

Show serves up lovin' spoonful of rock 'n' roll music



MARY LINDA CALDERONE

Rock with Johnny G. on Wednesdays at 9:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 2 p.m. as he presents "Rock Soup" on INCO-TV-12. Johnny is jamming with local talent from jazz, gospel, heavy metal and funk to rockabilly bands.

"Community TV is a great avenue for me to express my love of music and my interest in the Telecommunications field," says Johnny (a.k.a. John Gentella, producer of "Rock Soup"). John has a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University with a major in Communications and a minor in Telecommunications and Film. From an early age, he loved lis-

tening to all kinds of music and he plays the drums.

Johnny G. has showcased Rev. Right-time and the 1st. Cousins of Funk, famous for their "Do U Wanna" song on CD. Rev. Right-time won "best variety band" at the 11th annual Bay City Music Awards.

The Howling Diablos appeared on "Rock Soup" too. Johnny went on location and interviewed the band at the Bear's Den. The program contains music videos they made. Their first full-length CD entitled "Howling Diablos Live" quickly sold out three pressings and won them "Outstanding Rock/Pop Album" at the 1997 Detroit Music Awards where the "Diablos" were named Outstanding Rock/Pop Band.

On another show, a studio audience was there to

cheer Kim French and Az-U-R Band on. With laser lights and other special effects, the band rocks with six original songs. Johnny G. interviews Kim on her new CD called "Kim French Az-U-R," her musical influences and the meaning of Az-U-R.

That's not all. "Kung-Fu Diesel" entertains with alternative tinged Rock and Roll and Jazz and Gospel Singer Duane Parham excites the crowd with his new CD, "Soul Serenade." I could go on and on. In the last year, Johnny G. has produced more than 30 shows!

So tune in and jam with Johnny as he promotes great local talent. And, by the way, if you're a musician or part of a band and you'd like to be featured on "Rock Soup," give me a call at (248) 473-7266, extension 13 and I'll put you in touch with Johnny. He's always looking for new talent. You,

too, can become a star in your own neighborhood.

For those of you camera shy people out there, what about participating behind the scenes? We offer free TV production workshops.

The only requirements are that you either reside, work, own property or a business, attend an educational institution or are affiliated with an organization in Farmington, Farmington Hills or Novi. Call the number above today and sign up for an orientation session from 7-9 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 28, at the SWOCC office.

Mary Linda Calderone is the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission. The next CAC meeting is at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at SWOCC. The next SWOCC meeting is at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 21, at Novi City Hall.

OBITUARIES

JACQUELINE P. GROHMAN
Jacqueline Patrice Grohman, 42, of Farmington died Jan. 18 at Epitaford General Hospital. She is survived by mother, Jacqueline; sister, Connie Ann (John) Knauss; brothers, Emil (Paula), David (Nancy), Richard (Elaine), Gary (Susan) and Michael (Leslie); and 10 nieces and nephews.

Visitation is from 2-9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Jan. 22-23, at Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington with the Rev. Douglas Bignall officiating.

Memorial contributions may be sent to St. Patrick Senior Center or the Society of St. Vincent DePaul.

GERTRUDE BELLE AUTEN
Gertrude Belle Auten, 97, of Farmington Hills died Jan. 18 at Middlebelt Nursing Home.

She is survived by sons, Robert (Jane) and William (Annie); daughter, Doris Evans; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Jan. 19 at Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington with the Rev. Willet Herrington officiating.

JACKSON "JACK" SAGER
Jackson "Jack" Sager, 76, of Farmington Hills died Jan. 17 at Beaumont Hospital in Royal

Oak.
Mr. Sager received his bachelor of arts degree from Wayne State University and worked as a regional vice president for a pharmaceutical company. He was a World War II Navy veteran and a former member of Rotary Highland Park.

He is survived by son, Steven (Mary) of Illinois; daughter, Linda Odell of Waterloo; sister, Lois (Bob) Roberts; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Jan. 21 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington with the Rev. Leslie Harding officiating.

JOHN "JACK" SUTHERLAND
John A. "Jack" Sutherland, 68, of Farmington died Jan. 18 at Providence Hospital.

He is survived by wife, Welma; sons, Robert, James and Andrew (Karen); daughters, Susan (Tony) Iacobucci and Peggy; sisters, Mary Alfes and Johannah Houston; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Jan. 21 at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington with the Rev. Loren O'Den officiating. Arrangements made by Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Heart Association of Michigan.

HENRY F. DUDA
Henry F. Duda, 81, of Farmington Hills died Jan. 17 at

Menorah House Nursing Home. Born in Montague, Mass., Mr. Duda was a World War II Army veteran.

He is survived by wife, Dolphine; sons, Steven (Lynda) and David (Chris); brother, Bruno; sister, Julia Dorset; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Jan. 20 at St. Alexander Church in Farmington Hills with the Rev. James Wright officiating. Arrangements made by Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington Hills.

DR. GURKIRAT SINGH
Dr. Gurkirat Singh, 61, of Farmington Hills died Jan. 13 in Farmington Hills.

Born in India, Dr. Singh spent time doing farming and running a free homeopathic clinic. He was married in 1932.

Dr. Singh came to the U.S. in 1977 and was a homeopath health care consultant to many doctors.

He is survived by wife, Neena; son, Dr. Yukt Amend (Lucia) Singh of Saline; daughters, Dolly Ahluwalia, Monica Suri and Binu Gill; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Jan. 17 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Gurnanank Sikh Temple, 42290 Five Mile, Plymouth 48170.

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