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THEATER

AVENUE PRODUCTIONS/ATTIC THEATRE
"A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline," featuring Susan Arnold as "Patsy" singing 20 of Cline's most memorable songs with a five-piece band, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, Feb. 5-7, and 12-14, and 2 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 1, 8 and 15. 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Group rates available. $22 Thursdays and Sundays, $27 Fridays and Saturdays. Colangelo's Sunday brunch package $33; Baci Abbracci dinner packages $35 and $39. (248) 335-8101

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE
"Fences," through Sunday, March 22, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. $15. (313) 868-1347

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE/ PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY
"Thunder Knocking on the Door," a story about a young blind woman trying to win back her sight in a blues guitar-dual with an unearthly musician, and features songs by Grammy Award-winning blues artist Keb Mo played by a live onstage blues band. 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29 ($22), 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30 ($26.50), 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 ($22), 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 ($32), and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 ($22). Meadow Brook Theatre, Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. (248) 377-3300

PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY
"Julie Johnson," Wendy Hammond's poignant story of an uneducated young mother who seeks a better life for herself and her two children. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays through Saturday, March 14. $15 preview Thursday, Jan. 29, $30 opening night Friday, Jan. 30, and $20 Wednesdays-Thursdays and Sundays, $25 Fridays-Saturdays. (734) 475-7902, group sales 475-5817

WALK AND SQUAWK
"Inhlanzi Ishelwe Amanzi – As Fish Out of Water," a multilingual tapestry of diverse South African characters, images, observations and personal stories. 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1. Performance Network, Ann Arbor, and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, and Saturday, Feb. 7, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8. Wayne State University's General Lectures Building, corner of Anthony Wayne Drive and Warren Avenue, Detroit. $12 and $15. (734) 668-0407

COLLEGE

WSU BONSTELLE THEATRE
"Flyin' West," the story of four African-American female pioneers who settled in the all-black town of Nicodemus, Kansas, by Pearl Cleage. 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 and Feb. 6-8, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater, 3424 Woodward Ave., on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2960

WSU HILBERRY
"Saturday, Sunday, Monday," by Eduardo de Filippo, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Jan. 29-30; "Of Mice and Men," by John Steinbeck, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. $10-17. (313) 577-2972

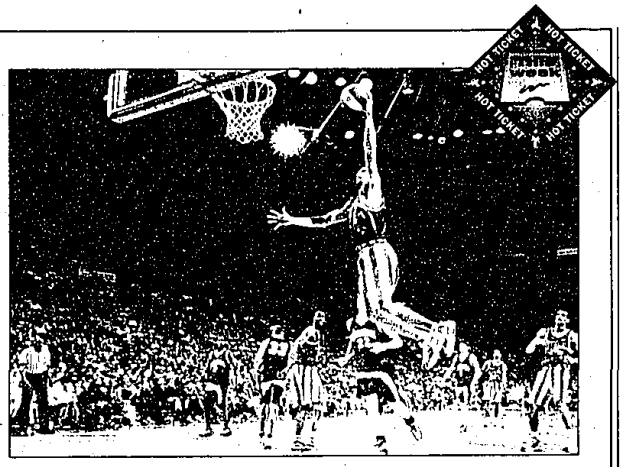
WSU STUDIO THEATRE
"Three One Acts" including "The Jewish Wife," "The Informer," and "The Elephant Calf," by Bertolt Brecht, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater below the Hilberry, 4743 Cass Ave., on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

COMMUNITY THEATER

ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE
"You Can't Take It With You," by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor. (734) 971-AACT

HEARTLANDE THEATRE COMPANY
Birmingham-based federally tax-exempt professional arts organization, performs a selection of original 10-minute plays between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield Township. As part of the bookstore's book fair fund-raising program to support non-profit community organizations, Heartlande will receive a portion of the profits from books purchased at designated registers in the West Bloomfield store on this one day between 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds will be used to support Heartlande's festival of original plays, "Playscape '98." (248) 433-1233

ST. DUNSTAN'S THEATRE OF CRANBROOK
"Sylvia," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, West Bloomfield. $12, $10 seniors and students. (248) 644-0527



Family show: *The World Famous Harlem Globetrotters visit the Palace of Auburn Hills for an all-star performance 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1. Tickets $18, $15, $13 and $11.50, Superfan seating also available. Call (248) 645-6666. Children 12 and under and seniors 60 and over receive $2 off $18, $15, $13, and $11.50 tickets. Group discounts also available, and members of the Catholic Youth Organization receive $4.50 off $11.50 tickets by calling (248) 377-0100. Special VIP packages include courtside ticket and a commemorative Globetrotter jersey, call (248) 377-0100 for details.*

DINNER THEATER

GENITTI'S HOLE IN THE WALL
"No Refunds, No Exchanges," through the end of January: The Gaylords, Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7 ($45), at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. Price includes seven-course meal of soup, bread, pasta, antipasto salad, baked chicken, Italian sausage, Italian steak, vegetables and dessert. (248) 349-0522

JACKSONN PRODUCTIONS DINNER THEATRE
"The Retirement Murders," an audience participation murder mystery comedy. 6:30 p.m. Saturdays through March 7, Fiorelli's Restaurant, 26125 E. Huron River Dr., Flat Rock. $28 in advance, $33 at the door, includes dinner, show, tax and tip. Non-smoking dinner theater. (734) 782-1431

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

CAPITOL THEATRE
"Schoolhouse Rock," the U.S. national touring children's show based on the Emmy-winning ABC television series, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 ($15, Canadian); "The Pied Piper of Hamelin," one-hour musical based on the children's fable, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5 ($8, $7 children, Canadian). In the theater's Pentastar Playhouse, 121 University Ave. West, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. (519) 253-8065 or capitol@mnsi.net or http://www.mnsi.net/~capitol

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
PuppetArt puppet theater performs "Close the Window– A Chelm Law," an adaptation of the I.B. Singer folk tale "The First Shlemiel," 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the center, 47 Williams St., Pontiac. $5, $3 children under age 8. (248) 333-7849

JET THEATRE
"Anne Frank and Me," by Cherie Bennett is a story of a contemporary girl studying Anne's diary in school, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 $10, $5 children; student performances with teacher guides and talk-backs with cast continues 10:30 a.m. Mondays-Fridays to Feb. 13 ($5), at the Millenium Theatre Center, Southfield. (248) 788-2900

PONTIAC THEATRE IV
"Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," adaptation by Tim Kelly, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Pontiac Northern High School. $7, $6 seniors/students. (248) 681-6215

WALLED LAKE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
The Performing Arts Program presents "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 5-7 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8 at the high school, Walled Lake. $8, $5 students/seniors, all seats reserved. (248) 960-8678

WILD SWAN THEATER
"Owl's Winter," a collection of stories for young children based on Arnold Lobel's "Owl at Home," 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Community House, 380 S. Bates St., Birmingham. $6. (248) 644-5832

SPECIAL EVENTS

"BEACH BASH 1998"
Camp Ticonderoga restaurant's annual event featuring reggae music by O.C. Roberts and the Samaritans, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, and La Trinity (formerly known as Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band), 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, an oyster bar, hairbraiding, limbo contests, tropical food such as jerk buffalo balls, blackened catfish, Jamaican jerk chicken, rum runners and pina coladas, and tattoos in the tattoo hut, at the restaurant, 5725 Rochester Road (south of Square Lake Road), Troy. Free. 21 and older. Weekend also includes polar golf tournament, 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7. $42 includes shotgun scramble tournament, a polar party pack, a Jamaican lunch, an imported cigar and a chance to win prizes. (248) 828-BUCK

DETROIT BOAT SHOW
"Charity Launch," 6-9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Cobo Center, Detroit. $150 benefactors, $100 patrons, benefits the Lighthouse of Oakland County, Vista Maria in Wayne County, and Turning Point in Macomb County; The 40th annual Detroit Boat Show featuring more than 300 boat dealers and marine businesses, 1,000 boats of all types and sizes, more than 100 manufacturers, and a Squalius Live Shark Show with a 9,000 gallon saltwater tank, divers with huge circling sharks and an antique and classic boat exhibit , Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 8, Cobo Center, Detroit. Noon to 10 p.m. Saturdays and Wednesday, noon to 8 p.m. Sundays, 3-10 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. $8 adults, free for children ages 12 and younger with an adult, free for seniors ages 62 and older on Monday. (800) 932-2628 (benefit)/(800) 224-3008 (show)

SPRING HOME AND GARDEN SHOW
Featuring 300 exhibitors, "Garlic Guru" Tom Reed, WXYT personalities, demonstrations on decorating, home repair, remodeling, and a daily treasure chest contest, 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Jan. 29-30, and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 1, Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Dr. (I-96 and Novi Road), Novi. $6 adults, $4 seniors, $3 children 6-12, and free for children ages 6 and younger. $9 family tickets for two adults and accompanying children available at Farmer Jack. (248) 737-4478

"VISIONS TO REMEMBER"
Antiques show and sale, preview reception Friday, Feb. 6, show and sale 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House activities center, 1100 Lake Shore Dr., Grosse Pointe Shores. $6 for show, benefits Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. (313) 824-4710

BENEFITS

"GET THE RED OUT"
A black-tie bash with dinner, dancing to Mel Ball and the Colours, an interactive sneak peek at how to design the vehicle of the future, and an exhibition of "Out of the Workplace" fine art produced by artists from the GM Design Center, 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Feb. 14, GM Truck Product Center, 2000 Centerpoint Parkway, Pontiac. $225 ($185 is tax deductible), benefits the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association. Reservations must be made by Saturday, Jan. 31. (248) 644-0866

"HEARTS FOR THE ARTS '98"
A benefit dinner and celebrity art auction presented by the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra and the Heart Care Program of the University of Michigan Health System, 6:30 p.m. champagne reception and silent auction, 7:30 p.m. dinner Friday, Feb. 13, Crowne Plaza, Ann Arbor. Last year's auction included contributions by artists and celebrities such as Chris Roberts Antieau, John Travolta, Lloyd Carr, Steve Yzerman, George Bush, Matthew Hoffmann, Billy Joel and Dr. Michael DeBakey. $75. (734) 994-4801

FAMILY EVENTS

BIRMINGHAM WINTERFEST
Featuring an ice festival in Shain Park, and sales throughout downtown Birmingham, Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 5-8. (248) 433-3550

HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS
5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. $11.50, $13, $15, and $18. Superfan seating available. Children ages 12 and younger, and seniors ages 60 and older receive $2 off. Groups of 15 or more receive $3. Members of the Catholic Youth Organization receive $4.50 off $11.50 tickets only. Special VIP seating packages including a courtside ticket and a commemorative Globetrotter jersey are available. (248) 377-0100

JCC'S "FAMILY ARTS MAGICAL SUNDAYS WITH THE KIDS"
"Two Tales of Cinderella," with storyteller Corinne Stavish introducing the audience to Jewish fairy tales through the story of "Shmutzie," the Jewish Cinderella, and the Russian-American puppet troupe Puppet Art performing the original "Cinderella" story with marionettes and a classical music accompaniment, 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Jewish Community Center's Jimmy Prentis Morris Building, 15110 W. 10 Mile Road, Oak Park. $4 adult members, $5 non-members, $3 child members, $4 child non-members. (248) 967-4030

SESAME STREET LIVE'S "1-2-3 IMAGINE"
11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 1, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $9-$15, with a limited number of VIP seats. (248) 433-1515

On Stage: *Janie Castagna stars as Sylvia and Keith Lepard as Greg in the St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook production of "Sylvia" a romantic comedy by A.R. Gurney. Performances 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 30-31, at the playhouse, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets $12, senior and student tickets $10, call (248) 644-5027.*

CLASSICAL

AMERICAN STRING QUARTET
"Beethoven the Contemporary," 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. $16-$30. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With conductor Neeme Jarvi and soprano Kathleen Battle performing "Symphony No. 48 in C Major" by Haydn, and "Daphnis and Chloe, Suite No. 2" by Ravel, 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 576-5111

URSULA OPPENS
Pianist performs "Beethoven the Contemporary," 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. $16-$30. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

OWAIN PHYFE AND THE NEW WORLD RENAISSANCE BAND
As part of the Rochester Conservatory of Music's program at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University campus, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. $10, $8 students and seniors. (248) 650-3366

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Performs a chamber concert 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, with harpists Allegra Lilly and Christina Szelag, and Youth Artist Competition winners Sarah Hamilton (flute) and Ross Huff (trumpet), in the Plymouth Canton High School Little Theatre, 8415 Canton Center Road (at Joy Road), Canton. $8, $6 seniors/college students, $5 children K-12. (734) 451-2112

ST. PAUL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
With pianist Emanuel Ax, conductor Hugh Wolff, and the Dale Warland Singers, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. $16-$45. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

DALE WARLAND SINGERS
8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Ann Arbor. $20. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

WINDSOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"No Frills Friday," 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30; "Classics III: Rachmaninov Third Piano Concerto," 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Chrysler Theatre in the Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. West, Windsor. (800) 387-9181 or http://www.city.windsor.on.ca/cleary

POPS

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With conductor Erich Kunzel, special guest Mercedes Ellington, vocalists Monica Cantrell and Sam Gibson, and dancers Mark Esposito, Lyn Wiltshire-Beer Elam, Rory Johnson and Jennifer Ledner, as part of "Sophisticated Ellington: Symphony and Swing," 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $17-$60. (313) 576-5111

"FESTIVAL OF BANDS"
Hosted by Carl Grapentine of WNIB radio Chicago and the "voice" of the University of Michigan Band, featuring performances by the Schoolcraft College Community Wind Ensemble (11 a.m.), Plymouth Community Band (noon), Schoolcraft College Community Wind Ensemble and Plymouth Community and Novi Concert bands (1 p.m.), Novi Concert Band (2 p.m.), South Oakland Community Band (4:30 p.m.), Birmingham Community Band (5:30 p.m.), South Oakland Community, Birmingham Community and Farmington Community bands (6:30 p.m.), and Farmington Community Band (7:30 p.m.) Saturday, Jan. 31, Twelve Oaks Mall, I-96 and Novi Road, Novi. Free. All ages. (734) 261-2202/(248) 489-3412 or http://www.mystery.com/fcb

AUDITIONS

"SESAME STREET LIVE"
Holds auditions for male character performers, 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and full-body costume performers, 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Full-body costume characters (5'0" to 6'2") must be versatile in dance styles, with strong technical ability in jazz and musical theater. Gymnastics, tap and roller skating are a plus. Male live character auditioners should be prepared to perform a ballad and up tempo selections (a capella or instrumental tape). Show monologues and a dance combination will be part of the audition process. All auditioners should bring a picture and resume and wear or bring dance attire. Aerobic shoes can also be worn. Auditioners must be 18 and older. (612) 375-9670, ext. 704

STAGECRAFTERS
Auditions for "Lend Me a Tenor," by Ken Ludwig, 6:30 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Feb. 1-2, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette Ave., Royal Oak. Roles available for four men and four women. Those auditioning for the roles of Max, Tito and the Bellhop must "sing reasonably well" and should be prepared to sing a portion of "Dio, che nell'alma infondere" from Verdi's "Don Carlo" or the famous aria from "The Barber of Seville." An audiotape is on reserve at the lower level of the Royal Oak Public Library. Showdates are weekends March 20-29 and April 3-5. Script cut is available for a three-day check out from the theater office. (248) 541-4832

WYANDOTTE COMMUNITY THEATRE
Auditions for everyone from age 8 to senior citizens for "Camelot," 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Copeland Center, Fourth and Mulberry street (south of Northline), Wyandotte. Be prepared to sing one song from the show. For performances May 1-2, 8-9. (734) 479-0266/438-0126

CHORAL

RENAISSANCE VOICES
Performs "Requiem" by John Rutter, 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, North Congregational Church, 36520 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. $5. All ages. (313) 317-6566

JAZZ

DWIGHT ADAMS TRIO
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (trumpet/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

MARCUS BELGRAVE
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Oakland Grill, 32832 Woodward Ave. (south of 14 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Free, complimentary sushi. All ages. (248) 549-7700

SEAN BLACKMAN AND JOHN ARNOLD
8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Royal Oak Brewery, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 544-1141/(313) 861-8101

GARY BLUMER TRIO
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

SANDRA BOMAR TRIO
7-11 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

JAMES CARTER QUARTET
With Cyrus Chestnut Trio, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-3700

HENRY GIBSON TRIO
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

HEIDI HEPLER AND MICHELE RAMO
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River, Novi. (248) 305-7330

KIMMIE HORNE
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (jazz/pop/R&B) (248) 852-0550

LEROY JENKINS
9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen Road (south of Ford Road), Dearborn. $15. All ages. (jazz violinist/new music composer) (248) 548-9888/(810) 775-4770

JERICHO GUITAR TRIO
Three local guitarists performing jazz and pop arrangements, 8-10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Espresso Royale Caffe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-1838

GARY KOCHER/PAUL KELLER QUARTET
9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann

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