

## COMMUNITY MESSENGER

**Community Messenger features spiritual announcements from Oakland County religious institutions. Write: Community Messenger, c/o Beliefs & Values Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 825 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Our fax number is (810) 644-1314.**

#### GARDEN WORKSHOP

Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake, West Bloomfield, holds Friday Shabbat services under the stars on the terrace at 7:30 p.m. continuing through Aug. 15 (weather permitting). Services are followed by an Oneg. Casual dress, no jeans. Baby sitting is not available. For information, call (248) 681-5700.

#### ICE CREAM SOCIAL

An old-fashioned ice cream social with Ray's Ice Cream and entertainment by Banjoes of Michigan will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1 at First United Methodist Church, 1689 W. Maple, Birmingham. The fare will include games for children. Tickets are \$2 in advance and \$2.50 at the door. This 36th annual ice cream social is open to the community.

#### FAMILY SHABBAT

Cong. B'nai Moshe, 6800 Drake, West Bloomfield, will hold the next in its series of Summertime Family Shabbat services from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 2, in the Minyan Room. Parents, grandparents, children and friends are invited to participate in these relaxed Shabbat celebrations, which are led by tefillah teacher Michael Weiss. For information, call education director Rita Abramson at (248) 788-0600.

#### BIBLE SCHOOL

Join in a fun-filled 2.5 hours of games, puppets, music, story time, snacks and craft-making at "The King is Coming," a Vacation Bible School running from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Aug. 11 to 15 at William Tyndale College, 35700 W. 12 Mile, west of Drake, Farmington Hills. All kids ages 4 to 11 may register for the free program. Call (248) 478-6001 or (248) 851-2062. The program is an outreach of Oakland Hills Community Church.

#### JEWISH SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are being taken for \$500 Oakland Century B'nai Brith Scholarships. To apply, submit a grade transcript (no certification necessary) together with a type-written memorandum in letter form demonstrating details of compliance with the following requirements. The applicant must be a Jewish student from the Detroit area who is now attending a college or university with at least one full year of credits toward a degree, who has superior scholarship, who demonstrates a need for financial assistance, who shows leadership qualities for the benefit of the Jewish community and whose campus activity shows established roots in Metropolitan Detroit. Mail applications by Sept. 1 to: Harold J. Samuels, chairman, Scholarship Committee, 26240 Inkster Road, Southfield, MI 48034. For information, call (248) 827-1919.

#### JEWISH EDUCATION

"Latte and Learning," an adult Jewish study group co-sponsored by Cong. B'nai Moshe and Cong. Beth Abraham Hillel Moses, both of West Bloomfield, meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Mondays at Borders Books and Music in Farmington Hills. The Aug. 4 and 11 sessions, led by Rabbi Aaron Bergman, focus on an in-depth examination of the life and ideas of Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel. New students are cordially invited. The fee is \$5 per session for members and \$7 for non-members. For information, call Rita Abramson at (248) 788-0600.

#### VACATION BIBLE

Hope Lutheran Church, 39200 W. 12 Mile, just east of Haggerty, in Farmington Hills, is holding a Vacation Bible School Aug. 4 to 7. A light supper from 6:15 to 8:45 p.m. will be followed by music, crafts and Bible study until 8:30 p.m. This year's theme is "Be a Promise Builder for Jesus." Activities include songs, dramas, stories, music, crafts and Bible study for kids from pre-school age to teens, plus an adult Bible class. To register, call (248) 653-7170.

#### POWER OF PRAYER

Recent polls indicate that at least one half of all adults believe in the power of prayer. This summer, Northbrook Presbyterian Church in Beverly Hills, will offer a small group series designed to examine the role that prayer can play in our lives. The small group will meet on Tuesdays throughout the summer from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Group leader Joyce Wells, a mom-

ber and elder of Northbrook, is educated in small-group facilitation. She brings 10 years' experience at the Oakland University Continuum Center. The course will focus on how people can find healing through prayer. Based on the premise that we all, as humans, suffer some hurts in our life, this group will use prayer as a way of dealing with and resolving past and present issues. The free series will take place in the Northbrook Church Library, on the southwest corner of 14 Mile and Lahser. Ample parking is available.

#### ADULT SERIES

"Latte and Learning," an adult Jewish study series with Rabbi Aaron Bergman, continues to meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Mondays through Aug. 11, at Borders Books and Music, Orchard Lake Road just south of 14 Mile, Farmington Hills. New students are cordially invited to join the group, which meets in the music area of the store. The series is co-sponsored by West Bloomfield Cong. B'nai Moshe and Beth Abraham Hillel Moses. The pro-

rated tuition fee for the six remaining sessions is \$30 for members and \$42 for non-members. Individual session fees are \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. Advance registration is encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome. For information, call Rita Abramson at (248) 788-0600.

#### SATURDAY SERVICE

Troy Baptist Church, 3153 Rochester Road, one block north of Big Beaver in Troy, is holding Saturday services from 6 to 7 p.m. The come-as-you-are service is being offered for individuals who

cannot or do not attend traditional Sunday morning church services. For information about Saturday Night at Troy, call (248) 689-2015.

#### SHABBAT SCHEDULE

The Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, will offer July Shabbats at 8 p.m. on Fridays led by assistant rabbis Thomas Kolton and Stacie Fine. Subjects include "From Aging to Sage-ing: The Spirituality of Growing Older" on July 18 and a "Healing Ceremony" on July 25. Shabbats are open to the public and are followed by Oneg Shab-

bath. Call (248) 477-1410.

#### SUMMER DEVOTIONAL

First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham, offers a "Bring Your Own Bible" summer devotional at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesdays through Aug. 12, in the Martin Room. The group is led by Leigh Hook and Melody Hurley. No homework, no workbook, no required attendance. Come whenever you can. To make reservations for child care for children up to age 5, call (248) 646-6407, ext. 3141 or 3124, by noon on the preceding Monday.

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