

Barbara Michals

# 'Social Security' needs more zing

Performances of the Birming-ham Village Players production of "Social Security" continue through Sunday. For ticket infor-mation call the box office at 644-2075.

By Barbara Michals special writer

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Barbara Michals teaches high school English in Southfield. A theater critic for the last 15 years, she is an inveterate playageer who regularly catches up on all the New York productions.

## upcoming

things to do

Deadline for the Upcoming cal-endar is one week ahead of publi-cation. Items must be received by Thursday to be considered for publication the following Thurs-day. Send to Ethel Simmons, En-tertainment Editor, the Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150.

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OPENS SEASON
Meadow Brook Theatre will open its 24th season with a new version of Alexander Ostrovak, 's comedy classic "The Diary of a Scoundrel." The play starts a four-week run at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Illis. Meadow Brook's production is an adaptation by Erik Brogger that Berkeley Repetiory Theatre commissioned and premiered in 1985. Tickets may be reserved by calling 377-3300.

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IN CONCERT

Smith Theatre will present "The
Raven Homecoming Concert" on the
Orehard Ridge Campus of Oakland
Community College in Farmingston
Mitchael Smith will perform together
at 8 pm. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 134 An optional dinner package will
be available Oct. 13 for \$24. Dinner
reservations must be paid for one
week in advance. Tickets for the performances are \$12 in advance (reservations
made 48 hours before) and
\$15 at the door. For reservations,
contact 471-7700.

## • MISTER ROBERTS

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Dan Roth of Southfield, Jon
Liebetrau, Kim Fox and Jim Killeen
of Birmingham, and Todd J Hoffman, David Siberman and Darrell
Stokes, all of West Bloomfield, adappearing in "Mister Roberts" at the
Bonstelle Theatre for two weekends
starting Friday, Oct. 6. Performances are at 8 pm. Friday-Saturday,
Oct. 6.7 and 13-14, and 2 pm. Sunday, Oct. 8 and 15. Ticket Information may be obtained by calling the
box office in Detroit at \$77.2860.

### O TOWN HALL

Tickets are on sale for Pontiac-Oakland Town Hall for the 1989-90

Series. The series consists of five lectures the second Wednesday of the month, during October, November, January, February and March, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at Roma's of Bloomfield in Township. Celebrities scheduled to speak are David Elsenhower: At War," Robert P. Kennedy Jr. — "Our Environmental Destiny," Pamela Eddred — "The Changing Face of Beauty," Pamela Eddred — "The Changing Face of Beauty," and Joan Ben, or "Growing Up in Hollywood." Tickets may be obtained by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope and Town Hall, P.O. Ber 1889, Poniate 18056. Ser more Information, call 673-8206. Celebrity luncheons, limited to season-ticket holders, follow the lectures. Call 698-1490 for luncheon information.

ABULT COMEDY
 Novi Players will perform "Move Over, Mrs. Markham." an adult comedy farce, at the Novi Civic Contexter actions with leading roles are Tom Artushla and Nancy Keeugh of Birmingham as Mr. and Mrs. Markham. Performances are at 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Oct. 13-14 and 20-21, with a matince at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15. For information, call 348-2181.

The annual Autumn Fest continues 1-5 pm. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 7-8, at Cranbrook Institute of Science in Bloomfield Hills. Visitors are being encouraged to bring their own apples and a plastic jug and try their hands at pressing their own apples for home-made apple cider on the hand-uperated antique press. (It takes about a half bushed of apples, and the Nature Place, volunteers will demonstrate honey extraction and visitors may join the effort and taste the nectar. Two observation hives will permit close-up viewing of bees at work. Beckepers will disassemble an ouddoor hive to give viewers a rare look move from our unformation, call 645-3219



Jared Hoffert of Southfield is the Lion, P.J. Powers of Southfield is the Tin Man, Kelly Boczek of Huntington Woods is Dorothy and Eddie Sugarman of Southfield is the Scarecrow in the Peanut Butter Players production of "The Wizard of Oz." Per-formances are at Peanut Butter Players' new location, the his-toric Players Club in Detroit. For ticket information, call 559-6 "PVP" between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

• READERS THEATER
Second performance of the Fall
Series of Readers Theater will be
held at 4 pm. Sunday, Oct. 29, in
Shiffman Hall at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. A
complimentary wine bar will open
a 3.15 pm. Theeks are available at
the door beginning at 3 pm. the day
of the performance. There is an admission charge. For further information, call Readers Theater at 9674030.

held at the Community Center Farmington-Farmington Hills in Oc-tober Sounds of "A Little Knight Music" will fill the autumn air at the center Thursday, Oct. 12. The "Chau-tauqua Express" will poil into the historic facility Wednesday, Oct. 25. Showtime for both performances is 7 pm. Dessert will be served follow-ing each show. Ticket price is \$4 per person or \$12 per family. For tick-ets, call the community center at 477-8404.

• FAMILY SHOWS
Two family performances will be

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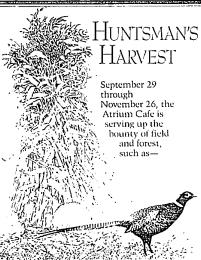
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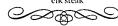
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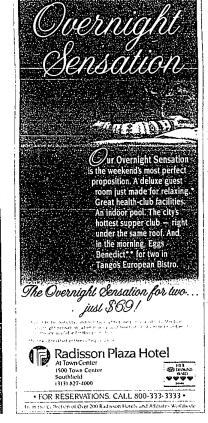
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