

# Madonna College Sets Cultural Series Dates

Madonna College will inaugurate its cultural series, "Alive and Aware with the Arts," January 15 with the "Impressario," a comic opera presented by the Piccolo Opera Company.

The performance will be held at Stevenson High in Livonia. The following three concerts of the series will feature the Tamburitzans, Edmund Batterby and Miss Ellen Stekert.

The Piccolo Opera Company, a Detroit group, specializes in intimate theater. Their past achievements include tours of Europe, roles on Broadway, a recording contract with Columbia records and engagements with NBC and the Philadelphia, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh and Detroit symphony orchestras.

"The Impressario" is set in 18th century Salzburg, Austria. It concerns the experience of a famous Austrian impresario who is trying to maintain the

high standards by which he was raised. Though living in the 18th century, the impresario suffers modern trials and tribulations: lack of money and adequate conditions.

On Feb. 12, the Tamburitzans, an internationally known Slavic folk art company from Duquesne University, will perform at Garden City West high school.

Edmund Batterby, concert pianist, will perform at Madonna on March 19.

The final event of the series will be a folk music concert presented by Ellen Stekert, Miss Stekert, a professional folksinger and full-time teacher at Wayne State University, will perform at Madonna, April 2.

Season tickets for the cultural series are \$5. Season tickets for students are \$5.



THE GOVERNOR made a surprise visit to Santa what he wanted for Christmas and the Livonia Noll Friday and made a big hit then invited the youngsters to do likewise, with the kiddies when he personally told

## President Cites Eight Big Reasons

By DR. ERIC BHADNER  
Schoolcraft Community College President

This has been a great year for Schoolcraft College. It has seen the completion of its first full year of instruction when there were both freshmen and sophomores on the campus.

It has seen a growth which exceeded all plans and has brought the efforts to secure full accreditation by the North Central Association. Eight specifics might be men-



Dr. Eric Bhadner, president of Schoolcraft Community College, is shown in a portrait.

tioned when Schoolcraft College is thought of during the year 1966.

1. Two new buildings were brought to completion. The large Technical Center, erected with the aid of federal funds and which provided for many new vocational and technical programs, was opened during the fall semester of 1966 as was the Waterman Campus Center, designed to accommodate the needs of faculty, staff and students for years to come.

2. The second important action that took place on the campus during the year was the election of June 1966, when the Board of Trustees asked the people for an increase in the allowable millage from 1.1 mill to 1.77 mill. This election was successful, by a narrow margin.

3. As a result of this success, the Board of Trustees was able to complete the furnishing and equipping of both the Waterman Campus Center and the Technical Building and also to provide funds for the erection of two additional buildings. The funds also made it possible to add to the quality of instruction by providing higher salaries for faculty.

4. The main instructional building called the Forum was remodelled during the summer of 1966. The areas where electronics, manufacturing technology and drafting had been taught now provide additional music halls, art areas, and lecture halls.

At the same time, the Board of Trustees added two biology laboratories. These changes enabled the College to greatly enlarge its offerings in the fields of the humanities, (art and music particularly) and to as-

## Schoolcraft Makes Big Gains During 1966

sume a place among the leading community colleges in the state.

During the spring of the year it became apparent that a large freshmen class would seek admission to the College. Each one of the resident applicants was admitted to the College but those who were living outside the district were sorted out and only the better students were accepted.

When the class actually came in early September, the total number of students approached 3,200. Of this number, approximately 2,300 were full-time freshmen and sophomores.

With the added freshmen came an added number of faculty and staff. At the close of 1966 there were 913 full-time fully accredited faculty members on the staff. An additional 50 or more members serve the College as part-time instructors, mostly in the evening.

The College takes pride in the new programs it is offering. Under the guidance of Hermann Breithaupt a program in professional culinary arts has been developed. This program is designed primarily to teach young men to become full fledged chefs and to manage tea rooms from other program of great worth is found in our automotive shops of the College.

Those who have seen the new laboratory say that it is one of the best equipped in northwestern Wayne County. The graduates of the programs offered in this laboratory will be trained as mid-service management technicians in the field of automotive technology. Many other programs such as metallurgy, data processing, and architectural drafting, while not new, have been enlarged and are now offered in the new Technical Building.

It was inevitable that as new programs proved their success additional students would appear seeking admission to these programs. This means that new buildings must be built.

During the year the Board of Trustees has been considering the building of a Classroom Building and as the year ended, final working drawings for a building which would include 32 classrooms, faculty offices, and a little theater

were approved for federal inspection.

This building will be built with the aid of a federal as well as a state grant and construction should begin early in the spring. A second building, for the instruction of physical education has been designed and the working drawings are being prepared.

8. Perhaps one of the most outstanding events of the year in the long run will prove to be the Schoolcraft College Foundation organized during the fall of the year by a group of public spirited citizens. It is the purpose of this Foundation to gather funds for the use of the College, and both for student assistance and

for capital expenditures. This Foundation expects to provide sufficient funds which, when matched with federal and state monies will enable a large auditorium music art and drama complex to be built on the College campus for the benefit of the entire northwestern portion of Wayne County. The College looks to this Foundation as a means of realizing the highest aspiration of the district.

This has been a great year for Schoolcraft Community College. Its success has been based upon the terrific work done by its Board of Trustees, Administration, Faculty, and Students. This is only the end of the beginning. The true end is nowhere in sight.

# Buback, Bommarito Face Charges Today

With formal charges filed just one day before a court-imposed deadline, Wayne County Sheriff Peter L. Buback and Under Sheriff James Bommarito were scheduled to be arraigned this morning, Wednesday, on charges of willful neglect of duty.

The Michigan Attorney General's Office filed the formal criminal charges in Circuit Court Thursday after being given a one week extension by Circuit Court Judge Thomas J. Murphy, who earlier issued a two-week deadline for the charges in the case pending since mid-August.

In a related legal proceeding, no date has been set in Macomb County Probate Court for the hearings concerning Buback's removal from office.

At that time, following a lengthy preliminary examination in Grosse Pointe Municipal Court, Buback and Bommarito were bound over to Circuit Court for trial.

Specifically, the judge found that there was "probable cause" that the two defendants were guilty of allowing illegal traffic ticket fixing, illegal solicitation of funds for political purposes, holding a lottery, and appointing honorary sheriff's deputies.

Following last summer's action by the Grosse Pointe court, the attorney general's office had not taken action on the case until earlier this month when Judge Murphy declared the formal charges against the two defendants had to be filed within two

## Scouts View History

Highways to History will be the American heritage theme for Cub Scouts in January, while Boy Scouts will demonstrate and practice first aid as part of their theme Helping Others.

The January program themes were announced today by Lee R. J. Scott, Scout Commissioner of the Detroit Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, which serves all of Wayne County and the adjoining portions of Oakland and Macomb Counties.

Scout units will also be putting the finishing touches on their plans for the observance of the 57th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America during Boy Scout Week, February 7 to 13, Scott said.

## YMCA Plans Art Classes

The Northwestern YMCA is beginning a course in painting and drawing for the hobbyist and novice.



THREE-YEAR-OLD MARIE Ostrowski doesn't believe it, but Wonderland's "Mystery Shopper" in this instance, the Observer Newspaper's E. Raymond Sage presents \$50 to Mrs. Diana Ostrowski of Redford Township, Mrs. Ostrowski is one of scores of Wonderland shoppers who received a portion of a \$1,000 give-away.

Classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays for eight weeks, starting January 9, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

This class is especially designed for those people who have a couple of mornings free, and for those who wish to develop a better understanding of styles and techniques in painting.

You don't need a specific talent, just a desire to paint. Call KE 3-3700 for information.

Peace  
And Joy  
To All...

May lasting happiness and prosperity be with you and yours each day of the coming New Year! Season's Greetings and a very happy New Year from all of us at Wonderland!

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### Registration Deadline

Final registration for the winter quarter at Wayne State University will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 4 and 5. Classes will begin Monday, Jan. 9.

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