WHAT'S COOKING

THE LARX
The Lark will present its 10th annual Russian Feast 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, March 29 and 20. There will Russian food, Petrossian caviar, and itse Russian music. The cost is \$97.50 per person and includes complete dinner with vodka or champagne, but not other beverages, tax or gratuity. The last date for cancellation without charge is March

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19. Call 661-4466 for reservations.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
Schoolcraft College will present a
Jazy Brunch, noon to 3 p.m.
Sunday, April 4 in the College's
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'Fiddler on the Roof' entertains audience

soon warms to the role and warms our hearts.

Kristie Hass (Troitel), Katie Beltran (Hodel), and Heidi Schuster (Chava) give their all as Toyya's eldest daughters. While Beltran definitely has the strongest singing voice of the three, all show fine acting talent.

In other roles, We Stambersky is effectively annoying as Yente, the matchmaker. Scott Fisher makes a second straight appearance on the Plymouth stage as Motel, the tailor. Although the role is essentially like his character in the PTG production of "The Matchmaker," — a nervy, bumbling fool in romantic pursuit—he plays it beautifully.

Adam Carey is strong as the militant student Perchik. As Lazar Wolf, the butcher, Alan Jablin is a wonderful foll for Tevya.

Stanley Kowacheff is charming as Rabbi and Randy Polega is effectively uptight as his son, Mendel. As the lead Nazi, John Daul is fine as the reluctant bringer of least than half of the cast of over 60 people.

A downside of the production was the musical accompaniment which was limited to keyboards, percussion and clarinet. The orchestra often comes off sounding like a cheap imiteation.

Somehow, the squeckiness of synthesizers doesn't cut the mustard for this old world show. The frequent use of violin, as played by cast member Anthony Krempa, is a saving grace, but more authenticity would be appreciated.

Kris Spencer of Birmingham is a free-lance writer who specializes in arts and entertainment.

Children's series

Puppeteer: Max the Moose and his human, Marc Thomas, bring their delightful mix of creative songs and traditional music to the Penn Theatre, 760 Pen and traditional music to the Ferni August 1970, minan, Plymouth, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 13. Concert proceeds benefit the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Tickets \$4, available at the door or in advance at the PCAC office, 332 S. Main, Plymouth. Call 455-5260 for more information.

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Hits production of "Fiddler on
the Roof," doesn't establish the
Plymouth Theatre Guild as one of
the area's strongest theatrical
companies, it will be a shame.
This show is simply a triumph.
From the moment the lights
come up it is apparent that the
audience is in for a treat.
Singing the opening number,
the cast pronounces "Tradition"
with the sort of fervor one would
expect from the people of the
play's inspiration—the old world
dow. In rustic costumes, with the
facade of a rugged stone village
behind them, the ensemble delivers as much hope for a great
show as its characters exude for
their way of life. breaking of tradition as it is about racism.

As Teyya, Bob Lolko is a genuine inspiration. Watching him in action one senses that the man was born to play the role, which incidentally, he has with many other companies.

As Golde, his wife, Jeannette Sowmen makes a strong turn. Athough her performance comes off cold in the first few scenes, she

show as its characters that their way of life.

In the Plymouth Theatre

Guild's production, the setting is not Russia, and the adversary is not the Czarist regime. It is the mid 1930s in the Polish corridor, a finger of land established to give the re-established Poland access to the sea. Populated by a mix of Poles, Russians and ethnic Germans, the area is beginning to feet the rumblings of Fasciam. Here, the Russian Jews of the fictional village of Anatevka begin to face a great struggle.

These changes do little more than offer a more recognizable enemy for an increasingly detached audience — the brown shirts of the Nazis are familiar. As every "Piddler," an knows, the play is as much about tradition and the breaking of tradition as it is about racism. Performances of the Plymouth Theatre Guild production of "Fid-dler on the Roof" continue through March 13 at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital, 41001 West Seven Mile Road. For ticket information call 349-7110.

Tom Foote, Blackthorn to present concerts

Kids of all ages will enjoy two concerts to be presented in South-field this week.

Tom Foote, a mime storyteller and juggler, will perform at the spring "Kids Koncert" from 1:30-2:15 p.m. Saturday, March 13, in

Room 116 of the Southfield Parks and Recreation Building, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield, just south of 11 Mile Road.

Tickets are \$3 cach and can be bought at the door. Call 354-4717 for information.

Southfield's Concerts in the Garden Series will feature serious hallads and contemporary music emerging from the Emerald and when Ellackthorn appears 3:30 pm. Sunday, March 14, at 16 music Their reportoire also includes some Bluegrass, Ameridation Parks William Research Call 354-4717 for information.



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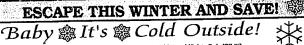
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