerts will resume at Ford Auditorium with a Kresge Concert Sunday afternoon, Feb. 21, at 3:30 when Ehrlich will lead his first "pops" program in Detroit. The Modern Jazz Quartet will also be featured.

In Farmington

Latham Readies 'Lion'

Rick Latham is a Westland bachelor who finds his avocation involves an understanding of sewing, along with carpentering, lighting and history.

Latham is director of the current Farmington Players production of "The Lion in Winter." The dramatic comedy by William Goldman opens Friday, Feb. 12, in the Players' Barn on 12 Mile, between Orchard Lake and Middlebelt, and will be presented the last three weeks in February.

TALKING ABOUT his role as producer, Latham said, "I haven't done any stitching or sewing, but I still have to

have a basic understanding of what can and cannot be done." This understanding comes in handy when he consults with costume director Hope Nahstoll.

"A producer," says Latham, "is responsible for the show aside from acting. He has to know something about set production and lighting, costumes and all the technical aspects of the show."

On top of this, he has to coordinate the activities of all the committees...the people responsible for advertising, tickets, publicity and so on.

Although he is a comparative newcomer to the Farmington Players, Latham is

not a newcomer to the world of the stage. He is a graduate of Central Michigan University, where he majored in speech with concentration on theatre history and technical aspects of theatre.

While there, he helped produce "Harvey" and "Three Men on a Horse" in three weeks.

HE MADE HIS acting debut in Farmington in "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie" and handled sound effects for two other plays. Although he lives in Westland, he works in Farmington in sales administration.

He seized the opportunity to produce "The Lion in Winter," in spite of the fact it's a play with an unusual number of scenes, and thus a number of problems, because he was anxious to work with its director, Merle Pedicini. "I consider Mer an outstanding director," he says.

Working with him in the set design and construction department are Jim Haugen and Don Briggs. Ann Davis is doing set dressing with Katherine Totost looking after properties. Vic Hill is arranging the lighting and Bob Gre-



RICK LATHAM

gory is in charge of sound. Publicity is handled by Ed Risk.

Tickets are available from Noral or Virginia McNeely, 476-2749. But you'd better hurry if you want to see how to quickly transform a medieval court into a wine cellar. Latham, the man who has to know how everything is going, reports that early ticket sales have been good.

Pets To Be Welcomed

A series of science programs for children of kindergarten age through grade three is being offered at the Cranbrook Institute of Science, 300 Lone Pine Rd., Bloomfield Hills.

"Introducing Science" programs are at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Tickets are free to student members and 50 cents for non-members. Adults are asked to accompany their children at no additional charge.

"Animal Homes," Feb. 12, will discuss the variety of materials that birds, insects and mammals use for their shelters. The program for Feb. 20 is entitled "Learning About Air," and for Feb. 27, the theme is "Care of Pets." Children will be invited to bring their own pets, in cages, and tell how they take care of them.

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