

Grace & Wild to acquire Film Craft Video

Grace & Wild Studios, one of the Midwest's fastest-growing teleproduction facilities, intends to acquire Film Craft Video, a division of Film Craft Inc. Both are based in Farmington Hills.

Grace & Wild has reached an agreement in principle to buy assets of the video production and post-production company in a transaction expected to be completed within the next few weeks between the two privately owned businesses.

"We intend to continue to operate the services provided by Film Craft Video at its present location for the near term. We will likely consolidate the employees and operations within available space at our Studio Center headquarters by this fall," said Steve Wild, Grace & Wild president.

Film Craft Laboratories in Detroit, which provides film processing and videotape duplication services, will remain an independent

company. It will have a strong working relationship with Grace & Wild Studios.

"We look forward to our association with Grace & Wild Studios and believe this is a great opportunity to carry forward the efforts and advancements our staff has made," said Stan Nakali, president and CEO of Film Craft Inc.

"This latest expansion via the acquisition of Film Craft Video enables Grace & Wild to offer our

commercial and corporate clients more capacity and options," Wild said.

"Our goal is to continue to provide our clients with an extensive range of services to meet broad technical and budgetary considerations," Wild added.

"Our clients have come to expect that Grace & Wild is capable of providing solutions to their diverse communication needs. As these clients require more elec-

tronic alternatives for communicating their messages, we recognize the need to expand not only our capabilities but also our capacity. The acquisition of Film Craft Video, along with the digital upgrades to our existing facility, moves us closer to achieving our goals."

Located within Studio Center, Grace & Wild offers a range of teleproduction services required by advertising agencies, inde-

pendent producers and corporations.

Grace & Wild operates two sound stages; one is the largest and most fully equipped stage in the region. Studio Center is a multi-tenant business complex whose residents provide many creative and technical services, including independent production companies, equipment rental, audio post-production and print graphics design.

DATEBOOK

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FRIDAY, JUNE 10
CFA WEEKEND
The Division of Continuing Education at Oakland University hosts a CPA

weekend 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 10-12 on campus in Rochester. CPE credits can be earned by accountants, insurance agents and certified financial planners. Registration fee is \$25, tuition \$35 per class, \$120 for all day and \$70 for four-hour insurance class. To register, call 370-3120.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14
FAIR HOUSING
The Apartment Association of Michi-

gan sponsors a seminar on how to manage an apartment community in compliance with housing regulations 8:30-11:30 a.m. at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Southfield. Cost, which includes breakfast, is \$25 for AAAM members, \$40 for non-members. To register, call 737-4477.

INVESTMENT SEMINAR
Financial Stewardship sponsors a free investment seminar 7-8:30 p.m. at its offices, 5425 Corporate Drive, Troy. To register, call 641-2681.

SUPERVISION PRINCIPLES
The American Society of Engineers presents a three-part seminar "Principles & Practices of Supervision" 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on successive Tuesdays starting this date at its offices, 23815 Northwest, Southfield. Cost is \$395 for members, \$475 for non-members. Advance registration requested at 353-4500.

PLANTING SEEDS
The Southeastern Michigan Venture Group hosts a panel discussion "Financing Emerging Enterprises" 8 a.m. at the Radisson Plaza, Southfield. Cost is \$25, \$30 after June 10. For reservations, call Jodi Lewis at 598-0402.

EVALUATING BORROWERS
The Association of Professional Mortgage Women presents a seminar "Evaluating the Self-Employed Borrower" 8:30 a.m. at MGIC, 2155 Butterfield, Troy. Speaker: Linda Lawrence, senior underwriter, MGIC. Cost is \$15 for members, \$25 for non-members. To register, call Dolores Silver at 968-5800.

COUNTY UPDATE
Brooks Patterson, Oakland County executive, gives an update "What's Happening at the County" noon at the American Italian Village, 34405 W. 12 Mile, during the June membership luncheon of the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce. Cost is \$15 for members, \$25 for non-members. Register by June 10 at 474-3440.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15
ADVERTISING MEAL
The U.S. Postal Service conducts a three-hour seminar "Growing Your Business with Advertising Mail" 8:30-11:30 a.m. or 1-4 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 19525 Victor Parkway, Livonia. Cost is \$35. The seminars repeat at the same times June 16 at Embassy Suites and the same times June 29 and 30 at the Holiday Inn-Fairfax, 3901 Southfield, Detroit. For reservations, call 225-5453.

JOB SEARCH
American Transition Consultants sponsors a workshop "The Job Search — Do You Have a Plan?" 6:30 to 9 p.m. at William Tyndale College, 12 Mile and Drake, Farmington Hills. Cost is \$5. To register, call Tom Serenetti at 553-2444.

HISPANIC ALLIANCE
The Hispanic Business Alliance presents a panel discussion "Mexico After NAFTA" at its quarterly membership meeting 6 p.m. at the Kingsley Inn, Bloomfield Hills. Cost is \$25 for members, \$35 for non-members and \$10 for students. Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be available.

TAX PLANNING
Cole Financial and the Livonia Chamber of Commerce host a seminar "How to Take Money Out of Your Business on a Tax-Advantaged Basis" 7-8:30 p.m. at the Meadows of Livonia, 28811 Jamison, Southfield. Cost is \$50, but first 25 responses admitted free. For reservations, call (800) 775-0081 ext. 2411.

TRUSTS AND WILLS
The Education Forum, a non-profit public service organization, hosts a free seminar "Trusts & Wills: How to Avoid Taxes and Probate" 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. Reservations required at 459-9222.

BUILDING TOUR
The Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan sponsors a bus tour of local builder's subdivisions to observe various techniques and new construction technology 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost, which includes lunch, is \$20 for BASM members, \$35 for non-members. To register, call 737-4477.

THURSDAY, JUNE 16
ENGLER SPEAKS
The Women's Economic Club hosts Gov. John Engler at its annual meeting

and luncheon noon at the Westin Hotel in Detroit. Topic: "New Economic Strategies for Michigan." Cost is \$18 for members, \$25 for non-members. To register, call 963-6068.

BUSINESS RE-ENGINEERING
The Society for Marketing Professional Services Michigan Chapter hosts a seminar on how re-engineering business can simplify operations, increase effectiveness and lead to higher productivity 2:30 p.m. at the Quest Quarters Hotel in Troy. Presenter: Philip Ziskos, internal quality/productivity consultant to Chrysler. Cost is \$30 for members, \$50 for non-members. To register, call Anita Ottman at 351-4019.

BOOST SALES
Joe Tencza, a sales consultant, and Jeannette Seely, a human resources consultant, present a briefing "Lunch for a Buck While Learning How to Make More Sales" noon-1:30 p.m. at AmeriCenter, 7 Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. Cost is \$1. For reservations, call 421-7051 or 335-5543.

ACCOUNTING ISSUES
The Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants and the Graduate School of Business Administration, Michigan State University, co-sponsor a current accounting issues conference 8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. at the Troy Marriott. The conference qualifies for eight hours of CPE credit. Cost is \$120. To register, call the MACPA conference department at 855-2258.

INVESTING FOR WOMEN
Robert A. Hurd, president of Financial & Portfolio Advisors, hosts a free workshop on investing for women 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Livonia Comfort Inn, Middlebelt at Schoolcraft. For reservations, call 1-800-473-4012.

FRIDAY, JUNE 17
SELLING DYNAMICS
Mitchell Selling Dynamics presents a seminar "Relationship Sales" 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Somerset Inn, Troy. Cost is \$199. To register, call (800) 328-9696.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18
SELF-PUBLISHING
Positive Press Publishers presents a self-publishing seminar and workshop 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Room W-258 at Cobo Center in Detroit. Cost is \$75. To register, call 567-0205.

MCAT STUDY CLASS
Oakland University's Division of Continuing Education hosts a seven-part Medical College Aptitude Test preparation workshop 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays beginning this date on campus in Rochester. Cost is \$395. The next MCAT exam is Aug. 20. To register, call 370-3120 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

MONDAY, JUNE 20

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF EMPLOYERS
sponsors a seminar "Decision Making Strategies for Leaders" 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at its offices, 23815 Northwest Highway, Southfield. Cost is \$195 for members, \$225 for non-members. Advance registration requested at 353-4500.

TUESDAY, JUNE 21

OFFICERS INSTALLED
The American Subcontractors Association of Southeastern Michigan hosts its annual dinner and installation of officers 5 p.m. at Club Venetian in Madison Heights. Free for the first-time subcontractor guest, \$15 for others. For reservations, call Dennis Skolenski at 398-7272.

FAMILY BIZ COUNCIL
The Family Business Council, a consortium of family-owned businesses, hosts a program "Getting Down to Basics" at its quarterly meeting 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel in Southfield. Topics include strategic planning, control, succession planning, estate planning and gifting. For membership information, call Brooke Hicks at 952-5600.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

EDUCATING CHILDREN
Professional Secretaries International Detroit Chapter presents a program on "Public Act 25: Education of Our Children" and installation of its officers at 6:30 p.m. dinner meeting at LaLe's, 7818 Woodward, Detroit. Speaker: State Rep. Justine Barnes. Cost is \$20 for members, \$22 for non-members. Reservations due by June 17 to Miriam E. Forrester at 722-1477.

ESTATE LOTS

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS!

Automotive Industries Inc., a Troy-based designer and manufacturer of interior trim systems and molded plastic parts for the automotive market, has joined Michigan Quality Council as a founding member.

MCQ, based at Oakland University in Rochester Hills, is supported by Gov. John Engler and made up of business, education and organizational leaders around Michigan.

Gerald Darnell, Automotive Industries vice president, quality and reliability, is the council's 1994 board of examiners chairman.

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