

Workplace of Tomorrow



Award winners: Three Metro Detroit companies — Hudsons, Compuware and BDO Seidman — were recently honored by the Women's Economic Club for initiatives which contribute significantly to a better working environment for employees. Club President Lynda Haber (second from left) saluted the winners, including (from left) Carol Kieffer-Dowling, vice president of stores for Hudson's, Southfield; Shiela McKinnon, vice president of Human Resources for Compuware, Farmington Hills; and Howard Allenberg, managing director for BDO Seidman, Troy.

Farmington AAUW honors city resident

Betty Verdow of Farmington has been designated by the American Association of University Women, Farmington branch, as its Educational Foundation Named Gift Honoree.

This annual honor is given to a member for outstanding service to the organization and the community.

For the past six years Verdow has worked packaging and sorting books and making signs for the AAUW's annual used book sale. She has also served as book-sale treasurer.

Verdow is a graduate in art education from Albion College and Wayne State University. During her 36 years as an elementary art teacher in the Detroit School System she did a series of shows on

animals in art for the school system network.

She used pictures and artifacts from the Children's Museum to illustrate how animals were portrayed by various artists.

Now retired, she is also a volunteer on weekends at the Detroit Institute of Arts Museum Shop and its branch at Twelve Oaks, selling and interpreting the artistic meaning of the jewelry on display. A member of the DIA's Friends of Modern Art Auxiliary, she is interested in the works of Picasso and Chagall.

Her other interests include genealogy and photography. She is a member of the Farmington Genealogical Society and the Oakland County Genealogical Society. She collects old stereoscopic slides.

Alzheimer's care facility plans open house Friday

Alternative Living Services will host an open house at one of its Alzheimer's care facilities, Hamilton House of Farmington Hills, from 3-6 p.m. Friday, May 19.

Alternative Living Services opened Hamilton House of Farmington Hills in July 1994 as an Alzheimer's care residence.

The open house will feature music, refreshments and tours, and valet parking will be available. Hamilton House of Farmington Hills is at 27050 Drake Road in Farmington Hills, at the northeast corner of Drake and 12 Mile roads. For more information, call (810) 489-9362.

RECREATION NEWS

Each week, the Recreation Division of the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services presents a synopsis of upcoming activities. For more information regarding programs, call the recreation office at 473-9570.

DAY CAMPS
Registrations are now being accepted for the summer day camps which will be held at Heritage Park and the Activities Center. Day camps are scheduled for children ages 6-8 and ages 9-12. There are eight one-week sessions beginning June 19. Half-day sessions for children ages 3-5 are also available.

GOLF LESSONS
A six-lesson program working on swing, stance and grip will be offered on Mondays and Wednesdays and on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Novi Oaks Driving Range. Each lesson is 50 minutes, and you will be asked to purchase a bucket of golf balls. Beginner classes only. Pre-registration fee of \$45 is required.

YOUTH TRACK AND FIELD
Individuals interested in developing their running and jumping skills should participate in this three-practice program that will culminate in a meet on Sunday, June 11, at Farmington High School. The first practice will be at North Farmington High School. This program is open for students in high school down to the 10-and-under division. A pre-registration fee of \$10 is required. Call 473-9570 for further information.

NATURE DISCOVERY WAGON
Pre-registration for children ages 3-6 and a parent or grandparent is being accepted for a program that will provide a tour of Heritage Park's natural sights, sounds and textures of spring. Participants will ride on a hay wagon with special stops along the way. The evening will end with a camp fire and roasting marshmallows. Fee of \$5 per person will be accepted 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 20.

BIKE RIDGES
On Saturday, May 20, from 2-5 p.m., at the Farmington Hills Activities Center, 28000 11 Mile Road, Gate 4, a bike ride will be held for the first 150 children to pre-register at the recreation office. The event will cover bike safety, riding skills and proper equipment. An antique bicycle demonstration by the "Michigan Wheelmen" will add entertainment to the day. We are also looking for adult bicycling enthusiasts who would like to volunteer to help on the riding skills test to contact the recreation office at 473-9570.

WALK MICHIGAN
Enjoy Heritage Park when you participate in "Walk Michigan" on the various trails of the park. Individuals will be eligible for a drawing to win a trip to participate in the Mackinac Bridge walk on Labor Day. Registration is taken on site the night of each walk. The walks will be every Thursday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. from May 18 to July 27. Participants should meet at the Day Camp Building. There is no fee for this program.



"At Botsford Commons, I own my home and have access to health care services."

Although a lot of my friends live down south, I wanted to be here, close to my family. One day, my son told me about the independent life-style at Botsford Commons in Farmington Hills. When he showed me the new homes in the beautiful, wooded setting, I had no problem deciding.

Because I grew up in a small town, the private, full-service community atmosphere really appealed to me. Everyone is so nice here—my neighbor can't wait until the coffee shop opens.

Being able to own my home, without paying an entrance fee, was very attractive to me. All of the condominiums and apartments are designed with special features, such as an emergency call service, for continued independence. At Botsford Commons, my lawn maintenance and snow removal are taken care of. And I can choose to purchase additional amenities, including health care services, when needed.

I don't think I could have found a nicer place. My grandchildren love to visit too.



Reaching out to the people of our community
If you would like to take a tour of Botsford Commons, just call Mary at (810) 477-1646. Botsford Commons is located at 21350 Archwood Circle (Orchard Lake Rd. off of Folsom), Farmington Hills, MI 48336-4702. Botsford Commons is affiliated with Botsford General Hospital.