

# Churches sponsor 'Sacred Eyes' seminar

L. Robert Keck is presenting a workshop "Sacred Eyes" March 17 and 18 in the Detroit area. Four area United Methodist churches: Birmingham First, Farmington First, Nardin Park and Orchard are sponsoring the seminar. The event is open to the public.

Based on Keck's new book, "Sacred Eyes," the event is called a "Spirit-stretching event for people on the grow."

It has been nominated for the 1994 Grawemeyer Award for "Best new idea in religion."

The seminar begins at 7 p.m. Friday, March 17, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 11 Mile in Farmington Hills, and continues from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at Birmingham First United Methodist Church, 1589 West Maple, Birmingham.

Keck will also be in the Farmington area at 9:15 a.m. Sunday, March 19, at Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, and at 11 a.m. at Farmington First United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River.

Keck is an independent cultural analyst, author, lecturer and seminar leader living in Boulder, Colo. With a master's degree in theology and a doctorate in the philosophy of health, he has been a United Methodist pastor, served on the faculty of the Ohio State University Medical School, was the recipient of numerous re-

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search grants to explore the body-mind-spirit synergy involved in health and illness and has become a corporate wellness consultant. He is also the author of "The Spirit of Synergy."

Pre-registration cost of the seminar is \$25 per person. Lunch on Saturday is available for \$5.50 (pre-registration only). Limited registrations will be available at the door at a cost of \$30 each.

Pre-registrar by today by sending check and registration to: Katy Hill, seminar, 35096 Lexington, Farmington Hills, 48331. Call Orchard United Methodist Church for information at (810) 628-3620.



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# Area Jewish agencies sponsor Purim events

The pleasures of Purim will fill the agencies of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit as they sponsor activities and volunteer opportunities for the holiday.

Purim, which is March 16 this year, commemorates the survival of the Jewish people in ancient Persia. Recalling a courageous queen and the defeat of a wicked enemy, Purim is a holiday of costume parties, the giving of charity, eating of pastries called "hamantaschen" and fun.

■ **Fleischman Residence/Blumberg Plaza** in West Bloomfield will hold three events: a Purim festival with actress Ellen Sandweiss at 1:30 p.m. March 12; the story of Purim told through the use of Russian puppets; and a Purim prom with seniors from the Jewish Community Campus and Hillel Day School sixth-graders at 1 p.m. March 16. For details call Myrna Kats and/or Sandy Kaplan (810) 661-2999.

■ Volunteers will assist in coordinating a Purim party at the Jew-

ish Home for the Aged's Prentiss Manor in Southfield on March 12. Call Susan Marcus, (810) 352-2336, for details.

■ **The Jewish Community Center's Jimmy Prentiss Morris Building** in Oak Park will host the Hamantaschen Bake-off for seniors and nursery school children at 10 a.m. March 15. Also at 10 a.m. on March 15, Amy Singer and Michelle Kleiman will conduct a special Purim project for preschool to kindergarten-aged children. The intergenerational Dor Dor Purim party at 1 p.m. March 16 will have singing and dancing. For details, call Leslie Magidson at (810) 967-4030.

■ **The Agency for Jewish Education** is hosting "The Great Purim Project" from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 12 at the AJE Building in Southfield. Kosher food parcels will be assembled and delivered to families in the area who are alone during the holiday. For details, call Noa Han-

delman at Jewish Experiences for Families, (810) 354-1050.

■ **The Jewish Community Center's Maple/Drake Building** in West Bloomfield will have "Purim Bling for Kids" from 1-3 p.m. on March 12. Children are encouraged to wear their Purim costumes. Prizes and snacks will be given away. For details, call Fredelle Schneider at the JCC, (810) 661-7605.

■ **Group Apartments for the Elderly**, program of the Jewish Family Service, will have volunteers helping residents make hamantaschen and Purim packages for new Americans at Resettlement Service. For dates and times call Jan Bayer at Jewish Family Services, (810) 559-1500, extension 222.

■ **At Menorah House** in Southfield volunteers will be at the house's 2:30 p.m. March 16 Purim pageant with prizes being awarded to the resident with the best holiday costume. Volunteers will also be needed at 2 p.m. on March

19 for a Purim party for residents and their families. On March 12, the children of Beth Shalom in Oak Park will visit the residents and exchange holiday treats. On March 17 high school students will visit with the residents and share Purim experiences. For details, call Fran Schulenberg, (810) 557-0050.

■ **Jewish Federation Apartments** will have Purim activities for residents at all three facilities. At Harriet and Ben Teitel Apartments, in Oak Park, the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization will read the story of Purim and perform a short play with the residents on March 16. At Hechtman Federation Apartments in West Bloomfield, children and performers will entertain residents on March 16. Volunteers at Prentiss Federation Apartments in Southfield will host their annual intergenerational Purim brunch for residents on March 12. For details, call Joyce Bichler, (810) 661-5220.

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## RELIGION CALENDAR

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue.

### ■ NORTH FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHURCH

North Farmington Community Church, 32500 West 13 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, plans a "Building a Life Worth Loving" series. The programs include: 10 a.m. Sunday, March 26, "Slowing Down the Speed of Life"; 10 a.m. Sunday, April 2, "Healing Your Hurt"; 10 a.m. Sunday, April 9, "Relationships That Last"; 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, "Remembering the Last Supper"; 10 a.m. Sunday, April 16, "God's Promise to You"; 11:30 a.m. Sunday, April 16, Easter egg hunt for children. (810) 626-6300.

### ■ SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Salem United Church of Christ plans "One Great Hour of Sharing," Sunday, March 26, at the church, 33424 Oakland Ave., Farmington. (810) 474-6880

### ■ CHURCH OF GOD

Pastor Gordon Steinko will begin a Newcomers Class, during the 9:45 a.m. Sunday School hour, on March 12, at the Farmington

Hills Church of God, 25717 Power Road, (between 10 and 11 Mile roads) Farmington Hills. Worship service is at 11 a.m. Nursery care is available. Call (810) 477-9144 for more information.

### ■ HOPE LUTHERAN

Members of Hope Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills are participating in a 50-day spiritual adventure titled "Facing down our fears: finding courage when anxiety grips the heart." The series will be held at the church through Easter Sunday, April 16. It is sponsored by the Chapel of the Air Ministries: Hope Church is at 39200 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, (810) 653-7170.

### ■ CHARISMATIC PRAYER

A charismatic prayer group meets at 6 p.m. Sundays in Patio Classroom 1 on the ground floor of the University Center at Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan roads, Livonia. For more information, call Shawn at (313) 464-9057 or Julie at (313) 464-4560.

A group also meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays for scripture and singing at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. The group meets in the church meeting

room. (Use rear entrance 2.) Call Sandy at (313) 462-2243.

### ■ PINE HILL CONGREGATIONAL

Pine Hill Congregational Church, 4160 Middlebelt, West Bloomfield, has Sunday worship services at 10:30 a.m. Nursery care and Sunday school are provided during the service. For information, call (810) 628-2737.

### ■ TEMPLE ISRAEL

Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake Road, will have services 7:30 a.m. weekdays, 10:30 a.m. Saturdays, (Rabbi's Tish at 9:30 a.m.), 9 a.m. Sundays and 8 p.m. Fridays. M. Robert Syme, rabbi, Harold S. Loes, rabbi, Paul M. Yedwab, rabbi, Joshua Bennett, rabbi, and Harold Orbach, cantor.

Friday evening, Syme will deliver the sermon; Saturday morning, Yedwab will deliver the sermon.

### ■ WEST BLOOMFIELD RIBLE

West Bloomfield Bible Church, 4900 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Church: (810) 681-3467, Parsonage: (810) 738-4260. Sunday school, 10 a.m.; worship service, 11 a.m. Sunday (evening).

6 p.m.); Wednesday prayer meeting, 7 p.m.

### ■ HOLY SPIRIT LUTHERAN

Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, 4800 Orchard Lake Road, has services at 5 p.m. Saturday and 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. Sunday; nursery provided at second service. Sunday school for toddlers through adults at 9:30 a.m.

### ■ CONGREGATION SHAAREY ZEDOK B'NAI ISRAEL CENTER

Congregation Shaarey Zedek B'nai Israel, 4200 Walnut Lake Road, will have services 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, and 7:15 a.m. weekdays. For more information, call (810) 681-5353.

### ■ CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

Church of Our Saviour, Presbyterian (USA), 6853 Middlebelt, conducts 10 a.m. Sunday services. Church school classes for infants through high school and crib care are available during worship. For more information, call (810) 626-7606. Facilities are barrier-free. Weekday preschool program and child care are open to the community. Call (810) 655-6186 for more information.

## Submit Easter service plans

Local churches can submit information on their upcoming Holy Week and Easter services to Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River Ave., Farmington, Mich. 48335.

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