

Suburbanites Making 'Urban Blues' Sounds

A just-released recording of the 'urban blues' sound features an area youth as a member of the Charley Musselwhite Blues Band.

A Livonia youth joined the group just after the record was cut. Larry Welker of Bloomfield Hills is the guitarist for the group, while Lance Dickerson, a graduate of Livonia's Franklin High School, is the drummer for the group.

THE ALBUM, released on the Vanguard Label, is called "Stone Blues." The sound is a mixture of the traditional blues with the current popular rock mixed in.

Charles Musselwhite plays the harmonica and is a vocalist. Others in the group include Skip Rhodes on the keyboards; Tim Kaihatsu, guitar; and Kar Severeid, bass.

The group has made personal appearances on the east coast and has a road tour scheduled with stops in New York, Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland and Atlanta, Ga.

DICKERSON, 20, who has played the drums for nine years, was the first drummer in the Franklin High Band. He has currently taken a leave from his studies at Eastern Michigan University, to join the musical group.

His father, Bob Dickerson, was a member of the WXYZ band for nine years and currently has his own group playing at the Shanty Creek Lodge in northern Michigan. Welker, 20, has been playing for eight years and has taught guitar professionally. He jammed with the popular group "The Creams," both in London and in Detroit.

In addition to the album, Vanguard has just released a single record of two songs from the album, "My Buddy Buddy Friends" and "Everything's Gonna Be Alright."

THE GROUP is currently in the process of cutting another album. "Stone Blues" is the second album released by the Charley Musselwhite Blues Band.



RECORDING GROUP — Members of the Charley Musselwhite Blues Band are, from left: Larry Welker of Bloomfield Hills; Tim Kaihatsu;

Carol Severeid; Charley Musselwhite (in striped shirt); Skip Rhodes; and Lance Dickerson of Livonia.

Guild Issues Casting Call

The Livonia-Redford Theatre Guild will hold open auditions for its February production, "Wait Until Dark," Dec. 16 and 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Guild's Building at 1418 Beech Daly, just south of Five Mile in Redford Township.

The suspense drama will be staged Feb. 14 through 16 in Livonia's Stevenson High School. Director of the production is Leonard Pounds.

"Wait Until Dark" was recently made into a movie starring Audrey Hepburn. In addition to the film roles, the play calls for a young girl between the ages of 10 and 12.

For further information contact Jerry Pomer at 537-8109.

AMUSEMENTS

Casting Call

The Plymouth Theatre Guild has issued a casting call for its next play, "Blithe Spirit."

Auditions will be held Monday, Dec. 16 in the Plymouth High School annex. The Guild will also conduct a regular meeting Monday night.

The Noel Coward play will be directed by Kingsley Page and produced by Sandra Richards.

'Peter Pan' Opens Dec. 20 At Village

Orkneys, lions, pirates and mermaids are only part of the excitement in this year's Christmas play at the Henry Ford Museum.

From Dec. 20 through Dec. 22, the Greenfield Village players present J.M. Barrie's classic fantasy, "Peter Pan," complete with a stageful of perennial favorites.

Entertaining to young and old alike, the play is certain to captivate the entire family.

Admission is \$1.75 for adults and 50¢ for children under 10. Special group rates are available. For further information, contact the Guest Relations Department, Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn.

The program was produced by Kelly Burke of Farmington. Discussion with two homosexuals and film interviews will be included.

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The discussion will delve into how the homosexual would like to be treated. Filmed segments include interviews with the man on the street about his feelings about homosexuals and their place in society.

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SCOTT STEPHENS (left), 14, of 16200 Homer, Plymouth, runs through his lines with two other actors in "The Patch in Santa's Pants," scheduled to be shown Sunday at 9 a.m. on the Ch. 4 Copsy the Clown show. In the center is Melinda Manps, 9, of Grosse Pointe Farms, and at right is Tony Burdick, 11, of Pontiac.

Meadow Brook Set Family Price For Christmas Eve

For the second time this season, the Meadow Brook Theatre is offering its unique family plan and an early curtain for the Christmas Eve performance of Arthur Wing Pinero's farce, "The Magistrate," on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 6:30 p.m.

Once again the Meadow Brook Theatre will welcome families of no more than five immediate members to attend the Christmas Eve performance at 6:30 p.m. of the production with the

purchase of two full-price tickets.

Arthur Wing Pinero's "The Magistrate" is a joyous and innocent farce ideally suited for family holiday entertainment.

The plot revolves around a young widow who marries an older magistrate who believes that she and her son by a former marriage are five years younger than they actually are.

The major plot complications arise as the 19-year-old son, who has been told by his mother

that he is only 14, begins to act his true age. Subplots include mistaken identities and displaced justice add to the fun in a period setting of 1885 London.

The Meadow Brook Theatre's Christmas Eve Family Plan will be offered for this 6:30 p.m. performance only.

"The Magistrate" will continue through Dec. 29. Tickets are on sale at all Hudson stores. For further information, please call 962-2933 or 338-6235.

Eastern Announces 'Bernarda Alba' Cast

Casting has been completed for the January production of the Eastern Michigan University Players Series, Garcia Lorca's drama, "The House of Bernarda Alba."

Set for performances Jan. 15 through 19, the play provides a tremendous challenge to a large cast consisting entirely of women.

Director Alvin Kaufman, associate professor of speech and dramatic arts, has filled the key roles with a combination of seasoned EMU performers and talented newcomers to the university.

Chelly Bellare will take the role of the Spanish matriarch of the play's title, crushed

under the force of her obsessive pride are five daughters: J. Marina Weisman as the eldest, Angustias; Janice Smith as the twisted Martirio; Cindy Baucht as the touching Magdalena; Christy Anspach as the downtrodden Amalia; and Marilyn Campbell as the fiery Adela.

Earthy humor and sly rebellion are provided by Bernarda's household by her servants: Noel Mullen as La Piedad; Barbara Fisher and Linda Eagle as her cohorts. Linda Barker has been cast as a barely tolerated visitor, Prudencia; Judy Miller rounds out the list of principals as the scorned Beggar Woman.

In addition more than two dozen student actresses will take part in the production as village women.

The - Klub Schedules Holiday Party

Singles 21 and over are planning to attend THE-KLUB'S Holiday Hop, Friday, Dec. 27, in Rochester Country Club, located just south of Auburn Road (M150) and east, off Rochester Road (M150).

Be dressy for this holiday party. Enjoy a band that can rock or slow down for every mood. The Holiday Hop starts at 9 p.m., donation \$2.

THE-KLUB would like to remind everyone that there are many people all around us who are alone and forgotten during these joyous days. Brighten the life of a forgotten one in your community by giving a gift. Children's winterwear, boots, mittens, caps and scarfs, are urgently needed.

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