

# 14 chefs conjure up buffet for Living Centers' benefit

By LORRAINE MCCLISH

Fourteen of the Detroit area's most prestigious chefs team up again for "Splendor II," a repeat of the gourmet buffet that was last year's most successful fund raiser to benefit Community Living Centers.

JAMES THOMPSON of Jacques in Southfield serves as host for the second time around from 5-7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, in the elegantly appointed restaurant at 30100 Telegraph.

"If you want to know just how prestigious we are, two of the chefs in our line up have been chosen for the 1980 American Culinary Team," said Betty Sallee of the Community Living Center auxiliary, which is sponsoring the benefit.

Chef Sture Olof Andersson and Chef Huglier, from the Detroit Athletic Club, will be on the American team in the International Culinary Competition in Frankfurt, Germany, next year.

Andersson, chef at Jacques, will bring prune-stuffed pork loin Scandia to the gourmet table. Huglier will bring sole en paupiette.

The entire affair will be coordinated by Duglass Duglass, who very recently opened Restaurant Duglass in Southfield. His contribution is mousse au chocolat.

"DUGLASS IS our 'number one angel,'" said Millie Burns, a co-worker with Mrs. Sallee on the fund-raiser. "He chaired Splendor I for us last year when we raised \$10,000 for the centers. He also employs many of our residents."

Duglass became a benefactor of Community Living Centers through an association with Beth Campbell and their mutual love of cooking. Mrs. Campbell is the daughter of Mary Wagner, founder and executive director of the seven centers which house retarded adults.

The non-profit organization is dedicated to helping the retarded by providing, supervising and maintaining a family home environment, and encouraging the residents to help themselves physically and socially integrate into community life.

All of the residents in the family-type homes have either jobs in the community, work in sheltered workshops, or are being schooled in a training center.

Full-time house managers provide supervised guidance and have a dedicated interest for the well-being of their "families."

Meanwhile, the staff provides vocational counseling, social and recre-

ational programming and general work planning for each resident.

THE HOMES are financed by room-and-board money available to the residents who are clients of Social Service and under Supplemental Income.

"But," said Mrs. Sallee, "we depend heavily on private funds, membership dues, and fund raisers such as this. Our auxiliary has completely decorated the last two residences that were acquired."

"We bought freezers and hired carpenters and painters to paint and wallpaper to change some of the places that are sunny and bright homes."

The two women speculated that this year's proceeds from the buffet would go into a general fund for maintenance just to keep afloat.

The North Farmington Women's Club is a regular contributor to Community Living Centers who "have been very good to us," Mrs. Burns said. "But we owe this to Duglass."

She rattled off names, such as Carl Benson, from Alettes, who is contributing breads to the affair; Carl Rector from Biffy's bringing shrimp, chicken casserole; Chef Tom McKinney from Clarion Cafe, who is doing the hors d'oeuvres, all of which will be donated.

"Our coffee will be donated by Cadillac Coffee Company, and they are sending Jack Gehlert to special brew it for us," Mrs. Burns said.



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The opulent menu that makes up Splendor II gets a final check from Chef Sture Olof Andersson (at left), Millie Burns and Betty Sallee. Mrs. Burns and Mrs.

Sallee head up Community Living Center Auxiliary's committee of planners for the Feb. 11 food bash.

## Professionals ease trauma of divorce

By SHIRLEE IDEN

Mutual concern over how the trauma of divorce affects children has led two area women to a unique partnership.

Mary Lu Bennethum, a lawyer, and Dolorais Riklin, a social worker teach a course called "Divorce-Reality and Illusion" for area colleges and universities.

"We know that sometimes attorneys will speak in a classroom situation or a social worker will lend expertise in a similar situation, but we teach together, sharing equally," said Ms. Riklin.

The two, who have taught for Oakland Community Colleges, Wayne State University and The University of Michigan, will begin their next class for both universities Feb. 1.

Five sessions of the UCAE (University Courses in Adult Education) will take place in Southfield. The sessions are limited strictly to 20 students. Those interested can obtain information and register by calling 577-4665.

"All of this started at a little league game," Ms. Bennethum said. "We met through our sons and began talking. We found that we shared concern for the trauma that divorce presents to children."

"If YOU don't help the adults, you can't help the children. So we decided to begin classes for adults going through the divorce situation."



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