

community calendar

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Thursday, Nov. 29: About 60 artisans show their work in Arts and Crafts Show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Henry Ford Hospital's West Bloomfield Outpatient Center, 6777 Maple. No admission charge. Proceeds donated to Mature Mingle, homebound meals program.

HOLIDAY SALES

Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 29 to Dec. 8: Holiday Sales Show from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in Birmingham-Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. No admission charge.

DANCEFIT

Thursday, Nov. 29: DanceFIT, a cardiovascular women's fitness program begins morning and afternoon sessions in Mercy Center through the holiday season. Registrations are taken by calling DanceFIT, 553-7362.

PARENT SKILLS TRAINING

Thursday, Nov. 29: "Parent Skills Training" workshop begins at 7:30 p.m. Instructor Dr. David Wartel in Farmington Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Fee is \$7, payable with registration in the center.

WOMEN AND NUCLEAR WAR

Thursday, Nov. 29: Bella Abrug, longtime women's advocate, talks on "Women and Nuclear War" at 7:30 p.m. in Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29091 Middlebelt. No charge. Program sponsored by National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section.

THE MERCYAIRES

Thursday, Nov. 29: "The Mercyairens," from Mercy High School, perform for shoppers at 6:30 p.m. in Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Thursday, Nov. 29: Crime Prevention Bureau of Farmington Hills Police Department hosts a program on Neighborhood Watch, an introduction to persons wishing to form such a group in their area, as well as a brush-up session for those already involved, at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Hills City Council Chambers, 11 Mile and Orchard Lake Road. No charge.

WIDOWS-WIDOWERS

Thursday and Friday, Nov. 29-30: "Grieving with Positive Reinvestment Skills," six-week session designed to meet the needs of widows as a result of widowhood, begins at 12:30 p.m. Thursday and at 10 a.m. Friday in Farmington Hills Counseling Services, 32905 12 Mile. Registration information given by calling 661-1654.

BODY BUILDING WEIGHTS

Thursday, Nov. 29: "Weights and Body Building" demonstration by Wendell McCree from Dunham at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library, 23000 Liberty. No charge, but registration is requested by calling the library, 474-7770.

WINDS AND BRASS

Friday, Nov. 30: Winds and Brass Concert at 8 p.m. in Smith Performing Arts Theatre, Orchard Ridge Campus, Oakland Community College. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. is optional. Reservation information given by calling the box office, 471-7700.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Saturday, Dec. 1: Arts and Crafts sale sponsored by Farmington Area Jaycee Women from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Farmington High School, Shawwassee Road, west of Orchard Lake Road with exhibits from about 50 crafters.

HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, Dec. 1: Holiday party for 5-9-year-olds includes visit with Santa, movie, games, stories, from noon to 3:30 p.m. in Mercy Center. Fee of \$5 required with advance reservations made in the center on 11 Mile, east of Middlebelt Road.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday, Dec. 1: Christmas Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with artists and craftsmen and a room marked "Children Shoppers Only" in Gill Elementary School, 21195 Gill Road, west of Farmington Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads. No admission charge.

NOT JUST KID STUFF

Saturday, Dec. 1: "Not Just Kid Stuff," three-session class, teaches responsibilities of baby-sitting beginning at 10 a.m. in Botsford Hospital's Education Center, 28050 Grand River. Registration information given by calling the hospital, 471-8090.

SWEDISH BAZAAR

Saturday, Dec. 1: Bazaar sponsored by Swedish Club Women's Organization from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Finnish Cultural Center, Eight Mile, west of Farmington Road, offers ethnic baked goods, handicrafts, imports and dell-type foods. Luncheon is served beginning at 11:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday, Dec. 1: Christmas Bazaar with crafts and baked goods from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Drake Apartments, Drake and Freedom Road. No admission charge.

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE

Saturday, Dec. 1: Christmas Boutique from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Mulwood Apartment Clubhouse, 24669 Mulwood Drive, enter from Grand River, east of Drake Road. No admission charge.

ARTS, CRAFTS, DOLLS

Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 1-2: Arts, Crafts, Dolls Sale from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday in Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main. About 45 artisans show their work with heavy accent on dolls.

YOUTH SYMPHONY

Saturday, Dec. 1: Metropolitan Youth Symphony in concert at 7:30 p.m. in Southfield High School auditorium, Lahser and 10 Mile. Tickets are \$3 at the door.

VIVA LA DANCE

Sunday, Dec. 2: "Viva La Dance," Farmington Community Band in concert with Michigan Ballet Theatre, performing excerpts from "The Nutcracker Ballet," at 3 p.m. in Harrison High School auditorium. Tickets at the door.

COMIC BOOKS-BASEBALL CARDS

Sunday, Dec. 2: Comic Books and Baseball Cards show and sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with dealers, movies, and four comic book illustrators in American Legion Hall, corner of Nine Mile and Middlebelt. Admission is \$1.50 at the door.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Sunday, Dec. 2: Christmas Fair sponsored by Cub Scout Pack 162 from 1-4 p.m. in American Legion Hall, 31775 Grand River, with games, prizes, pine-wood derby, door prizes, refreshments and a visit with Santa Claus. Admission of 25 cents asked at the door.

BRASS SOCIETY

Sunday, Dec. 2: Detroit Brass Society, five-member brass ensemble, continues vivace Series at 7:30 p.m. in Birmingham Temple, 28611 12 Mile. Tickets are \$8, or \$5 for students and seniors through Joan Rose, 545-5912. Group rates are available.

BRUNCH AND AUCTION

Sunday, Dec. 2: Brunch at 11 a.m. followed by speaker J.B. Dixon of Burroughs Corp. and auction, in Botsford Inn, Grand River west of Eight Mile, sponsored by Farmington Chapter of Older Women's League (OWL). Reservations are \$12, available by calling Molly Kuclo, 345-1199.

BEL CANTO ENSEMBLE

Sunday, Dec. 2: The Bel Canto En-

semble in concert at 7:30 p.m. in St. Clare Catholic Church, 29200 10 Mile. Tickets are \$5, or \$2.50 for seniors and students; or \$10 for a family, at the door.

AEROBICS PARTY

Sunday, Dec. 2: Aerobics Party for anyone interested in the techniques of the physical fitness workout, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Court "Time Racquet Club, Halsted, north of Grand River. Admission is \$2 at the door.

SHOPPING BAZAAR

Sunday, Dec. 2: Shopping Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Temple Kol Ami, 5083 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Bazaar of items on sale by local artisans and merchants, sponsored by the temple's Sisterhood. No admission charge.

CASTING CALL

Monday and Thursday, Dec. 3 and 6: Open auditions for Wallace Smith Theatre production of "The Fantasticks" begins at 7:30 p.m. each night in the theater on Orchard Ridge Campus, Oakland Community College. All actors must be able to sing.

CONTEMPORARY WIDOWHOOD

Tuesday, Dec. 4: "Contemporary Widowhood," lecture of concerns and life-style transition resulting from the death of a spouse, at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington community Center. Fee is \$5, payable with in-person registration in the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

Tuesday, Dec. 4: "Cross Country Skiing," talk by Sandy Graham of Benchmark, who tells about equipment, techniques and trails in the area at 7 p.m. in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 32737 12 Mile. No charge, but reservations are requested by calling the library, 553-0300.

CHOCOLATE CANDY

Wednesday, Dec. 5: One-session workshop teaches how to make filled chocolate candies for the holidays 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Farmington Community Center. Fee is \$8. Registration taken in the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile.

HOLIDAY HORS D'OEUVRES

Wednesday, Dec. 5: Vince McCallum of McCallum Associates shows how to make hors d'oeuvres for the holidays using a microwave oven and food processor, shares recipes and serves the appetizers at 7 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Reservations are \$15 each, taken in the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile Road.

ART EXHIBIT

Wednesday, Dec. 5: Juried Student Fall Art Exhibit opens and remains in Smith Performing Arts Theatre, Orchard Ridge Campus, Oakland Community College, through Dec. No charge.

TREE-LIGHTING CEREMONY

Wednesday, Dec. 5: Girl Scouts decorate a tree for the birds and animals, light the Christmas tree, and sing carols in ceremony at 4 p.m. in front of Farmington City Hall, Grand River, west of Farmington Road.

HOLIDAY DESSERTS

Thursday, Dec. 6: "Holiday Desserts," lecture, demonstration and tasting session with Barb Dermody begins at 1 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Reservations, at \$10 each, taken in the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile.

POTTERY SHOW

Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec.

6, 8-9: Show of porcelain, functional ovenware and pottery accessories created by Audrey Shapiro, 6-10 p.m. Thursday and from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in her home, 29530 Highmeadow, west of Middlebelt between 12 and 13 Mile Roads. No admission charge.

WREATH WORKSHOP

Thursday through Saturday, Dec. 6-8: Workshop teaches how to create fresh evergreen wreath at 7 p.m. Thursday, at 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Friday and at 9 a.m. Saturday, in First Presbyterian Church of Farmington's barn, 28165 Farmington Road. Materials cost is \$12. Reservations are necessary by calling Maggi Dull, 626-7300 or Ruth McKinnon, 661-4911.

HABEAS CORPUS

Thursday, Friday and Sunday, Dec. 6-7 and 9: "Habeas Corpus," bawdy

farce produced by Farmington Players in the barn on 13 Mile, between Farmington and Orchard Lake roads. Tickets at \$5, available for these dates only, by calling the box office, 626-5061.

GAMING SOCIETY

Thursday, Dec. 6: Thunderhead Gaming Society meets to play out fantasies at 6 p.m. in Farmington Hills Library, 32737 12 Mile. No charge.

LUNCH WITH SANTA

Friday through Sunday, Dec. 7-9: "Lunch With Santa," served at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. each day in Farmington Community Center with entertainment and a "Kids Only" boutique. Reservations are \$3.50 each, taken in the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday, Dec. 8: Christmas Bazaar offers the work of artists and hand-

crafters from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in William Grace Elementary School, 29040 Shawwassee, between Middlebelt and Inkster Road. No charge.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday, Dec. 9: Christmas Concert of original music written by Melvin Hookus and performed by the seven choirs of Nardin Park United Methodist Church, at 3 p.m. in the church, 29887 11 Mile. Admission to the concert is free. Buffet dinners, served at 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. require reservations, at \$8.50 each, by calling the church office, 476-8860.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Monday, Dec. 10: Blood pressure screening and follow-up offered from 1-4 p.m. in Botsford Hospital's Education Center, 28050 Grand River. No charge.



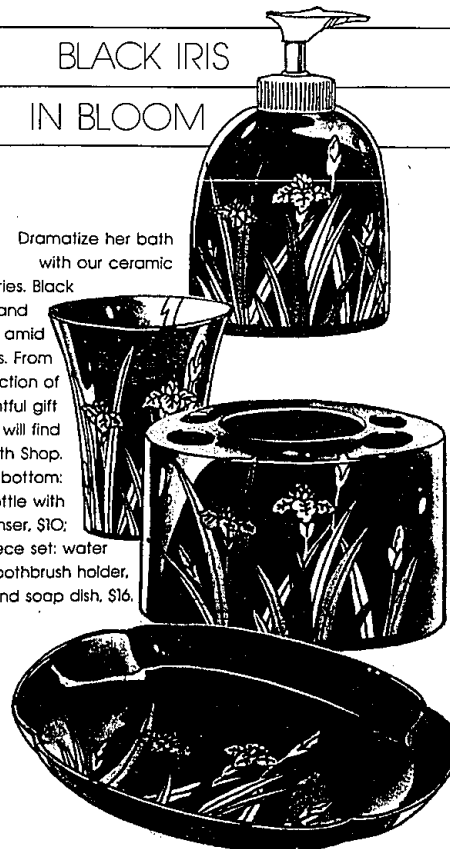
Nutcracker

Stephanie Dexter takes the role of the Sugar Plum Fairy and Neil Trevelan plays The Prince in Michigan Ballet Theatre's holiday classic "Nutcracker." Music will be furnished by the Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra at

1:30 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, in West Bloomfield High School auditorium. The ballet will be performed to taped music in the Saturday, Dec. 8 show. Ticket information given by calling 624-5590. Group rates are available.

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