

Arts Commission unveils '98 program

The Northville Arts Commission has announced the dates of its 1998 Michael Farrell Art Lecture Series.

The lectures are to be held on Jan. 21, Feb. 11, and March 11. Entitled "Three Masters of American Painting," the discussions will focus on the works of Winslow Homer, Albert Bierstadt and Georgia O'Keefe.

The first lecture on Jan. 21 features Winslow Homer, who emerged from the horrors of the Civil War working as an illustrator for Harper's to become what some historians have called "the most American painter of the 19th century." His pictures often depict scenes of everyday life and New England landscapes.

A discussion on Albert Bierstadt will be presented on Feb. 11. Though European-born and trained, Bierstadt discovered the grandeur of the American West

and for the first time exhibited for European and eastern American audiences landscapes as magnificent as those of Alps.

The final lecture on March 11 will feature Georgia O'Keefe. At a time when women found it difficult to be accepted as serious artists, O'Keefe emerged as a singular, if not controversial, painter who combined modernism with the landscape of the Southwest to create a uniquely American vision.

Farrell is an associate professor of art history at the University of Windsor, adjunct curator at the Detroit Institute of Arts and an instructor at the Art House of Detroit. He is a well-recognized art authority in our area.

All lectures will be held in the Forum at Northville High School at 7:30 p.m. Season tickets are \$25 (\$9 each at the door).

For further information, call (248) 449-9945.

Obituaries

SARA H. STRAUB

Sara H. Straub died Nov. 20 at her residence in Northville. She was 86.

Mrs. Straub was born in Madison, Pa., on Sept. 27, 1911, to William Blaine and Grace Ethel (Highberger) Henry. She had been a resident and homemaker in Northville since 1941.

She is survived by two brothers, Paul Henry of Kent, Ohio, and W. Blaine Henry of Orlando, Fla.; three nieces and six nephews.

Mrs. Straub was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph, in March 1975; and by her brother, Harvey Henry, and sister, Betty H. King.

Services were held on Monday, Nov. 24, at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville. The Rev. W. Kent Clise and the Rev. James P. Russell officiated at the service. Interment was in Rural Hill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions to the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, in memory of Mrs. Straub, would be appreciated.

ETHEL V. WARE

Ethel V. Ware of Northville died Nov. 17 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills. She was 80.

Mrs. Ware was born Dec. 30, 1916, in Detroit to Herman and Ethel (Maas) Hartner.

A homemaker, Mrs. Ware lived most of her life in Northville. She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Church.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Lou (Freemont) Karhu of Livonia; and brothers, Herman (Bud) and Ray Hartner, both of Northville.

Mrs. Ware was preceded in death by her husband, Irvin, in February 1992.

Services were held Thursday, Nov. 20, at Our Lady of Victory Church.

Father James Kean officiated at the service.

Interment was in Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

Arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.

DONALD D. SETTLES

Donald D. Settles of Northville died Nov. 22, at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He was 61. Mr. Settles was born June 29, 1936, in Sterling, Ill., to Robert E. and Lyda C. (Cady) Settles.

Mr. Settles' early life was spent on a farm in Lyndon, Ill. He was valedictorian of his high school class. His love of music developed early and while growing up, he played the organ at a Congregational Church in his hometown. He was also an accomplished musician, playing the piano, trumpet and singing in school, church and work choirs.

He graduated from Cornell College of Mt. Vernon, Ill., and while there met and married Maureen M. O'Brien.

Mr. Settles worked for 37 years at National Steel in various capacities, most recently as a manager in automotive sales. He retired in 1996, then began a second career as an independent contractor in automotive sales for Rouge Steel. His spare time over the years

were spent with Junior Achievement and as a director of T-Birds Little league football. He also coached various recreational basketball teams and played golf. He served on the board of directors at Meadowbrook Country Club.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Maureen; sons, David (Sherry) of Harper Woods and Michael of Columbus, Ohio; daughters, Kathleen Lind of Grand Rapids, Patricia (Mark) Simon of Lansing, and Susan Settles of Shelby Township; and four grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held Nov. 26 at Our Lady of Victory Church with Father Ernest Porcari officiating. Interment was in Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

Arrangements were made by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home.

Contributions may be made to the Donald D. Settles Scholarship Fund of Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Ill.; the Lyndon Historical Society of Lyndon, Ill.; or the American Lung Association.

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 3, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider Brownstones at the Vista's, SP 97-43A, located on the south side of Thirteen Mile Road and west of Meadowbrook Road, seeking Preliminary Site Plan and Wetlands Application.

LOCATION MAP

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 3, 1997.

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