

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.

VIDEO, PHOTOS
The Cranbrook Art Museum in Bloomfield Hills presents the work of Swiss artist Peter Fischli and David Weiss, "The Way Things Go," a video presentation, and "Quiet Afternoon," a selection of related photographs, on view through Sunday, April 9. For more information call 645-3324.

THRILLER 'DEATHTRAP'
Avon Players Community Theater's third play of its 1988-89 season, the thriller, "Deathtrap," will be performed Friday-Sundays, March 3-5, 10-12, and Friday-Saturday, March 17-18, at the Avon Players Theater in Rochester Hills. All performances are at 8 p.m., except for 7:30 p.m. Sundays. For tickets at \$6, call 658-1130.

SUITCASE PARTY
Entertainment hosted by WCSX's Karen Savelly including music by the Regular Boys, will be presented at a Suitcase Party at 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, at Anthony's at the Sheraton Oaks in Novi. Guests are asked to bring their bags packed for a trip to Manhattan, in case they are winners of a contest for a free weekend at the Sheraton City Square.

READERS THEATER
First performance of the spring series of Readers Theater will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 19, in the De Roy Studio Theatre at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. A complimentary pre-theater wine bar will begin at 3:15 p.m. The program will feature Harry Goldstein, Liz Weiss and Rube Weiss appearing in works by Woody Allen, Ethan Canin and Morris Weiss. Judge Averil Cohn will serve as host for the program. Tickets are available at the door beginning at 3:15 p.m. the day of the performance. There is an admission charge. For further information, call Readers Theater at 967-4030.

16 SCHOOLS
Sixteen metropolitan Detroit area schools are represented in the 1989



Phil Marcus Easer, Charlie Latimer and Barbara Bredius appear in "Somerset Stru II," through Saturday, Feb. 25, at Somerset Mall in Troy. For more information call Sebastian's at 649-6625.

production of the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, "Oklahoma," to be presented Friday-Sunday, March 17-19, at Morey High School in Farmington Hills. Twenty-three area communities, as well as 16 area schools, are represented by students and adults. Area schools include Redford Catholic Central, Farmington High, Birmingham Groves and Southfield Christian. Cast members range in age from 6 to 23. Tickets can be obtained by calling 356-7562.

MICHIGAN PREMIERE
Aho! Fugard's "The Road to Mecca," featuring Broadway and television actor William Le Massena, will have its Michigan premiere at Meadow Brook Theatre at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 2, running through Sunday, March 26, on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills. "The Road to Mecca" is a true story

about a South African woman who dares to be different from her neighbors, incurring religious bias and ostracism. Tickets are available by calling the box office at 377-3300.

PUPPETRY DAY
The annual Day of Puppetry sponsored by the Detroit Puppeteers Guild will be held Saturday, March 4, at the International Institute in Detroit. Birmingham resident Mari-

lyn O'Connor Miller is workshop coordinator for the annual Day of Puppetry. One of the puppeteers on ABC's "Hot Fudge" show will give a workshop on hand-in-mouth puppet manipulation, using technology learned from master puppeteer Jim Henson of the Muppets and her work with "Hot Fudge." Husband John Miller, art teacher at Northern High School in Detroit, will teach a workshop on "Making Quickie Puppets" with young people. Livonia resident Michael Deller, director of the Livonia Library System, will conduct a workshop, "Storytelling with Puppets." Rob Papiun of Redford will conduct a workshop in "Character Voices for Puppets." For more information, call Nancy Henk at 898-6341 weekdays or Pat Moehring at 885-8918.

ACTING CLASSES
A six-week term of acting classes for adults will begin March 6 at the Actors Alliance Theatre Company in Southfield. The theater conservatory program has been ongoing for the last eight years. Recently former student Lizbeth Berkley was seen in a principal role on the popular TV series, "Day by Day." Each of the classes is professionally oriented with a faculty including award-winning actress Dinah Lynch, artistic director Jeffrey M. Nahan and independent producer Annette Madias. Consultants are available for placement in the program. For an appointment, call 642-1325.



Marilyn O'Connor Miller of Birmingham heads up the annual Day of Puppetry Saturday, March 4, at the International Institute in Detroit.

DINNER, SONG
Singing star Barbara Mandrell is coming to dinner Tuesday, Feb. 28. The event benefits a permanent preservation fund for Meadow Brook Hall, historic 100-room auto-baron mansion at Oakland University in Rochester Hills. "Dinner with Barbara Mandrell" includes reception at 6:30 p.m., dinner performed by Mark of Excellence at 7:15 and songs by Mandrell at 9 in the Showtwell-Gustaf Pavilion of the Meadow Brook estate. Reservations are \$200 per

person. For more information, call Meadow Brook Hall at 370-3140.

CARING SPECIAL
Nine metropolitan Detroiters with "Hearts of Gold" are being showcased in a one-hour program created by WDIV-TV, Channel 4, airing at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 26. They include area residents Maggie Altesee, Marie Guyton and John Villa, all of Birmingham, and Mary Sue Deyo of Westland. The "Time to Care" special was taped at the recent 22nd annual "Heart of Gold" luncheon.

IN CONCERT
The Kronos Quartet and Electric Phoenix will appear in concert at 7:57 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor. General admission tickets are \$16.50. Student tickets at \$7.50 also are available. For more information call 668-8397.

IRISH MUSIC
The Gaelic League/Irish-American Club will present the Irish rebel-folk group the Wolfe Tones in concert at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, at the Gaelic League Hall on the edge of historic Corktown in Detroit. The Wolfe Tones has released nine best-selling albums and make yearly tours to continental Europe, Australia, Canada and the United States. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12.50 at the door. For further information, call 963-8895 or 964-8700.