

Amusements

Auditions Set

The Livonia Youth Choir for fifth and sixth grade students will hold auditions for new members at the following locations from 3 to 5 p.m.:

Hoover, 15900 Levan, Monday, Feb. 22;
Jefferson, 9501 Henry Ruff, Tuesday, Feb. 23;
Adams, 28201 Lyndon, Wednesday, Feb. 24;
Johnson, 36651 Ann Arbor Trail, Thursday, Feb. 25;

Cooper, 28611 Ann Arbor Trail, Monday, March 1.

Membership, by audition only, is open to any fifth or sixth grade student in Livonia. Purpose of the choir is to study and perform challenging vocal music. The choir is directed by Mrs. Connie Langille.

GraphicArt To Be Sold

Madonna College will sponsor an exhibition and sale of original graphic art by contemporary and old master artists on Feb. 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Academic Building lobby, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

Included will be more than 1,000 original etchings, lithographs and woodcuts by artists such as Picasso, Chagall, Miro, Goya, Renoir, Roualt, Kollowitz and many others including contemporary United States, European and Japanese printmakers. Prices range from \$5 up.

Field Trip

The Detroit Audubon Society will lead a field trip along the Canadian shore of the St. Clair River Sunday, Feb. 21, at 9 a.m. The group will meet at the Tourist Information Center at the junction of Highways 40 and 402 in Sarnia.

Isaac Stern Gives Concert

Isaac Stern, world-famous American violinist, will give a concert in the University of Michigan at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, in Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. This will

be Stern's fifth appearance in Ann Arbor. Tickets are available in the office of the University Musical Society, Burton Tower, 665-3717.



GETTING SOME HELP—Christy Smith (left) and Sandy Gamache get some tips on how to be butterflies, pink poodles or some other animal from their skating instructors, Audrey Battenfield (left) and Sondra Morrill. They're getting ready for the Livonia rinks' ice show April 2, 3 and 4. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)



HOW TO BE A SURREY—Marie Mazur, 13, of Livonia is costumed for a skating number to the tune of "The Surrey With the Fringe On Top." She'll also be in a solo number to "The Teddy Bears' Picnic." Her teacher is Bev Griffin. The show will be in Livonia's Ford rink. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)

Ice Show Has Cast of 600

By BETTY MASSON
How many times have you been told not to wish away your life?

It's a pretty safe bet that some 550 youngsters in Observerland are disobeying this injunction right now, and are dreaming of April 2, 3 and 4.

These are the days when Livonia's first and really big ice show will become a reality.

Actually there are to be some 600 performers in the show, but about 50 are adults. All 600 members are amateurs.

"I don't believe anyone has tried to put on a show this big before with amateurs," muses Mrs. Bev Griffin, one of Livonia's six figure skating teachers who are putting the show together.

The action is set for Ford rink, 33841 Lyndon, at 7:30 p.m. on April 2; at 2 and 7:30 p.m. on April 3; and at 2 p.m. on April 4.

WORK WAS begun on the performance last August when the six teachers, from

Ford and Devon-Aire rinks, got together to work on choreography and music. Working together Mrs. Griffin, Sondra Morrill, Audrey Battenfield, Beverly Swan, Dawn Lyle and Nancy Goldston came up with 19 numbers.

Then came the question of costumes. This was nicely solved when it was decided to order them from theatrical costumers in Detroit and Chicago, with each skater paying for his or her own. This way they'll get to keep them...for future shows.

The orders are in and the costumes have begun to arrive for pink poodles, butterflies, teddy bears and monkeys, as well as the usual satin bespangled ones for the glamorous kick lines.

The 600 skaters are divided into groups for the various numbers with different rehearsal times. It was decided that most should have an early morning rehearsal. But this was a one-shot affair, and it's now been taken care of in most cases.

From here on in, rehears-

als will be held between 3:30 and 10 p.m. Schedules will be issued shortly.

THEN SOME fathers and non-skaters were needed for a few details like lighting.

Al Butler and Bill Revell,

rink manager at Ford, are looking after this. Larry Smith and Larry Zileh will help with the floodlights. Bob Gamache and Jim Patterson are in charge of props, and artists Rich Dufour, Mrs. Carol Dufour, John LaPenta

and Bernie Wiener are busy on scenery and posters.

There was a rumor that the skaters would have to sell tickets to the show, and this seemed fairly reasonable to mothers and fathers who have helped sell hockey decals and candy.

But this was merely a rumor. Advance tickets may be purchased from the Livonia Parks and Recreation department at either rink. They are a remarkably low \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Ford rink will hold 900 for each of the four performances, which multiplies up to a total capacity of 3,600. A little more addition and multiplication (two parents, two grandparents and at least two siblings per skater) makes it appear that it might be a good idea to get tickets early.

Mall Travel Days Reversed

Sunday is "Mexico day" and Monday is "Hawaii day" in the Livonia Mall's four-day travel show. Free films and dance groups will be featured each day.

An advertisement in Wednesday's edition reversed the order of appearance.

Senior Citizens Get Economy Tours

In a continuing effort to make their collections of Americana more accessible to larger numbers of people, Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn, have arranged a new economy tour package designed for senior citizen groups.

The package has been developed by the travel and convention department at the village expressly for the needs of these organizations.

THREE VERSIONS of the package are being offered at special rates for the remainder of the winter season through March 31. A village tour, a museum tour and a combination of each are available at substantial savings.

For reservations, call Greenfield Village, travel and convention department, 271-1620, ext. 211 or 212.

All three versions include lunch at historic Clinton Inn.

Morning village tours will end with lunch, afternoon tours will begin with lunch and the combined tours may start either in the museum or village with lunch at the most convenient time.

The village tour is \$3.25 per person and includes an interesting carriage ride past historic buildings with colorful narration by the driver and a stop for lunch at Clinton Inn overlooking the Village Green. This version limited to groups of 10 to 40 people.

GROUPS OF up to 180 people may tour the museum at their leisure, then board carriages for the trip to Clinton Inn for lunch and back again for \$3.25 per person. Museum tours may be either half day or full day.

For a really big day, the combined package offers an independent tour of the museum, a narrated carriage tour of the village and lunch at the inn for \$4.25 per person.

Casting Call

The Detroit Repertory Theatre, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, will hold auditions for two plays Sunday, Feb. 21, between 2 and 5 p.m. Those interested should call the theatre, 868-1347, for an appointment.

The plays to be cast are

"Ceremonies in Dark Old Men," calling for two women and five men. "The Capricious Crump," a musical play for children, calls for four men and two women. All must sing and dance as well as act.

New Teacher Plans Recital

ANN ARBOR Elizabeth Mosher Kraus, noted opera and oratorio soprano, will give her first recital at the University of Michigan, next week as a new member of the voice faculty.

She will be accompanied by Prof. Eugene Bossart of the School of Music in the recital at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, in Rackham Lecture Hall.

The daughter of a prominent voice teacher in San Francisco, she received her bachelor and master of music degrees (cum laude) from the University of Southern California. She studied voice under a Fulbright scholarship at the Hochschule fur Musik, Hamburg, Germany, and was leading soprano for two years with the Biel-Solothurn Opera in Switzerland.

Large Cast Set For 'The Visit'

"The Visit," a play calling for a cast of 40, will be staged at Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Feb. 24 to 28, in Quirk Auditorium.

Open ticket sales begin Monday, Feb. 22, at the box office, open weekdays from 12:45 to 4:30 p.m. For reservations telephone 467-1220 or 1221.



DICK BENSEK

Meat — there's nothing else like its prized savoriness! But the skill of good cooking is needed to retain this good flavor. Beef may be cooked rare, medium, or well done. Lamb is enjoyed either medium or well done, but veal and pork are cooked until well done. Most frozen meats may or may not be thawed before cooking. Extra cooking time must be allowed for meats not thawed first — just how much will depend on the size and shape of the cut. Large frozen roasts may take as much as one and half times as long to cook as unfrozen cuts of the same weight and shape.

Cooking is indeed a skill. Enjoy it at its best when you dine at DANISH INN, 32305 Grand River Ave., 476-5320. "Farmington's Finest." Lunch menu features three specials daily, and dinner menu contains 33 entrees. Four of the most popular entrees are Roast Prime Rib of Beef, Dover Sole, Viking Sword and Danish Inn Special. Frikadeller.

HELPFUL HINT: Bring the ham to the table with the fat side up as this is the decorated portion — but turn the ham on its side for carving.

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