

# Miss Farmington contenders called for 1989's pageant

The 16th Annual Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant is open to women 17-28 years of age who have been residents of Farmington Hills since Jan. 1, 1989, and have never been married.

A popular event of the annual Farmington Founders Festival, the winner of the Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant will advance to the 1990 Miss Michigan Scholarship Pageant, and possibly even go on to compete in the Miss America Pageant.

Entry forms for the 1989 Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant, which will take place Wednesday, July 12, in Vladimir's are available from Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce, 33201 Grand River, east of Farmington Road, (474-3440).

The deadline for entering the pageant is Monday, May 15. Contestants will be judged on personality, poise, talent, swimsuit and evening gown presentations by a panel of qualified judges.



Kristen Conley

The women entering the contest will participate in special workshops

and seminars prior to pageant competition, receiving instruction in personal grooming, talent presentations, and modeling and interviewing techniques.

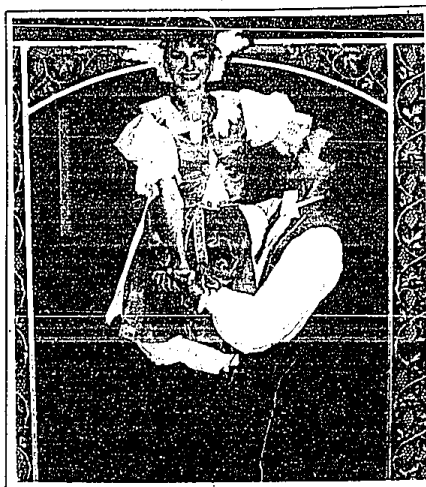
Several former Miss Farmingtons and Miss Michigans will be on hand to offer tips and personal advice based on their own experiences in the scholarship pageant.

"Note the emphasis on scholarship," says executive director Sarah DiAsenzo.

Miss Farmington 1989 will receive scholarship money, as well as an assortment of other fine gifts. The first and second runners-up will also receive scholarship money and gifts.

Miss Farmington 1988, Kristen Lynn Conley, who was selected during last year's pageant, will be competing in the Miss Michigan Scholarship Pageant, June 18 in Muskegon.

The Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant is an official franchise of the Miss Michigan and Miss America Scholarship Pageants.



## Best of ethnic dance

Two dancers in International Institute's Folk Dance Festival this weekend are Katrina and Joseph Semjan, who recently defected to the U.S. or, more specifically, defected to Farmington Hills. The couple were formerly star solo dancers of the Slovak State Folk Ensemble "Sluk," which is called by Pravda "the best of ethnic dancing." An ethnic buffet prepared by area restaurants and performed by the metro's 12 most exciting folk dance troops run 4-7 p.m. Sunday in Southfield Civic Center. For tickets at \$15 call Southfield Community Relations Department, 354-4854.

## club circuit

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB**, of Farmington has elected Karen L. Leppanen, a financial services officer for Community Foundation of Southeastern Michigan, as president for the coming term. Her vice president is Betty R. Brown, in charge of sales for Michigan Business and Professional Women.

Other incoming officers are Judith Bordnick, a clinical social worker for Farmington Hills Counseling Services and Kimberly C. Sampler, executive interpreter for Toyota Motors.

The club is a member of the Michigan and National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs. It promotes the interests of its members and extends opportunities to its members through education.

Leppanen will take membership inquiries at 473-0512.

**WESTSIDE SINGLES** meet for a dance party at 8 p.m. Friday in Livonia Elks Club, Plymouth Road east of Merriman. Admission is \$4 at the door. The singles hotline is 582-3170.

**LADIES AUXILIARY FOR FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE**, Lodge 128, hosts a Las Vegas Night from 7 p.m. to midnight in Eagle Lodge, 1721 Glenard Road, Village of Wolverine Lake.

The lodge is made up of members from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, and several southwestern county police departments including Farmington and Farmington Hills.

Proceeds from the fund-raiser will support Mi-Cops, The Haven, and Special Olympics.

For advance tickets, at \$5 each, call Beverly Schell, 624-1314.

**TRI-COUNTY SINGLES** meet for a dance party at 8:30 p.m. Saturday in Farmington Elks Club, 23668 Orchard Lake Road. Open to singles over the age of 21. Admission is \$4 at the door.

**FARMINGTON GARDEN CLUB** meets at noon Monday, May 1 in The Community Center to hear Joyce Blumstom talk on unusual geraniums.

She will talk about the history and give botanical descriptions of the geranium family, and offer cuttings for sale.

**EMBROIDER'S GUILD OF AMERICA**, Farmington Hills Chapter, meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 3 in Faith Covenant Church, corner of Drake and 14 Mile Road. Project for the month is called "Victorian Sampler."

Guests are welcome. Inquiries are taken by Elaine Hoegerwerf, 661-2781.

**LARYNGECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP** meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 4 in St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill Road. Inquiries are taken by Jean Purdy, 476-7855.

**FARMINGTON OLD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION** sponsors Neighborhood Spring Clean-Up Saturday, May 6. Rain date is May 13.

Persons needing help with heavy objects are asked to write to the association, P. O. Box 534, Farmington 48332.

Holly Giannola takes inquiries at 478-0917.

Allclub 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.

## WAND celebrates Mother's Peace Day

Mildred Jeffrey, a local activist in political, union and peace causes, will be honored at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, May 4, by Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament (WAND), at the organization's third annual Mother's Peace Day Award Brunch. The brunch in Birmingham Community House will feature Allison Hines, national board member of WAND, as the keynote speaker.

Jeffrey, a Detroit, is founder and member of the board of directors of "Women for a Meaningful Summit." She attended the first summit meeting in Geneva between President Gorbachev and Reagan and joined other American women in presenting a peace petition signed by 100,000 people.

Long active in politics, Jeffrey serves on the board of directors of

Blue Cross Blue Shield and the Michigan Coalition for Human Rights. She is president of Michigan Foundation for Women, a feminist philanthropy. Jeffrey is on the board of governors of Wayne State University.

Hines, a psychotherapist will speak on "Is Peace the Impossible Dream: Why Women Must Dream and Dare." She is from Ann Arbor, serves on the SANE/Freeze Board.

WAND is a national organization whose goal is to help reverse the nuclear arms race. The program is based on education and political action. Among the members planning the brunch is Rebecca Fine-mann of Farmington Hills.

The public is invited to observe Mother's Peace Day at the WAND brunch. The charge is \$15. Reservations are taken by Lorraine Lerner at 352-0568.

## Host families needed for visitors from France

Diane K. McQuiston, a Farmington Hills resident, is looking for families to host a student from France this summer. The youth are visiting under the sponsorship of Lorraine Culturels A L'etranger, an organization new to this area.

The goal is to allow French teens

to discover and appreciate the culture of a different country. The organization works to make sure that both the host family and the teenager spend a happy, safe and enriching summer. McQuiston, the LEC coordinator for this area, will take inquiries at 477-6511.

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