

## upcoming things to do

**Deadline for the Upcoming calendar is one week ahead of publication. Items must be received by Thursday to be considered for publication the following Thursday. Send to: Ethel Simmons, Entertainment Editor, The Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150.**

### ● DANCE NIGHTS

Whether your preference is the fox trot, waltz or swing, you can dance to the big-band sounds of the 1940s and '50s provided by various well-known dance bands at the Waterford Oaks Activity Center. The new season will cha-cha its way into 1989 on the third Saturdays of January, February and March. All dances are held 8-11 p.m. A donation of \$2 per person includes an evening of dancing plus free coffee, tea and cookies. For more information call 858-0913.

### ● MUSICAL CLASSIC

The Village Players of Birmingham presents "Anything Goes," a Cole Porter musical classic, which is set aboard a trans-Atlantic liner, awash in shipboard romances and thickened by the presence of a gangster. Showtimes are Fridays-Sundays, Jan. 20-22 and 27-29, and Friday-Saturday, Feb. 3-4. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m. Sundays are matinees only, at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the door, but reservations are recommended. Adult tickets are \$8, student tickets \$6. Reservations may be made by calling 644-2075.

### ● DRAMA PREMIERE

The Jewish Ensemble Theater brings a Detroit-area premiere, "Sam and Ickk" by Jack LaZebnik, to the Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit for 10 performances, Wednesday, Jan. 18, through Sunday, Jan. 29, starring Detroit actors Robert Grossman and Evelyn Orbach. Tickets are available at the JCC in West Bloomfield, 661-1000, ext. 348, or from Babs Potelch at 556-8075 for special group rates.

### ● POP ARTIST

Joe Tackett is appearing Friday-Saturday nights at Carlos Murphy's in Southfield through January.

### ● CASTING CALL

Avon Players Community Theater will hold auditions for the third show of its 1988-89 season, the thriller "Deathtrap" by Ira Levin. Auditions will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17, and Thursday, Jan. 19, at the Avon Players Theater, 1185 Washington Road, Rochester Hills. Parts are available for three men and two women.

### ● SECOND SHOW

Avon Players announces its second show of the 1988-89 season, the Neil Simon comedy, "Brighton Beach Memoirs." The show opens Friday, Jan. 13, and runs Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 14-15; Friday-Saturday, Jan. 20-22, and Friday-Saturday, Jan. 27-28. All performances are at 8 p.m. (7:30 Sundays) at the Avon Players Theater in Rochester Hills. Tickets at \$6 are available by calling 656-1130.

### ● FILM SERIES

"A Legacy of Laughter," seventh annual Adat Shalom Jewish Film Series, continues at 7 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 15 and 29, at the synagogue in Farmington Hills. The series highlights Jewish humor in the movies. Film showings will be combined with commentary from Dan Greenberg, film critic and professor of film. For further information, call 651-5100.

### ● ANNUAL VISIT

The Ron Coden Show makes its annual visit to Murdock's in Rochester Hills at 9 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays through Jan. 28. For reservations, call 852-6550.



Film critic Dan Greenberg gives commentary at the Adat Shalom Jewish Film Series.

Original Dixieland with Mike Karoub's "Little" Dixie Syncopators is featured Thursdays 7:30-11:30 p.m. through Jan. 26 at the Woodbridge Tavern in Detroit.

### ● WOODBRIDGE TAVERN

Professional standup comedy is presented in the 1891 Room Comedy

### ● HOLLY HOTEL

Professional standup comedy is presented in the 1891 Room Comedy

Club in the Historic Holly Hotel. Cover charge for all shows is \$7, or \$5 for dining guests. Call 634-1891 for reservations and information.

### ● COMEDY CASTLE

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle in Berkley will feature Larry Amoros — through Saturday, Jan. 14; Doug Ferrari — Tuesday-Saturday, Jan. 17-21; Frankie Pace — Tuesday-Saturday, Jan. 24-28, and Willie Tyler and Lester — Jan. 31 to Feb. 4.

### ● SATIRIC PLAY

The Attle Theatre presents "Bo-phar" (Zulu for arrest), an examination of the lives of a black family crumpled in the web of apartheid, a satiric play, with performances during Black History Month. Curtain time is 10 a.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 18, 24 and 25. Tickets are \$5.50 for students; price includes complimentary chaperone seats, study guide and talk-back session with the cast and crew. Reservations must be made no later than Friday, Jan. 13. Call 875-8285.

### ● FILM THEATER

"Murmur of the Heart" continues

Jan. Friday-Sunday, Jan. 13-15, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Tickets are available in advance, either by mail or at the ticket office prior to screening. For a complete schedule detailing the coming season as well as information on times and ticket prices contact the DIA ticket office from 9:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. daily at 832-2730.

### ● JAZZ SOUNDS

The Van Dyke Park Hotel and Conference Center, Ivy's jazz nightclub, features complimentary hors d'oeuvres Mondays-Fridays; nightly jazz entertainment Mondays-Saturdays; Scott Wilkie Jazz Trio,

Mondays-Wednesdays; Walt Seyski Jazz Trio, Thursdays, and Gary Blumer Jazz Quintet, Fridays-Saturdays. Call the hotel for information at 939-2860.

### ● PLAYS PALACE

Ratt, along with special guest Britny Fox, comes to the Palace Auburn Hills at 8 p.m. Saturday, 28. Tickets at \$17.50 (reserved) on sale at all Ticketmaster locations including Hudson's and select outlets. Tickets also may be charged by calling 423-6666. For more information turn to Page 6.

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| Wed. JAN 25 ..... 7:30pm               |             |                                                              | Thu. JAN 26         |         | Fri. JAN 27         |                     | Sat. JAN 28         |            |
| \$3.50 OFF all Seats<br>courtesy TV 50 |             |                                                              | 11:00am*<br>7:30pm* |         | 7:30pm*             |                     | 11:00am*<br>3:00pm* |            |
| Sun. JAN 29                            | Mon. JAN 30 | Tue. JAN 31                                                  | Wed. FEB 1          |         | Thu. FEB 2          |                     | Fri. FEB 3          | Sat. FEB 4 |
| 1:00pm<br>4:30pm*                      | NO<br>SHOW  |                                                              | 11:00am*<br>7:30pm* |         | 11:00am*<br>7:30pm* |                     | 7:30pm*             |            |
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| Sun. FEB 5                             |             | * SAVE \$1.00 for children under 12<br>(no coupon necessary) |                     |         |                     |                     |                     |            |
| 1:00pm<br>4:30pm                       |             |                                                              |                     |         |                     |                     |                     |            |

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