

Fireworks will again explode over the Detroit River this year at the International Freedom Festival. More than 35,000 balls of fire will be seen in the sky during the annual fireworks display

upcoming

things to do

o SUNDAY CONCERTS

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Free Sunday concerts continue
from 2-4 p.m. during July at the Center Court at Someract Mail in Troy.
Scheduled are Bess Bonnier, contemporary Jazz Banist, July 7, CrithelBit the Court of the Court of the Court of the Court
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Alexander
Longic and his Quartet, July 21, and
Alex Kallao Trio, July 28.

O DISNEY STAR
Gurgl, one of the stars from Disncy's new film 'The Black Cauldron,'
will perform with Taron, bls pet pig,
and their friends, at 2 and 4 p.m. Monday, July 15, at Oakland Mall in Troy.
The film premieres in the Detroit
area Friday, July 26.

o ZONJIC SWINGS

OZONJIC SWINGS Jazz flutist Alexander Zonjic plays Thursday-Friday, June 27-28, at Mur-dock's in Rochester. He will appear in concert with Bob James on Saturday, June 29, at Avery Fisher Hall in New York City and be back in town to per-form, starting at 9 p.m., Thursday-Saturday July 4-6, at Alexander's in Detroit.

'PIAF' OPENING Actress-vocalist Sheri Nichols will star as French singer Edith Plaf in 'Plaf' by Pam Gems, the summer production of the Attle Theatre, openproduction of the Attle Theatre, open-ing Friday, July 19, at the theater's New Center location, Third Street at W. Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Nichols is currently appearing at Tremonti's in the musical revue "1946/Detroit" with Phill Marcus Esser and Barbara Bredius. Tickets are available at re-duced rates for previous shores duced rates for preview shows Wednesday-Thursday, July 17-18. For ticket information call 875-8284.

• FESTIVAL NIGHT

The annual 1085 International
Freedom Festival fireworks extravaganza will be held at 10:05 pm. Monday, July 1. More than elght tons of
fireworks will be shot from two
barges anchored early that morning
in the Detroit River midway between
Detroit and Windsor. The entire display will last for 35 minutes.

@ PATRIOTIC MUSIC

PATRIOTIC MUSIC Two centuries of patriotic music from both sides of the American-canadian border will fill the air be-ginning at 630 p.m. Wednesday, July 3, at the ninth annual Independence Eve Concert at Historic Fort Wayne. The open-air concert will be staged on the Parade Ground in front of the Historic Barracks Museum.

CHILDREN'S CLASSIC
 "Androcles and the Lion" a children's classic dramatized by Aurand
Harris, opens at the Hilberry Theatre
 10:30 a.m. Tresday, July 2, on the
Wayne State University campus in
 10:30 a.m. Tucsdays-Thuadays
 through July 27. Matinese will be at
 11 a.m. Saturdays, July 15 and 27, and
 1 p.m. Mondays, July 15 and 22. For
 ticket information call \$77.3010.

O DINNER THEATER
"Not With My Daughter," a comedy

by Jay Christopher, continues at 8:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays through Saturday, Sept. 14, on the Second Level at the Hyatt Regency Dearborn. Curtain is at 8:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays. Ticket price, including dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Guillo's, is \$25, or 7 p.m. at Kafays, \$18. Show only is \$9:50. For reservations call 593-1234, ext. 2323. O TRAIN RIDES

O TRAIN RIDES
A steam locomotive will haul the
Fort Wayne Limited on twin public
excursions between Allen Park and
the train's namesake city, Ft. Wayne,
Ind., on Saturday-Sunday, July 20-21.
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locations Including the Train Center
of Birmingham, 1880 S. Woodward,
Birmingham, and Plymouth Yard
Hobbites, 904 Starkweather, Plymouth, For more Information call 6761619 or 264-0389.

O ZOO PARTY
The Detroit and Belle Isle Zoos will celebrate National Hot Dog Month, steeduled for June 10 to 100 Month, seeduled for June 10 to 100 Month, seeduled for June 10 to 100 Month 20 to 100 Month 20 to 100 Month 20 Month 20 to 100 Month 20 Month 2

BIG Twist and the Mellow Fellows, Chicago rhythm and blues band, will make lis Detroit debut beginning at 9:30 p.m. Friday, June 28, at the Soup Kitchen. The group will perform songs from "Playing for Keeps," third album of its carreer and the first on Alligator Records.

@ ATTIC FUNDRAISER

• ATTIC FUNDRAISER Front row seals to Detroit's Thun-derfest power-boat race on Sunday, June 30, are being offered at the send on annual Boat Bash sponsored by the Attic Theatre. The party will be held on the grounds of a private home at 9214 Dwight, two doors from the Manooglan Manison on the Detroit River, Grilled kielbasa and a buffet of borne-made dishes will be served. home-made dishes will be served Proceeds will benefit the Attic. For further information call 875-8285.

© PLAYS DUFFY'S

Bob Posch and Company offers
mostly cornedly, some country, pop
and bluegrass Fridays-Saturdays at
Duffy's in Union Lake.

Information for the Upcoming calendar may be submitted to Ethel Simmons, Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Mailing address is: P.O. Boz 503, Birmingham, Mich. 48012, or 3025! Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mich. 48150.

Entertainment events should be open to the public. Preference is given to information about residents of, or events within, the circulation area of the 12 O&E newspapers.

'G-Gosh!' is new album

Continued from Preceding Page

dealing with agents and trying to get that elusive recording contract. IT'S BILLED as motro-Detroit's largest cocktail concert series, but "Summer Nights" at the Troy Hilton is one of the least heard of, and perhaps most underrated, series going on in the area.

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The poolside courtyard of the hotel, at Maple Road and Stephenson Highway, is one of the most pleasant music settlings around, and on opening night (June 7) the weather and music was ideal.

The Summer Nights series started with Hugh Borde's Trinidad Tripoil Steel Band. The Irresistible combination of Caribbean, reggae, pop and jaz worked wonders in creating a real party atmosphere.

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Borde, one of the original steel drum players from Trinidad, is among the area's busiest musicians. His band plays at several local summer music-series and returns to Summer Nights six more times before the Friday-Sun-day night series ends Sept. 20.

More information about the music scheduled for the rest of this summer — and there's a heavy sprinkling of Golden Oldies and '50s hands — can be had by calling 583-9000.

THE SUN Messengers, a local band which believes in a simple and effec-tive philosophy of "keep the music danceable," is also very busy this sum-

mer. With previous summers' engage-ments at P'Jazz, Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival and other places around town, the band led by Rick Spangler and Rick Steiger is back this season with a heavy schedule.

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Among appearances by the Sun Messengers will be gigs Wednesday, July S, and Thurday, July B, at the "New
Center Park in Detroit.

It's obvious the Sun Messengers love
music, its reperiorier as aprightly mix of
big band favorites, Afro-pop, funk and
reggae. The group is one of the better
musical products in the Detroit area
and another group that deserves wider
attention.

'Wheels of Freedom' roll

The Wheels of Freedom Automobile Show and Parade, annual pageant of classic and collector ears, will roll again Saturday, June 29, from Windsor to Detroit. Grand Marshal for this year's parade

to Detroit.

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