



Dr. Paula Jorne and Theodore Lewis confer on the 53 workshops that will be offered during The Children's Center's fifth-annual spring conference set for Tuesday, May 8. Jorne is coordinator for the conference called "Children and Families in Crisis." Lewis is a Farmington Hills resident and director of the center which provides mental-health services for children and their families.

## Children and families in crisis is theme for spring conference

The Children's Center, a community-based provider of mental-health services for children and their families headquartered in Detroit's Medical Center, will present its fifth-annual spring conference, "Children and Families in Crisis: Targeting Human Services to Client Needs," from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 8 in Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 4800 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

Theodore A. Lewis Jr., a Farmington Hills resident, is director of the Children's Center. Another Farmington Hills resident, Patricia Harkness, is conference chairwoman.

The opening speaker will be psychologist John Valusek of Wicliu, Kan., whose subject is "Teach Us Not to Hit." For more than a decade Dr. Valusek has been engaged in a personal campaign to establish a new national ethic of non-violence based upon the idea "People Are Not For Hitting and Children Are People, Too." He will be introduced by Eleanor Barnwell, president of the Children's Center board of directors, and assistant director, School of Community Relations, Detroit Board of Education.

The luncheon speaker, Vernice Davis-Anthony, assistant Wayne County executive for health and community services, will discuss "Human Services in Wayne County: Challenges for Future Directions."

The conference theme will be explored in a choice of 53 workshops, for the most part conducted by human-services professionals from out-of-state and the greater Detroit area.

Among topics to be covered are stress reduction, children's destructive behavior with peers, incest, providing therapeutic foster care for throw-away children, the suicidal adolescent, high-school dropout prevention, latch-key children, growing up with asthma, child-abuse patterns, treatment of rape victims and children of violence.

Admission to conference is \$10 or \$5 for students. For registration, call Dr. Paula Jorne, conference coordinator, at 851-5555.

## Wheelchair athletes to serve pasta

The Michigan Wheelchair Athletic Association (MWAA) will sponsor a spaghetti and other pasta dinner fundraiser 6-8 p.m., Saturday, May 5, in the Royal Oak Salvation Army facility, 3015 Main, two blocks south of 13 Mile.

It is an all-you-can-eat affair with garlic rolls and a beverage. Donation is adults, \$4; children under 12, \$2; and seniors over 60, \$3.

The MWAA is a non-profit organization which sponsors competitions between disabled athletes in contests of track and field, archery, swimming, table tennis, discus, javelin and many other sports. Training and teams are available. The MWAA is seeking more athletes, trainers, volunteers and administrators for the program.

## club circuit

**EPILEPSY SUPPORT GROUP** meets at 7:40 p.m. tonight in Westminster Lutheran Church, 8850 Newburgh Road, Livonia. All meetings sponsored by the group are open to all persons interested in, concerned with, or facing life with epilepsy.

Inquiries are taken by Joanne Meister, 322-1910.

**TOASTMASTERS**, Motor City Speakeasy Chapter, meets at 7 p.m. Monday, May 7, in Mayflower Hotel, Plymouth: Guests are welcome to call Jim Hollings for club membership information.

**FARMINGTON GARDEN CLUB** meets at noon Monday, May 7, in Farmington Community Center for lunch, a business meeting, and program given by Betty Frankel.

Frankel will narrate a slide show called "East Meets West," concerning American-made Japanese gardens.

Guests are welcome by calling membership chairman, Carol MacDonald, 866-5188.

Hostess for the day is Betty Beausoleil. Her assistants are Vi Gaertner, Virginia Will, Jan Dolan, Dorothy Cassell and MacDonald.

**NORTH FARMINGTON GARDEN CLUB** meets at noon Tuesday, May 8, in Farmington Hills Library.

The program for the day is called "Our Own Flower Show," comprised of the talents and creativity of the club members.

Co-chairwomen of the show are Irene Barth and Nancy Edt.

Hostesses for the day are Joan Drake, Sue Goins and Pat Hood.

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATES IN CHILD BIRTH EDUCATION** host a two-session class of Newborn Care classes beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, in Coolidge School, 30500 Curtis, west of Middlebelt in Livonia.

The classes are designed to make parents feel more confident in their new role.

Some of the subjects covered are intellectual, emotional and physical growth and development; how to stimulate and soothe the newborn; breast and bottle feeding, and physical care.

The class may be taken either during pregnancy or after the birth.

Registrations are taken by calling Jo Ann Chmielewski, at 851-5384, or the Livonia Community Education office, 422-1200.

**WOMEN'S DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP**, sponsored by Women's Resource Center of Schoolcraft College, meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, in room 2530, Forum Building, on campus, 19500 Haggerty, Livonia.

Attorney Carolyn Archbold will give an overview of the divorce process.

The meeting is open to women who are separated, divorced, in the process

of, or contemplating divorce.

Attendance is free and no registration is required. Inquiries may be made by calling the Women's Resource Center, 591-8400, ext. 430.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (DAR)**, Quakertown Chapter, meet at noon Tuesday, May 8, in the home of Mrs. Herbert Neil for a pot luck luncheon. She will lead the program for day called "Michigan Wild Flowers."

Officers and committee chairmen will give their annual reports. Mrs. Orville L. Henke, Quakertown regent, will report on the 93rd Continental Congress, held late last month in Washington, D.C.

**WOMEN OF NORTH FARMINGTON** will install new officers during a luncheon meeting Tuesday, May 8, in Twin Beach Country Club. Also, money raised throughout the past season will be dispersed to local charities.

Program for the afternoon will be led by "Claudia," a portrait artist.

Reservations are taken by Elaine Rousseau, 477-8849, or Marlon Prover, 471-5463.

**FARMINGTON KIWANIS** meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, in Farmington Elks Lodge, on Orchard Lake Road, north of Grand River.

Speaker for the evening is Carl B. Burger, a World War II veteran, who will talk about General George Patton's drive to the Battle of the Bulge. Burger includes imitations of World War II generals and personages of the time in his talks.

Dinner reservations for guests are taken by calling Lloyd Smith, 474-2431.

**B'NAI BRITH WOMEN**, Morganau Chapter, meet for their annual Mother and Daughter luncheon at noon Wednesday, May 9, in United Hebrew School, 21550 12 Mile Road, Southfield.

Program for the afternoon is "Windows on the World," produced by Hatie Schwartz and featuring the "Morganau Mockettes."

There is a charge. Reservations are taken by Rosalie Lipson, 938-5049.

**B'NAI BRITH SINGLES** meet for an installation and membership dinner, buffet and dancing at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 10, in Laurel Woods Club House, Lahser and 12 Mile, Southfield.

Reservations must be made no later than May 10 with Lore Cohn, 356-8251. Fee for members is \$1. Guests are invited for \$5.

**DETROIT GROUP OF THE MACINAC CHAPTER SIERRA CLUB** meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 10, in Northwest Unitarian Church, 23925 Northwestern Highway Service Drive, between Nine and Ten Mile Roads, in Southfield.

Guest speaker is Alex Sagady. His talk is called "The Clean Air Act and Acid Rain."

Non-members are welcome. There is no admission charge. Inquiries may be made by calling the Sierra Club hotline, 532-2659.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 23352 Farmington Road, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.

## Treating alcoholics is a family affair

An estimated five million women suffer from alcoholism in the United States. A woman tends to drink at home — alone. Nearly 60 percent of American women are still employed primarily in the home, so a woman is less likely than a man to be identified as a problem drinker by an employer or co-worker and receive help through a job related program.

Help for women with children is almost non-existent in Michigan. Interim House, located in the Detroit area, is the only residential alcohol treatment program for women with children in the entire state.

Admittance to the program is not based on a client's ability to pay. The goal is not only to help rid the clients of their alcohol dependency, but also cut into the cycle of substance abuse in the family. This requires keeping the women and their children together.

Interim House is a comprehensive 45-day program which involves individual and group therapy for the women with two alcohol therapists. Family counseling is also employed to build a supportive base that helps clients recover with dignity. When admitted to the program, a woman's needs are assessed and a treatment program takes place in respect to achieving this planned goal.

ALONG WITH the therapy for the substance abuse, she attends parenting classes to help her understand her children's needs and maturational process. Through group sessions facilitated by a parent-child relations consultant, she discusses discipline methods, parent-child conflicts, abuse and neglect, and self-help and coping to name a few.

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