

# Shooting stars

## B'ham photographer shows famous

When Barbra Streisand look a moment to wave to the crowd, Linda Solomon of Birmingham was ready to take the picture. An exhibit of photos taken of Streisand and other celebrities by Solomon on Oscar night opens in Bloomingdale's in New York this week.



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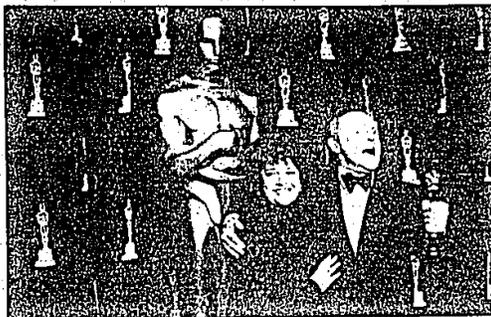
Beginning Friday and for the next four weeks, visitors to Bloomingdale's store in Manhattan will be seeing stars.

Photographer Linda Solomon of Birmingham will have an exhibit there called "An Evening at the Oscars." It will feature about 40 photos she took of celebrities at the Academy Awards ceremony.

Among the stars in the exhibit will be Elizabeth Taylor, Audrey Hepburn, Paul Newman, Barbra Streisand, Anthony Hopkins, Jodie Foster, Kathy Bates, Sharon Stone and Sylvester Stallone.

PHOTOGRAPHING Newman and Taylor together was a special moment, Solomon said.

"Here you have two stars, and I mean real stars, and to see them again on stage, that was the highlight of the night," she said. "She is one of the few people (with) that kind of magic. She is by



Anthony Hopkins seemed to unsettle Kathy Bates as he made a face, in this photo taken by Linda Solomon of Birmingham.

far the most beautiful woman I have photographed."

Much of the work Oscar night involved waiting for just the right second, Solomon said. Examples of such timing included Bates' seemingly uneasy reaction as Oscar winner Hopkins made a face, and Streisand's quick pause to greet the crowds outdoors.

SOLOMON is a nationally recognized celebrity photographer, whose clients have included Taylor, former

Ford Motor Co. chairman Donald Peteresen, former Michigan governor James Blanchard, Norman Lear, Malcolm Forbes and Sammy Davis Jr.

She has been named national spokesperson for the Photography Information Council, a national campaign dedicated to promoting the joy and excitement of photography. Solomon is the council's first industry spokeswoman.

## Gorman's plans celebration

Gorman's of Troy, 1465 W. Big Beaver Road, will host "A Celebration of the American Dream: The New American Family" 1-5 p.m. Sunday, April 26.

The open house is free and open to the public. For more information, call Gorman's at 649-2070.

Among the fun features planned for the entire family are a fashion show by Sak's Fifth Avenue, lifestyle rooms to demonstrate how the new American family fits into a variety of lifestyle situations (including empty nesters, extended families and baby boomers), "Ask a Designer" presentations with tips on home/decorating interests, registration for Gorman's "Dream Room" contest (which allows individuals to create their dream room and enter a drawing to win \$10,000 worth of furniture from Gorman's), psychics and refreshments.

GORMAN'S IS marking its 52nd anniversary this year with a two-month celebration of the

American dream. A fund-raiser for the Haven, an Oakland County shelter for physically and sexually abused women and children, is among the planned events during the two months.

Gorman's benefit evening for the Haven, "A Celebration of the Great American Dream: American Style," is scheduled for 7-10:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 20, at Gorman's in Southfield.

The May 20 event will include celebrity dream rooms, an American clothing fashion show, a poster contest and a special appearance by Carolyn Sapp, Miss America 1992. Tickets for the fund-raiser are \$50 per person. To order, call Lovio-George Inc. at 832-2210.

Throughout the two-month celebration, anyone who visits any of the three Gorman's locations (including Telegraph at 12 Mile in Southfield and across from the Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn) can fill out an entry form to win \$10,000 worth of furniture. Call Gorman's in Southfield at 353-9880 for more information.

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