

## At Farmington area libraries

# Activities await youth and adults

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This fall promises a variety of programs to color the cool days for all ages of children at the Farmington Community Library.

Both branches of the library will conduct a wide array of programs which bring literature and media to life.

Several programs will be open to the specified age groups who can attend

on that date without having to sign up. Pre-registration will be required for many sessions of programs, and a limited enrollment is necessary.

Registration will be held from 9-11 a.m. Friday and registration must be made in person by a parent only. Thereafter, registration may be made in person or by telephone, 474-7770 or 553-0300.

Residents of Farmington and Farmington Hills will be given first preference. A child may be registered for only one program. The programs will begin the week of Sept. 25 and run to Oct. 27.

## Car lands belly-up

Shiawassee Hill motorists viewed an unusual sight Monday afternoon—a belly-up car in the Rouge River.

The 77-year-old driver and her daughter received only minor injuries from the traffic mishap, which landed their automobile in the Rouge branch at the bottom of Shiawassee Hill and Farmington Road.

Lucy Fuss, of 32020 Grand River, Farmington, never got out of the right turn she was making onto Shiawassee from Farmington Road, and the car rolled over in mid-air, landing upside down.

Mrs. Fuss and her daughter Ruth, 47, of Detroit, were taken to Botsford General Hospital with minor injuries and released. The car was pulled out by a wrecker.

Mrs. Fuss, who was driving with a temporary instruction permit, apparently hit the gas while making the turn, but the wheels weren't straightened out, according to Ptd. Frank Lauhoff of the Farmington Public Safety Department. The car continued its revolution into the water, he added.

OPEN preschool programs at the Farmington branch are suggested for preschoolers who are attentive enough to enjoy the activities. Registration is not necessary. The Fall Festival is scheduled for 2:20-3:30 p.m., Sept. 26. This will be a parent and child exploring activity.

Let's Clow Around will call for the children to wear only a part of their Halloween costume, with a movie and fun promised from 2:20-3:30 p.m., Oct. 24. Several fun activities centered around the autumn season will be presented for preschoolers and a parent in Let's Explore Together, from 10:30-11 a.m., Oct. 13.

ELEMENTARY-AGED children are invited to create their own looks for Halloween at the Farmington Library's Costume Creations program. This is scheduled for 2-3 p.m., Oct. 21.

Programs requiring registration at the Farmington branch are available for all ages of preschoolers and elementary-aged students. Leafing through Nature will involve stories, skits and nature crafts for 4- and 5-year-olds, meeting from 2:45 p.m. Mondays. A 50-cent fee is payable at registration.

Also for 4-5 grade is Alphabet Soup,

which focuses on ABC books and materials. There is a \$1 fee for the five meetings from 9:30-10:15 a.m. on Mondays.

THE FARMINGTON branch will host two storyhour programs for preschoolers as well. The Dr. Seuss Special, scheduled for a 2:20-3:30 p.m. Wednesday session, is for 3-5-year-olds. Participants should be registered for the Wednesday dates.

The five-week story hour this fall, scheduled for 9:30-10 a.m. Wednesdays and entitled Storyteller's Bag of Tricks, is for 3-4-year-olds who are mature enough to enjoy storyhour without parental accompaniment.

Stone Soup, a cool-cooking program, will be presented for first and second grade students from 4-5 p.m. Wednesdays. A materials fee of \$5 is necessary. Third and fourth grade students can Rediscover Senses with stories, games and scientific explorations from 4-5 p.m. Thursdays.

Fifth and sixth grade students who would like to doodle in macrame and creative designs will find Creative Crafts offered for them from 4-5 p.m. on Thursdays. A \$1 fee for materials is required.

Also for fifth and sixth graders is the Readers' Roundtable, when books and related materials will be discussed from 4-5 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month.

DENISE ALBRECHT and Jill Locke, Farmington Branch's children's librarians, will be in charge of these programs for children; and they urge children to register early to avoid disappointments.

At the Farmington Hills branch, three Open programs for preschoolers will be offered. Thumbprint Art involves making original thumbprint creations from 10:30-11 a.m., Sept. 21. Fairy tale favorites are the subject of Fantasy Festival, from 2:20-3:30 p.m., Oct. 2. Three 5-year-olds may attend A Halloween Treat with a parent from 10:30-11:45 a.m., Oct. 19. Please sign up for this one, and check with the library for a materials list.

The Dr. Seuss Film Festival is an open program for elementary-aged children. Scheduled for 2-3 p.m., Sept. 23, several featured films are included. Another open elementary program will be presented from 2-3 p.m. on Oct. 25—it's a Halloween Party. Children should come in costume and be ready for some spooks and special treats.

Registration is required for the following programs. Preschoolers (3-, 4- and 5-year-olds) may attend Dr. Seuss Special from 9:30-10 a.m. Tuesday. Register for just one of the Tuesday dates.

The Storyteller's Bag of Tricks is offered from 10:30-11 p.m. on Mondays, for 3- and 4-year-olds; and from 2:20-3:30 on Thursdays for 4- and 5-year-olds.

SCIENCE FOR TOTS storyhour for 3- and 4-year-olds will treat science concepts with stories, songs, and games. A \$1 fee is required for the five-week meeting from 2:20-3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. An arts and crafts series, Crafty Capers, will be presented for 4-5-year-olds from 10-10:45 a.m. on Wednesdays. A popular cooking class, Kids Cooking, for 4- and 5-year-olds is

scheduled for 2:20-3:30 p.m. Tuesdays, and special treats. Kindergarteners through third-graders will have the opportunity to attend the Italian Language Class, co-sponsored by the Italian Study Group of Troy and the library. Nori Bregni will lead this class from 11 a.m. to noon Saturdays, Sept. 30 to Nov. 4.

For first and second graders, the Storybook Junction will explore jokes, songs, crafts and folktales of the U.S. from 4-5 p.m. Thursdays. A \$3 fee will cover materials.

Encyclopedia Brown Strikes Again is a unique detective program for third and fourth grade students. The meetings are scheduled for 4-5 p.m. Wednesdays.

Fifth and sixth graders are invited to join Words and Pictures, to experiment with photography and creative writing and produce an illustrated book from 4-5 p.m. Mondays.

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