



Thomas Stanczyk (left), Thomas O'Connor of Birmingham and Kathleen Turak appear in "I Didn't Know That!" a children's production, which runs through Saturday, July 19, during the Hilberry Summer Theatre Festival at Wayne State University in Detroit. For ticket information, call the box office at 577-2972.

## upcoming things to do

### CHILDREN'S THEATER

The Wizard of Oz will be performed by Lathrup Youththeatre at 3 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, July 17-19, at the Southfield-Lathrup High School. Two casts will alternate in the production, celebrating the 18th season of Lathrup Youththeatre, which specializes in "theater for kids by kids." Tickets at \$4 for adults, \$2 for students are available at the door.

### FREE CONCERT

The band What Jane Shared will give a free concert Friday, July 18, at Paycheck's Lounge in Hamtramck. All tables are being reserved for media people, but there will be standing room for the public. Doors open at 9 p.m. Mike McFeaters, a former Birmingham resident, is bass player, vocalist and songwriter with the new music band, which has opened for national acts such as Billy Idol, Nina Hagen, the B52s and 999.

### RAGTIME, DIXIE

Doug Jacobs and the Red Garter Band will perform ragtime and Dixieland, along with many other types of music, from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 17, at the Civic Center Complex in Southfield. The free concert is part of the Plaza Fest concert series. Concertgoers may bring their own box lunches.

### THE FUTURE

Julie Rowena Hays of Birmingham stars as Rowena, the murderess, in "The Future," presented by the Stormfront Theatre Company in the theater of Edgewater Freshwater Church in Chicago. The production continues through Sunday, July 20. Hays is a 1981 graduate of Birmingham's Seaholm High School and a 1985 graduate, as a theater major, of Chicago's Northwestern University.

### SUMMER STOCK

Avon Players Collegiate Summer Stock will present the musical "Grease" at 3:15 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 18-19, and Thursday-Saturday, July 24-26, at the Avon Players Playhouse in Avon Township. All aspects of the production are handled by young adults between the ages of 17-25. For tickets at \$5 call 656-1130.

### FAIRY TALES

Children's Fairy Tales Theatre, presented by Children's Entertainment Company, will present "Rumpelstiltskin" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, July 22 and 29, and "The Emperor's New Clothes" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Aug. 5 and 12, at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. Each play is \$2.50 for members, \$3 for nonmembers. For details call 661-1000, ext. 351.

### CONCERT TOUR

"Inward Outreach," a student musical ministry team from North Park College in Chicago, will tour eight midwestern states presenting a series of concerts of contemporary Christian music and traditional hymns this summer. One of the team's five members is Rebecca Smith of Birmingham, a sophomore music and business major at North Park.

### COOKING SERIES

Production begins this month on pilot episodes for a 13-week gourmet cooking series hosted by Chef Keith Farnie of Novi's Chez Raphael. The program will be videotaped in the kitchens and dining rooms of Chez Raphael, with celebrities assisting Chef Farnie in preparing dishes from the menu. The series, produced by Victor Forbist Ltd. of Birmingham, will be syndicated for national broadcast and videocassette distribution.

### MEADOW BROOK

Mellow singer Johnny Mathis, with comedienne Jeannine Burnier as the opening attraction, will perform at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 18-19, at Meadow Brook Music Festival at Baldwin Pavilion on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills. Singing sensation Rita Zadora is the star, with comic

### CONCERT CHANGES

A new concert announced by Meadow Brook Music Festival is the Psychedelic Furs, performing at 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 18. Kenny Rankin has been added as an opening act for Manhattan Transfer at 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22. For more information, call the box office at 377-2010.

### JAZZ ENSEMBLE

The Cranbrook Summer Jazz Ensemble will present a potpourri of jazz compositions at 7 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at the Quadrangle at Cranbrook Kingswood School in Bloomfield Hills. Jazz star George Benson will be featured as saxophone soloist at the free outdoor concert.

### WONDER TOUR

For the first time in more than six years, Stevie Wonder is on a major arena tour, with a stop at Detroit's Joe Louis Arena at 8 p.m. Thursday, July 24. The 60-city tour, "In Square Circle," features a two and one-half-hour show in-the-round on a revolving stage in the center of the arena. Tickets at \$18.50 are available at the Joe Louis Arena box office and all Ticket World outlets.

### BAND SALUTE

The Dick Murphy Band will play a musical salute to the Statue of Liberty's 100th birthday at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 20, at Henry Ford Hospital's West Bloomfield Center. The free concert is presented by West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation.

### COCONUT NIGHTS

Coconut Groove will play at the Summer Nights concert series, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Outdoor Courtyard at the Troy Hilton. Admission is free until 7:30 p.m., \$5 thereafter. For more information, call 583-9000, Ext. 523.

### SPLASH BASH

A Summer Splash Bash will be held from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 19, at the Troy Hilton. The activity is designed for the mentally and physically disabled. There will be swimming, music with a disc jockey, and dancing. Admission is \$2 per person. To register, call Troy Parks and Recreation at 524-3484. The event is co-sponsored with the Northwest Therapeutic Association.

### FOLK SONGS

Josh White Jr., a regular at the old Raven Gallery, will perform at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 24, at the Red Cedars/Comedy Crossing in Southfield. The Ron Codomo Show continues at 8:30 and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturdays through Aug. 30 at the Comedy Crossing. For more information, call the Red Cedars (533-5170).

### MAMA MIA'S

Alexander Zonjic plays at 10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, July 17-18, at Mama Mia's in Southfield. The jazz flutist appears at 9:30 p.m. Monday, July 21, at Panache in Birmingham.

### MUSICAL COMEDY

The world premiere of the musical comedy "The Ballad of Conrad and Loreta" by Christopher Reed and Ronald Martell will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday, July 18, at the Attic Theatre in Detroit's New Center. Performances continue through Saturday, Aug. 30. Tickets are available at the Attic Theatre box office and all Ticket World outlets. To purchase tickets by phone, call 875-8284.

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