

Group announces Fatima production

Final production planning has been announced for a two-hour television docudrama, "Fatima - Now is the Hour."

The film is being produced by St. Gabriel Media Inc., a metropolitan-Detroit voluntary group incorporated in Farmington with an office in Redford. The group was formed to produce doctrinally sound, high-quality Catholic television programs, a spokesman said.

Twenty-nine programs have been produced by the group in the last two years, with one series now being distributed by Malcolm Muggeridge in England, in cooperation with the Mindset Foundation.

The St. Gabriel Media, Inc. board of directors is made up of Detroit-area media celebrities, clergy, and religious and interested laymen.

DICK BENNETT and Brad Thomas are Hollywood producer and co-producer of the film project. Both have done extensive creative and award-winning filming for movies and for network television.

The two men recently returned from Fatima, Portugal, where they have been shooting background material for the TV special.

St. Gabriel Media Inc. initiated the project and has controlled its conceptual progress, and is funding the project by private subscription.

Total cost of the project will exceed a half million dollars. A portion of the film has already been completed on location in Fatima - a village essentially unchanged since the time of the Marian apparitions in 1917 - and includes interviews with members of the families of the three Fatima children, Jacinta, Francisco and Lucia; scenes of the village and buildings relevant to the events which happened; views of the site of the apparition and of the crowds who visit there daily; an interview with Pope John Paul II on the message of Fatima and its meaning today; and an interview with the Bishop of Fatima.

WORKING THROUGH the Bishop of Fatima, the media group has received

the news that for the first time a filmed interview with Sister Lucia, last survivor of the three children and now a cloistered Carmelite nun in Coimbra, Portugal, may be in the offing.

The television film is based in part on Lucia's own "Memoirs," and on William Walsh's authoritative book "Our Lady of Fatima." The final working script for the docu-drama is now being readied by author John Dugan in California, after the completion of careful and publicized research.

Still to be completed are casting for major dramatic roles, some filming and film editing of the Fatima events,

and musical composition and scoring. St. Gabriel Media Inc. plans to do some of the casting in the Detroit area through the Grosse Pointe Children's Theatre Group and has made initial contact with actor Gregory Peck to do the narration.

The production will be completed by mid-September and will be distributed for international viewing.

St. Gabriel Media Inc. plans to obtain prime network and cable television time in the U.S. and Canada to show the re-creation of the dramatic events that happened in Fatima more than 50 years ago.



Kip Addotta, regularly seen on the "Tonight" show, will appear through Sunday at the Comedy Castle at Stafford's in West Bloomfield.

upcoming things to do

BIG BAND

The Executives will bring the big-band sound back to the Birmingham area, playing music for dancing from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at The Community House, Bates and Townsend. The 17-member band features Priscilla Benson on vocals. Tickets at \$10 per person include munchies; a cash bar will be available. For ticket information, call The Community House at 644-5832.

SPREADING SUNSHINE

The Family Players will present the show "Little Mary Sunshine" at 9 p.m. on Saturday 2 and 6:30 p.m. on Sunday; 8 p.m. on May 28; 9 p.m. on May 30; and 2 and 6:30 p.m. on May 31 in the Aaron de Roy Theatre at the Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. The May 28 performance is a dinner theater, with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets for the show are \$4.50 general admission, \$2.75 for seniors, students and children. The dinner theater is an additional \$10. For further information, call the JCC at 661-1000 or 477-2452.

RADIO CITY

The band Radio City appears through Sunday at the Wag-on Wheel Saloon, 2950 Rochester, Troy. Springer and Eversole will play on Monday and Tuesday, and Radio City will return on Wednesday through May 31.

COMEDY TIME

Kip Addotta from "Make Me Laugh" and "The Tonight Show" is the comedy attraction through Saturday at the Comedy Castle at Stafford's in West Bloomfield. Chicago's Ted Holom from "The Tonight Show" bows in on Wednesday, continuing through May 30. For all information, including show times and cost, call 855-5115 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

FLASHY FLICK

A return of the Dino de Laurentis film "Flash Gordon" is playing at the Merrie Melode Theatre in Meadowbrook Village Mall in Avon Township. Music by Queen is featured in the movie. For show times, call 375-0011.

BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

WDET's second annual Motor City Bluegrass Festival will be held from noon to 10 p.m. on Sunday at the site of the Meadow Brook Music Festival in Baldwin Pavilion on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. Tickets are \$7; children 12 and under will be admitted free. The festival will feature eight bluegrass bands plus the Costabella Cloggers. For more information, call 577-4204.

ABOUT 'VEGIES'

Stars of the Birmingham Theatre's show "Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?" will be guests on "Healthy Jones' Hot Line to Health" broadcast on WGAR radio (1090 AM) from noon to 1 p.m. on Monday. Lead actor Scott Ellis along with Don Stitt and Kenny D'Aquila will discuss how they deal with being vegetarians while living on the road. The program is broadcast from Healthy Jones restaurant in Southfield.

LAURA THOMPSON

Vocalist-pianist Laura Thompson is the featured entertainer from 5-9 p.m. on Mondays-Fridays through mid-September at the Golden Grape Tavern at Somerset Inn, Troy. Ms. Thompson sings much of her own compositions, as well as many popular songs by such stars as Joni Mitchell, Neil Diamond, Billy Joel and Barry Manilow. Her style is easy going, contemporary rock with a touch of jazz.

RELEASE PARTY

The family show group Relation (the Barnowskis from Bloomfield Township) will present its first-record-release party with the song "Summertime County Fair" from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Knights of Columbus hall, 406 E. Fourth, Royal Oak. The main event is scheduled for 9:30 p.m. For further information or reservations, call 645-8535.

AT ARCHIBALD'S

The Alexander Zonke Quartet is appearing on Wednesdays-Saturdays through May 30 at Archibald's restaurant, 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham. The jazz foursome also will return Tuesdays through Saturdays, June 2-27.

WAVE LENGTH

Wave Length continues from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Mondays-Thursdays and 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. on Fridays-Saturdays through May at Hurley's in the Northfield Hilton, Troy. Fronted by David Penny, Wave Length feature a quintet of musicians plus a vocalist.

PROMISES, PROMISES

The musical hit "Promises, Promises" goes into a third and final weekend of performances by the Avon Players tonight through Saturday at the Players' community theater in Avon Township. For more information, call 375-1895.

'Hometown Heroes' arrive on new album

Several area musicians are featured on the new record album "Hometown Heroes."

The country-music album includes selections from the artists' own tapes. Among the songs are "Look Both Ways" featuring Dan Moran of Birmingham, "So Many Goodbyes" by Calico of Rochester and "Oh Kay" by Scratch of Birmingham.

The other recordings are by metropolitan Detroit performers. These include "Image of an Angel" (Larry Lee Adkins), "Moonshine Whiskey and Bloodshot Eyes" (Dan Schaefer), "Nobody's Gonna Love You Better" (Sam Hall), "Your Godawful Pastime Is My Lawful Wife" (Tom Lee), "Drifter" (AC & The Kentucky Fox Band), "Assembly Line Blues" (David Walt), "That's What Makes You Crazy" (Marty Parker) and "Karen" (Jack Dalton).

Proceeds of the album sales go to the

Pontiac/Oakland Symphony and charities.

SCOTT FORBES of Rochester put the album together with his brother Dennis and Steve Peterson of radio station WPON (1460), Pontiac.

Scott is the host of the weekly radio show "Hometown Heroes" broadcast from 2-3:30 p.m. Saturdays on WPON. Dennis is producer of the show, which plays tapes of music by Detroit-area country artists.

The album was mixed at the Good Vibrations recording studio in Southfield. The album's cover art was designed by Miller's Wheel of Rochester.

"Hometown Heroes" album may be purchased at any Harmony House store. Released a month ago, the album was reordered by Harmony House after it sold out.

Film explores sea resources

"The Sea," a half-hour film exploring the earth's salt-water resources, will be shown at 2:45 and 3:45 p.m. Saturday at the Cranbrook Institute of Science in Bloomfield Hills.

Produced by the National Film Board of Canada, the documentary takes viewers aboard the CSS Hudson, an oceanographic ship, to see how scientists are beginning to unravel some of the sea's mysteries.

Admission to the film is included in

the general admission fee of \$2.50 for adults, \$1.50 for students and senior citizens.

Also included in museum admission that day are planetarium shows featuring comets and meteors at 2, 3, 4 and 7:30 p.m. and observatory (telescope) demonstrations from 8:30-10 p.m.

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