

Song Sisters

The Song Sisters are Julie Austin and Chris Barton who play a variety of folk instruments and mix songs, stories, humor and movement in their performances designed for the entire family. Show time is 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 26, in the outdoor amphitheater on the grounds of The Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Admission is \$2 at the gate. Guests are asked to bring their own blanket or lawn chairs.



Drug showing promise for leukemia patients

First phase results of a genetically engineered drug which helps restore the production of white blood cells is showing promise for leukemia patients according to researchers at the University of Texas Anderson Cancer Center.

The drug, Granulocyte-Macrophage Colony Stimulating Factor (GM-CFS), is a genetically engineered version of a naturally occurring hormone, or growth factor, that stimulates the bone marrow to produce large quantities of white blood cells. Dramatic increases in the number of neutrophils (white blood cells crucial to infection control), were reported in five newly diagnosed patients with acute myelogenous leukemia (AML), who received chemotherapy followed two days by infusions of GM-CFS.

Although testing of GM-CFS is in its infancy, the Texas researcher are encouraged with the preliminary results and feel that GM-CFS may play a significant role for AML patients

undergoing chemotherapy.

Focus On Health is a monthly release on leukemia and related issues from the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan, A United Way of Michigan Agency.

For further information call the CLF state office toll-free at 1-800-824-CLFM.

Vendors wanted

Indoor and outdoor space is available for vendors to participate in a flea market and rummage sale scheduled 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 16-17 on the grounds of Madonna College. The campus is on the corner of I-96 and Levan Road, Livonia.

For more information, call the college at 591-5128.

Women in Management elect new officers

The Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation, Women in Management, Eastern Region met for its annual dinner and business meeting in the Renaissance Club in Detroit. Women in Management board elections and Woman of the Year were announced at the annual meeting.

Carol Blair will serve as president of the newly elected board. She is vice president of human resources at

the Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation in Farmington Hills, and a Farmington Hills resident.

Rose Wilson, president-elect of Women in Management serves as assistant to the executive vice president chief operating officer at Farmington Hills and lives in Fenton.

Linda Davis, secretary, is employed at PEPA Pediatric Division at Mount Carmel Hospital as business manager. She lives in Troy.

Kathleen Furlong, treasurer, is coordinator of the Kidney Center at Mount Carmel Hospital. She lives in Farmington Hills.

As immediate past president, Nancy Baerwaldt will serve on the board. She is associate vice president of Public Affairs at the Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation in Farmington Hills and lives in East Lansing.

Several nominations were received for Women in Management's Woman of the Year award. The award acknowledges the professionalism, talents, interests, and generosity of the award winner.

This year Kathleen Barti of West Bloomfield and vice president of Professional Services and Quality Control at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac was recipient of the award.

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Dr. T. Manfred McGee, Dr. Jack M. Kortush and Dr. Malcolm D. Graham of the Michigan Ear Institute are screening candidates for this clinical study.

Here are the candidate criteria:

- 18 years and older.
- Receive very limited speech understanding through hearing aids.
- Severe to profound bilateral sensorineural hearing loss.
- Became severely deaf after age 12.

For more information about the evaluation process and costs involved, contact Kathleen Kulick, at 476-4622 or 1-800-336-7578.

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