



TEENAGERS get the word around Sweet Apple, Ohio, when Kim gets "pinned" by Hugo in the Livonia Redford Theatre Guild version of "Bye Bye Birdie". The above number is a show-stopper "The Telephone Hour". The production continues this weekend Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Bentley

"Bye Bye Birdie"

Leads Praised, Group Scenes Panned By Reviewer

BY SUE SHAUGHNESSY
A few weeks ago this reviewer wrote a column in support of the Community Theaters in the area.
Unfortunately, "Bye Bye Birdie", the opening production of the Theater Guild of Livonia-Redford season, has many of the bad aspects of community theater.
The performances of Jim Coburn as Albert Peterson and Beverly Gotch as Rose Alvarez partially helped to save the evening.
However, this reviewer thinks that it is unwise and wrong for community theaters to produce musicals requiring large casts when the director is unable to handle the mass of people and when the mob scenes turn out to be simply that.
An example of this was, what was undoubtedly the low point of the evening, the musical-dance production "101 Ways To Kill A Man Better". On one other hand the two best numbers were "Put on a Happy Face" (two people) and "Spanish Rose" (one person).
Mention should also be made of the fine performance of the cast. Kay Selts as Kim MacAffee and Rosane MacAffee as Ursula MacAffee were excellent. Jim Mr. and Mrs. MacAffee (in real life Howard Egan and Jean Harrington) did much to help the production. Above average performances were turned in by Helen Thomas and Sylvia Barkley.
The play concerns itself with the impending draft of a teenage rock and roll idol. As the final publicity stunt before he goes to work for Uncle Sam, the idol will give one of his admirers "one last kiss". The lucky fan is 15-year-old Kim MacAffee of Sweet Apple, Ohio.
Unlimited possibilities for satire exist in the story line and in the production. However, only the most obvious points are touched. The director even missed one of those Conrad Birdie, the rock and roll singer, has always been handed a handkerchief when he sang as the idea that the entertainer has no ability to project his voice. This was ignored in the local production.



HAYLEY MILLS and Deborah Kerr in a scene from "The Chalk Garden" now showing exclusively at The State Theater in Wayne and Penn Theatre in Plymouth.

Charm, Poise Course Set For Teenagers

A body conditioning class for teenage girls will be offered in next term's adult education program in Livonia.
"No class in how to apply cosmetics is this," said Dorothy Wylie of the Adult Education office. "It is a let's keep trim and slim course."
Students will be taught body control and how to walk, sit, and improve posture. It is not a class in glorified makeup techniques but is instead geared to improve the students' figure and posture.
"The course, tailored to meet the needs of girls in grades 7 through 12, will teach body molding and conditioning. It will teach students how to model. They must wear loosely fit slacks or shorts because of the exercises. The course is being offered to young girls who sometimes feel awkward and would like to become more confident and sure of themselves. It should lift their spirits as it reconditions their bodies," Mrs. Wylie concluded.
The successes of today are built on the foundation of yesterday's hard earned lessons.

Performance of Messiah Slated

A performance of Handel's Messiah will be presented at the Masonic Temple Sunday Dec. 13 at 8 p.m.
The oratorio will be performed by the Rackham Symphony Choir and the University of Michigan Symphony Orchestra.
The concert is under the auspices of the University Center for Adult Education. Tickets are \$1 and may be purchased at the Rackham Educational Memorial, Masonic Temple, Grinnell's Downtown and the Wayne State University Ticket Office.
Soloists are: Janice Harsanyi, soprano; Betty Manette White, contralto; Maudie Anderson, tenor; and Willis Patterson, bass.
The Rackham Symphony Choir is affiliated with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. It was organized in 1949 at the University of Michigan. The director is Professor Maynard Klein, director of choirs at the University of Michigan.
The U. of M. Symphony Orchestra gave its first concert in 1880. Josef Blatt was appointed conductor in 1933.

Scholarships Available for Music Students

A final reminder to singers interested in the Grinnell Foundation of Music and Metropolitan Opera National Council awards has been issued by the scholarship committee of the Detroit Grand Opera Association.
Completed applications must be returned before Dec. 1 to Mrs. Sam B. Williams, auditions chairman, Ford Auditorium. Forms may be secured from the same source.
First auditions will be held in the Masonic Temple, Detroit, Saturday, Dec. 5. Semi-finalists will audition again on Dec. 7, with the final auditions taking place on February 11, 1965.
All awards are to encourage young singers in their careers, especially in the advanced study of voice and in opera technique.

Livonia Symphony Has Five Great Conductors

Livonia High School Symphony Orchestra will strike out in new directions when they make their second appearance of the season Saturday, Dec. 12. There will be five student conductors, three of which will make their debut as guest conductors in the forthcoming concert. The three are Miss Betty Smith, Mark Bandolier and Thomas Eadie. Concert time is 8:20 p.m. at Bentley High School, Five Mile Road at Hubbard in Livonia.
The orchestra will be well remembered for their exceptional performance with the Detroit Severo Ballet Company last May. In its eighth year under the leadership of William Smith, the orchestra is in top form again this year as witnessed in the Franklin High School Music Festival a week ago.

Mercy College To Produce Thruhr Play

If Thruhr fans need an excuse to revel in his whimsy, they can bring the children to the Mercy College of Detroit production of his "Thruhr Clocks".
This is a proper fairy tale with a distressed damsel, a wicked greedy duke, a clever, handsome prince, and a Gollux. Anybody knows what a Gollux is — it is a magic creature wearing a confused hat.
The Christmas program is a double-bill with "The Wise Men," a medieval play on the same theme.
The show goes on Dec. 11 through 13 at 8 p.m., with a 2 p.m. matinee Dec. 12 in McAuley Auditorium. Tickets are priced at \$2.00, students \$1.50. Children under 12 can come to the matinee for seventy-five cents.
Tickets are available at Mercy College, KE 1-7820; and at Grinnell's downtown.

Sat. Movies For Kids Shown At Will Rogers

Will Rogers Parent Teacher Association on Fenon off Schoolcraft will have an excellent series of movies every Saturday beginning Dec. 5.
Following are the first four seasons, Dec. 5, "The Seventh Voyage of Sinbad"; Dec. 12, "Snow Queen"; Dec. 19, "Hansel and Gretel"; Jan. 9, "Abbot and Costello Meet the Keystone Cops".
Movies will be shown at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Doors will be open at 10:45 a.m. Besides the film there will be a fine cartoon. The charge is 25 cents and candy will be sold.

Livonian Named New President of Greater NW Pharmacists Assn.

Livonian Ronald G. Krueger was installed last Saturday night as president of the Greater Northwest Pharmacists Association which includes Livonia, Redford Township, Garden City, and Farmington.
The second annual installation banquet took place at Roma Hall. Mayor Harvey Moeke of Livonia gave the official welcome of the City. Senator Raymond Drendel installed the officers with a response by the new President.
Honored guests for the evening were Congresswoman Martha W. Griffiths, Congressman-elect Billie Farnum, Senator-elect Paul Chandler and State Representative-elect Marvin J. Stempien.
President Krueger, who is employed by D. & C. Drugs in Redford Township, is married and has two daughters and lives on Southampton Court in Livonia. He was previously the owner of two drug stores in the northwest Detroit area.
In accepting the gavel from former president Craig Cebulski, President Krueger issued an urgent plea for the Association to become strong and active representatives.
He appealed directly to the wives of pharmacists to urge and encourage their husbands' activity in the association. "The strength and future benefits of your husband's profession definitely lies in a strong organization and the security your family is in the hands of a united profession which has the power of strong representation," stated Krueger.
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Presbyterian Men To Hold Annual Dinner

The Men's Council of the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth will present its 10th annual Bear's Head dinner on Wednesday, Dec. 9 in the church parlors at 6:45 p.m.
The dinner will be prepared by the Women's Association and Dr. Henry Walsh will be the principal speaker.
More than 200 are expected to attend the dinner which originated at Oxford University in England years ago and has been picked up by many groups in the United States.
Reservations may be obtained by calling Blaise Delaney at 453-7080 or Ken Dodds at 453-7619 before Dec. 6.

Township Voices To Sing 'Messiah' At Cobo Hall

Thurston High School members of the choir and orchestra who are practicing daily to perfect their rendition of popular section of Handel's Messiah have a twin-billing for their holiday offering of this time-honored Christmas song and story.
First will be the annual Christmas concert at Thurston Dec. 22. Next will be a performance at Cobo Hall from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Dec. 29 as part of the Christmas Festival which all Detroit turns out to see. "This is a distinctive honor for both the choir and orchestra." Director William Roth commented in announcing acceptance of the invitation to participate in the carnival.
The seniors' projects range from preparing a Civil War soldier's diary for publication and supplying the effectiveness of Federal Aid to practice teaching. A religion major, Gosa is writing a paper on Paul Tillich, American theologian.

LIBRARY SHOWS MOVIES

Every Saturday is movie day at Carl Sandburg Library, 20100 W. Seven Mile Road in Livonia. Dec. 5 "Beaver Valley" will be shown. On Dec. 12 there will be a double feature "Spooky, story of a fawn" and "Animals in Winter".
Don't expect free passes for travel on the road to success.

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