

CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND FARMINGTON AND FARMINGTON HILLS

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MUSICAL PERFORMANCES
The Farmington Musicals presents *A Touch of the Classics* at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7 at Hamlet Music in Livonia on Middlebelt Road.

VALENTINE DANCE
The Farmington Community/Dance Band will provide dancing music for its annual Valentine Dinner/Dance on Friday, Feb. 9 at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington Hills. For reservations and information call (734) 361-2202 or (248) 489-3412.

PLAYERS PERFORM
The Farmington Players present *The Uninvited* a tale of a haunted house at 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays throughout the month of February at Barnes and Noble in West Bloomfield. To purchase tickets call 563-2955.

PLAYERS AUDITION
The Farmington Players will hold auditions for *Staging 17*, at 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, March 5 and 6 at Barnes & Noble Book Store in West Bloomfield. Males ages 17-45 should try out.

BOUQUET BOWL
Borders Books & Music in Farmington Hills invites all customers to bring in a can of food for donation to a local food bank in exchange for a free cup of soup from the Borders Cafe' on Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 28. Customers are also encouraged to bring in their favorite soup recipes to participate in a unique Benefits Days event for the Cupchun Soup Kitchen. Any customer who presents a soup recipe at the registers that day will have 15 percent of their purchase donated to the Soup Kitchen.

PRESCHOOL NIGHT
The Farmington Branch Library in downtown Farmington will hold its annual Preschool Night at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5. Parents in search of a preschool in the Farmington/Farmington Hills area should attend. Call 474-7770.

INTERNET GENEALOGY
Instructor Mike Curtis, vice president of a marketing research company and a member/webmaster of the Farmington Genealogy Society, will demonstrate how to use the Web, e-mail and Usenet to track down ancestors at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31, at the Farmington Branch Library. Registration is required.

BOY-GITTING
Young boys, 10-17 years, can learn the ins and outs of working as a sitter. A certificate is awarded to participants who complete: Planning Baby-sitting; Emergency Situations; Infant Care; and Interacting with Children. Classes are available at the Farmington Hills Library from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 1, 8 and 15 at the downtown Farmington Branch Library. Registration is required.

Fun & Fitness
The Covenant Church in Farmington Hills offers health, Fun & Fitness from 10:30-11:30 a.m. every Thursday through March 20. Each session will include a variety of activities such as walking, jogging, aerobic exercise, crafts, speakers and coffee. Registration fee is \$20 or \$5 per session. Baby-sitting is also available. Call 681-8191.

ART EXHIBIT
Sculptures, paintings and signed media by artist Graham Tazian will be on display at Farmington and Farmington Hills City Halls through March 30.

FHS stages musical 'South Pacific' in February

Reserved tickets are now available at Farmington High School for the upcoming presentation by the Farmington Festival Theatre of Rodgers and Hammerstein's *South Pacific*. Performances will take place at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8; Friday, Feb. 9, and Saturday, Feb. 10. Tickets, \$8 for adults and \$7 for students, are available at FHS after school hours, or on performance nights at the door.

Leading the student cast are the following: Adam Pierce, as Emile de Beque; Jessica Petrus, as Nellie Forbush; Owen Weber, as Joe Cable; Kristel Stricker, as Liat; Amanda Patton, as Bloody Mary; and Collin Kravis, as Luther Billis.

The Farmington Festival Theatre is directed by FHS teacher Leanne Young and student director Kim Drolar.

The story is set on an American Navy base located on a South Sea island during World War II. A young Navy nurse (portrayed by Petrus) falls in love with a French

plantation owner (Pierce), while a young soldier (Weber) falls for a native girl (Stricker).

The relationships demonstrate the effects of prejudice between people. On the lighter side, a scheming sailor (Kravis) and a native queen of the black market (Patton) keep things lively and comical.

South Pacific was first presented on Broadway in 1948 and is based on the Pulitzer Prize-winning book *Tales of the South Pacific* by James Michener. The beautiful score includes the songs "Song Enchanted Evening," "Bali Ha'i" and "There is Nothin' Like a Dame."

Rehearse: From left, Collin Kravis as Luther Billis and Jessica Petrus as Nellie Forbush, during a rehearsal session for "South Pacific" at Farmington High School.



KID STUFF

WINTER FUN
Winter fun at the Farmington Civic continues with The Amazing Clark Puppet Show at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3 at the Civic. Admission is \$2 per person, with no charge for infants 1 year and under.

LITTLE ME
Children 16 months to 2 years old can enjoy stories and hands-on fun at both area libraries. From 10:30-11:15 a.m. every Monday through March 26 at the downtown Farmington Library; and 11-11:45 a.m. every Thursday through March 29 at the Farmington Hills Library.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES
The Farmington Friends of the Library sponsors a Learning Activity Center which includes reading readiness activities and crafts for children ages 2-3 and ages 3-5. For dates and times call the main library at 653-0300.

SUN & MOON
Lisa Hunter brings another of her Eco-camp programs at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30, at Borders. Learn about the wonderful things the sun and moon do for our earth. Sing songs to El Sol and La Luna.

CHILDREN'S STORYTIME
Dee and Becky (and sometimes Kathy) read classics and new favorites at 10 a.m. every Wednesday at Borders.

SENIORS (55-PLUS)

TAX COUNSELING
This year's tax counseling for seniors over 60 years old will run Feb. 6 through April 10. The Costick Center in Farmington Hills will offer counseling from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. every Tuesday; and the downtown Farmington Library will offer counseling from noon to 3 p.m. every Friday.

VALENTINE DANCE
Bring your sweetheart or meet someone special for this very festive Valentine Sweetheart Dinner/Dance from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14 at the Costick Center in Farmington Hills. The cost is \$10. No tickets will be sold at the door. Call 473-1830.

JOYFUL LIVING
Live A Little Joy, a four-part discussion series which helps adults to get the most out of their life will be offered at 10:30 a.m. consecutive Tuesdays starting Feb. 6 through Feb. 27

at the Costick Center in Farmington Hills. Pre-registration is necessary. Call 473-1830.

YOUR HEALTH
The Senior Program has scheduled health presentations on the following Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills: March 20, *Memory Enhancement*; and April 24, *Outcomes for Men and Women*. To register call 473-1830.

FINNISH LUNCHEONS
The Finnish Center of Farmington Hills has a monthly luncheon the third Wednesday of the month through June. The cost is \$5 and includes a salad item, meat, potatoes, vegetable and dessert. Call 437-0350.

BOOK TALK
Join friends and neighbors for an informal book discussion 1 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at the Costick Center. Paperback copies will be available for advance checkout. Fee is 50 cents for residents; \$1 for others per session.

QUILTERS
The Sunshine Quilters meets at 10 a.m. every Friday at the Costick Activity Center. Everyone welcome.

BALLROOM DANCING
Dance to live big-band sounds from the '40s and '50s at 11 a.m. Fridays at the Costick Center, 11 Mile and Middlebelt. Call 473-1830.

LINE DANCING
Learn how to line dance from 1:15-2:40 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, from 10:40 a.m.-noon at the Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills. Call 473-1830.

CLASSES

INVESTMENT SERIES
The Farmington Community Library will once again offer the *Wiser Investment Series* at 7 p.m. every Tuesday through March 22 at the Farmington Hills Library. Registration is required. Call 473-0300.

FICTION WRITING
Best selling author Angela Wynn's Fantastic Fiction Writing series continues with "Your Story Idea" meeting from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 31 and Feb. 7 at the Longacre House in Farmington Hills. Learn to identify critical story elements, where and how to begin your story, and how to define your story's audience. To register call 477-8404.

PSYCHIC READING
Popular psychic "Cheryl" will offer private readings Thursday evenings starting Feb. 1 at the Longacre House in Farmington Hills. Call 477-8404.

LEARN TO SKATE
Suburban Training Center in Farmington Hills will hold Learn to Skate classes on Tuesdays through March 13. Snowplow Sam classes 1, 2 and 3 for skaters 6 and younger, as well as adult beginner classes will also be available. Call 888-1400.

TEEN TALK
Parents can talk about problems and get answers in a STEP (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) teen discussion program. Sessions run from 7:30-8:30 p.m. every Wednesday, at Grace Chapel in Farmington Hills and childcare is available. For registration information call 488-0150.

YMCA CLASSES
The Farmington Family YMCA offers a variety of classes such as in-line hockey, lacrosse, flag football and swimming lessons. Call 563-4020.

LONGACRE CLASSES
The Longacre House in Farmington Hills is taking registration for exercise, dance, fiction writing, art, psychic reading, piano, martial arts and kickboxing classes. Call 477-8404.

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 477-8100 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.

MEETINGS
GENEALOGICAL
The Farmington Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20 at the downtown Farmington Library. The program will

be *Where Do I Go From Here: Getting Back To Basics* presented by F.G.S. members.

SINGLES

SINGLE MINGLES
Single Mingle dances are held selected Fridays throughout the month. For dates and locations, call the Metropolitan Single Professionals at 851-9909.

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

CO-ED BOWLING
Subs are needed for the PSP Sunday night bowling league. All levels of bowlers are welcome. Call 851-9909.

VOLLEYBALL
Come and play drop-in volleyball from 6:45-9:45 p.m. every Tuesday in the gym and fieldhouse of the Bloomfield Hills Middle School. The cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for non-members. Call 851-9909.

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

SENIOR WORK PARTIES
Metropolitan Single Professionals host "Fun and Fine Dining" 5:30-7:30 p.m. every Thursday at restaurants throughout the Detroit area. For updates on locations, call 851-9909.

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

MOMS&TOTS

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 858-7170.

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

VOLUNTEERS

LONGACRE HOUSE
The Longacre House of Farmington Hill is seeking volunteers. Call 477-8404.

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 687-8277.

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

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

NUTRITION VOLUNTEERS
Kitchen volunteers are needed 9:30-11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Call 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 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, 394-3595.

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

SUPPORT GROUPS

PET THERAPY

Doctor Paws Pet Assisted Therapy is a nonprofit 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 888-7488.

COORDINATION 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 each month at Universalist Church, 25301 Halsted in Farmington Hills. Meetings are anonymous, with no fees. Call 788-8040.

MANIC-DEPRESSIVE

The Manic-Depressive and Depressive Association of Metropolitan Detroit provides education and support for people with depression and related illnesses and also for family and friends. Meetings are 2:30-3 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at Providence Medical Center at 30055 Northwestern Highway; or 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at Providence Park in Novi, 47601 Grand River. Call 542-0430 or 960-1288.

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.

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) Rachel. Sponsored by the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit.

PEER SUPPORT

The peer support group is a 12-week educational program for people ages 12-18 struggling with chemical abuse, family problems and other stress issues that affect them and their loved ones. Meetings are 3:30-6 p.m. Tuesdays at the Farmington Area Counseling Center, 23322 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 at 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.

PARENTING SERVICES

Pathways to Parenting, sponsored by Botsford Hospital, is a monthly support group that meets 12:30-2 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Novi. New mothers can share concerns and obtain information and network with peers. Call 477-6100.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous meets at 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Grace Chapel in Farmington Hills. Call (813) 782-2877.

TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) is a support group dedicated to providing information to those seeking to lose and control their weight. TOPS meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:15-10:30 a.m. Wednesdays at Nardin Park Church in Farmington Hills.

OVEREATERS

Learn how to take steps to permanently change your relationship with food in a comfortable, supportive atmosphere at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills. Sessions are scheduled on a weekly basis. The cost is \$10 per session. Call 477-6100.