

Day of Discovery

Edgar Cayce students join for conference

"Discovering Your Soul's Purpose," a conference sponsored by the Association for Research and Enlightenment, will run from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 28, in the Ramada Inn, Southfield. Mark Thurston will lead the conference, which is based on his book that carries the same title. In turn, the book is based on the writings of Edgar Cayce (1877-1945), sometimes known as "the sleeping prophet."

The conference is brought to Michigan by Dorothy Gordon, a Farmington Hills resident who is chair of the Lecture Symposium Conference for Michigan Council of ARE. It is Gordon's job to arrange periodic workshops for those who are studying, or those who are interested in learning about, the recordings that were made while Cayce was in an altered state of consciousness, similar to deep meditation.

The association's library, based in Virginia Beach, Va., contains copies of more than 14,000 readings cross-indexed under more than 10,000 subjects.

Thurston has headed a workshop once before in Michigan. He returns, Gordon said, "to give a workshop in experiential learning." Thurston's book stems from a quote by Cayce which reads, "For each soul enters with a mission. We all have a mission to perform."

"He will tell how you can begin to find the unique purpose for which your soul chose to incarnate in this lifetime," discover some of the mechanistic and karmic patterns which have kept you from that mission and explore the insights about yourself which come from finding your life's theme," she said.

"IT ALL BOILS down to what

you were born to do in this lifetime," said Joann Gregory, a West Bloomfield resident and president of Michigan Council ARE.

"The workshop is the culmination of Thurston's 10 years of study and testing the concepts of the (Cayce) readings," she said. "The workshop will also lead you through experiences of unlocking talents and abilities, creative strengths and the spiritual meaning of your vocation and avocations."

The purpose of ARE is for people to find a deeper meaning in life through holistic health care, meditation, dreams, reincarnation and spiritual healing.

As president of Michigan Council ARE, Gregory keeps the network together through publications, seminars, study groups and monthly membership mailings.

"Books are always available at

our conferences, either ARE publications or books that are in line with the Cayce philosophy," Gregory said. "Once I think we had five we had to send back — otherwise we are always sold out."

Another outreach for Michigan Council ARE are free lectures, given at 8 p.m. the first Monday of every month in Oak Park Community Center, on Oak Park Blvd., west of Coolidge Highway. The series that is in effect now concerns creation, based on the book of Genesis, along with Cayce readings.

Pre-registrations for "Discovering Your Soul's Purpose" are taken by Gregory by calling her at 851-0398. Fee for the day is \$59, or \$100 for two adults from the same family, and \$45 for students and seniors. Registration at the door is approximately \$10 more in each instance.

Warner-Schneider



Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warner of Midland announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Ann, to Bruce James Schneider, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Schneider of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Central Michigan University, employed with McDonald Corp. Her fiancé is a graduate of Catholic Central High School and Central Michigan University, employed with the McDonald Corp.

A June wedding is planned in Midland.

Borsvoid-McCormick

Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Borsvoid of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Lynn, to Lawrence Scott McCormick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce A. McCormick, of Bilsitz, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Central Michigan University and will begin work with Arthur Anderson and Co., in Toledo, Ohio, in June. Her fiancé is a graduate of Central Michigan University, employed with Prudential Life Insurance Co. in Adrian.

An April wedding is planned in St. John American Lutheran Church, Farmington.



club circuit

WEST SIDE SINGLES meet for a St. Patrick's Day dance at 8 p.m. Friday in Livonia Elks Lodge 2246, Plymouth Road, east of Merriman. Admission asked at the door.

WOMEN'S DIVORCE GROUP meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 24 in Lower Waterman Campus Center Conference Room, on Schoolcraft College Campus, 18600 Haggerty Road.

Speaker for the evening is Audrey Wasserman, from Feminist Therapy Center. Attendance is free. No registration is required. Inquiries are taken by calling Women's Resource Center, 591-6400, Ext. 430.

ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL OF MICHIGAN meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, in the meeting room on the 10th floor of Beaumont Hospital, 13 Mile and Woodward, Royal Oak.

Speaker for the evening is Glenn Jackson, from Oakland County Mental Health Services. His topic is "Supported Apartment Living for the Mentally Ill."

The meeting is open to all interested persons at no charge.

A support group, sponsored by the alliance, meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month in Mental Health Association Building, 15920 12 Mile Road, Southfield. Inquiries are taken by calling the alliance, 855-9820.

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES, Farmington Area Chapter, meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 32737 12 Mile.

A mock Individual Educational Planning and Placement Committee meeting will be staged, moderated by Debbie Haley-Hanson, a member of Farmington Public School's Spe-

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cial Education Department. The meeting is open to all interested persons without charge.

FARMINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty streets.

Speaker for the evening is Jerry Maxwell, a history teacher at North Farmington High School. Topic for the evening is "Lincoln's Assassination."

The meeting is open to all interested persons without charge.

FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONAL's general membership meeting will begin at 6 p.m. Friday, March 27, in Farmington Community Center, 24705 Farmington Road. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Admission is \$5.

Membership criteria and upcoming events will be discussed. Inquiries will be taken by calling the center, 477-8404.

ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE host a "Grants Workshop" beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 28, in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 32737 12 Mile.

The workshop, which will emphasize how to secure grants for scientific research, is sponsored by Detroit Area Chapter of the association. Inquiries taken by calling the association, 349-3161.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 32303 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.

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Victoria Schack (left) and Julie Kinney, both Farmington Hills residents, are two of the 240 music students who make up the three orchestras within Metropolitan Youth Symphony.



Youth tune up for anniversary concert

Metropolitan Youth Symphony will perform at historic Orchestra Hall at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 22. The concert is a celebration of the Youth Symphony's fifth anniversary and its fourth appearance in the hall at 3711 Woodward Ave.

A special feature of the concert will be the recognition given to the invited music educators in attendance for their role in encouraging the 240 young musicians of the

Metro Youth Symphony. Gary Toth, president of the Metro Youth Symphony, credits the many school music teachers and private music instructors with the important role they have played in teaching the students a love of music and the ability to perform. The afternoon's program will feature Edvard Grieg's "Holberg Suite," Jean Sibelius' "Finlandia" and Gustave Mahler's "Symphony No. 1 in D Major."

METROPOLITAN YOUTH Symphony is comprised of three orchestras catering to three levels of musical proficiency. The Symphony Orchestra will be led by Alan MacNair, concertmaster of the Rochester Symphony and director of Troy High School Orchestra.

The Concert Orchestra will be conducted by Douglas Bianchi, director of instrumental music at L'Anse-au-Loup High School-North.

The String Orchestra will be headed by Judith Culler, string teacher in the Troy School System. The Anniversary Concert is the major fund-raiser of the year and is partially funded by a \$500 grant from the Southfield Arts Council.

Orchestra members represent 35 metro area communities and travel to Saturday morning rehearsals at Southfield-Lathrup High School from cities such as Ann Arbor, Clawson, Grosse Pointe Woods, Mt. Clemens, New Baltimore, Pontiac, Union Lake, Warren, Waterford and Sterling Heights.

Metropolitan Youth Symphony will appear Saturday, May 2, in Macomb Center for the Performing Arts. This performance will be a spring Pops Concert.

Tickets for Orchestra Hall may be purchased at the Orchestra Hall Box Office, or by calling 333-3700. They are \$5, \$8, \$10 and \$12. For other information, call Sharon Zameczky, public relations director, 477-2894.

T'ai-Chi class begins

The Farmington Community Center is offering T'ai-Chi beginning at 7 p.m. Monday, March 23. There will be eight sessions. The cost is \$50. T'ai-Chi is an ancient Chinese relaxation form which, to the observer, appears almost dance-like. All of the

movements are slow and graceful and through the repetition of those movements, the student learns to relax while enhancing a feeling of stability and psychological well-being. Students are asked to wear loose clothing.

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