

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

New York Times columnist speaks at Jewish Federation fund-raiser



William Safire

William Safire, New York Times columnist and Pulitzer Prize winner, will speak on Monday, Nov. 11, at the Main Event 2002, a fund-raiser for the Jewish Federation of Washneten County.

Safire is expected to refer to the wave of violence sweeping the Middle East and the deteriorating economic conditions in Israel. In addition, Safire will talk about the formidable problems facing the U.S. including Iraq, terrorism and the economy.

Security for children and aid to victims of terror. On a local level, the Federation of Washneten County supports over a dozen programs and organizations here in Washneten County.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Tom Grace and Colleen Monroe will sign their works from 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at Read it Again Books, 39723 Grand River, west of Hogarty in the Pleasant Run Plaza, Nov.

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Web, looks at the lethal game of industrial espionage. The author also is an architect in private practice and lives with his family in Denver.

Celebrate Native American heritage

The Children's Museum in Detroit marks Native American Heritage Month in November during its monthly family day. Every second Saturday of the month the museum invites families to spend the day.

can Discover the Autumn Sky in the Planetarium with demonstrator, Virginia Rybinski. At noon, Kay Young, a descendant of the Eastern Band Cherokee, and Joe Smith, a descendant of the Blackfoot Nation, will bring to life the traditional creation stories, drumming, songs and dances of their ancestors.

painting in the storytelling tradition of the ancestors. Pre-registration is required for all programs and activities at (313) 873-8100. The new Children's Museum is located at 6194 Second Avenue, between Amsterdam and Burroughs. Look for "Silverboots" the auto bumper horse on the front lawn. The Museum is open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday and the second Saturday of the month, October through June. Admission to the Museum is free.

Win tickets for an 'Evening with Andrea Bocelli'

Come on, admit it...you really do love opera, especially when it's sung by the world's most romantic Italian tenor, Andrea Bocelli.

Just tell us in 50 words or less why you want to hear Bocelli sing. No operative scores to write, no recordings of you singing Italian love songs in the shower...just 50 words e-mailed, faxed or mailed.

The World Festival Symphony, conducted by Steven Mercurio, will accompany Bocelli, who has achieved unprecedented success in both the classical and pop venues. Soprano Maria Luigia Borsi will be the special guest soprano and Lidia Balch, the solo violinist.

WHERE CAN I FIND?

Through reader feedback, this interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate retail merchandise that's difficult to find. If you have a request or information about where a product is sold or service is available, call (248) 500-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. Please be patient about your requests and feedback; we receive an overwhelming number of phone calls. Also, please spell any uncommon items. If you don't see information about your request, we couldn't find it. Requests are published twice.

- Slippery Elm cough drops can be purchased at area health food stores or through the Vermont County store catalog (802) 362-8470; or through Puritan Food Vitamin Company (800) 645-0020 or on the Internet at www.puritan.com.

- A store that sells the video movie One Thousand and One Prince Balchs with Gregory Peck for Mrs. O. of Redford. - A store that sells a wine glass with a grape cluster on the stem that was sold at Jacobson's for Karen of Canton. - A store that sells Rubble Up pop (soda) made by Faygo for Bob. - A store that sells the electric Remington shaver seen in a spray can (labeled the shaver) for Jocelyn of Livonia. - Someone to repair an old antique (person) weight scale for M.R. of Redford. - A store that sells molasses candy that looks like peanuts for Janice. - A store that sells blue turkey wing tips by the pound for Mrs. Jones. - A store that sells the game Belling Tops for Barbara. - A store that sells Thorn Apple Valley smoked sausage for Dorothy.

Get to the Detroit Zoo, win a family pack of zoo tickets

Get to the Detroit Zoo by Sunday, Nov. 3 to see the Polar Palooza bears, and you could win a family pack of tickets to the zoo - two adults, two children tickets and free parking. Simply take a picture of your family by your favorite bear, and tell us why the bear was your favorite. Three winners will be chosen. Deadline for entry is Thursday, Nov. 7; winners will be notified by phone. Send, fax or

email your entries to: Cecily Kaleski, Assistant Managing Editor Features, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, e-mail kkaleski@oc.home.com.net or fax (248) 644-1314. Polar Palooza is a fund-raiser for the Detroit Zoo. Artists in the area were asked to paint the bears in a variety of themes. A race car driver, pirate and tourist bear are among the colorful works ringing the entrance of the Detroit Zoo. On Nov. 18 all of the bears will be auctioned off to raise funds for the zoo. The event takes place from 5:00-8:30 p.m. at Sangria in Royal Oak. For more information, call (248) 398-0900 or visit www.detroitzoo.org. The Detroit Zoo is at the intersection of Ten Mile and Woodward Avenues, just off I-696 in Royal Oak.

Grid of movie listings for various theaters including National Amusements, Showcase Theatres, and others, listing titles, times, and prices.