



Kristin Griffith and Donald Symington look at 'Toots, the talking parakeet, in the Birmingham Theatre production of the comedy "Painting Churches." Broadway star Marlan Seldes heads the cast.

**upcoming things to do**

- MUSICAL REVUE**  
 "Silhouettes and Ivory," musical revue created by Michael J. Klier of TAP, Inc., has moved from the Holly Hotel to the Roadhouse Restaurant/Burroughs Farm in Brighton. Dinner theater performances continue at 9 p.m. Tuesdays through March in the main dining room. The revue of Broadway show tunes and music of the '30s and '40s features "Rebecca" and Elizabeth Porter, both of West Bloomfield, and Nick Besanski of Detroit. Dinner, dessert and show is priced at \$19.75 per person. For more information, call 855-4293 in Detroit or 229-4500 in Brighton.
- "PAINTING CHURCHES"**  
 The Broadway comedy hit "Painting Churches" continues through Sunday, Jan. 27, at the Birmingham Theatre in Birmingham. Marlan Seldes, who starred in the New York production, heads the cast as Fanny Church. Seldes is the winner of two Tony awards and an Obie award. Co-starring are Donald Symington, who was seen at Meadow Brook Theatre in "The Dining Room" last February, and Kristin Griffith. For ticket information, call 644-3533.
- 20TH ANNIVERSARY**  
 WKBD-TV, Channel 50, celebrates its 20th year on the air Thursday, Jan. 10. The station entered the Detroit TV market on Jan. 10, 1965, and early programming appealed mainly to children and sports fans. Expanded programming led to the UHF station's growth. By 1969 WKBD's ratings had passed those of VHF station CKLW-TV, Channel 9, in Windsor. Field Enterprises purchased the station in 1977 and Cox Communications became the owner in March 1984. The late, hard-hitting interviewer Lou Gordon and movie host Bill Kennedy, now retired, are some of the stars who have been regulars on WKBD.
- "CHEATERS"**  
 Michael Jacobs' comedy "Cheaters" opens Friday at Somerset Dinner Theatre in Somerset Mall, Troy. Curtain is at 8:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays through April 27. The Jimmy Lange production stars Pat Varga, Hamid



Movie actress Dobbie Reynolds is one of the many top Hollywood stars who visited WKBD-TV, Channel 50, movie host Bill Kennedy when he was on the air. The station is celebrating its 20th anniversary this week.

**Visitors view sculptures by night in Kellogg Park**

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 got two letters right now for 1985 from four operators.  
 "The event will have the same impact on Michigan's economy that the Holland Tulip Festival has on the economy in May. We're talking about an event of that stature."  
 DURING THE festival, Plymouth's tiny, white Christmas lights will be on again, highlighting the fantasy of the icy scene. To get the most from the event, "We recommend people see it at different stages," Lorenz said. "Take a walk on Friday. We talk about taking a midnight stroll. Eight hundred people were in the park last year at two o'clock in the morning."

A half-dozen sculptures in front of the Mayflower Hotel will be lit up this year, with special bulbs placed beneath the ice. In an experiment to see how well lit sculptures withstand melting.  
 Many ice sculptors will be working into the night Friday, finishing up their creations for Saturday's judging. Ice carving demonstrations will be given in Kellogg Park on Sunday. Other activities will be held for the public throughout the festival, and sculptures will be on display for a week after the spectacular, weather permitting.  
 For more information about the Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular, call the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce at 453-1540.

**Dance tryouts to be held**

Tryouts will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Jan. 16-17, for the Will-O-Way Apprentice Theatre's Dance Workshop.  
 The workshop will be held four evenings, 7-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Jan. 28-31, at the theater, 253 Cole, Birmingham. Trained dancers, ages 14 and up who are looking for experience in musicals may audition. Dancers should bring appropriate shoes and wear sweats or leotards.  
 For further information, call Will-O-Way at 644-4418.  
 The dance workshop, headed by Chester Jamison, is the first in a series of theater workshops.

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