

community calendar

RUMMAGE SALE

Thursday through Saturday, April 10-12: Rummage sale from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day in St. Alexander Catholic Church social hall, Swiawassaw Road, west of Inkster.

ONE WOMAN SHOW

Thursday, April 10: Gail Yurasek, recently named "Farmington Artist in Residence" by Farmington Area Arts Commission, displays art photographs in a one-woman show in Farmington Community Library on Liberty Street through April 30.

SPRING BIBLE CONFERENCE

Friday through Sunday, April 11-13: Spring Bible Conference, in Northwest Baptist Church, 23845 Middlebelt Road at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday. Each session carries complete theme. Nursery facilities provided. Registration is no necessary.

CROSS-EYED CRICKET SQUARE DANCE

Friday, April 11: Fancy Farmers of Farmington celebrate spring with its annual Cross-Eyed Cricket Square Dance at 8 p.m. in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 12 Mile Road, east of Farmington Road with callers Chuck McClelland and Karen Diegeliski. Admission asked at the door, with reduced rates given to teens.

TAX AIDE

Friday, April 11: Tax aides will assist senior adults with their 1979 state and federal income tax forms from noon to 4 p.m. in Farmington Community Library on Liberty Street. No charge.

COURSES FOR ACADEMICALLY GIFTED

Saturday, April 12: Registration runs from 10 a.m. to noon in M Building, Orchard Ridge Campus, Oakland Community College, for all courses offered for the academically gifted and talented student in kindergarten through 12th grade. Twenty courses are offered beginning Saturday, April 26, to run for six weeks.

SYMPHONY BALL

Saturday, April 12: Scandinavian Symphony Orchestra celebrates its 50th anniversary with a dinner dance beginning with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. in Southfield's Michigan Inn. Reservations, at \$30 each, will be made by mailing checks made payable to Scandinavian Symphony Women's Organization and sent to Mrs. William Podas, 24770 Woodside Drive, Farmington Hills 48018.

ARTISTS RECEPTION

Sunday, April 13: Artists reception from 4-7 p.m. opens exhibit sponsored by Visual Arts Association of Livonia in Livonia City Hall, 33900 Civic Center.

Drive. Exhibit continues through Thursday, April 17.

HARBINGER DANCE COMPANY

Sunday, April 13: Harbinger Dance Company performs at 7:30 p.m. in Birmingham Temple, 28811 12 Mile Road, in continuation of the temple's Vivace Series. Tickets at \$7 each available by calling Claire Levine, 626-3181.

AN ARTIST IN SPAIN

Monday, April 14: "An Artist in Spain" with Franklin Carney continues Travel and Adventure Series sponsored by Detroit-Redford and North Farmington Kiwanis Clubs at 8 p.m. in Louis E. Schmidt Auditorium, Clarenceville High School, Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Tickets are \$2 at the door.

MACHINE APPLIQUE

Monday, April 14: Machine applique, a fast and easy method of applying using the sewing machine taught in one session workshop with Peggy Freeman at 1 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Registration is necessary by calling the center, 477-8404.

SILVA MIND CONTROL

Monday and Thursday, April 14 and 17: Free introductory lecture introduces Silva Mind Control at 7 p.m. each evening in Mercy Center, 26600 11 Mile Road, given as a benefit for Most Holy Trinity Parish in Detroit. Students have options of times and dates for classes that begin week of April 20.

JAPANESE BRUSH PAINTING

Monday, April 14: Sumi-E, Japanese-style brush painting, taught in three session workshop, begins at 1 p.m. in Farmington Community Center with Mary Bowman. Registration is necessary in limited class by calling the center, 477-8404.

APPLEHEAD DOLLS

Tuesday, April 15: Applehead dolls created in a one session workshop with Theresa Little runs from 9:30 a.m. to noon in Farmington Community Center. Registration is necessary by calling the center, 477-8404.

PET SHOW

Tuesday and Thursday, April 15 and 17: Youngsters are invited to bring their pets, either in cages or on a leash, to the Show and Tell Pet Show at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Farmington Hills Community Library on 12 Mile Road and at 2 p.m. Thursday in Farmington Community Library on Liberty Street. Reservations are requested by calling the libraries.

THE RIDGEWRITERS

Wednesday, April 16: The Ridgewriters head up program for adult writers with lecture, discussion and sharing of original written materials at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Hills Community Library on 12 Mile Road. No charge, but registration is necessary by calling Marilyn Smith, in the library, 553-0300.

COLLEGE DAY

Wednesday, April 16: Annual College Day, sponsored by Oakland County Ex-

tension Homemakers' Association offers four workshops and noon speaker from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in United Central Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Road, Pontiac. Registration fee of 50 cents asked at the door.

CARROUSEL OF FASHION

Thursday, April 17: "Carousel of Fashion" luncheon and fashions for women from Nista's of Farmington and fashions for children from PixieLand, begins at noon in Pine Lake Country Club sponsored by Our Lady of Sorrows Women's Guild. Tickets at \$12 each available by calling Joan Chapel, 477-3761.

ARTS COMMISSION

Thursday, April 17: Farmington Area Arts Commission regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in Farmington Hills City Hall, 31555 11 Mile Road. Open to all interested persons.

SILK FLOWERS

Thursday, April 17: Creating silk flowers taught in two session workshop with Mary Foran begins at 9:30 a.m. in Farmington Community Center. Registrations are necessary by calling the center, 477-8404.

LOS BUENOS VECINOS

Thursday, April 17: Los Buenos Vecinos, Spanish Club on Orchard Ridge Campus Oakland Community College, hosts Franklin Village Band for a concert of all Spanish and Latin American music at 7:30 p.m. in H Building on campus. No charge.

SMOCKING

Thursday, April 17: Smocking for beginners taught in two session workshop with Patricia Ponte begins at 1 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Registrations are necessary by calling the center, 477-8404.

Bowmans are dinner hosts, authentic Japanese-style

Mary and George Bowman, who say they have lost track of how many times they have visited the Orient, returned from another trip this spring and will tell about their stay during an evening called "Reflections on Contemporary Japan."

An authentic Japanese dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 19, in Farmington Community Center, as a benefit for the center.

Mrs. Bowman, a student of Sumi-E, teaches the Japanese-style brush painting which is a Zen art form, in the center. Some of her newest works, as well as paintings that were given to her as a gift from her teacher in Japan, will be on display during the evening.

Dr. Bowman will share anecdotes about the journey, some of which involved his teaching English to Japanese students.

The Bowmans latest trip to Japan was scheduled to coincide with the 91st birthday of Baika Inada, a master of Sumi-E and Mrs. Bowman's teacher.

"We've made so many friends there we only spent one night in a hotel," Mrs. Bowman said of the month-long stay.

During a part of the trip the couple were the guests of the mayor of Toyota, arranged by Detroit mayor Coleman Young's office.

ALL TOLD, Mrs. Bowman was able to arrange for four Sumi-E lessons during the couple's stay in Japan, all with master painters.

The technique of Sumi-E involves creating a mood with only a few strokes of a brush in a very short time, which she will demonstrate for the dinner guests.

While she was taking painting lessons, Dr. Bowman put English lessons on tape for seventh- and eighth-graders in Japan.

She is owner of Sumi-E Studio in Farmington Hills and teaches the brush painting, flower arranging, calligraphy, tea ceremony, history, cooking, and culture.

Together the couple head up a Japanese Art and Cultural workshop that can be taken for credit from Central Michigan University.

Mrs. Bowman says, "I do pretty well with the language too."

Her talent and knowledge of Sumi-E is shared in a three session workshop in the center, from either 1-3 p.m. or 7:30-9:30 p.m. beginning Monday, April 14. Donation for the dinner is \$12.50 per person. Reservations can be made by calling the center, 477-8404.



Mary Bowman, teacher of the Zen art form, Sumi-E, joins her husband as hosts for "Reflections on Contemporary Japan." The dinner party will center around Japanese food, culture and customs and is given as a benefit for Farmington Community Center.

*To Suitable
for Spring and Summer*

BONWIT TELLER

SUNDAYS: SHOP BONWIT TELLER 12:00 TO 5:00. MONDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY SHOP 10:00 TO 9:00. TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, SATURDAY 10:00 TO 6:00. CALL 645-8700. 2701 SOMERSET MALL, TROY.

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Margaret Miller

Give us a chance to help your cause

The event described on the publicity release that reached my desk was a worthy one and a new venture for the sponsoring organization.

I made a mental note to give it a good ride, promotion-wise. That's one of the main goals of a community newspaper.

But the event was more than a month off, and even the sign-up date was two weeks away. I wrote the little story, but didn't worry too much when there was no room for it in the next issue of the paper.

As I've told club representatives who come to our publicity workshops, it's the event coming up soonest that gets the space preference.

BUT THE HARD-WORKING volunteer on the telephone the next day was frantic. The event was going to flop, she told me. Participants were pulling out. And all because that notice hadn't been run immediately.

I assured her I'd get it in as soon as possible and that if there had been some sort of flag calling my attention to the urgency of that item, we probably could have found space earlier.

I also told her we wanted to give all the support possible to her event and that those who pulled out early could well be the real losers.

The matter disturbed me, though. While this section of this newspaper is

anxious always to support community activities, we can't always provide knee-jerk reaction as someone else has figured out that we should.

And I mention the whole thing in writing because it's the kind of thing that has happened before, and I'd like more people to understand how we have to function.

NOT TOO LONG AGO I had an exchange with a fine local group that is part of a national organization. This group always included in its news releases a sentence about the affiliation, and I usually cut it out in the interest of brevity.

One day the president called me. Would I please leave it in, she requested. News clippings did not count in the annual publicity competition unless that sentence was included.

Now I and my newspaper join in a strong desire to help every worthy local cause. But we wonder about those who try to make rules regarding our publication. Our job, as we see it, is to publicize the event and make our own decisions about how best that can be done.

I'm sorry about the participants who pulled out and the clippings that didn't count. But I'll continue to try to make the best use of space in this paper — for as many people as possible.

SALE

33-50% off

selected spring merchandise

as of Monday, March 31
500 pieces of sportswear available...
subject to prior sale

limited quantities only no rainchecks not all sizes in all styles

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