

OAKLAND KALEIDOSCOPE

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Children's Hospital of Michigan, 3901 Beaubien, Detroit, is seeking volunteers from Oakland County for its surgical waiting room and intensive care unit lounge to serve as liaisons between the hospital staff and family. On the job training is provided. Volunteers need to be friendly and outgoing, and able to give directions clearly and respond to doctor requests. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For information, contact Erin O'Mara at (313) 745-6326.

SCOUT FUND-RAISER

The Boy Scouts of America, Clinton Valley Council, Ojibwa District Auction Fund Raiser will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 7, at Eisenhower High School, located on 25 Mile, one-half mile west of Van Dyke in Shelby Township. Admission is \$5 per person. Proceeds benefit Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts in the Clinton Valley Council, which serves 16,000 youth in Macomb and Oakland Counties. The district is also seeking donated gifts and services for auction. For information regarding tickets or auction donations, call Dean Elliott at the Clinton Valley Council at (810) 338-0035, or auction chairman Paul Zernee at (810) 731-4746.

HEART AWARENESS

The American Heart Association will launch a nationwide campaign entitled "Get in on the Action!" to educate the public about different aspects of cardiovascular disease during February, American Heart Month. Someone in America dies every 33 seconds from cardiovascular disease, the number one killer in the U.S. today. Lack of physical activity has been clearly shown to be a risk factor for cardiovascular disease. Yet, alarmingly, only 22 percent of all Americans get enough leisure time exercise to achieve cardiovascular fitness. The Farmington YMCA, 28100 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, will host a health fair and screening from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event features cooking demonstrations, basic fitness tips, fitness screenings and speakers on family and stroke. The American Heart Association is also educating young people

about heart disease during its second annual educational event to be held in 78 school districts with 340,000 students in kindergarten through grade 12. Students will receive specially created lesson plans during Heart Awareness Week, Feb. 3 to 7. Other highlights include a conference on children and cardiovascular disease at Children's Hospital and the Detroit Rockers School Day Soccer Game. An achievement award will be presented to 13-year-old Brandon Avery, who lost 54 pounds through proper nutrition and exercise. Heart Awareness Week was created by the Metro Detroit Corporate Advisory Board in response to the startling statistics about children and the risk for heart disease. Risk factors in children often predict heart disease later in life. In Michigan, one in three children are overweight. For more information, contact

the American Heart Association's Metro Detroit Area Office in Lathrup Village at (810) 557-9511.

HELPING HAND

Oakland County-based Volunteers of America Southeast Michigan is selling hundreds of cars donated this holiday season by individuals of Greater Metropolitan Detroit. Cars are sold daily on a lot at 618 E. Walton Blvd., between Joslyn and Opdyke in Pontiac. Forty to 60 cars are also auctioned at 10 a.m. every Saturday. Unique cars for sale have included a 1968 Buick Electra Convertible with low mileage, a 1992 Ford Taurus Wagon in immaculate condition, a 1991 Ford Taurus, a 1991 Pontiac Grand Prix and a

loaded 1988 Audi 5000.

Proceeds raised through the sales and auction help to fund a variety of social service needs in the Metro Detroit area, including Oakland County. The organization offers low income and specialized housing facilities for 450 men, women and children each night; and assists individuals who would not qualify for home ownership to become first time home buyers. The Volunteers of America recently finished its Christmas holiday Adopt-A-Family Program that adopted 400 families and 1,000 children. For information, call Colleen O'Donnell at (810) 373-9000, or 1 (800) 652-1515. Car donations can be deducted to the maximum extent of the law.

Students highlight efforts Sunday

Throughout Oakland County signs are literally pointing to anticipation about "Public Schools... Public Pride," a showcase of what students are doing going on from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Summit Place Mall, Telegraph and Elizabeth Lake roads.

School and college marquee this week are announcing the event, and County Executive L. Brooks Patterson was expected to offer a proclamation designating Feb. 2-8 as Public Schools and Family Matters Week. The

proclamation was to be given to Dr. Jim Redmond, Oakland Schools supervisor.

The event includes more than 100 exhibitors featuring student demonstrations grouped by themes that include: curriculum and instruction; programs; activities/clubs; technology; children at risk; partnerships; community support; and beyond K-12.

These themed exhibits team two or three school districts together to illustrate everything from middle school integration of math, science and technology to

early intervention programs, year-round schools, support groups for children suffering a significant loss in their lives, multi-age grouping, district Internet web sites, alternative education, the acclaimed JASON Project, technology in the classroom, and outdoor education. Greeting guests will be parents and National Honor Society students.

Also participating in the event will be members of the Michigan State University Extension 4-H Youth Program of Oakland

County. For more information about participating in 4-H Youth Development Programs, contact the Oakland County 4-H office at (810) 858-0889.

Licensed child care will be provided free by the Waterford School District.

Senior adults can receive free valet parking and free coffee for those ages 65 and older. A portion of the day's proceeds of sales at the mall will be returned to schools, and a canvas tote will be offered free with a minimum purchase of \$50 or more.

OCC hosts band concert

Oakland Community College's Highland Lakes Campus will host the OCC Symphonic Band in its winter concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31, in the Student Center on campus.

Highlight of the Symphonic Band concert will be the performance of the Armenian Dances by Alfred Reed. This collection

of dance movements is based on authentic Armenian music from the collected works of Gomidas Vartabed, the founder of Armenian classical music.

The band also will perform a new selection by Frank Ticheli, based on the well-known spiritual, Amazing Grace.

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Monday, Feb. 3	10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Tuesday, Feb. 4	10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Wednesday, Feb. 5	10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Thursday, Feb. 6	10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

BOAT SHOW ADMISSION:

Adults: \$7.00
Children Under 12: FREE with adult
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