

upcoming things to do

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with Linda Solomon, a series of vignettes that started this week on WDIV-TV, Channel 4. The 60-second program inserts, produced by WDIV's Tom DeLisle, air at various times throughout the day. A different celebrity vignette is broadcast each week. Solomon, a photojournalist, is a Birmingham resident.

DUO PERFORMS

Borkowski and Rosochaeki, a duo performing urban folk music, currently plays at three area venues. They perform Wednesdays at the Hurling Green, Rochester Hills; Thursdays at Four Green Fields, Royal Oak; and Fridays at the Woodbridge Tavern, Detroit. The two native Detroiters have just completed their first album entitled "Images."

CHILDREN'S PLAY

The Peanut Butter Players, professional children's lunch theater, is presenting Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella" on Saturdays-Sundays through Dec. 7 at Austin Hall/Mallard Pub, Detroit. Lunch is served at noon and the show is at 1 p.m. This musical version of "Cinderella" was originally written as a TV production starring Julie Andrews. Admission is \$6, including lunch and the show. For reservations, call 559-67BP. Peanut Butter Players is headquartered in Lathrup Village.

JAZZ LOFT

Jazz concerts, dance theater, mime, and photo and art exhibits will be presented at the New World Stage for the Performing Arts at 1437 Randolph in Detroit's Harmonie Park. The premiere event, showcasing a wide variety of Detroit-area jazz artists with performing styles ranging from swing to avant garde, will be presented from 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18. Weekly events begin Friday, Oct. 31, with the Donald Walden Quartet performing from 1 p.m. to 4 a.m. Friday-Sundays. Admission is \$5, with light food and drink available.

FILM FESTIVAL

The second annual Detroit Film Festival will be Wednesday-Saturday, Oct. 15-18, in downtown Detroit locations. The festival premieres with the 1988 American Film Festival finalist "Singing Birds" at 8 p.m. Oct. 15 at Orchestra Hall. "Singing Birds" was shot entirely in Detroit. Tickets, including hors d'oeuvres, are \$7. There is a cash bar. For more information, call 963-2425 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

LOCAL AUDITIONS

WKBD-TV, Channel 50, will hold auditions for "Puttin' on the Hits" at noon Saturday, Oct. 18, at Southland Mall in Taylor. Finalists chosen Oct. 18 will return at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, for the finals, which will be videotaped and sent to Dick Clark Productions. The TV show is devoted entirely to the lip-synce craze. To audition, hopefuls must pick up an entry blank by Wednesday, Oct. 15, at Southland Mall.

COMEDY DUGOUT

New comedy talent is featured at the Comedy Dugout on the lower level of the Short-Stop Lounge, Detroit. Tony Hayes, star of the "Detroit Comedy Jam," will perform Friday-Saturday, Oct. 10-11. Also appearing will be Basil, a comic from Cleveland and Randy O'Brien, radio sports announcer from Kalamazoo. Showtime is 9 and 11 p.m. Admission is \$5. For more information, call 963-0185.

LOGICAL COLOURS

A new music group, Logical Colours, will perform at midnight Thursday, Oct. 8, at Paycheck's in Hamtramck. The group offers a mixture of new wave and jazz/pop. For more information, call Paycheck's, 874-0909.

GUILD MEETING

Plymouth Theatre Guild will hold its monthly general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21, at Plymouth Central Middle School. Anyone interested in learning more about the guild or in helping with the guild's production of Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite" may attend.

Elegance marks West End

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

A menu of gourmet dishes that changes monthly, combined with fine, attentive service, is what makes the West End at Troy's Somerset Inn a restaurant to remember.

Tuxedoed waiters serve the attractive dishes at tables set with vases, each holding a yellow rose. Dining room decor contrasts black upholstered chairs against a background of creamy walls and ceilings. Large, colorful paintings of female faces are a holt of surprise.

On a recent evening, Seafood Bisque (\$5.50) arrived looking exquisite, the rich soup filled with tasty bits of seafood and adorned with a piece of shell.

The West End Salad had an ample supply of various greens, heightened by the Oriental Dressing selected. The entree, Roast Breast of Long Island Duckling with Linguinberry Sauce (\$18.25), presented strips of duck breast accented by the harmonious sauce.

OTHER ENTREES on the menu for October include five seafood dishes, among them Poached Fillet of Salmon with Sauce Bernaise at \$15.25 and Fillet of Dover Sole stuffed with Salmon Mousse with Peppercorn Sauce at \$19.25.

Lamb, veal and steak are available, too, with Noisettes of Lamb Brilliant at \$17.25, Scallops of Veal Sautéed in a Marsala at \$13.25 and Broiled New York Sirloin Steak with Fried Onion Rings at \$14.25.

The menu offers 11 entrees in all, each including fresh vegetables.

Besides various cocktails and wine, two Distinguished Wines of the Month are featured, currently a chardonnay, Rene Boulay, and a cabernet sauvignon, Robert Mondavi. Somerset Inn has been extensively remodeled, and this refreshing new dining room (actually it's been open since January) provides a quiet, pleasant way to enjoy a special meal. There's seating for 70 at 20 tables.

bles. Private parties may be seated in an area divided by glass, looking into the central dining area. Hostess Elizabeth reminds that gentlemen are requested to wear jackets. Hours at the West End, which is open only for dinner, are 5-11 p.m. Mondays-Saturdays.

Fish company

A new location for Superior Fish Company, combining all its several buildings into one, has opened across from the Royal Oak Farmer's Market. The company held an open house Sunday at its spacious quarters, 309 E. Eleven Mile.

The fish operation is both retail and wholesale. Jim Peabody, owner of Peabody's restaurant in Birmingham, was one of the guests at the opening. He buys all the fish for his restaurant at Superior. "They're the best in the country," he said.

Television chef

Chef Keith Famie of the top-rated Chef Raphael is starting in a television show being taped at his restaurant next to the Sheraton Oaks, Novi. Hopes are for the show to become a syndicated TV series.

For each program, Famie will have a celebrity guest, to chat with briefly and then take into the kitchen to help prepare some special dishes. At a recent taping at Raphael's, his guest was Broadway musical star and singer Melba Moore.

The live taping for "Cooking with Chef Famie" started an hour behind schedule but the specially invited guests sipped champagne while they waited. When Famie and Moore went into the kitchen, the audience saw the cooking segment on TV monitors in the dining room.

The chef and his guest returned to the dining room where Moore sampled the Dover sole with lobster mousse and a dessert of Michigan cherry apple cobbler prepared by Famie. Some of the audience got to try it, too.

A couple of the segments had to be reshot, a usual part of any taping.

table talk

the producer explained. People in the small audience got sore hands from clapping loudly on cue.

The TV show is being put together by Victor-Forbes, Ltd., a Birmingham advertising agency. Another taping for Famie's show, with the host of TV's "Dance Fever" as guest, was done on an earlier occasion.

Hunger dinners

Six metropolitan-area restaurants will be the scenes of dinners to raise money for Detroit's hungry. The first dinner, with chef Keith Famie, will be held Tuesday, Oct. 14, at Chez Raphael in Novi.

Famie's theme is "Seven Small Feasts," offering seven different plates, each a complete dinner in miniature. Tickets are \$125 per person, and proceeds benefit the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. For reservations, call 348-5555.

Treats in Orchard Lake, where chef Terrence Butler presides, will be the scene of another dinner in May. For more information, call Treats at 851-0060.

Other restaurants participating in Chefs Against Hunger are the Money Tree and the Recces Club, both in Detroit; Darby's in Ulster, and the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Master Chef Milos Chelika of the Golden Mushroom in Southfield will serve as master of ceremonies at each dinner.

Wurst carving

The second annual World Creative Liverwurst Carving Competition highlights the Jonathan B. Pubs' Oktoberfest, which runs Monday-Friday, Oct. 13-17, at five locations including Oakland Mall in Troy, Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi, Livonia Mall, Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn and Briarwood Mall in Ann Arbor.

Competitors carve people or things out of liverwurst in the contest, where last year's winner created a futuristic auto.

Other Oktoberfest contests include German-chocolate pie-eating, an oyster and beer slurp, and Jello-eating through a straw.

Oktoberfest proceeds go to the Arthritis Foundation. The pubs will donate 25 cents for each bottle of St. Pauli Girl's beer purchased.

German food specialties will be served at the festival. These include knockwurst, bratwurst, braunschweiger, hot German potato salad and apple strudel.

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