

## Kelly Kirby piano method class begins at Longacre

The Kelly Kirby Piano Method will be taught at the Longacre House in Farmington Hills beginning Saturday, Jan. 20.

The Kelly Kirby method focuses on children ages 6-7 with an approach to music and piano that appeals to the young child's imagination.

Teacher Susan Nuckolls holds piano degrees from the Detroit Institute of Musical Art and Kelly Kirby Piano.

She has studied extensively, performs professionally and has produced many award winning students.

To register call 477-8040.



Piano players: Luke Stanton and Kara Hogan tickle the ivories while Katie Blumberg looks on.

## Deb's Crafts from page C5

my gall bladder removed, polyps. Last September, doctors found three spots on my lung."

The spots turned out to be nothing serious. But it was enough to give her another wake-up call.

### Concentrate on health

"I thought, okay, enough already. You're struggling with the business. Each time you're sick it doesn't help. Instead of

concentrating on getting well again, I'd be worried about the business."

Watson can't afford to hire an employee, she said, so she must cover all the hours her store is open — a taxing six day a week schedule.

Deb's Crafts is slated to close when Watson's lease expires at the end of February. Right now, all merchandise is 50 percent off the regular price. Watson says

products are moving well. Anything that's left on store shelves by the end of February will go into a craft mall.

"My customers have been loyal. I'm going to miss them," she said.

Deb's Crafts is at 33317 Grand River, across from the Civic Theatre. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Call 477-5837 for more information.

## Vintage Farmington from page C5

ings in Farmington and moved to the Raisin River area in Genesee County.

Emeline Webb Power married Amos Hoag on Oct. 21, 1831 in Farmington. She apparently left the area also.

Like many other Quakers, Dr. Webb was part of the Underground Railroad. Members of the Power family were also participants. The Underground Railroad was an organization that was neither underground or a

railroad. It was a group of dedicated individuals who helped escaping slaves reach freedom before the Civil War.

The members of this group were mostly related. The Power and Webb families shared a descendant, John Webb Power. He was Ezekiel Webb's and Arthur Power's grandson.

Power family records show that John Webb Power married Minnie Spillman in 1867. They didn't live in Farmington. Dr.

Webb is remembered as one of the earliest settlers in Farmington. Dr. Webb's physician's office and first post office is marked by an historical sign.

We can thus remember the small energetic Quaker who was the first postmaster in Farmington and gave the town and township its name.

Ruth Mochlman is a local historian and author of *Historic Homes of Farmington*.

## FARMINGTON CLUB CIRCUIT

### NORTH WOMEN

The Women of North Farmington will meet for a buffet lunch at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17 at the Rita Carlson in Dearborn followed by a trip to the Innox Theatre at Greenfield Village. Cost for the day is \$40. Call Elaine at 477-6849.

### EXCHANGE CLUB

The Farmington Exchange Club will meet from noon-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17, at the Brass Point Restaurant in Farmington Hills. Jim Stark and Bruce Lilly, chairman and director of the Founders Day Festival, will discuss festival changes.

### FARM. GENEALOGY

The Farmington Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 16 at the downtown Farmington Library. The program will be *Finding the Women in Your Family History*, presented by Plymouth Librarian, Katherine Petlewski.

### NORTHVILLE GENEALOGY

The Northville Genealogical Society will meet at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 14 at the Northville District Library. Professional genealogist, Ruth McMahon will discuss where and how to access records for personal research. Call 348-3006.

### HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Farmington Historical Society will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24 at the downtown Farmington Library. Bring an unusual or rare item to the meeting for "Show and Tell." The public is invited.

### CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB

The Christian Women's Club of Farmington Hills holds meetings at Maple Country Club, 31240 Wakefield Dr., in Novi. Including brunch, the cost is \$10.50. Dates are as follows: Feb. 8, March 8, and April 12 from 9:30-11 a.m. For reservations, call Brenda at 248-681-4205.

### BNI

The Business Network International, Farmington Hills chapter, will meet 7-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17, at the Grand Cafe in downtown Farmington. The Greater Farmington Hills chapter will meet 7-8:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, at the Comfort Inn 30715 W. 12 Mile, in Farmington Hills.

### OPTIMIST CLUB

The Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. every Wednesday at

Anita's Kitchen, 31005 Orchard Lake Road. Call 474-8680 or 442-9796.

### KIWANIS CLUB

The Kiwanis Club of Farmington Hills meets at 12:15 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday at the Steak & Ale Restaurant, 27590 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills. Prospective members are welcome. Call 661-8463.

### TOASTMASTERS

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

### FINNISH CENTER

The Finnish Center in Farmington offers a variety of clubs to join such as dancing, singing, weaving, cards and more. You don't have to be Finnish to join. Call 478-6939.

To have your club listed, submit the information no later than Monday for the following Thursday publication in *Club Circuit*, Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington MI 48335.

## Chat room from page C5



already and more is yet to be found. This unique site is possible because instead of lava, the small lapilli stones rained down upon the city. If lava similar to the material generated by other volcanoes had erupted, possibly nothing could have been unearthed.

Ruth Mochlman is a resident of Farmington Hills, a local historian and author.

## Olympic gold medalist to speak here tonight

Mayfair Co-op Preschool is celebrating 50 years serving Farmington Hills and educating hundreds of preschoolers.

Tonight at its general membership meeting, Mayfair will honor its founders and those who have made it a success. Guest speaker is Olympic gold medalist Sheila Taormina. The public is invited to attend. The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. in classrooms D and E at Orchard United

Methodist Church, 30460 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills.

Over the years, Mayfair has grown to include two Mom and Tot classes, 3's and 4's and Enrichment, teaching children from 21 months to 6 years of age. Maxine Flagg, Mayfair's lead teacher, has been a part of the program for over 24 years. Two part-time instructors, Sande Neeley and Marilou Drenwilk assist Flagg in the classroom.

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
(Summary)

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council with State Representative Andrew Raczowski was held Wednesday, January 3, 2001, in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 287-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bush, Campbell (arrived at 7:21 p.m.), Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**FARMINGTON CITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:** City Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, Director Goss, City Manager Laubhoff, Assistant City Manager Richards.

Council met with State Representative Andrew Raczowski to discuss capture of taxes under the Tax Increment Finance Act (TIFA) to fund a Downtown Development Authority project status of a third judge at the 47th District Court; issues concerning state funding; tighter regulations on handguns; election consolidation and other legislative issues.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, Mayor  
PATSY K. CANTRELL, City Clerk/Treasurer

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON**  
**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
(Summary)

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order by Mayor Hartsock at 8:10 p.m., on Wednesday, January 3, 2001 in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 27-1976.

**PRESENT:** Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell.

**ABSENT:** None.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, City Attorney Donohue, Director Goss, Director Gushman, City Manager Laubhoff, Assistant City Manager Richards.

Minutes of the Special and Regular meetings of December 4, 2000 were approved as submitted.

Special recognition was given to the 150th anniversary of Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home.

Minutes of other boards were received and filed.

Council approved the Downtown Development Authority 2001 Event Schedule.

Council issued a proclamation declaring January 15-21, 2001 Martin Luther King, Jr. week.

Council adopted the Farmington/Farmington Hills Cultural Arts Master Plan.

Council postponed consideration of Central Business District sidewalk displays and signage.

Council approved a maintenance contract with the State for Grand River.

Council approved the issuance of a telecommunications permit to MCI Metro Access Transmission Services for the installation of fiber optic cables within the City of Farmington.

Council approved continued membership in the Michigan Municipal League, including the Legal Defense Fund, and authorized payment of annual dues.

Council adopted a 2001 meeting schedule with City Boards and Committees.

Council set a meeting of Tuesday, February 13, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. for the annual joint meeting with the Cities of Farmington, Farmington Hills and Farmington Public School Board.

Council approved the monthly payments report.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, Mayor  
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