

# Music series opens Sunday

The Laudenbacher music series presents its 1976-77 season of six Sunday afternoon concerts in the reopened and restored hall.

Built in 1919 to be the home of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Orchestra Hall is one of the most beautiful and acoustically rewarding halls in the world, equal to Carnegie Hall in New York, according to the hall's booklet.

Due to lack of financial support and other external problems the symphony was forced to leave Orchestra Hall in 1939, never to return.

Since then the hall has been a church, a recording studio, and, before the present series, a hall called the "Paradise Theatre," where jazz bands and popular entertainers appeared.

In 1970, after the hall had been silent for 18 years, it was purchased by an out-of-town buyer and scheduled to be torn down to make way for a new building.

At this time a member of the Detroit Symphony, Paul Ganson, came forward, and with the help of many dedicated friends and culturally responsible people was able to save the hall from demolition.

The hall is now owned by a group of local musicians and friends headed by Ganson, called "Save Orchestra Hall Inc."

The hall is now recognized as a national historical monument and moving towards total restoration. At this

## Science classes planned

Elability of Michigan's fall mushrooms, bicycle tours to identify trees, computerized identification of trees and calculations are all part of an expanded fall series of adult science classes at Cranbrook Schools.

September classes include:

"Regional Natural History," Nature News, "A study of diverse wildlife communities taught by Henry F. Fowler, Museum/photographer A. Fowler. The six-week class meets 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Mondays beginning Sept. 18. Fee: \$27.

"Fall Wildflowers," an introduction to Michigan plants, one field trip. Class sessions are Thursdays, Sept. 14-30, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Fee: \$20.

"Star Constellation Identification" — how to find constellations, bright stars and the like. For adults who are interested in astronomy and the stars. Class meets 8 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays for eight weeks beginning Sept. 26. Fee: \$30.

"Fungus Mushrooms: What's That Fun-gus Among Us," an introduction to the identification, ecology and edibility of mushrooms. One field trip. Class sessions are Tuesdays, Sept. 14-30, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays; field trips are 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays. Fee: \$30.

"Tree Study from Bicycles," primar-

ly a course in tree identification, will heighten awareness of the great variety of interesting and unusual trees in the urban environment. Participants can choose five-week sessions on Tuesdays, Sundays, beginning Sept. 28. Fee: \$25.

"Balancing the Household Budget: From Balancing Your Checkbook to Fun with Numerical Relationships," will meet 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for six Thursdays beginning Sept. 20. Fee: \$27.

"Cole for All Seasons: An Advance Class in Color Photography," taught by Cole Cole, professional photographer, will include workshop discussions, assignments and field trips. Completed work will be critiqued. The six session class will meet from 1 to 3 p.m. Sundays beginning Sept. 12. Fee: \$27.

During October and November, Cranbrook Institute of Science also will offer "Introduction to Beekeeping," "Introduction to Minerals," "The In-

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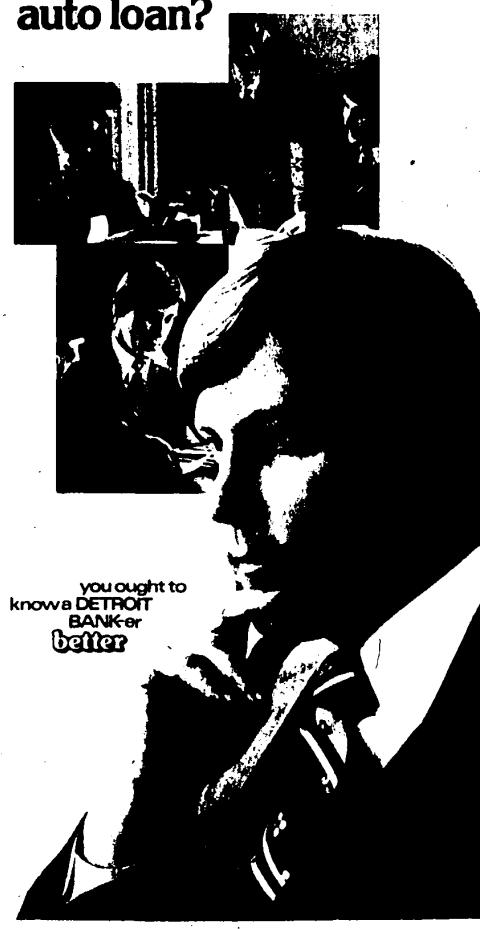
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