



Silver anniversary

Ron Codon, billed as "Detroit's madcap minstrel," is celebrating his silver anniversary in show business. Codon has just begun a three-month run at the Comedy Crossing, at the Red Cedars restaurant in Southfield, and will be honored with a combined anniversary and birthday party there Friday-Saturday, June 13-14. Fans, musicians and politicians alike will be on hand to help celebrate.

Chorale to give area concert

The Detroit Symphony Chorale under the direction of Eric Freudenmann will give a concert at Covenant Baptist Church of West Bloomfield at 3:30 p.m. Sunday.

Chorale accompanist Dinos Grobe will play solo organ works by Bruhns and Franck. The choral selections will include works by Bach, Schutz and Hancock plus Benjamin Britten's Te Deum in C Major.

The Detroit Symphony Chorale, formerly the Kenneth Jewell Chorale, is the nucleus of the Detroit Symphony Chorus. Freudenmann, director of both the Chorale and Chorus, is a conductor, musicologist, jazz musician and tenor soloist.

General admission tickets, \$5 each, are available from the Ford Auditorium box office, 567-1400, or at the door on the day of the performance. Covenant Baptist Church is at 5800 W. Maple, West Bloomfield.

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second runs

Hugh Gallagher

"Blue Collar" (1978), 8 p.m. Friday on Ch. 9. Originally 114 minutes. TV time slot: 120 minutes.

This is a movie with a lot of promise that never delivers. Michigan native Paul Schrader probably had in mind to do a rousing film on the exploitation of auto workers. In his directing debut, Schrader had three excellent actors to work with in Richard Pryor, Harvey Keitel and Yaphett Kotto. But the film takes several sleazy turns before it totally collapses into dimwit melodrama. A few good scenes on the line in Detroit and a good ear for the rough language of auto workers is all that distinguishes this film. Pryor is especially wasted in a part that might have meant something.

Rating: \$2.

"N.Y.A.S.H." (1970), 8 p.m. Saturday on Ch. 50. Originally 116 minutes. TV time slot: 150 minutes.

Robert Altman brought a fresh, brash, giddy style to this war comedy that has been sped several times but rarely equaled (actually just once, by Altman himself with "Nashville"). This is not to be confused with the humanist television comedy of the same name and with the same characters. Dark as the television show sometimes was, it never matched the true nihilism and manic qualities of the film. The characters of Hawkeye and Trapper John (Donald Sutherland and Elliot Gould) are not the warm, all-knowing nice guys of the TV show. They are at times arrogant and mean-spirited. All this might seem heavy, but it is the un-

WHAT'S IT WORTH?

A ratings guide to the movies

Bad \$1
Fair \$2
Good \$3
Excellent \$4

dercurrent of a comedy that moves easily from laugh to laugh. Tom Skerrit, Sally Kellerman (the original Hot Lips) and Robert Duval (Frank Burns) are excellent.

Rating: \$3.70.

"And Justice for All" (1978), 9 p.m. Sunday on Ch. 7. Originally 117 minutes. TV time slot: 150 minutes.

Al Pacino does a star ego trip in this ludicrous comedy-drama about a well it's hard to say what it's about. It is an attack on injustices in the legal system, but the attack is so scattered that it's ineffective. Jack Warden gives the film its best moments as an eccentric judge.

Rating: \$2.



Light up the sky

Fireworks will illuminate the sky over Detroit and Windsor on Wednesday, July 2, during the International Freedom Festival. Some 100 events are scheduled for the festival, including the fireworks display, which is expected to draw more than one million spectators. The 28th annual festival will run from Friday, June 20, to Sunday, July 6.

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