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Outdoor musical

Chuck Himeloch (left) of Birmingham is the grandfather, Dianne Rydell of Bloomfield Hills is Adelaide, Pat Lynch of Birmingham is Sky Masterson and Pat Ward of Birmingham is Sarah Brown in the St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook production of "Guys and Dolls." The show will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 30-31, and Thursday-Saturday, June 5-7, at the Outdoor Greek Theatre at Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills. For tickets at \$8 for adults, \$5 for students, call 644-0527.

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Chef's Fest is a sold-out success

By Ethel Blommons
staff writer

The fifth annual Chef's Fest last Friday at the Community House in Birmingham was a sell-out, with the 500 tickets available gone early in the week. Bill Roberts of Richard and Reiss, one of the participating restaurants, was chairman of the event. He said 16 out of an anticipated 20 restaurants took part in the fest, which offered delightful appetizers, tempting entrees and fabulous desserts.

Raspberries was a tasty flavoring for several dishes, including the Midtown Cafe's chilled raspberry Chambord soup, with raspberry liqueur, plus a touch of raspberry vinegar. It was pretty in pink. Bloomfield's served a "chocolate chocolate mousse" with a raspberry sauce.

Strawberry was a nice touch, too, as in the strawberry cream topping that brought a pizzazz of pleasure to Machus Pastry Shop's selection of cakes and tortes. Peabody's provided chocolate-dipped strawberries.

Several restaurants offered pasta salads including Machus Red Fox, which served it with a decorative ice sculpture of the Machus fox and hunter's horn symbol; Richard and Reiss, which accompanied its curly green pasta with a mini-sized English breakfast scone, and Albay's,

which had a honey-mustard sauce topping the salad.

Some of the mouth-watering entrees were the Kingsley Inn's fresh, fried perch; Peabody's sliced prime rib on a bun; and Machus Adams Square's tiny tops and filling, for a sample of chicken pie. The incredible Edibles served ribs; Norman's Eton Street Station, Cajun tenderloin tips with bernaise sauce; and Machus Sly Fox, oriental chicken stir-fry.

Appetizers were whetted with such specialties as hors d'oeuvres from the Community House, hommus and tabbouleh from the Phoenix and Oysters Rockefeller from 220 Merrill Street.

Among desserts, chocolate also was the main feature in Punched-in's Concord Cookies — combining chocolate mousse and chocolate meringue.

A string quartet played onstage while guests mingled throughout the auditorium, where restaurant speci-

table talk

alties were served, and in the Ruth Shain Room and outdoors, where tables welcomed the lunchtime crowd.

For an extra charge of \$3.50, a ticket allowed wine sampling of various vintages including champagne split, served with a straw to sip from.

Tickets to the Chef's Festival Buffet were \$9. Chairman Roberts said, "The money goes to the (Birmingham-Bloomfield) Chamber of Commerce. Some of the monies will be donated to the seniors group — BASCC."

The event is a traditional highlight of Michigan Week festivities, which this year ran Saturday, May 17, to Saturday, May 24.

Newly named

The canopy awning outside the entrance had just been hung as guests were arriving last week for the "reopening" of the restaurant at 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham. Formerly Archibald's, the new restaurant is called Panache. The cocktail lounge and dining room have been given a redesign, with fabric swags on the ceiling capturing attention in the lounge. Besides lunch and dinner menus, there's also an after-theatre and lounge menu. Hosts for the new restaurant are Richard Sikorski, Ken Walter and David Tims.

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