

community calendar

● **WINE-TASTING PARTY** Thursday, March 18: Wine-tasting party to benefit Sister Arlene's Cancer Fund, sponsored by Daughters of Isabella from Our Lady of Sorrows, Circle 617, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Francis Knights of Columbus Hall, 21900 Middlebelt Road. Donation of \$3.50 asked at the door.

● **COIL BASKET** Friday, March 19: Theresa Ohio teaches how to create a coil basket from pine needles in two-session workshop that begins at 1 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Registration information is given by calling the center, 477-8404.

● **MARX BROTHERS DUO** Friday and Saturday, March 19-20: "A Day at the Races" and "A Night at the Opera," shown at 8 p.m. preceded by an organ recital sponsored by Motor City Theatre Organ Society in Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser Road. Pre-ticket sales at the box office.

● **APPROACHES TO DYING** Friday and Saturday, March 19-20:

"Hospice Care and Other Approaches to Dying" runs from 6 p.m. Friday to 5:30 p.m. Saturday in Madonna College, Schoolcraft and Levan, Livonia. College or continuing education credit available. Registrations taken by calling the college, 591-5191.

● **TAX AIDE** Friday and Tuesday, March 19-23: Tax aides will assist seniors with their 1981 state and federal income tax forms from noon to 3 p.m. Friday in Farmington Branch Library on Liberty Street; and from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in The Gathering Place, located in Mercy Center, 11 Mile Road, east of Middlebelt Road, through Gate 4. No charge.

● **SOUP'S ON** Saturday, March 20: Soup's On, Saturday matinee of films for elementary school children at 2 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library on Liberty Street. No charge.

● **EASTER BUNNY PARADE** Saturday, March 20: Easter Bunny

Parade begins its march at 10 p.m. through Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads, followed by a puppet show at 11 a.m.

● **MILLIONAIRE'S PARTY** Saturday, March 20: Millionaire's Party, sponsored by Pope John XXIII Honor Guard of Knights of Columbus, begins at 7:30 p.m. in Daniel Lord Council Hall, 39505 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. Advance tickets at \$8 available through Michael Chirio, 535-8079.

● **SERVICE AUCTION** Saturday, March 20: Service Auction begins at 7 p.m. in Universalist United Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted Road, when bidding starts for a range of services donated by members of the congregation, from horseback riding lessons to a poolside champagne brunch. No charge. Complimentary refreshments.

● **AGING IS A FAMILY AFFAIR** Sunday, March 21: "The Availability and Utilization of Community Resources," led by Heien Blumie, coordi-

nator of Birmingham Area Seniors Coordinating Council, continues Aging is a Family Affair series at 7:30 p.m. in Church of Our Saviour, 6555 Middlebelt Road. No charge.

● **MADONNA OPEN HOUSE** Sunday, March 21: Open House hosted by the counselors and faculty members of Madonna College, 2-4 p.m., corner Levan Road and I-96, Livonia. Information given on career programs, financial aid, veterans' benefits and cooperative education opportunities.

● **EASTER BREADS** Monday, March 22: Barbara Dermody shows how Easter breads are made in France, Italy and the United States in a lecture demonstration at 1 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Reservations at \$7 now are being taken in the center on Farmington Road, north of I-96, 478-7620.

● **BRASS RUBBINGS** Monday, March 22: Brass Rubbings, an ancient Chinese craft gaining popularity in America, will be taught in a

one-session workshop at 10 a.m. in Farmington Community Center, led by Margarita Ibarra. Fee of \$15 is payable with registration in the center, on Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile Road.

● **QUILTS** Monday, March 22: "Quilts," program led by Sally Warren of Warren's Corner, who shows antique and modern quilts and tells of methods and patterns in their creation at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library on Liberty Street. No charge, but registration is requested by calling the library, 474-7770.

● **FINNISH LANGUAGE** Monday, March 22: Finnish-language classes begin this week in Finnish Center Association, 35200 Eight Mile Road. Registration information given by Viola Pudas, 478-7620.

● **FASHION AWARENESS** Tuesday, March 23: Fashion Awareness workshop with Marlene Coffey, who tells how to build a seasonless wardrobe with clever use of accessories, at 7 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Fee of \$8 payable with registration in the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile Road.

● **PICTURE-BOOK FRIENDS** Tuesday, March 23: Picture-Book Friends, program for preschoolers and kindergartners at 2 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library on Liberty Street. No charge.

● **DETROIT CHAMBER WORKS** Tuesday, March 23: Detroit Chamber Works Orchestra, a new group composed of Detroit Symphony Orchestra musicians, performs in Bushnell performing Arts series at 8 p.m. in The Commons, 10 Mile Road, west of Novi Road, Novi. Tickets are \$5, or \$3 for students, at the door. Reception for the artists follows the concert.

● **CHILD ABUSE** Tuesday, March 23: Family Stress and Child Abuse: Issues and Answers, four-member panel leads discussion sponsored by Farmington Youth Assistance at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library, 23550 Liberty Street.

No charge.

● **OPEN REHEARSALS** Tuesday, March 23: Sweet Adelines, Farmington Hills Chapter, hold open rehearsals at 7:30 p.m. in St. Paul Lutheran Church hall, 30623 12 Mile Road. The 85-member chorus aims to build its roster to 100 before entering international competition in October.

● **STRESS MANAGEMENT** Wednesday, March 24: Stress and Tension Management, two-session workshop with Kenneth Lemmon, begins at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Registration information given by calling the center, 477-8404.

● **HEALTH AND WHOLENESS** Wednesday, March 24: "Health and Wholeness," lecture by Peggy Johnson Saylor who talks about self-responsibility, nutrition, stress reduction and exercise, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 308, J Building, Orchard Ridge Campus, Oakland Community College. Admission of \$2.50 asked at the door.

● **GEMS AND MINERALS** Wednesday, March 24: "Gems and Minerals as a Hobby," program led by Virginia Williams of Michigan Lapidary Supply, who tells how to collect, cut and polish gem material, at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Hills Branch Library on 12 Mile Road. No charge.

● **EASY AND ELEGANT** Wednesday, March 24: Judy Antishin repeats her Easy and Elegant Hors D'oeuvres workshop for persons requesting the workshop in the evening, at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Fee of \$10 includes demonstration, sampling and take-home recipes. Registration is taken in the center, 24765 Farmington Road.

● **FASHIONS AND LUNCH** Wednesday, March 24: Reservation deadline date for Scandinavian Women's Organization's spring luncheon, at noon March 31 in Farmington Country Club, followed by fashions from August Max of 12 Oaks Mall. Reservations at \$10 each taken by Avis Rupp, 522-2580.

Women of North Farmington stick with a winner

Women of North Farmington stick with their winner, a millionaire's party that has proved to be the group's most successful fund-raiser since the club got under way 25 years ago.

The evening of Las Vegas-type games gets under way at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 27, in the American Legion Hall, 31775 Grand River.

Tickets are \$8 each, available from Jackie Greif, 474-2561.

"We'll sell tickets at the door if any are left, but we have had to turn people away at the door in the past," Ann Oppenhaus of the club said.

Members, who said they've "tried everything" in the way of fund-raising, staged a millionaire's party five years ago, and have amassed about \$4,000 a year each year since. The money is given to area charities and agencies.

"We think that's a pretty hefty amount for one group of 50 women to give," Mrs. Oppenhaus said, adding that the members can see no good reason not to expect the same full house again.

The fund-raising format remains the same. Tickets include play money, snacks throughout the evening, a buffet supper and cash bar. Door prizes are raffled throughout the evening.

Recipients of the money raised in the

past have been Meals on Wheels, the Farmington Community Libraries, Farmington Community Center, Community Living Centers, Farmington Area Advisory Council, Marillac Hall and Michigan Humane Society.

WOMEN OF North Farmington, who celebrate their 25th anniversary this year, put their time and effort into one money-making project a year.

Ann Reul is president of the club, and her vice president is Gail Hockowski. Other officers for the year are Irene Karpinski, Ruth Paul, Jennifer Timblin and Kay Werny.

The club has no standard meeting place. Monthly meetings might be in local restaurants, or members might car pool for a tour, a program or an outing.

Soliciting for gifts as giveaways at the millionaire's party starts early every year and "is generally not a problem," said Lucy Ernatt of the club.

Mrs. Ernatt volunteered her basement this winter to store items that will be won at the party and estimated the merchandise was valued anywhere from \$5 to \$75 and included many gift certificates from local merchants.

Inquiries about membership will be taken from Mrs. Oppenhaus, 553-2255.



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Women of North Farmington show some of the items that have been collected to be given away during their Millionaire's Party set for Saturday, March 27. Lucy Ernatt (from left), Ann Oppenhaus and Pat Muzzierelli are expecting another full house this time around.

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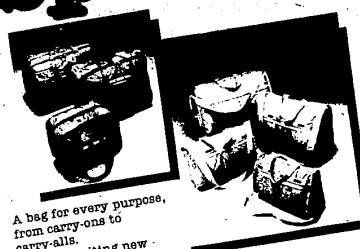
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