

### TO GREET TEEN TALENT

# Troy Girl in Musical Will Be Festival Guest

Donna McKechnie, who will open at the Fisher Theater June 19 with a starring role in the Broadway hit "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," will be the guest star at the Troy Arts Festival Sunday afternoon, June 21.

Donna, a senior at the Troy High School in 1960, will present also the winners of the Junior High Talent Show of the Festival with autographed copies of her photograph.

Miss McKechnie appeared on Broadway in "How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying." She began her career by winning a dance contest which took her to New York. There, she not only won a speaking and dancing part but was the understudy for the ingenue lead in "How to Succeed..."

The contest is open to all 7th and 8th grade junior high students who live in Troy and attend school anywhere in Michigan.

APPLICATIONS for the festival entertainment show have been distributed in the schools and are available in the school offices of Baker Junior High, Troy, junior highs in Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Avondale Township, the Lamphere School District, Warren and Royal Oak.

Or they may be obtained at the LaVerne School of Dance in Clawson, the Cooper Dance Studio, the Royal Music Store, Foremost Music Studio, and Gallagher Music Co. Applications may be turned in at the schools, or mailed to Box 83, Troy through Tuesday.

Besides the "Show of Talent" which will take place within the framework of a one-act play, the entertainment show will feature a melodrama, "He Done Her Wrong" to be directed by Russell Beckwith. Beckwith is a charter member and director of the Stagecrafters theater group.

Starting with her in "Forum" are Jerry Lester, Arnold Stang and Edward Everett Horton.

TALENTED STUDENTS, who will receive their photographs from Miss McKechnie, will be chosen through elimination and will appear in a "Show of Talent" June 19 and 20.

For membership information call Mrs. James Carey, 1814 Withers; Mrs. Charles Reeder, 71 Blanche, or Mrs. Edward Robak, 2270 Chalgrove.

The Kimball, production manager; Bill Dyke Dwellie, stage manager; Bill McCall, lighting chairman; Ann Iverson, properties; and Larry Ball and Michael Madeleine on sound. Colorful costumes were designed by Margaret Remondino.

"Bells Are Ringing" will be presented today Friday and Saturday.

### Bells

(Continued from 1-D)

Jack Reilly, Ty Perkins.

"Bells Are Ringing" is mounted in exceptionally effective sets designed by Dick Ditsche and Jim Halteman. A basic black background is highlighted with brilliant blues, greens and oranges in the properties; a brown brick design on black, fronted by blue mobiles of doors and steps, gives the imaginative mood of the city.

A BRAVO TO the tech department! The production details were smoothly in place, thanks to Kay Hillinger assistant director, Nelson

and Jean Deer is very clever and well suited to the small stage. Some of the actors with no dance backgrounds found themselves out on small limbs, but this often happens off-Broadway, let alone off-Hunter.

The musical direction was done by Joan Schmidt who also played a fine accompaniment on the piano. She was assisted by Gordon Jeynes on the clarinet, Carl Stewart on drums and Bill Seeback on bass fiddle.

This evening was less prepared than other facets of the evening. Often intonation and words were insecure, attacks and releases sloppy. There is some very difficult choral writing in the score of "Bells Are Ringing." The voices in the chorus at the Village Players are excellent and well able to attain the music.

THE CONCLUSION must be that the acting and dancing took too much rehearsal time. And here we see the basic problem of the modern musical—the same people must be routine in three arts at once.

However, the chorus for "Bells Are Ringing" deserves a special star in heaven for they were acting, singing, dancing in every scene. They are all accomplished actors and added much to the storyline of the play.

Here are the names of these nobles: Mary Lou Neizer, Hunt Hodges, Midge Clark, Gerri Iverson, Mary Ellen Hill, Dorothy Mitchell, Jim Hodges, Terry Iverson, Ted Walter, Jim Halteman, those hard-to-get red points.

The winner's game will be at the Black River Country Club at Port Huron, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, May 17.

Those who desire may have dinner there prior to the game. I have attended this game many times and find it a must.



"See What We Painted!"

Marcus Schrenk and Sara Capps attend an art show presented at the recent Spring Festival of Pine Lake Elementary School, West Bloomfield Township. First through sixth graders participated in the hall exhibit, supervised by art teacher Mary Vielmetti. The kindergarten had their own classroom show.

Also, third grade pupils exhibited in their room pictures they created by finishing a curved or straight line drawn by their teacher. Mrs. Marie Colanilo. Sailboats, cranes and whales were some of the subjects that turned up.

## BRIDGE

### in BIRMINGHAM

BY BUD MAYBAUM  
Southern Michigan Bridge Association

The recent sectional tournament held in Sarnia, Ont., found Birmingham well represented.

Phyllis and John Malstrom were first over-all in the mixed-pair. On Friday night, this tournament was the championship affair. Saturday, Kay and Ernest Clinton won a section as did my wife and I. Gene Gruhn, playing with Mickle Bush, had a good game, too.

Phyllis and Jack played our hand for today, which had many results. I believe their result was as interesting as any of them. Only one North and South pair made more points, when they doubled a three no-trump contract and set it two tricks.

North and South Vulnerable: Dealer: East.

**NORTH** (Jack Malstrom)  
 ♠ A 9 6 4  
 ♥ 7 2  
 ♦ K Q 8 5 4  
 ♣ 6

**WEST** (Phyllis Malstrom)  
 ♠ 10 7 3  
 ♥ A Q J 3  
 ♦ A 2  
 ♣ 10 7 4 3

**EAST** (Dealer)  
 ♠ K Q J  
 ♥ 9  
 ♦ J 10 9 3  
 ♣ A Q 8 5 3

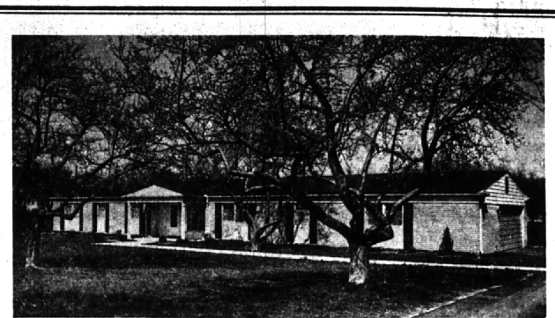
**SOUTH** (Phyllis Malstrom)  
 ♠ 8 2  
 ♥ K 10 8 6 5 4  
 ♦ 7 6  
 ♣ K J 9

The bidding:  
 East South West North  
 1 ♠ 1 ♥ double all pass  
 Opening lead: 3 ♣

East won the opening lead of the trick of clubs with the ace and made the best return of a trump. West won this trick with the jack and then drew the remaining trump from dummy, to stop a club ruff, and got out with the 10 of spades. Phyllis ducked, and East won with the jack.

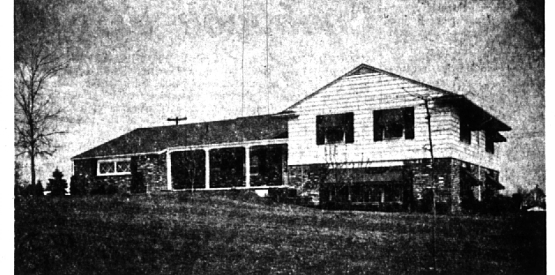
At this point, East put Phyllis on a guess and returned a small club, but she took the hook and played her high trump and exited with a spade.

Phyllis was now able to lose three trump tricks and one each in the other suits, to make her bid and 160 points. Must say it was a daring bid on her part, but Jack was smart enough not to make a false save. A redouble by



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## Moyie Guide

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 All The Way Home A-MY A-2  
 The Mouse That Roared A A-1  
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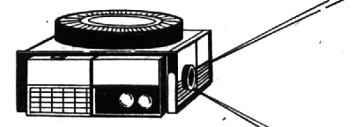
Love with the Proper Stranger A A-3  
 Journey to the Center of the Earth A-1

\*recommended as superior entertainment especially for children

CODE  
 GREEN SHEET  
 These audience symbols are intended as broad guides to selection, and do not indicate either recommendation or non-recommendation of the films to which they are applied.

A Adults  
 M Young Mature Young People  
 Y Young People (12 years to 16 years)  
 C Children (unaccompanied by adults)  
 GA General Audience  
 NATIONAL LEGION OF DECENCY  
 A-1 Morally Unobjectionable for General Patronage  
 A-2 Morally Unobjectionable for Adults and Adolescents  
 A-3 Morally Unobjectionable for Adults  
 B Morally Unobjectionable in Part for All  
 C Condemned  
 SC A separate classification is given to certain films which, while not morally offensive in themselves, require some analysis and explanation as a protection to the uninformed against wrong interpretations and false conclusions.

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### What's His Line?

Jean Lasnier is a San Francisco jewelry designer whose specialty is rings for your fingers. An exhibition of his work, particularly wedding and engagement rings, continues through May 18 at America House, 555 E. Maple Road, Birmingham. The crafts gallery also is showing other rings, necklaces, bracelets and cuff links by Lasnier.



A WINDING STREAM meanders through the rear of the scenic lot hosting this spacious ell-shaped brick ranch. With carpets and drapes included, there are 3 fine bedrooms, 2 sparkling tile baths, huge paneled farm kitchen with all built-ins, and a basement hobby shop for Dad. CLEAN AND NEAT! \$29,500.

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