

# The Scene

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and Kathryn Raft to buy out the house March 31, and each invited 100 friends for a party. In the past, charity organizations have contracted for the house, for an extra show night over and above the scheduled four public nights.

"Cuckoo's Nest" opens at 8 p.m. Friday at the St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook Playhouse on Lone Pine Road in Bloomfield Hills. The show continues Saturday, and also April 2-3.

Larry Kron and Kathryn Raft are in the play, and their friends will see them in the mode of actors at their March 31 party night. Director Edgar Guest thinks it's a great new idea for private parties. The playhouse holds 220 — just a nice-size private party with two couples hosting.

The storyline of Rando McMurphy, played by Jack Nicholson in the movie, shows a hell-raising free spirit pitted against a conformity-demanding

Nurse Ratched. The psychiatric ward is a microcosm of society and its ills. McMurphy does more to cure the sick than the nurse's clinical regimen.

Topper Pennington plays McMurphy, with Joyce Morehouse as the nurse. Kelth Leppard is taciturn Chief Bromden. Although Eddie Guest is director, he and Nancy Brassert handled set construction.

To reserve tickets at \$8, call 644-0527.

## Birthday tea

A woman of multiple talents, Barbara Tucker, recently gave a tea for her daughter Pamela's 40th birthday at the elegant Townsend Hotel in Birmingham.

Although many of their friends were somewhere in the South, more than 30 high-visibility women arrived in high style and no one left early.

## Kensington Academy will celebrate its silver anniversary with a dinner dance April 3 at the Bloomfield Hills private school.

### Tenor Placido Domingo

Members of the Michigan Opera Theatre board and their guests were loyal when they braved high winds and severe weather warnings to attend a dinner party Saturday, March 13, at the Palace of Auburn Hills, at which Placido Domingo was scheduled to sing following dinner.

When word reached dinner guests of the tenor's request to postpone the concert due to a severe cold, the MOT board kept to its dinner plan.

Meanwhile, Domingo's people scheduled a private plane to get him to the Palace, thinking his cold might go away. Domingo talked with the guests, saying his hoarse voice was turning baritone. His voice did not come back.

### 25th anniversary

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Tom and Kathy Bowen's auction committee has gathered auction items, including an Aloha Hawaiian cruise. A separate room will display special items with kids' appeal, such as Mark Aguirre's size 13 shoe and much more.

Dennis and Karen Schaefer are chairing the live auction, and Jon and Lisa Bye are handling the silent auction. Assisting the chairmen and chairwomen are Headmaster Tom Herbst and his wife Ginny, among other parents.



Postponed concert: Verne and Judy Istock console Placido Domingo when he canceled his Palace show for the Michigan Opera Theatre because of a head cold.



Mother and daughter: Barbara Tucker (left) hosts tea at the Townsend Hotel for her daughter Pamela.



Set constructors: Nancy Brassert and director Eddie Guest work on the set for "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."



Student liaison: Carol Stake and Bruce Winn at the Art Antique Auction at CAA.

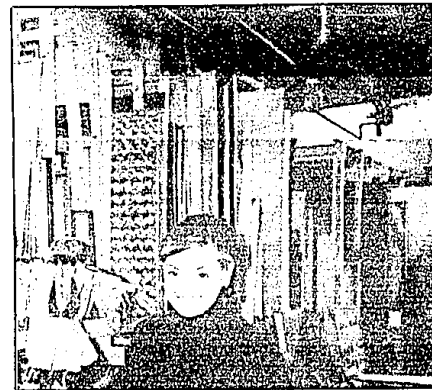
Jeweled cross: Jean Schuler displays a cross made with aquamarine plastic jewels.



Art for sale: Jean Schuler, who serves as processing chairwoman, holds a puppet.



Auction prices: Peggy Perry and Marie Harness work on pricing donations for Cranbrook Art Antique auction.



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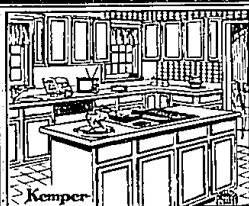
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