

CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND FARMINGTON - FARMINGTON HILLS

HAPPENINGS

■ CHILDREN'S PROGRAM
Every Saturday 10-11:30 a.m. at Farmington Area Advisory Council/Orchard Lake office for children ages 4-10 whose live have been affected by chemical dependency. Information, Shelly Renz, 477-6767.

■ FREE GED
And vocational classes, registration begins now at Clarenceville Schools. Information, 473-8933.

■ HOLIDAY SHOW
Held at The Artists' Gallery Inc., 30905 Orchard Lake Road. Information, 855-8832.

■ CIVIL AIR PATROL
Meets every Tuesday, 7-9:30 p.m. in either Southfield at 682-5508 or Waterford Reserve Centers, 471-5438.

■ HOLIDAY GIFT SUGGESTIONS
Farmington and Farmington Hills Beautification Commissions have T-shirts (\$10), sweatshirts (\$15) and tote bags (\$8) for sale at the following locations: Farmington Hills City Hall, Bon Ton Downtown Farmington Center, Backyard Birds-Uptown Farmington Center; and Wild Birds Unlimited-Croyley Shopping Center-12 Mile.

■ BALLROOM DANCE
Class held at Jane Addams Elementary School, 14025 Berwyn, Redford, starting Jan. 3. Information, 471-4168.

■ CHRISTMAS TREES
Start the new year off right by composting your Christmas tree. Trees placed at the curb during the week of Monday, Jan. 3, through Friday, Jan. 7, will go to a compost facility rather than the landfill. Trees in bags are not accepted, so remove all bags prior to placement at the curb.

■ REFUSE AND RECYCLING
This year, there will be no change in the refuse and recycling collection schedule because of the holidays. It will be picked up on the regular scheduled days.

■ FARMINGTON YOUTH ASSISTANCE
Family Education Committee conducts two parenting classes beginning in January. "Systematic Training for Effective Parenting of Teens" begins on Jan. 6 and will run for eight weeks each Thursday, from 7:30-9:30 p.m.; "Children: The Challenge" for parents of elementary-age children begins Jan. 10 and runs for 10 weeks each Monday from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Both classes held at Ten Mile School and registration fee is \$20 per person or \$25 per couple which includes books and materials. To register, call the Farmington Youth Assistance at 489-3434.

■ CLARENCEVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Students hold a can and bottle drive Saturday, Jan. 8, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Leave cans and bottles in plastic bags labeled Clarenceville/Washington, D.C., on your porch. Information, 473-8915.

■ HOLIDAY CARDS
Don't throw holiday cards away. Cards will be collected from Dec. 27 through Jan. 21 at five locations: Farmington Hills City Hall, both branches of the library, Halsted Road Recycling Center and Farmington City Hall. Deposit

cards, fronts only. They will be delivered to St. Jude Ranch for Children for abused, abandoned and neglected children in Boulder City, Nevada.

■ BUNDLE UP
Button Up for a cold winter's night on Dec. 31 to New Year's Eve in Birmingham. First Night Button Up is on sale for \$7 through New Year's Eve through 3 p.m. Information, 540-6688.

■ FREE IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Oakland Health Division offers an immunization clinic for Farmington and surrounding areas at the Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt Road Wednesday, Jan. 12, from 9 a.m. to noon. Information, 424-7046.

■ EXPECTANT PARENT CLASS

Oakland County Health Division offers a series of six expectant parent classes beginning Wednesday, Jan. 12 in Oakland County Health Division, 27275 Greenfield Road, Southfield from 7-9 p.m. and will be taught by a public health nurse. Fee \$10. Registration by Jan. 7. Information, 424-7042.

SUPPORT GROUPS

■ NEWLY MURTING

For the newly hurting/divorced or separated. Held weekly at Our Lady of Sorrows social hall, 23615 Power. 471-2705.

■ ALZHEIMER'S

Association Family support group meets 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 4, in the main dining room at Botsford Center, 21450 Archwood Circle (formerly 30405 Folsom Road), Farmington Hills. Monthly meetings free of charge to provide an opportunity for those with a loved one affected by Alzheimer's Disease to meet. Call Barb Jablonski, 477-7400.

SENIOR CITIZENS

■ AARP

Local chapter 2088 meets at 1 p.m. on the third Friday of each month at the Senior Center. Call Justine at 473-1823 for information.

■ MEDICARE ASSISTANCE
Offers free advice with Medicare paperwork on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 11 a.m. Information, 473-1823.

■ ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION

HelpLine weekdays 10 a.m.

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■ FIBROMYALGIA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets 7 p.m. second Monday of every month in Troy Beaumont Hospital cafeteria. Information, (313) 528-2528.

■ LIVING CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Meets first and third Wednesday of every month in Henry Ford Medical Center, 6777 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Information, 661-6467.

■ WESTERN OAKLAND PARKINSON

Support Group meets 7:30-9 p.m. the second Tuesday of every month at Farmington Hills Baptist Church, 28301 Middlebelt. Information, 476-3404, 478-0189 or 474-0003.

■ ISED (Institute for the Study of Eating Disorders), a non-profit organization providing treatment for patients and their families, 6:30-8 p.m. Monday for patients/family support; 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday for adolescents; and 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday for adults. Located at 42450 12 Mile, Suite 305. Information, 349-7337.

■ FIRST STEP STROKE

Support group meets 1 p.m. Tuesdays in Farmington Hills Senior Center. Information, Carolyn, 851-0134.

■ ACTION

A ministry that provides support and practical help for people who are unemployed or changing careers. Meets 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays in Lighthouse Room, Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia.

■ BUILDING BLOCKS

To a good marriage through Dec. 22, 7-8:15 p.m. in Ward Presbyterian Church, Room A-15. Information, 422-1836.

■ MANIC-DEPRESSIVE

And Depressive Association meets 7:30-9 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at Providence Hospital, Novi, 47601 Grand River. Information, Bill, 386-3825.

■ GROUP FOR CHILDREN

Of Dysfunctional Families beginning early January Thursdays at noon to 1:30 p.m. in Livonia. Information, Cynthia Kopkin, 478-9222.

■ RAINBOW FOR ALL CHILDREN

Help children/youth cope with losses in their lives at Nardin Park Methodist.

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■ SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE

Evening support groups are available for family members and friends who have had a loved one die by suicide. Groups meet at various locations free of charge and are led by a professional and a survivor. Information, 224-7000 for locations.

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■ ORCHARD HILLS

Psychiatric Center, an outpatient clinic dedicated to the treatment of mental health issues, sponsors

VOLUNTEERS

■ AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

Is looking for Christmas elves to volunteer coordinating annual holiday card program in the Southfield office. Information, Scott Warner, 557-5353.

■ ARBOR HOSPICE

Offers Volunteer Education Program Wednesday mornings for eight weeks at Ward Presbyterian Church, Six Mile and Farmington roads, Livonia. Information, 1-800-783-5764.

■ DRIVERS NEEDED

To deliver Focus:HOPE food boxes to the elderly in the Farmington area one day a month. Information, Gail Wiercioch, 473-1826.

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■ NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

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■ MEALS-ON-WHEELS

Farmington Hills Senior Nutrition Program needs volunteers to deliver meals to seniors in the Farmington area. Time involved is 1-2 hours per week. The Nutrition Program also needs volunteers Monday-Friday from 8:30-11 a.m. to pack meals for homebound seniors. If you can help in either capacity, call 473-1854.

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■ SEEKERS VOLUNTEERS

The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan seeks volunteers to serve their community as community representatives. Duties include acting as a liaison between the foundation and the community, presenting foundation educational campaigns, attending area health fairs, conducting speaking engagements and coordinating fund-raising events. No experience necessary. Information, Michael Hart, 1-800-482-1455.

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■ FARMINGTON HILLS SENIOR PROFESSIONALS

New Year's Eve party Friday, Dec. 31 at the Grand Café in downtown Farmington, 3332 Grand River. Cost \$30. Enjoy dancing to a live band at 8:30 p.m.

■ FARMINGTON HEAD START

Has limited home base openings for qualified residents. Call 489-3373 for information.

■ ENRICHMENT CLASS

For pre-kindergarten children offered by Sunshine Preschool starting Jan. 1994. It meets 12:45-3:15 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday at Sunshine Preschool in Faith Covenant Church at 14 Mile and Drake.

■ SEMINAR

■ DALE CARNEGIE TRAINING

Professional development seminars at \$49 per session one Wednesday morning each month 9 a.m. to noon at Laurel Park Office, 17370 N. Laurel Park Drive, Suite 190, starting Dec. 15.

CONCERTS

■ FOREST PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Church, 26805 Farmington Road, presents an evening of Christmas music. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 24.

■ FARMINGTON MUSICAL

Presents Fair Exchange, a founders day observance at 12:30 p.m. Jan. 5 in Farmington Community Library. This Exchange Program with Milford Musical at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, at Milford Methodist Church.

■ BOTSFORD GENERAL HOSPITAL

Artist of the Month is Mariela Devoto in Downtown Farmington Library, 14 portraits in the Quiet Room of the library, Liberty Street. Information, 471-7398.