

Fashionable afternoon raises funds at benefit

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PUTTIN ON THE RITZ: It was called a "celebration of fashion" ... that was an understatement.

Orchard Mall's Guys and Gals and Hair in Vogue produced a fashion show and luncheon at the Ritz-Carlton Dearborn that was an afternoon filled with fun, food, fashion and timeless tips and raising funds for the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.

Fashions from Bricker-Tunis/E

uropa Leather, Silver Streak Cocktails, Guys N' Gals, G.G. Warren, Kitz Kitz, Koochie Koo, and The Studio (all of West Bloomfield); The Broadway (Birmingham) and Elegant Fashions (Farmington Hills) will grace the runway with Hair in Vogue styling all of the 80 models' hair. A special presentation was put on by Hair in Vogue with neon-colored Marie Antoinette wig providing an alternate look for the trend-setting woman.

Guests arrived sampling champagne, bidding on silent auction items and seeking the psychics.



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During lunch West Bloomfield Marilyn Berman Habsberg spoke to the 500-plus guests about her experience as a kidney transplant recipient. Norma Zager of West Bloomfield offered comedy relief and Gary Miller renowned Farmington Hills photographer presented his beauty makeover and family love story.

Besides the fashions, guests sampled the finest of chocolates including truffles, liqueurs, mints and fudge displayed by Ceels Sweet Shoppe, Fannie May, Ferrero USA, Ghirardelli, Heublein, Leah Gold Confectioners, Monchelle Lamour and Weight Watchers.

FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS - TO NEVER-NEVERLAND: The magic of the holiday season is around us with the arrival of Santa and the opening of the magical "Neverland" at Hudson's Northland in Southfield. This fantasy world exhibit is one you and your family must not miss. Experience the adventures of Peter Pan, Tickerbell and Captain Hook with more than 150 animated figurines telling the story of the boy who would never grow up.

The charity benefit opening of Peter Pan was a fund-raiser for Wayne State University's Hillberry, Bonstelle and Studio Theaters, in Detroit. Marilynn Connors, president of the Understudy (former Hillberry performers now supporting and raising funds for their former alma mater), was instrumental in making this preview benefit possible.

Supporters of Wayne State's performing arts who attended the Peter Pan opening included Mado and Dr. Kim Lee, John Bloom of Southfield, Queenie Sarkkila, Dennis Toffolo (president of Hudson's), Olga Dworak of Farmington Hills, Sue Niska (chairman of the evening), Katherine Wasserfallen of Southfield, Mary Jane and William Bostick of Birmingham Farms, Verda and Nimrod Rosenthal (community relations di-

rector for the City of Southfield), Chris and George Strombos, Dr. David Adamany (president of Wayne State University), John and Ann Kroba, West Bloomfield Ruth Pryor, Lorraine and Arthur Schultz, and Sherri and Lauren Hass of West Bloomfield.

A buffet feast of breast of chicken marinated in sake, soy and ginger, beef tenderloin in peanut cilantro sauce, lemon pesto shrimp, julienne squash, spinach pie, stuffed pizza and, of course, triple-decker P&G's Sweet table including swan cream puffs, dutch apple pie, cream cheese pumpkin cake, cinnamon angel wings, almond raspberry torte and brownies.

On Nov. 24, Hudson's Hanukkah Sunday celebrated the traditions of Hanukkah with special events and entertainment scheduled throughout the store. Nov. 30 is designated as Christmas Saturday with various seminars happening from 11 a.m. till 4 p.m. Kwanzaa Saturday will be Dec. 7. Live music and ceremonial dancing by Omowale African drummers and dancers will be from noon to 1:30 p.m.

THANKS FOR GIVING: John Ponto, director of catering at the Ritz-Carlton, remarked, "This year we decided to have a formal thanksgiving banquet at our annual Thanks for Giving brunch"

And seated at the endless banquet table were chairpersons who gave of their time and talents to raise needed dollars for their favorite charity — many cross-volunteering.

Guests dined on a fillet of beef tenderloin "you could cut with a fork" (filled with spinach and wild mushrooms), apple croquette potato and a caramel sauce ginger apple torte with caramel sauce (you eat only in your dreams).



Spotted at the National Kidney Foundation's 'Puttin' on the Ritz' are: (top, left) Sophie Moraitis of Hair in Vogue, Lois Levinson of Guys N Gals, Ann Skowronek of Hair in Vogue, (bottom) Sheri Stave and Julie Feldman of Guys N Gals.

Sarska, Wally Prechtor, Sue Niska, Julie Sherman, Carol and Skip Roberts, Ann and Tony Eisel, and Dr. Richard and Valerie Straith, with West Bloomfield Mel Ball providing the entertainment.

Charities represented were the Women's Committee for Hospice, Project Hope, American Lung, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, Michigan Cancer, Leader Dogs for the Blind, Make a Wish, Henry Ford Estate, Variety-the Children's Charity, Van Patrick Memorial, Michigan Opera Theatre, National Kidney Foundation, Crohn's Disease, Jewish Federation, Detroit Catholic Central, Detroit Symphony Orchestra, American Heart Association, Children's Hospital, Anthony Wayne Society, Vista Maria, Daughters of Virtan, Lebanese Debutante Ball, Alzheimer's Association, Humane Society, Salvation Army, Kregge Library, and Orchestra Hall.

MORE THANKS: The Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Evening of Brilliance committee met at the home of Bettina Greg for a special "Thank You" luncheon.

Bettina ooh-ed and ahh-ed committee members with her R.I.K.'s-like pesto chicken, sharing her secret ingredients with the Brilliance advisory committee and the name of the

fabulous bakery where all the incredible pastries and desserts came from. SHHH...Sara Lee's in Beverly Hills.

WHAT'S COMING UP: SATURDAY: Overtures, the young professional singles audience for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, will gather Saturday at the Detroit Artists Market at 6 p.m. to view the Holiday Art Show, mingle and dine on a gourmet buffet. The concert will begin at 8:30 p.m. at Orchestra Hall, with a musical biennial celebration of Mozart. Tickets at \$40 can be purchased by calling 833-3700.

HOLIDAY SING-ALONGS: Monday: News anchor Guy Gordon will emcee the Oakland Family Services Midtown Cafe sing-along (6:30 p.m.) in Birmingham. Included are door prizes and raffle. Tickets are \$25, limited seating. Send check to Mrs. Gregg Brumm, 5335 Brookdale, Bloomfield Hills 48304.

Dec. 6: "Sharing Is Caring" Salvation Army Annual Sing-Along 1:30-2:30 p.m. at Nicky's in Troy. Reservations, call 362-1252.

Wishing all the friends, family and readers of Social Eyes a very happy Thanksgiving.



Sue Niska (top), chairwoman of the Peter Pan preview to benefit the Hillberry, poses with others at the event: (from left) Olga Dworak of Farmington Hills, Marilynn Connors of Grosse Pointe and Katherine Wasserfallen of Southfield.

Breakfast club sponsors essay, oratory contests

The Breakfast Optimist Club of Farmington/Farmington Hills announced plans for the group's annual essay and oratorical contests.

The official subject for the 1991-92 season is "The Challenge of a Free Society."

Each year an essay contest is held for high school students who live in the Farmington School District. An essay of 400-500 words is required. High school freshmen are excluded. The essay contest is designed to encourage young people to clearly express their thoughts on the origins of freedom through proper use of the written language, and to provide participants with the opportunity to improve their skills in writ-

ten composition, grammar, punctuation and spelling.

Awards are on a local, district and international level. On the international level, the first place award is \$5,000.

For further information on this contest, contact Neal Wolfson, Optimist Club president, at 553-6695.

The other major contest, sponsored by the Optimist Club, is the oratorical contest to be held in February 1992. Those Farmington area youths who are not older than 18 in December 1992 may enter through their schools. For further information about the oratorical contest, contact Wendy Strip Sittsamer at 473-7376.

MENSA opens annual academic awards event

The Southeast Michigan Mensa Scholarship Committee announces the annual open essay competition for students enrolled in post-secondary education.

Scholarships totaling \$1,000 will be awarded on the local level with an opportunity to compete on the national level for prizes totaling more than \$8,000. Winning essays will be published in Southeast Michigan Mensa's local publication M-Pathy.

Entries are to be postmarked by Jan. 31.

To receive the application package for the competition, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Ken Grundberg, chairman, Southeast Michigan Mensa Scholarship Committee, 28505 Evergreen Road, Southfield 48076-5431.

For details call Marlene Buffa, vice president, at 242-2995.



Coming together at its thank you luncheon are members of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation advisory committee.

Duracell/NSTA post scholarship challenge

The 10th Annual Duracell/NSTA Scholarship Competition offers \$32,500 in prize money to high school students.

Open to all ninth through 12th graders in the United States and its territories, the Duracell/NSTA Scholarship Competition selects one first prize, five second-place and 10 third-place scholarship winners each year. Cash awards are offered to enter 25 students. Each entrant receives a gift from Duracell.

To enter students must design and build a battery-powered device and submit a written description, a wiring diagram and a photo of the device by Jan. 17. Entries are reviewed by an independent panel of scientists and teachers who judge the devices on creativity, practicality, energy efficiency and on the clarity of the written description.

The first- and second-place winners will be guests of Duracell at

the annual convention of the National Science Teachers Association in Boston on March 25-26. Joined by their parents and sponsoring teachers, the first- and second-place winners will receive their awards at a luncheon hosted by NASA Teacher in Space Designee, Barbara Morgan, and attended by national leaders in education and science.

The first-place scholarship is \$10,000. Five second-place scholarships are \$3,000 each and 10 third-place scholarships are \$500. The 25 cash awards are \$100 each. Among the top winners in last year's competition were a talking measuring cup, an auto dent detector, an electrical wind speed meter and a snow machine.

To enter students must complete a form available from science teachers nationwide or by writing to Duracell/NSTA Scholarship Competition, 1742 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20009.

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