

Holiday Meals-on-Wheels

Volunteers help beat hunger and loneliness

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DiManno oversees the five-times-a-week meals that are either eaten in or delivered from the Farmington Hills Senior Adult Center in Mercy Center complex.

"It's a big part of my holiday and I'm glad to do it — glad to know that this is being done," she said.

"Our policy is to keep these people in their own homes for as long as it is possible. This gives the elderly dignity and it prevents many of them from going into a nursing home prematurely," she said.

DiManno was introduced to the area's senior adult center when it was known as "The Gathering Place." Her 96-year-old grandmother was one of the regular drop-ins at the time.

DiManno became a volunteer, switched her major from psychology to gerontology, "and have been here ever since," she said.

All inquiries on the program are taken by the Holiday Meals-on-Wheels coordinator in Area Agency on Aging, 569-0333.

Contributions may be sent to Holiday Meals-on-Wheels, Area Agency on Aging 1-B, 29508 Southfield Road, Southfield 48076.



TOM ARNETT/staff photographer

Jodi Wolford was one of about 25 volunteers who took time out last Thursday morning to deliver holiday meals to Farmington and Farmington Hills' homebound. Like Wolford, most came with coolers or containers, because each recipient received a hot dish, cold dish and a basket of fruit, and most volunteers had four or five stops to make.

Calendars for sale

Make A Wish Foundation of Michigan is having a 1989 calendar sale. The non-profit foundation exists to fulfill the personal wishes of children who suffer from terminal or life threatening illnesses.

One sold will qualify the holder for daily prize drawings in 1989 including two cars. Contributions are tax deductible. For purchase information, contact Denise Murray at 425-9192.

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club circuit

FOUNDATION FOR ILEITIS AND COLITIS, Michigan Chapter, meets at 7:30 p.m. today in Bloomfield Township Library, 1089 Loee Pine Road, corner of Telegraph, for a program called "New Medications for Inflammatory Bowel Disease."

Dr. Robert Veneri, internist and gastroenterologist on the staff of St. John Hospital in Detroit, will talk about several new compounds that promise to be the first advances in 40 years in the drug treatment of Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis.

There is no charge. Inquiries are taken by calling the chapter headquarters in Southfield, 354-6080.

AMERICAN LEGION, Groves-Walker Post 346 and its auxiliary, meet at 7:30 p.m. today in the post home, 31775 Grand River.

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD-TROY SUBURBAN SINGLES meet for a dance party at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Ramada Inn, Telegraph south of 12 Mile, Southfield.

The event is open to all singles over the age of 21 in all surrounding communities. Admission is asked at the door. The singles' hot line number is 649-4194.

FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONALS calendar for the next two weeks lists a bowling party, an evening at a racquet club, a rolling skating party, a night at the Fisher Theatre to see Lily Tomlin and a Piston game.

The club's next Single Mingle runs from 6:30-10:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, in Farmington Community Center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Newcomers are invited to meet the members, mingle and learn about the club's offerings for the next couple of months.

Non-members are asked \$5 at the door. Members are single professionals between 25-35 years of age.

WESTSIDE SINGLES meet for a dance party at 8:30 p.m. Friday in Livonia Elks Club, Plymouth Road east of Merriman. Admission is \$4 at

the door. Open to singles over the age of 25.
The singles' hot line number is 562-3170.

FARMINGTON GARDEN CLUB meets at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 5, in Farmington Community Center for luncheon and a program. Chris Richman will demonstrate the basics of Japanese flower arranging.

FARMINGTON PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S NETWORK hosts its Christmas Social from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, in Farmington Community Center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile.

Judy Antishin prepares the gourmet holiday fare and pianist Adele Miller furnishes the music.

Reservations, at \$5 for guests, are made by calling the center, 477-8404.

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS, Farmington Family Support Group, meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, in Farmington Nursing Home, 39405 Folsom Road. The group, sponsored in cooperation with Botsford Hospital, is for caregivers, family members and

friends of those afflicted with the disease.
Inquiries are taken by Barbara Jablonski, in Farmington Nursing Home, 477-7400.

FARMINGTON KIWANIS meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, in Sveden House, in Uptown Center on Grand River west of Orchard Lake Road.

Speaker for the evening is Monte Korn, longtime radio financial talk host, economist and financial analyst.
Reservations and inquiries taken by Lloyd Smith, 474-2431.

FARMINGTON NEIGHBORS CLUB meets for its annual Christmas party at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, in Kendallwood Clubhouse.

Reservations are necessary, made by calling Jane Anderson, 471-7804, or Beverley Dismore, 474-1887.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 33203 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.

Showcase is for anyone planning a celebration

Temple Beth El Sisterhood is busy organizing the area's first ever Party Planning Showcase from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29. Every party vendor imaginable will be showcased under one roof. Admission is free.

Over 40 vendors in 18 different categories — caterers, florists, bands, favor stores — will be on hand to answer questions and provide information. Directories con-

taining the names of participating vendors and where in the area will be given free of charge to all who attend.

Temple Beth El is at 7400 Telegraph Road at 14 Mile in Birmingham.

The event is for anyone planning a wedding, anniversary party, or any kind of celebration. Call Elaine Sturman at 851-7342 or Sue Lepler at 399-2150 for more information.

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