

upcoming things to do

Deadline for the Upcoming entertainment calendar is three weeks ahead of publication. Send items to be considered for publication to: Keely Wagonik, Entertainment Editor, the Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150.

THEATER

"Little Shop of Horrors," 8 p.m. Thursday to Saturday, Aug. 15-17, and 2 p.m. Saturday, at the Smith Theatre, Oakland Community College, Oakridge campus. Tickets \$8, senior citizens and students \$6. Call 471-7590 for reservations. The campus is at 27055 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills.

FOLK MUSIC

Texas singer/songwriter Guy Clark will be appearing 8:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16, at The Birmingham Unitarian Church at 651 N. Woodward in Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$10. For information, call 410-6031.

MEADOW BROOK

The Original 5th Dimension and the Original Ramsey Lewis Trio will appear 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16. Dionne Warwick will perform Sunday, Aug. 18. Concerts take place at the Baldwin Pavilion at Oakland University in Rochester Hills, with entrances on Walton Blvd. and Adams Road. The grounds open 6 p.m. Ticket information and 1991 season brochures are available by calling the Meadow Brook Box Office, 377-2010.

CONCERT BAND

The Heritage Concert Band will perform a concert of patriotic and pop music at the Troy Historical Museum, 3-5 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 18. Featured soloists include 7-year-old Thaddeus Dixon of Detroit, first-place winner of the 1990 and 1991 regional in percussion sponsored by the American Guild of Music. Dixon competed with musicians 16 years old and younger. The Troy Historical

Museum is at 60 West Wattle, west of Livemore.

OKLAHOMA AUDITION

Avon Players announce auditions for their first musical show of the new season, "Oklahoma." The search is on for thesians, singers and dancers at least 19 years of age and up. No stage experience required. Auditions begin 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 18, and continue 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 19 and 20, at the Avon Players Playhouse. The playhouse is in Rochester Hills on Tienken at Runyon Road, west off of Rochester Road. The public is invited to audition or just watch and see how a show is cast. The show runs for three weekends and opens Oct. 18. For more information call 652-9402. The script and music is available at the Rochester library.

CHILDREN'S SHOW

The City of Southfield will present the Chautauqua Express 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 21, at the historic Burgh site, on Berg Road and Civic Center Drive. Created and performed by Guy Sierlasz, the Chautauqua Express takes its name from American history. A chautauqua was a touring show of the late 19th and early 20th centuries that combined popular education with entertainment. For more information call Cultural Arts at 354-4717.

FAMILY FUN

The Charter Township of Orion, Parks and Recreation Department is presenting Family Fun Days, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24 at Orion Township Civic Center Park, 2525 Joslyn Road, in Lake Orion. Free admission and parking, children's games, face painting, clowns and magic, arts and crafts sale, pie eating contest. Free concert in the park at 7 p.m. Call 391-0304 for more information.

SUMMER CONCERT

West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation present a free outdoor concert, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 25 featuring hit recording artists The Contours. Their original recording of "Do You Love Me" hit the top of the charts in the 60s. The performance will be at Marshbank Park, Hiller Road north of Commerce Road in West Bloomfield Township.

YOUTH SYMPHONY

The Metropolitan Youth Symphony announces auditions on Wednesday, Aug. 28 at Abiding Presence Lutheran Church, 1550 W. Walton Blvd. in Rochester. To reserve an audition time, call 651-7652.

PINE KNOB

Upcoming performances begin at 8 p.m. and include Robert Palmer, Thursday, Aug. 15; Diana Ross, Friday, Aug. 16 and Saturday, Aug. 17; George Thorogood & The Destroyers with Buddy Guy, Sunday, Aug. 18; Johnny Cash Show starring Johnny Cash & Family, Wednesday, Aug. 21; Al Green with Mighty Clouds of Joy, Thursday, Aug. 22; and Foreigner,

Friday, Aug. 23. Tickets to New Pine Knob events are available at The Palace Box Office and all Ticketmaster centers. Tickets may be charged to American Express, VISA or Mastercard by calling 645-6666.

THE PALACE

Upcoming performances at The Palace of Auburn Hills include Contraband Jam, featuring Ratt, L.A. Guns and Bang Tango, 7 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 18; Gloria Estefan & The Miami Sound Machine, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 21; Clint Black, with special guests Merle Haggard and Malraza Berg, 8 p.m., Friday, Aug. 23. Call 377-0100 for more information.

OLDIES CONCERT

On Saturday, Aug. 24, Oldies 104.3 WQMC radio and Miller High Life Beer are presenting the 1991 "Summer Rock and Roll Reunion Party!" 1-7 p.m. at the Mt. Brighton Ski Area. A portion of the proceeds from the event will benefit the Henry Ford Hospital Heart Transplant Emergency Needs Fund. Featured artists include Blood Sweat & Tears with David Clayton-Thomas, Rare Earth, Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, Leslie Gore and The Coasters. Tickets are \$10 for adults, children under 12 admitted free. Tickets on sale at TicketMaster outlets. Call 645-6666 for information.

PLYMOUTH FESTIVAL

The first Plymouth music celebration will take place at Kellogg Park and the Gathering in downtown Plymouth Aug. 16, 17 and 18. The three-day music festival includes themed meals and children's activities. The musical theme of the festival will be a celebration of many popular musical forms including jazz, country, classical and blues. All of the entertainment presented at the Plymouth Music Celebration is free and open to the public. The "Taste of Plymouth," the "Elegant Picnic," and the "Classical Brunch" all require an admission. Tickets are available at all TicketMaster outlets, the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, the Cafe Bon Homme,



Dionne Warwick is appearing at Meadow Brook Music Festival, 8 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 18, on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. For tickets, call 377-2010.

and the Mayflower Hotel. For further details call 453-1540 or 459-3143.

FREE CONCERTS

Dropping Names will perform every Wednesday through September at Gayles Chocolates in Royal Oak, 8-11 p.m. For more information, call 398-0001.

MICHIGAN FESTIVAL

The Michigan Festival, a 10-day celebration of Michigan folk life, music, arts, dance, food and family entertainment on the campus of Michigan State University and downtown East Lansing. The Festival continues through Sunday, Aug. 18. Call the Breslin Center Box office at 1-800-968-2377 for concert information. Reserved seats for evening concerts are \$4 to \$10. New this year are day passes, admitting a person to all sunshine/daytime events on the day of purchase, will be available for \$3. Concerts begin at 8 p.m., with gates opening at 5:30 p.m. Appearing are Los Lobos, Thursday, Aug. 15; Robert Palmer, Friday, Aug. 16; The Spinners, Saturday, Aug. 17; Little River Band and Air Supply, Sunday, Aug. 18.

table talk

Symphony benefit

The Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Guild and Carillon Importers Ltd. present a summer party to benefit the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra at the Hotel Baromette, at 12 Oaks Mall in Novi, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16. Executive Chef Claude Durand has created hors d'oeuvres and desserts featuring Absolut products. Cost is \$47 per person. Call 645-BBSO for reservations.

Tavern on 13

Detroit celebrities including Denny McLain, Catherine Leahan, and Tom Ryan will be bartenders at Tavern on 13, 5:30-9:30 p.m. Aug. 15 and 16. One dollar of every drink poured will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Complimentary appetizers and no cover charge. Tavern on 13 is at 17600 W. 13 Mile in Birmingham. For information call 647-7747.

Cajunfest

Cajunfest productions, a traveling Cajun food festival company, will host Cajunfest '91 at Northville Downs in Northville, 4-9 p.m. Aug. 16 and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Aug. 18. Menu include — crawfish fettuccine, shrimp etouffade, blackened fish, barbecue shrimp, jambalaya, red beans with rice, grilled cajun chicken, boiled shrimp and smoked sausage po-boys. There will be cooking demonstrations, free pony rides

and balloons.

Mitchell's

Starting Aug. 19, Mitchell's Barbecue and Grill, 1824 W. 14 Mile Road in Royal Oak will offer all the ribs you can eat for \$15.95 per person on Monday nights. On Wednesdays they are featuring "Viva Italia," pasta for two for \$13.95 a couple. Restaurant hours are 11 a.m. to 11:10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. to midnight, Friday, 3 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, and 4-10 p.m. Sunday. Call 280-0050 for information.

The Lark

The Lark, 6430 Farmington Road, in West Bloomfield, will feature the cuisine of Scandinavia at a special dinner 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 26 and 27. Cost is \$70 per person. Call 661-4466 for reservations.

Food Festival

The fourth annual Taste of Saugatuck Food Festival will be noon to 7 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 25 in Saugatuck, on Water Street adjacent to Coral Gales restaurant and marina. Fifteen local restaurants will be participating. There will be no charge to enter the food festival area, and no food item will cost more than \$3.

For more information, call (616) 857-5801.

Beverage contest

Contestants who can turn images of Bavaria's snow-capped mountains and fairy-tale castles into non-alcoholic drinks could win \$1,000 in AAA Michigan's 11th annual "Zero-Proof Mix-Off" competition. Entries are due Sept. 13.

The competition highlights the organization's alcohol-awareness campaign stressing safe gatherings during the holidays. Drinks will be judged on taste, appearance, originality of name and adherence to the Bavarian theme.

Winning recipes will be featured in the 1991 "Great Pretenders Party Guide" distributed free statewide in December. First prize is \$1,000; cash prizes will also be awarded to second-through fourth-place winners. The contest is open to Michigan residents 16 and older. Only one entry per person is allowed.

Entries should be typed or neatly printed and include name, address, daytime telephone number, name of drink, ingredients and mixing directions. No alcohol or flavor extracts containing alcohol is allowed.

Mail entries to "Zero Proof Mix-Off," AAA Michigan Public Relations, 1 Auto Club Drive, Dearborn, Mich. 48126.

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(Rain date: Sunday, August 18)

at Duns Scotus, Evergreen and Nine Mile (parking in the Southfield Civic Center north lot, Evergreen and 10-1/2 Mile, with shuttle service to the polo site)

Tickets: \$6 at the gate or \$5 in advance \$1 children 12 and under

Advance tickets at Southfield City Hall main lobby

Proper attire requested

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