

## OBITUARIES

## CHARLES W. ROSS

Services for Charles William Ross, 67, of West Bloomfield, will be held 10 a.m. today, Aug. 12, at St. Fabian Catholic Church in Farmington Hills.

Mr. Ross was born in Detroit and died Aug. 8, at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He was the president and owner of Wayne Steel Erectors of Farmington Hills for almost 40 years. His company subcontracted work for the Renaissance Building, Joe Louis Arena, the Palace, Comerica Park, the Silverdome, Prudential Town Centers and Detroit Metro Airport. He was the founder and first president of the National Association of Reinforcing Steel Contractors and was involved with the National Joint Board for Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes.

Mr. Ross served in the Armed Forces during the Korean War and liked to travel.

He is survived by wife, Patricia; sons, Scott, Wayne, Craig (Kim), and Charles Jr.; aunt, Christine Ross; cousin, Marilyn (Don); and grandchildren, Jennifer and Brittany.

Arrangements were made by McCabe Funeral Home in Farmington Hills.

## BICHSEL J. RUTKA

Services for Michael Joyner Rutka, 45, of Highland Township, were held Aug. 10 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Ann Arbor with the Rev. Jerry Vincke officiating.

Mr. Rutka was born Aug. 26, 1953 in Chicago, Ill. and died Aug. 6 at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital. He was senior vice president, creative director for Doner Advertising and enjoyed jogging, gardening and poetry.

He is survived by wife, Marcello; daughters, Elia and Isabella; parents, Edward and Anna Lou; and sisters, Nanette (Mark) Everson and Sandra (Rick) Richer.

Memorial contributions can be made to Hospice Garden of Farmington, 16250 Northland Drive, Suite 212 Southfield 48075.

Arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

## DAVID A. LANGHAM

Services for David Andrew Langham, 18, of Novi, were held Aug. 10, at Faith Community Church in Novi with the Rev. Richard Henderson officiating.

Mr. Langham was born April 15, 1981 and died Aug. 6 at Children's Hospital in Detroit.

He is survived by father, Keith; mother, Kathy; sister, Elizabeth; and grandmothers, Jessie (the late James) Dryden and Elaine (the late Jeffrey) Langham.

Memorial contributions can be made to the National Kidney Foundation.

Arrangements were made by Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington.

## GERALD F. LORD

Services for Gerald F. Lord, 82, formerly of Farmington, were held Aug. 9 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington with the Rev. Victor Hainboth officiating. Burial took place at Parkview Cemetery in Livonia.

Mr. Lord was born March 12, 1917 in Farmington and died Aug. 3 at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. He was a heavy equipment maintenance mechanic.

He is survived by daughters, Patricia (Gerald) McCann, Kathleen Whitlow and Pamela (Allan) Hopkins; brother, Martin; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his wife, Marie.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute, 41935 West 12 Mile Road, Novi 48377.

## LOUISE M. SCUDLO

Services for Louise M. Scudlo, 61, formerly of Farmington Hills, were held Aug. 9 at St. Colette Catholic Church in Livonia with the Rev. Frank Smith officiating. Burial took place at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights.

Mrs. Scudlo was born Dec. 15, 1937 in Chicago, Ill. and died Aug. 6 in Milford. She was an English teacher at Mercy High School for 35 years.

She is survived by husband, Earl Holtz; sisters, Marilyn Karow, Kathie (Mel) Bailey and Cynthia Cleland; three nieces; and three nephews.

Arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home.

## THOMAS M. WAGNER

Services for Thomas M. Wagner, formerly of Farmington, were held Aug. 9 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington with Rev. Karl Zeigler officiating.

Mr. Wagner was born March 7, 1951 in Detroit and died Aug. 6 in Bloomfield Hills. He was the owner of Tom Wagner Pool Services, installing & maintaining.

He is survived by parents, Chuck and Gloria; brothers, Jerry (Patricia) and Charles (Julie); and sister, Carol (Sheldon) Brosa.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Liver Transplant Fund U of M Hospital, 2101 Taubman Center, Box 0346, Ann Arbor 48109.

## WALLACE J. MCKENNA

Services for Wallace J. McKenna, 66, were held Aug. 9, at Holy

Family Church in Novi with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Farmington.

Mr. McKenna was born in 1932 and died Aug. 5 at U of M Hospital in Ann Arbor.

He is survived by wife, Betty; children, Robert (Anne), Diane (Blake) Roral, Maureen (Richard) DiPaula and Kathleen; siblings, Margaret Twarozynski, Joseph Jr. and Francis; and eight grandchildren.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Capuchins.

Arrangements were made by O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi.

## THOMAS A. GERMAINE

Services for Thomas A. Germaine, 69, formerly of Farmington,

will be held at 10:30 a.m. today, Aug. 12 at Holy Family Church in Novi with burial at Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi.

Mr. Germaine was born June 20, 1930 and died Aug. 8. He is survived by wife, Barbara; children, Thomas (Tamarra), William (Precious), Michael (Kathleen), Cathy, Mark, Denise (Mike) Perry; brother, William (Evelyn); and 11 grandchildren.

Memorial contributions can be sent to VNA Hospice, 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600, Oak Park, 48237.

Arrangements were made by O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi.

## RECREATION NEWS

The following are Farmington Hills parks and recreation programs. For more information or to register, call 473-9570.

## STARS IN THE PARK

The Farmington Community Chorus will wrap up the Stars in the Park concert series at 9 p.m. today, Aug. 12, at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills. This musical series is presented by the City's Department of Special Services. There is no charge.

## ICE ARENA

Public skating sessions are open to all ages and abilities at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena; noon to 1:50 p.m. Monday through Friday; 7-8:50 p.m. Tuesday, Friday and Saturday; and 4-5:50 p.m. Sunday. The cost is \$3.50 for residents, \$6 for non-

residents, and \$2 for skate rental. Drop-in hockey is \$7. Call 478-8800 for times.

## FALL SOFTBALL

Openings for men's and co-ed softball leagues will start the week of Aug. 22. Call 473-9570.

## PUNT, PASS &amp; KICK

Boys and girls ages 8-15 have the opportunity to show their punting, passing and kicking skills in a local PPK competition at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18 at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills. The deadline to register is Friday, Sept. 17 and the program is free.

## FALL REGISTRATION

The Farmington Hills Recreation Division will begin accepting registrations for its fall-scheduled programs at the

Recreation office on Monday, Aug. 30. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. You may register in person, by mail or by fax at (248) 473-9577. The recreation office is located behind the city hall complex at 31555 Eleven Mile Road.

## BETTER DAYS

Is there something that you would like to do that we currently don't provide for you? A new program? A new facility? A suggestion? Give us a call or send a letter to 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Or stop in to see us. We want to hear your ideas and thoughts on some better ways you would like to spend your days.

## I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO



"Mom lives here by herself. She's always been very independent but lately her health hasn't been very good. She sometimes forgets to take her medicines. She has even fallen a couple of times. I know she is not eating properly and she has mentioned that she is lonely. I worry about her but I work and have my own family to care for. I don't think a nursing home is the right place for her but I just don't know what to do."

Regent Street of West Bloomfield offers older adult assisted living that

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