

CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND FARMINGTON AND FARMINGTON HILLS

POTPOURRI

CHILD I.D.
AAA Michigan is offering a free child I.D. fingerprinting program from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays at the Farmington Hills location.

YOUTH COFFEEHOUSE
Young adults 16-26 can enjoy the relaxing atmosphere of The Basement Coffeehouse from 8 p.m. to midnight every Friday at the Harvest Temple Worship Center, 2323 Drake, Farmington Hills.

HOLIDAYS WORLDWIDE
Celebrate "Holidays Around the World" from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, under the tent in downtown Farmington. The special holiday fire truck will arrive at 11 a.m. along with strolling musicians, a classic trolley and an electric train exhibit. Children will also receive a holiday treasure map when they check into the information table under the tent. Call the DDA at 473-7276.

HOLIDAY MUSIC
Farmington High School band and orchestra students will perform "Music for the Holidays" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 13, at the Farmington High School auditorium. Admission is one canned good or non-perishable food item per person. These food items will be donated to the area needy.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA
The Chancel Choir of Clarencville United Methodist Church will present "A Journey of Hope, The Birth of the Savior" at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12. The church is located at 20300 Middlebelt Road. Call 474-3444.

WARNER MANSION
Warner Mansion will extend its hours for the holidays. Seasonal floral decorations and decorations will be on display from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 and 19; 1-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, 15 and 22. Admission is \$2.

BIRTH OF CHRIST
Aglow International will celebrate the birth of Christ with a sing-along and white elephant gift exchange from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 13, at the Farmington Hills Library. Refreshments will be served at 7 p.m. All are welcome. Call Karen at 682-3733.

BINGO
The American Legion Hall in Farmington hosts bingo at 6:30 p.m. every Friday night. Non-smoking areas are available. Call 478-9174.

HOLIDAY DONATIONS

SHELTER COLLECTION
The Farmington Area Jaycees are collecting items for the Haven this holiday season. The Haven is a shelter for battered women and their children. Donations of toiletries, and cosmetics for women, coloring books and toys for toddlers are all needed. All items can be dropped off in the lobby of Farmington and Farmington Hills city halls. The collection boxes will be there until Dec. 17.

TOYS FOR TOTS
Donations for Toys for Tots can be dropped off at the office of Dr. Leslie Metzger through the holidays. The office is at 33730 Freedom in Farmington. Call 476-3410.

MORE TOYS
WNIC-FM is holding a Toys for Tots drive. Their goal is to fill a 72-passenger school bus. At-school donations will be

picked up at their locations by Dec. 11. Call Teresa Darlene or Karen in transportation at 488-3364.

DELL RINGERS
The Salvation Army is looking for holiday bell ringers to fill two-hour shifts between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday at various locations in Farmington and Farmington Hills. For more information call 477-1163, ext. 101.

KID STUFF

PUPPET SHOW
Pippen Puppets will present "The Golden Snowflake," a puppet show about the meaning of gift giving at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Farmington Hills Library. This program is sponsored by the Farmington Friends of the Library.

YOUTH NIGHT
Farmington First United Methodist Church hosts Logos Youth Night, which includes singing, study, service and supper every Thursday night. The church is located at 33112 Grand River, one block east of Farmington Road. Call 474-6573.

SALES

COOKIE WALK
Community Living Centers, based in Farmington, will hold its 9th Annual Cookie Walk from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, at the Farmington YMCA, 28100 Farmington Road. Community Living Centers provide assisted living for developmentally disabled adults.

IRISH BAZAAR
An Irish Christmas Bazaar will be held from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, and Sunday, Dec. 5 at the Ancient Order of Hibernians Hall. The hall is located at 24242 Grand River, just west of Telegraph. Admission is free.

USED INSTRUMENTS
The Farmington Public Schools used instrument sale will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, in the East Middle School Cafeteria. The school is located at 25000 Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. Those wishing to sell an instrument should arrive early.

HEALTH

HEALTHY COOKING
Healthy cooking demonstrations are available throughout the month at Botsford's Health Development Network in Novi. The cost is \$6. Call 477-6100 to register.

SENIORS (55-PLUS)

MEDICARE ALERT
The Farmington Area Commission on Aging and the Farmington Hills Senior Adult Division will host a discussion on upcoming Medicare changes at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, at the Farmington Hills Senior Center. Joyce Hunt, director of access and benefit services of Area Agency on Aging 1B, is the scheduled speaker.

FAARSP POTLUCK
The Farmington Area Association of Retired School Personnel will hold a holiday potluck with music at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 14, at Farmington Community School. The school is located at Shiloh and Tuck Roads. Please bring a dish to share and your place setting. Call 471-7477.

HOLIDAY PARTY
The Farmington Hills Senior Center will hold its

Blizzard Buddies



Helping out: Students from the after school program at the Children Youth and Family Services in Farmington Hills collected coats, sweaters, scarves and mittens through Blizzard Buddies 2. All the winter clothing from Blizzard Buddies 2 was donated to the kids and adults at the Pontiac Rescue Mission. "It was a wonderful chance for the young people of our community to give something back to families who aren't as fortunate," said Ginny Morris, coordinator of Blizzard Buddies 2 and executive director of Miss Farmington Oakland County. Citizens from the Farmington area donated enough winter items to fill a large van, and the Elks donated \$200 to buy new coats for the mission. "We were very thankful to be the beneficiaries of Blizzard Buddies 2 and that the Farmington children donated the winter items to the mission. The men, women and especially the children we serve are always in need of warm winter clothing," said Pastor Kent Clark, CEO of the Pontiac Rescue Mission. The Pontiac Rescue Mission, a nonprofit organization, is Oakland County's oldest and largest homeless shelter, founded in 1942.

annual holiday party at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14. Tickets are \$3.50 and are available until Dec. 10 at the Senior Center. Lunch, prizes and entertainment are included.

REP TALK
State Rep. Andrew Raczewski is available to answer questions at 10 a.m. every third Friday of the month at the Farmington Hills Senior Center.

QUILTERS
The Sunshine Quilters meets 10 a.m. every Friday at the Costick Activities Center. All are welcome.

MEET'S CLUB
The Men's Club meets 10 a.m. the fourth Friday of the month at the Costick Activities Center.

MEMORIES AND MORE
Share your recollections with Memories and More. This senior group meets 10 a.m. to noon every Friday at the Farmington Hills Senior Center. Call 473-1830.

CREATIVE WRITING
An informal creative writing class is offered 1 p.m. each Thursday at the Senior Center. All are welcome. Call 473-1830.

BALLROOM DANCING
Dance to live big-band sounds from the '40s and '50s at 1 p.m. Fridays at the Costick Center, 11 Mile and Middlebelt. Admission is \$2.50 and includes refreshments, which are served at 2 p.m. Call 473-1830.

BRIDGE AND PINOCCHIO
The Farmington Senior Drop-in Bridge and Pinochle Club meets Mondays at the Farmington Masonic Temple. Call William at 474-4308.

CLASSES

BOTSFORD CLASSES
Botsford Health Care Continuum offers a variety of health-related classes, including carpal tunnel syndrome, basic first aid, meditation and stress management. Call 477-6100 or 471-8020.

BUILDERS' CLASSES
Farmington Community Education offers classes in home building, remodeling and licensing. For dates, cost and registration information, call 489-3333.

SINGLES

SINGLE MINGLE
Metropolitan Single Professionals host single mingle dances 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. some Fridays in December. For dates, prices and locations, call 851-9909.

CARDS & DINNER
Join the Farmington Single Professionals for cards and dinner from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. every Monday at Cowley's Old Village Inn in downtown Farmington.

WALLYBALL
Farmington Single Professionals play wallyball starting at 6:45 p.m. every

Tuesday at Racquetball Farmington. The cost is \$5. Call 851-9909.

BOWLING GUBS
Bowling subs are needed for The FSP Co-ed bowling league. The league plays at 6:45 p.m. every Sunday at Drakshire Lanes in Farmington.

PARK WALK
Single Place Ministries of First Presbyterian Church of Northville take a walk in the park at 10 a.m. every Saturday morning at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills.

YOUNG SINGLES
Young Singles Outreach (ages 17-29) meets 7-11 p.m. the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at 20911 Inkster Road in Farmington Hills. Call 478-1410.

CLUBS

BNJ
Business Network International Farmington Hills chapter will meet 7-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Grand Cafe in downtown Farmington. The NW Farmington Hills chapter will meet 7-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at Kerby's Koney Island at Eight Mile and Haggerty.

LIONS
The Farmington Area Lions Club holds a dinner meeting at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Bloskeny's Ranch House in Farmington Hills.

The Lions Club works with and for visually handicapped people. Prospective members are welcome. Call 471-4361 or 476-6257.

OPTIMIST CLUB
The Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. every Wednesday at San Marino's On the Tee restaurant. Call 474-9680 or 442-9796.

KIWANIS CLUB
The Kiwanis Club of Farmington Hills meets 12:15 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday at Bill Knapp's Restaurant in Farmington Hills. Prospective members are welcome. Call 661-8463.

TOASTMASTERS
The Toastmasters/Toastmasters Club meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Thursday, except the first Thursday, at Kerby's Koney Island, 21200 Haggerty, in Farmington Hills.

PRESCHOOL

HOPE MOMS & TOTS
Moms and Tots meets 10:13 a.m. Mondays at Hope Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills. This program provides time for moms to get together while their children play in a supervised environment. To join, call 553-7170.

FARMINGTON CO-OP
Farmington Cooperative Playgroup meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Monday at First United Methodist Church in downtown Farmington. Moms and kids meet for crafts, snacks and fun. Call Paula at 478-3452.

UNITED MOMS & TOTS
Orchard United Methodist Church of Farmington Hills has a mom-and-tot play group that meets year-round 10:13-11:30 a.m. every Friday. Call Amy at 476-4294.

VOLUNTEERS

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION
The Alzheimer's Association seeks volunteers to provide companionship to those with memory loss. Volunteers receive an orientation that provides them with the information and skills to brighten the life of someone with Alzheimer's disease. Call 557-8277.

SENEX
Senex, a program for older adults, provides homebound people with extra care and a variety of activities. For more information, call 473-1830.

MEAL DRIVERS
Substitute drivers are needed to fill in periodically, one day per week, Monday through Friday, one to two hours per day. Call Diane or Chris at 473-1825.

NUTRITION VOLUNTEERS
Kitchen volunteers are needed 9:30-11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Call Chris or Diane at 473-1825.

FOCUS:HOPE
Drivers are needed for an hour or two to deliver food boxes to senior citizens once a month. Call Gail at 473-1826.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Volunteers are needed to help improve relationships between parents and children in a program sponsored by Catholic Social Services of Oakland County. Training for the program is provided. Call Francine Adams, 334-3595.

DRIVERS NEEDED

If you have some free time to transport cancer patients in your area to nearby treatment centers, call Ivory Underwood at 443-5800.

SUPPORT GROUPS

PET THERAPY
Doctor Paws Pet Assisted Therapy is a non-profit organization based in Farmington Hills, in cooperation with Therapy Dogs Inc., that tests and prepares your dog and you to visit hospitals, nursing homes, children centers, etc., on a volunteer basis. If you have a dog that gets along well with other dogs and people and you would like to volunteer one hour or more a month visiting patients, call Dr. Paws at 888-7485.

MODERATION MANAGEMENT
MM is a free self-help group and nine-step program that provides guidelines for moderate drinking and support to change your drinking habits. Not intended for alcoholics. Meets 7:15-8:15 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at Universalist Church, 25301 Halsted in Farmington Hills. Meetings are anonymous, with no fees. Call 788-8040.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT
The city of Farmington Hills Senior Adult Division offers an Alzheimer's support group for caregivers and family members 1-3 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month. Call 473-1822.

DIVORCECARE
DivorceCare divorce recovery support group meets 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Forest Park Baptist Church in Farmington Hills. Child care will be provided. Call 347-6675.

PROJECT RACHEL
Project Rachel is a confidential 11-week program for women who have had an abortion. Members of all faiths are welcome. Call (888) Rachel5. Sponsored by the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit.

PEER SUPPORT
The peer support group is a 12-week educational program for people ages 12-16 struggling with chemical abuse, family problems, and other stress issues that affect them and their loved ones. It takes place 3:30-5 p.m. Tuesdays at the Farmington Area Counseling Center, 23332 Orchard Lake Road. Call 473-1290.

DIABETES SUPPORT
An educational support group at Botsford Hospital's Health Development Network offers day and evening classes. Call 477-6100.

PROSTATE CANCER
The prostate cancer educational support group meets 7 p.m. the third Monday of each month at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. This support group provides both encouragement and education about prostate cancer. Call 477-6100.

OBSSIVE-COMPULSIVE
Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder is a self-help group for youths and their families that meets 7-9 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at Davis Counseling Center in Farmington Hills. Call Greg at (313) 438-3293.

CALENDAR FORM

The Farmington Observer, without charge, welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335, or by fax to 248-477-9722. Items will appear at least one time. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper.

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional Info: