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PLAYERS SHOW

The Farmington Players present "Of Mice And Men" throughout the month of February, at the Farmington Players Barn in Farmington Hills. Friday and Saturday performances will be at 8 p.m. and Sunday performances at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12. Call 553-2955.

AUCTION

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School of Farmington Hills will host its second annual auction starting with the silent auction at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, at Vladimir's in Farmington Hills. The theme is Mardi Gras. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. A live auction will follow dinner. For ticket information call 474-0675.

FAITH/FUN/FITNESS

Faith Covenant Church presents Faith's Fun & Fitness from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. every Thursday through April 13. Participants can enjoy walking, jogging, aerobic exercise, crafts, speakers and coffee social. Registration fee is \$20 or \$5 per session. The church is located at 14 Mile and Drake roads. Call 651-9191.

MUSICAL PERFORMS

The Farmington Musicals will perform "Litehearted" at 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays, March 1, at the Longacre House in the Farmington Hills Library.

CHILD I.D.

AAA Michigan is offering a free child I.D. fingerprinting program from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. weekdays at the Farmington Hills location.

YOUTH COFFEEHOUSE

People 16-25 can enjoy the relaxing atmosphere of The Basement Coffeehouse from 8 p.m. to midnight every Friday at the Harvest Temple Worship Center, 23233 Drake, Farmington Hills.

BINGO

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

KID STUFF

BIRD FEEDERS

Hill and Dale Garden Club will visit Super Saturday Storytime at the Farmington Branch Library at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 26. Kids will learn how to make a bird feeder. Call 474-7770 to register.

BOOK TALK

The Farmington Branch Library will hold a book discussion group for fourth and fifth graders at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the downtown Farmington Library. Call 474-7770 for book titles and registration information.

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.

HEALTH

HEALTHY COOKING

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

SENIORS (55-PLUS)

VALENTINE'S PARTY

Join the Farmington Hills Senior Center for their annual Valentine's "Hearts & Flowers" party on Friday, Feb. 18. A special sweetheart lunch with a valentine dessert as well as dancing and door prizes are planned for the day. Tickets, limited to 160, are on sale now at a cost of \$4.

PARENT CARE

A four-part educational workshop designed to confront difficult decisions encountered by adult children of aging parents is scheduled from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, March 7 through March 28, at the Farmington Hills Senior Center. Topics include assisting parents with losses such as the death of a friend, independence or sensory loss, how to deal with legal issues, accessing resources, Medicare update, how to deal with driving issues and more. The cost is \$10 per family and reservations are necessary. Call 473-1830.

TAX HELP

The cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills will offer tax counseling for seniors throughout the tax season at the following times and locations: 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Farmington Hills Senior Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile; or noon and 3 p.m. Fridays at the downtown Farmington Library.

DSO CONCERT

A limited number of tickets are available for two outings to the DSO Thursday Morning Coffee Tapes and Songs. See Sandy Duncan in "Together" on Feb. 24. On April 13 will be "On the Air - Music of the Fabulous '40s," a look at classic songs from the 1940s as well as radio commercials and news bulletins. Cost is \$28.50 per show. Call 473-1562.

REP TALK

State Rep. Andrew Raczkowski 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 at 10 a.m. every Friday at the Coticus Activities Center. All are welcome.

MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club meets at 10 a.m. the fourth Friday of the month at the Coticus Activities Center.

MEMORIES AND MORE

Share your recollections with Memories and More. This senior group meets from 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 at 1 p.m. each Thursday at the Farmington Hills 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 Coticus Center, 11 Mile and Middlebelt. Admission is \$2.50 and includes refreshments, which are served at 2 p.m. Call 473-1830.

BRIDGE AND PINOCCHLE

The Farmington Senior Drop-in bridge and pinocchle club meets Mondays at the Farmington Masonic Temple. Call William at 474-4308.

CLASSES

SIBLING RIVALRY

Farmington Youth Assistance is offering a parenting class "Siblings Without Rivalry" from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Monday nights, March

At the helm



Leaders: Farmington High School seniors Jamie Militello and Leslie Helisek were participants in the Nov. 9 session of the National Young Leadership Conference which was held in Washington, D.C. Leslie and Jamie were able to interact with key leaders and news makers from the three branches of government, the media and diplomatic corps. Leslie and Jamie met with representatives from the offices of Spencer Abraham and Carl Levin, and had a personal meeting with Congressman Joe Knollenberg regarding issues facing Farmington and the nation. The students were able to role play the president and cabinet members responding to an international crisis, as well as testing the judicial process in which they examined real Supreme Court cases. The six-day conference ended with the program the "Model Congress," in which students assumed the roles of United States representatives by debating, amending and voting on proposed legislation. Leslie and Jamie were nominated and selected to join 350 students from across the nation. The National Young Leaders Conference is a unique leadership development program for high school students who demonstrate leadership potential and scholastic merit.

6 through April 10, at the Farmington Training Center, 33000 Thomas Street. The cost is \$25 per person or \$30 per couple. Call 499-3434.

DISABILITY BENEFITS

Learn how to obtain Social Security disability benefits at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, at Botaford General Hospital in Farmington Hills, Classroom 2 East A (directly above the emergency room). This lecture is free.

PARENTING

Farmington Public Schools DELTA gifted department will sponsor a five-week session of parenting classes from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Mondays, Feb. 21, through March 27. The classes will help to increase understanding of the social and emotional needs of highly able students and their families. To register, call 489-3399.

UNICYCLING

A class for beginning unicycle riders will be held Saturday mornings at the Salvation Army Center in Farmington Hills. All ages are invited; some unicycles available. For more information, call Tom or Carol Brichford at 661-0334.

LONGACRE CLASSES

The Longacre House in Farmington Hills is taking registration for classes including youth classes: chess, drawing, Kelly Kirby piano, Magic of Self Esteem; and, for adults,

ballroom dance, country line dance, belly dance, digital photography, drawing, kung fu, photography with Monte Nagler, yoga, self defense, sign language, business, watercolor, and Web page production. Call 477-8404.

BOTSFORD CLASSES

Botaford 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

SKI TRIP

Farmington Single Professionals will host a downhill/cross country ski trip Feb. 18 through 21 in Sault Ste. Marie, Canada. Call 851-9909.

SINGLE MINGLE

Metropolitan Single Professionals host single mingle dances 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. some Fridays in February. 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 SUBS

Bowling subs are needed for The FSP co-ed bowling league. The league plays at 6:45 p.m. every other Sunday at Drakehire Lanes in Farmington.

BOOK TALK

Borders Books in Farmington Hills hosts a book discussion group from 7:30-8:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month. Call 851-9909.

AFTER WORK PARTIES

Farmington Single Professionals host "Fun and Fine Dining" from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Thursday at various restaurants throughout the Detroit area. For weekly updates on locations, call 851-9909.

PARK WALK

Single Place Ministries of First Presbyterian Church of Northville take a walk in the park at 10 a.m. Saturdays 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

NEIGHBORS

The Farmington Neighbors will meet at noon Wednesday, Feb. 16, at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington Hills. To make reservations by Feb. 11 call Peggy at 553-3653.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Farmington Historical Society will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, at the Farmington Library in downtown Farmington. Farmington City Councilwoman Joanne McShane will be the guest speaker.

HILL & DALE

Hill & Dale Garden Club will meet at 7 p.m. today, Feb. 10, at the Farmington Hills Library. A speaker from English Gardens will discuss do-it-yourself landscaping. Call Barb at 626-2233.

GENEALOGICAL

The Farmington Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, at the Farmington Library in downtown Farmington. Barbara Louie will present background information on the early settlement of Novi history and types of records she used to write her book about the early history of this area.

WEAVERS

The Michigan Weavers Guild will meet at noon Thursday, Feb. 17, at the Farmington Hills Library. Dyer and teacher Rosemary Gratch will present "The Joys and Excitement of Fabric Painting."

BUSINESS BOOKS

Borders Business Book Group will meet 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, at the Borders in Farmington Hills. The book being discussed will be "Making Peace With Money" by Jerrold Mundia. Call 737-0110.

AGLOW

Aglow International, Farmington Chapter, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 14, at the Farmington Hills Library. Guest speakers will be the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Wallace, co-pastors of Detroit World Outreach in Redford.

BNI

Business Network International Farmington Hills chapter will meet 7:30-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, at the Grand Cafe in downtown Farmington. The Greater Farmington Hills chapter will meet 7:30-8:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, at the Comfort Inn, 30715 W. 12 Mile Road, in Farmington Hills.

OPTIMIST CLUB

The Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. every Wednesday at the American Legion Hall at 31775 Grand River. Call 474-9680 or 442-9796.

KIWAWS CLUB

The Kiwa's Club of Farmington Hills meets at 12:15 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday at Steak & Ale Restaurant, 27590 Orchard Lake Road 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

OCC CHILD CARE

Winter registration is now going on for Orchard Ridge Child Care Center on the Orchard Ridge campus of

Oakland Community College. Children must be between the ages of 2 1/2 and 6. Call 471-7887.

NORDEN PARK NURSERY

Norden Park Community Nursery School, located at 29887 W. 11 Mile Road in Farmington Hills, is accepting registrations for the 2000-01 school year for their 3-, 4- and 5-year-old programs. Enrollment is on a first-come basis. Call Pam at 474-6987.

HOPE MOMS & TOTS

Moms and Tots meets 10-11:30 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 563-7170.

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 at 10-11:30 a.m. every Friday. Call Amy, 476-4294 for information.

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 for more information.

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 from 9:30 to 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 for more information.

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, 334-3593 for information.

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.

CALENDAR TOOLS

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 248-477-8722. Items will appear at least one day. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper.

Event:
Date and Time:
Location:
Telephone:
Additional Info.: