

## community calendar

### ONE MAN SHOW

Thursday, May 30: One-man show of the photography of Farmington Hills resident Maurice Kitchen in Henry Ford Hospital's West Bloomfield Center, Maple Road west of Drake, remains through June 3.

### ONE WOMAN SHOWS

Thursday, May 30: Anne Xanthippe George exhibits her work in a one-woman show in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty Street, and Julie Mantyla exhibits her work in a one-woman show in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 12 Mile Road east of Farmington Road. The exhibits remain through May 31.

### CANDIDATES NIGHT

Thursday, May 30: "Candidates Night," forum for 14 candidates vying for two open seats on Farmington School Board of Education, at 7 p.m. in Dunckel Middle School, 32800 12 Mile Road. Program sponsored by Farmington Branch American Association of University Women in cooperation with Farmington PTA Council.

### LUNATICS ANONYMOUS

Thursday, May 30: Writers, performers and musicians interested in improvisational comedy are invited to meet with Lunatics Anonymous Writing and Performing Society at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Players Barn, 32332 12 Mile Road.

### SPRINGFEST

Friday through Sunday, May 31 to June 2: "Springfest," with meals and snacks, indoor and outdoor markets, entertainment, folk dancing and social dancing from 4:30 p.m. to midnight Friday, from noon to midnight Saturday, and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday in Finnish Cultural Center, 35200 Eight Mile Road. No charge to the grounds.

### USA FOR AFRICA

Friday, May 31: "USA for Africa,"

pop benefit concert staged by Harrison High School vocal music students at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium, 12 Mile Road, between Orchard Lake and Middlebelt. Admission is \$1.50, or \$1 for students.

### SPIRIT OF AMERICA

Friday, May 31: "Catch the Spirit of America," pops concert by all three bands of North Farmington High School at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium, 13 Mile Road, east of Farmington Road. All seats reserved. Reservations taken by Doug McQueen, 626-2511.

### CAR WASH AND BAKE SALE

Saturday, June 1: Car wash and bake sale, sponsored by Farmington School bus drivers, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Raphael, behind the school bus garage, between Shilawasee and 10 Mile Road.

### TRIBUTE TO GERSHWIN

Saturday, June 1: "Tribute to Gershwin," concert staged by North Farmington High School's music department students at 8 p.m. in the school's auditorium, 32900 13 Mile Road. Tickets purchased at the door.

### HOME STUDIO EXHIBIT

Saturday through Friday, June 1-7: "Full Circle," home studio art exhibit and sale of the works of Alice Nichols from 1-9 p.m. Saturday and from 7-9 p.m. Sunday through Friday, in her studio at 33002 Maplelawn, between Eight and Nine Mile Road, east of Farmington Road. Show includes works of watercolor, oils, acrylics, prints and pen and ink.

### PLANT SALE

Saturday, June 1: Sale of house plants, garden plants, planters and garden accessories from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the parking lot of Farmington Hills Branch Library, 12 Mile Road east of Farmington Road. Sale sponsored by

members of Hobby Greenhouse Association.

### CAR WASH

Saturday, June 1: Cars washed from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the parking lot of St. John Lutheran Youth Group, Gill Road, between Grand River and Freedom Road, by church's youth. Charge is \$3. All proceeds will subsidize trips to Denver, Colo. for National Youth Gathering.

### MUM SALE

Saturday and Sunday, June 1-2: More than 100 varieties of chrysanthemums on sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Edwin Sisak residence, 23451 Hayburn, two blocks north of Five Mile Road, west of Farmington Road. Sale sponsored by Greater Detroit Chrysanthemum Society.

### STUDENT DANCE RECITAL

Sunday, June 2: Student Dance Recital given by youth who study in Farmington Community Center, at 3 p.m. in Mercy High School, corner of 11 Mile and Middlebelt Road. Admission is \$2 or \$1 for children, at the door.

### ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE RECEPTION

Sunday, June 2: Reception for Lois Bro, Artist-in-Residence for 1985, Francesco DiBiasi, winner of Service to the Arts Award, and Betty Paine, who accepts the Service to the Arts Award on behalf of Farmington Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile Road. No charge. Reception is sponsored by Farmington Area Arts Commission.

### BAZAAR '85

Sunday and Monday, June 2-3: Bazaar '85 sponsored by Women's American ORT from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday in LaMirage, 29555 Northwestern Highway.

way. Bazaar offers wide variety of merchandise, hand-crafted items, some vintage items, used sporting goods and entertainment.

### STUDENT RECITAL

Sunday, June 2: Annual recital given by the music students of William Tyndale College, at 3 p.m. in Kresge Chapel, on the college campus, 35700 12 Mile Road. No charge.

### CHORALE IN CONCERT

Sunday, June 2: Christ the King Choral in concert with Ann Arbor Chamber Orchestra at 3 p.m. in the church, 28800 Grand River. Admission is \$4, or \$2.50 for senior adults and students.

### CENTER REGISTRATION

Monday through Saturday, June 3-15: Mail and walk-in registrations accepted in Farmington Community Center for all classes, workshops and special events offered during the summer term until maximum numbers are reached. In the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Finished arts and crafts items of those to be taught on display.

### STEREOTYPED WOMEN

Monday, June 3: Slide and narration by Diana Leventer from Michigan Media Project depicts how women are stereotyped to their disadvantage in advertisements and commercials at 7 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty Street. Program is sponsored by Farmington Chapter of OWL (Older Women's League). No charge.

### BOWL-A-THON

Wednesday, June 5: Bowl-A-Thon from 7-9:30 p.m. in Country Lanes, Nine Mile Road between Grand River and Middlebelt Road. Proceeds will help build a playground for handicapped children on the grounds of Cloverdale Training Center. Pledge

sheets available by calling Tom Call at Cloverdale, 477-3700.

### FACULTY RECITAL

Wednesday, June 5: Recital by members of Madonna College faculty at 7:30 p.m. in Kresge Hall on Madonna campus, I-96 and Levan Road, Livonia. No charge.

### VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Wednesday through Sunday, June 5-9: Vehicle identification numbers permanently inscribed in car windows from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday in 12 Oaks parking lot. No charge. Program sponsored by AAA Michigan and Hudsons.

### DANCE OF MYSTERY AND MURDER

Thursday through Saturday, June 6-8: "Quintet: A Dance of Mystery and Murder" conceived and choreographed by Denise Szykula, artistic director of Nance, at 8 p.m. in Wallace Smith Theatre Performing Arts, Orchard Ridge Campus, Oakland Community College. Package tickets available for pre-concert dinner. Ticket and reservation information given by calling the theater box office, 471-7700.

### MUSICAL MADNESS

Saturday and Sunday, June 8-9: "Musical Madness," variety show performed by the area's senior adults at 3 p.m. each day in Harrison High School.

## medical briefs/helpline

### AIM MEETING

Agraphobics in Action (AIM), a support group for people suffering from fears and anxiety, will begin holding meetings in Livonia in May. For more information, call 547-6400.

### HEALTH CARE HOTLINE

Allergy sufferers are alerted to a special Health Care Hotline offered by Henry Ford Hospital in cooperation with its division of allergy. The number is 876-7100.

A second hotline message about high blood pressure and how to deal with it is available by dialing 876-3800.

### FACTS ABOUT DRINKING

As a community service, Brighton

12 Mile Road between Orchard Lake Road and Middlebelt. Admission is \$2, or \$1 for children and seniors at the door.

### ROCKET REGISTRATION

Saturday, June 8: Registrations taken for Farmington Rockets, football league for boys 8-14 years, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Farmington High School field house, Shilawasee west of Orchard Lake Road. Registrants must bring a birth certificate and two pictures of themselves. Physicals will be given during this period. Fee is \$40 for the 1985-86 season. Inquiries taken by Ariene April, 478-6353.

### RUMMAGE SALE AND AUCTION

Saturday, June 8: Rummage sale runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and auction of new merchandise and gift certificates begins at noon in Salvation Army, corner of Shilawasee and Inkster Road. All proceeds earmarked for summer camp, summer day camp and summer activities for youth.

### IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Wednesday, June 12: Free immunization given from 9 a.m. to noon in Ten Mile Community School, 32789 10 Mile Road. Those under 18 years must be accompanied by parent or guardian. Previous immunization records must be presented when entering the clinic which is sponsored by Oakland County Health Division.

Hospital is making available free copies of "Playing It Smart: Facts for Teenagers About Drinking," a brochure prepared by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

"Playing It Smart" answers some questions teenagers frequently have about drinking and shows how alcohol can affect driving ability by interfering with judgement, muscle coordination, vision and reaction time. The brochure also suggests ways of coping with pressure from friends who drink and what to do if a friend who has drunk too much wants to drive.

Single copies of "Playing It Smart" can be obtained by contacting Brighton Hospital's Community Relations Department at 227-1211, Ext. 276.

## Reform can cure restroomitis

Due to months of writing about women's public toilets, I've come down with an advanced case of "restroomitis." Simply defined, the malady is an acute awareness of restrooms — size, location, state of repair, cleanliness and congestion.

Restroomitis can do strange things to a person. It is impossible now for me to go into a public restroom without noting what necessary and convenient washroom items are provided. Are the number of water closets adequate? Are the toilets and lavatories clean, well-stocked and operable? As I leave the restroom, my thumbs-up or thumbs-down sign indicates the answers.

On a recent trip to San Francisco, I found most women's public restrooms equipped with disposable toilet seat covers. When I spoke with a local building designer, he said providing toilet seat covers was a voluntary act. "Some building owners have more concern with safety than the 'almighty buck,'" he explained.

A VISIT TO A Chinatown restaurant



our land  
**Penny Wright**

was also revealing. The pleasures of a barbecued pork lunch quickly faded after my trip to the eatery's dingy (complete with dead cockroach on the sink top) powder room. This newspaper's readers have repeatedly said: "Clean restrooms, especially in restaurants are a must."

The stop in Reno, Nev., during the trip home, brought another revelation. Building owners who realize that long lines at the restroom dooey divert patrons, design powder rooms differently.

Gambling casinos are a case in point. The restrooms in these pleasure palaces are sumptuous. Powder rooms consisting of two, sometimes three rooms, offer users ample waterclosets, sinks and grooming areas. The facilities

are geared to quickly return females to the gaming tables.

Restroomitis is contagious. Many of the women interviewed for the Observer articles about toilet facilities were embarrassed to talk about the subject. After an initial giggle, the women seriously discussed the problems they are confronted with in most public restrooms. By the end of the conversation, those interviewed usually vowed to take a more aggressive stand toward restroom reform.

IF WE ARE EVER to see real changes in the design of women's restrooms, code officials, designers, building owners and users must become

aware of the problems and the solutions.

Says one Michigan building designer: "Overcrowded restrooms and the accompanying disorder is a definite problem that needs to be addressed. Pressure from around the country will help get changes."

There one sure cure for restroomitis — it's restroom reform.

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