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Continued from previous page (313) 983-6611 BARNSTORMER

8 p.m. through Sunday, Dec. 29, and Tuesday, Dec. 31-Sunday, Jan. 5, Diamondback Saloon, 49345 S. I-94 Service Dr., Belleville, (country) (313) 502-7809

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3-Saturday, Jan. 4, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak, Free, 21 and older, (blues) (810) 543-0917 BLACK FUZZ

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9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3: Cross Street
Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilantl.
Cover charge, 18 and older, (psychodelle rock) (31.3) 4855050
BLUE-EYED SOUL

9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Rivertown
Saloon, 1977 E. Woodbridge, Detroit.

Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 587-

6020 BLUE HAWAHANS 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. (blues) (810) 644-

BLUE ROSE

BLUE ROSE 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Oxbow Lake Roadhouse, 9451 Elizabeth Lake Road, White Lake. Cover charge, 21 and older; 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, elder; 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, Mempais Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, Free, 21 and older; 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Stan's Ougout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills, Cover charge, 21 and older, (blues) (810) 988-5154/(810) 855-3110/(810) 412-1040

BOTFLY With Uncle Booby and Affliction, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac, \$6 in advance, 18 and older. (funky alternative rock) (810) 335-8100

(810) 33-8-100
BRILLIANT
With Hot Moon, 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, Lill's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck, Cover charge, 21 and older, (alternapop) (313) 875-6555
BUGS BEDDOW BAND

BUGS BEDDOW BAND 9 pm. Friday, Dec. 27, Union Loke Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Townships 8 pm. Friday, Jan. 3-Saturday, Jan. 4, Old Woodward Grill, 555 Woodward Ave, Birmingson, Cover charge, 21 and older, (blues) (10), 360-7450/(810) 642-9400 BUSTER'S BILUE BAND 10 pm. Friday, Jan. 3, Coyota Club, 1 N. Saginow, Pantice. Cover charge, 21 and older, (blues) (130) 333-HOWL SCOTT CAMPBELL BROUP WITH DAIL DAIL BROUP WITH DAIL BROUP WITH DAIL DAIL BROUP

With Dan Lamer, Dennis-Thompson, and Walkin' Talkin' Toxins, 10 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Mirago, 4009 Fort St. (between Goddard and Moran), Lincoln Park, Free. 21 and older. (313) 383-

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9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, Long Branch, 22138 Goddord Road, Toylor, Cover charge, 21 and older; 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Detroiter par, 655 Beaublen, Detroit, (blues) (313) 291-7372/(313) 963-3355

Detroit, (blues) (313) 291-7372/(313) 995-3355 CLUTCH With Shine, Specibiol and Tree, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Majestic Theatra, 4140 Woodward Ave., Dottoit, 520 in odvance. 18 and often, (hard alternative rock) (313) 83-8700 SAL D'AGNILLO 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Fat Willy's. 19170 Farmington Road (north of Seven Mile Rodo), Livonia, Free, 21 and older, (acoustic) (810) 615-1330 PRISCILLA EDERLE 10 p.m. Tursday, Jan. 2, Coyete Club, 1 N. Saglinaw, Pontiloc. Cover charge. 18 and older, (singer/songwirter) (810) 333-HOWL

332-HOWL EKOOSTIK HOOKAH

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PETE "BIG DOG" FETTERS
10 pm. Thursday, Jan. 2, Ubrary Pub,
42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and
older. (blues) (810) 349-9110
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8 pm. Sundry, Dec. 29, The Air, 316
S. Main St., Ann Atbox, \$17,50. (rocke-billy) (313) 761-1451
QQ AND THE COSMIK RAYZ
With Scott Morgon and Terraphones,
9:30 pm. Saturday, Dec. 28. Blind Pig.
20-208 S. Fiest St., Ann Atbox, 45. 19
and oldor. (variety) (313) 996-8555
GRIZZIY PEACH
10 pm. Fildry, Dec. 27. Cross Street
Station, 513 W. Cross St., "posilanti,
Cover charge. 19 and oldor, (piternative
cok) (313) 485-5050
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10 pm. Thursday, Dec. 26, Cross

10 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge, 19 and older. (funk) (313) 485-5050 HARVENGERS

HARVENGERS
With Hope Demons, 9 p.m. Thursday,
Dec, 26, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal
Oak, Cover charge, 21 and older, (after
native rock) (810) 599-3344
HOWLING DIABLOS

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9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, Bear's Den,
2972 Coolidge Highway, Berkley, Free.
21 and older; 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31,
Fith Avenue Billierds, 215 W. Fith
Ave., Royal Dak. Cover charge, 21 and
older, (blues/funk) (810) 5452246/(810) 542-992. HOWLIN' MERCY

9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn, Cover

charge, 21 and older, (blues) (313) 581-3650

IMMATURE ' IMMATURE
With Ghost Town DJs and Mista, 4 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 29, Fox Theatre, 2211
Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$26 in
odvance, All ages, (R&B/rap) (810)
423-4518

433-1515 NIKKI JAMES AND THE

NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS

9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, and Tuesday, Dec. 31, Rinlos' Pub, 6211 Chase, Decatorn. 32; 55 for performence, or 225 dinner show pockage on New Year's Evo. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-1728

ROBERT JONES

8-10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Borders
Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Luke Road, Formington Hills. Free, All ages. (blues) (810) 737-0110

CHAKA KHAN

(blues) (810) 73 CHAKA KHAN

CHAKA KHAN
With Ohio Playors, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec.
31, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave.,
Detroit, 535, All ages.
(R&B/funk/soul) (313) 983-6611 B.B. KING

B.B. XING
With Bobby "Blue" Bland and Little
Milton, B.p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Fox
Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ava., Detroit,
\$35 and \$27.50 in odvance. All ages.
(blues) (810) 433-1515
JAN KRIST

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JAN KRIST
As part of New Year's Eve concert (810 p.m.) and dinner (8:30 p.m.),
Tuesday, Dec. 31, The Raven Gallery
and Acoustic Cafe, 146 ft & Genter S1,
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LIGUID

10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (810) 349-9110 THE LOOK

9 p.m. Fildey, Dec. 27-Saturdey, Dec. 28, and Tuesday, Dec. 31, Bonnie Brook, 19990 Shiewassee, Detroit. On New Year's Eve, \$40 Includes dinnor, drinks and late-night buffet. (313) 534-

IAN MCKNIGHT With Eric Benet, 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 30, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$27.50 in advance. All ages. (R&B) (810) 433-1414 JIM MCCARTY AND MYSTERY

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MILK AND CHEESE
9 p.m. Thursdoy, Jan. 2, Cross Street
Station, 6.11 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti,
Cover charge, 18 and older, (rock)
(313) 485-5550

THE MISSION THE MISSION 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27-Saturdey, Dec. 28, Sisko's on the Boulovard, 5855 Monroe (at Van Born), Taylor, Cover charge, 21 and older, (blues) (313)

MONDO MOD MONDO MUDI With Lucky Haskins, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (rockabilly) (313) 996-8555 MOONPIE FONTANA

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9 p.m. Tuesdry, Dec. 31, Memphis
Smoke, 6480 proteind Lake Read, West
Bloomheld. Cover charge. 21 and older.
(blues) (810) 655-3110
MOTOR CITY OUTLAWS
9 p.m. Tuesdry, Dec. 31, Remada Inn
and Suites, 8270 Wickham Read,
Romulus. 315 includes live entertainment, party favors, hors d'oeuvres, and
champagne toest, 21 and older, (rock)
(313) 729-9300
MUDPUPPY

(313) 729-6300
MUDPUPPY
9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Sisko's on the
Soulevard, S555 Monroe Boulevard,
Detroit, Cover charge, 21, and older,
(blues) (313) 378-3340
BOBBIE MURRAY BARD
Thursday, Dec. 26, Memphis Sinoke,
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and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills, 345,
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WHIPLASH BASH

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With Alice Cooper, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec.
31, Joe Louis Arena, 600 Civic Center,
Detroit, 827.50 in Advance, All ages,
(rock) (313) 596-9287
ROBERT PENN
9 p.m. Fildry, Dec. 27-Saturday, Dec.
28, and Friday, J

4800
"POUND FEST"
With Elephant Eor and Sho's So Hugo, 9
p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, Magic Bog,



Coming home: After touring Europe with Kiss, East Lansing's The Verve Pipe returns home to play Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac, on Sunday, Dec. 29. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. for the all ages show. Tickets are \$13 in advance at all Ticketmaster outlets, includare \$15 in advance at an Itexentusier values, includ-ing Hudson's, Harmony House, and Blockbuster Music. For more information, call (810) 333-2362 or (810) 645-6666.

22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndalo. \$5, 18 and older, (alternative rock) (810) 484-3030 PROJECT TRANSISTOR BENEFIT FOR FREE SPEECH With Fregg, Walk on Water, Slot and I've Horse Johnson, at St. Andrew's Hall, and Rocket 455, Morsel, Ebeling Mushas and Grevillor at the Shotler

Hall, and Rocket 455, Morsel, Ebeling Hughas and Groyling at the Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, 85 in advance. 18 and older, clieranteire rock) (313) 961-MELT RIGHTEOUS WILLY B p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, The Rayen Gallery and Acoustic Cafe, 145 N. Center St., Northwillo. Cover charge. All ages. (810) 349-9421 (roots rock).

charge, All ages, to-y, (1001 lock) SHAWN RILEY 9 p.m.1 a.m. Fiday, Dec. 27, and 9:30 p.m.1:30 p.m. Fiday, Dec. 28, Fat willy's, 9170 farmingten Road (north of Seven Mile Road), Livonia, (acoustic rock) (810) 615-1330 R

961-5451 SHIKSA GODDESS SHIKEA GODDESS

8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, 7th House, 7
N. Saginaw, Pontlec. \$10 for 8 p.m.
champagne reception; \$5 for 9 p.m.
show only. ("Avant-Jowish torch ensemble") (810) 3358100

SISTER SOLEIL

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Featuring Stella Katsoudas on vocals, 7
p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, Industry, 15 5.
Saginaw, Pontiloc, 35, 18 and cidor,
(techno pop) (810) 334-1999
SKOLARS

Celebrate release of CO with party and

Bourgeois Fifth and Social Scare, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, 5t. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$3 on sale only at 5t. Andrew's Hall and the Beat Hotel Records, 3185 W. 12 Mile

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SPONGE
With Howling Diablos and Charm Farm,
7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 30, St. Andrew's
Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, \$15 in
odvance, All ages; With Big Block and
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p.m. Fiddy, Doc. 27, Memphls
Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West
Bloomfield, Free, 21 and older, (blues)
(810) 885-3110

THE SULCIDE MACHINES
With Spit and Suburban Delinquents,
7:30 p.m. Fiddy, Dec. 27, With Earth
Mover and Gutter Purus, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 28, and speeld guests,
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, Magic Stick
in the Mejestic complox, 4140
Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance.
All ages. (540) (313) 833-3970. All ages. (ska) (313) 833-9700 SUNGLASSES AFTER DARK Celebrates release of new CD
*Sunglasses After Dark: Before the
Lights,* 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Born

Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. Free, (313) 271-4441 SWISHBELLY With Howling Diablos, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E, Huron, Pontiac, \$7 in advance, 18 and older.

(alternative rock/funk) (810) 333-2362 KOKO TAYLOR

KONO TAYLOR

8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Magic Bag.
22920 Woodward tvo., Ferndale. 335
Includes champagne loast at midnigs and complimentary hors of coeures. 18
and colder. (blues) (810) 544-3030
TEXAS FLOOD

9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27-Seturday, Dec. 28, and Tuesday, Dec. 31, The End.
Zone, 5157 Telegraph Rood, Dearborn. 21 and older, (rick) (313) 291-8850
TEXAS IS THE REASON
With Promise Ring and Needlepoint

TEAR IS THE REASON
With Promise Ring and Needlopoint
Book, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, The
Shetter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E.
Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All
ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961MELT

3 BLUE TEARDROPS

With the Swinging Demons and The Flying Saucers, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Magic Silke In the Majssile complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 315 includes bowling, cover charge for bands, light hors d'oeuvres, and champagne at midingith, 18 and older, (rock-abilly) (313) 833-POOL TOP KAT

OP KAT 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older, (funk) (313) 998-2748 TRASH BRATS With Keele Y

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With Kevin K, Band and Bomb Pops, 9
p.m. Tuesdey, Dec. 31, Lili's, 2930
Jacob, Homitemek. Cover charge, 21
and older. (punk pop) (313) 875-6555
A TRIBE CALLED QUEST
With Da Bush Babees, 8 p.m. Monday,
Dec. 30, Clutch Caggs, 6, 56. Huron,
Pontlec. \$23 in odvance. All ages, (hip-hop) (810) 333-2302
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9 p.m. Filday, Dec. 27, Old Woodward

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Gill, 555 S. Woodward Ave.
Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and
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Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Deabtorn.
Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m.
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(810) 335-8100
WHIPTAIL

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10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, Cross
Street Station, 511 W. Cross St.,
Typsilanti, Cover charge, 19 and older,
(punk) (313) 485-5050

ZOOM
With Impact 7, 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak, Free, 21 and older, (blues) (810) 543-0917

CLUB NIGHTS/NEW

AUNIN'S
Holdey Jam seasion, 9 p.m. Saturday,
Doc. 28; New Yorn's Eve party with
Family Funktion, 9 p.m. Tunsday, Dec.
J. et the cube, 5756 Cass Ave.
Detroit. 18 and older, (313) 832 2355.
BIRD OF PARAISSE
Acid jazz night with DJ Bubblicious, 9,
m.1 a.m. Tunsdays at the club, 207
S. Ashley, Ann Arbor, 53, 21 and older,
1313 662 2930
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FOURTH STREET

midnight ball drop, inser light show and finewalks, (810, 334-1999 FOURTH STREET New Year's Eve party, 8 p.m.-4 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, Royal Dak Music Theatre, Royal Oak, 353 Includes dinner buffet, champagne, party favors, hat ond horns, (810) 645-6666 THE MALESTIC COMPLEX "Psychocolic Sunday" with funk music, 9 p.m. Sundays in the Magic Stick. Or sundays in the Magic Stick. Cover charge: "Figure Four Tog Team Dis, acid juzz and early discovered to the sunday in the Magic Stick. Cover charge: "Figure Four Tog Team Dis, acid juzz and early discovered to uneawith D1s Bubblicious, Scott Zechning, Parls and Bono, 11 p.m. 4 am. Thursday in the Magic Stick. Cover charge: "Reckability Bowl" with D1 Det Fridings in the Garden Bowl. Free: Rock-theyi spins a literality, favor and Avo., Detroit, 18 and older, (313) 833-POOL/(313) 833-POOL/(313) 833-POOL/(313) 833-POOL MOTOR LOUNGE "Blue Mondays" with Johnny "Yard Dog" Jones and Bobby Murray with a special guest blues artist wordly; Darren Reveil hosts "Big Sonic Howow," I usefally a county fixing and Perry Levotane; Band leader Dan Hoddod and "The Motor Powertrain" Thursdays with live juzz; Friddys and Pladdad and "The Motor Powertrain" Thursdays with live juzz; Friddys and Pladdad and "The Motor Powertrain" Thursdays with live juzz; Friddys and Pladday 333 3515 Coniff, Hamtramck, (313) 363-000 ST. ANDREW'S HALL/THE SHELTER

ST. ANDREW'S HALL/THE SHELTER
10 p.m. Wednesdays "The Incinerator," alternative rock in the Shelter, 50, 18 and older; 10 p.m. Firdays "Three Floors of Fun" with hip-hop, alternative rock, and technic/house, \$3 before 11 p.m., \$5 after, 18 and older; 10 p.m. \$5 atter, 18 and older; 10 p.m. \$5 atterdays "Soul Picnic" with funk, hip-hop and soul in the Shelter, \$3, 18 and older, 4315. Courtess Detroit, (313)

Saturays - Sou Picinic - With Holm, 18, 18 and older, 43.1 E. Congress, Detroit. (31.3) 961-MEII - Prophecy, * teclino/alternative dance, night, 9 p.m. Fridays; atternative dance, free before 10:30 p.m. Saturdays; New Year's Eve Party feeting "Best of '96 Video Bash, '9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, 55, 21 and older; 'Nolf Leather Presenta Sin, * a night of fetish and fantasy with demonic musto by Asshma Decr. 9 p.m. Wednesdays, free before 10:30 p.m., 1815 N. Moin St., Royal Ods., Over charge, 21 and older, (810) 589-3344

Family events celebrate arts First Night hotline: (810) 646-

Birmingham and Pontiac are planning New Year's Eve cele-brations that put the emphasis

on family fun. First Night, an alcohol-free gathering, beginning 5 p.m. Dec. 31 in downtown Birming-ham, encourages party-goers to get "intoxicated on the arts, intend of ligure."

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Time: 5 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
Place: Downtown Birmingham, venues include: The Community House, Baldwin Public Library, First Baptist Church and St.

First Baptist Church and St. James Episcopal Church. Cost: Badges cost \$7 per per-son for those age 6 and above, \$1 for children 2 to 5 years old, children under 2 are free. Advance button sales will be made at 19 area Kroger loca-tions, the Birmingham/Bloom-lield Chamber of Commerce, The Community House and MBD Bank branches in the Birmingham/Bloomfield area.

For those seeking an alterna-For those seeking an alterna-tive to Birmingham's First Night, there is the third annual Times Square Two in Pontiac. Times Square Two is an alco-hol-free celebration at the Phoenix Center in downtown Pontiac. The event, which fea-

9734 or fax (810) 646-9799. First Night officials warn that most callers will get an answer-ing machine and should leave their name, phone number, address and a fax number should something need to be Parking: Free in city structures from 4 p.m. to 12:30 am.

Things to know about Times Square Two:
Date: Dec. 3:
Times 10 p.m. to past midnight
Place: Phoenix Center, Saginaw street in downtown Pontiac
Cost: Free
Parking: Public lots are free
Times Square Two hotiline:
(810) 857-5603

tures a laser show, fireworks display and dancing in the streets, builds the crowd up for the main event – a 2,200-light climbing ball, fashioned after the one used in Time's Square, New York City, Festivities begin 10 p.m.



Featured performer: Pianist/recording artist, David Syme, will be performing reatured periodicity and its recording artist, but as your, out to epopointing with the Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra on Dec. 29. Call (810) 645-2276 for tickets. He will also be performing at First Night 5-5:30 p.m. and 7-7:30 p.m. Dec. 31 in the Community House Ballroom.