

FARMINGTON CLUB CIRCUIT

GARDEN CLUB

The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Monday, March 5 at the Longacre House in Farmington Hills. Sue Grubba, owner of Creative Scapes, landscape consultant and instructor at Michigan School of Gardening, will discuss night lighting in the landscape. Call 478-3017 or 815-3616.

OWL

The Farmington OWL (Older Women's League) meet at 7 p.m. Monday, March 5 at the downtown Farmington Library. Peg Talburt, executive director of the Michigan Women's Foundation, will be the guest speaker. Call 478-5342.

EXCHANGE CLUB

The Farmington Exchange Club will meet from noon-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Brass Point Restaurant in Farmington Hills. Jim Stark will give an update on the Founder's Festival.

ARTIST CLUB

The Farmington Artist Club will meet at 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, at the Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills. Greg Stephens from the Seabird Club in Detroit, will explain his ability to throw paint, creating large-scale, abstract splatter paintings, reminiscent of Jackson Pollack. Call 473-1816.

EMBROIDERERS

The Farmington Hills Embroiderers Guild will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 7, at

Faith Covenant Church in Farmington Hills. Call 926-0899.

FARM. GENEALOGY

The Farmington Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, at the downtown Farmington Library. The program will be *Holdings at Oakland County Pioneer & Historical Society*. Leslie Edwards, administrative director, will describe the extensive collection of books, newspapers, scrapbooks and manuscripts relating to the early days of Michigan and Oakland County accumulated over the Society's 126-year existence.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB

The Christian Women's Club of Farmington Hills holds meetings at Mukwonago Country Club, 31240 Wakefield Dr. in Novi. Including brunch, the cost is \$10.50. Dates are 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, Feb. 21, at the Grand Cafe in downtown Farmington. The Greater Farmington Hills chapter will meet 7-8:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, 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 474-9880 or

442-9786.

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 681-8463.

TOASTMASTERS

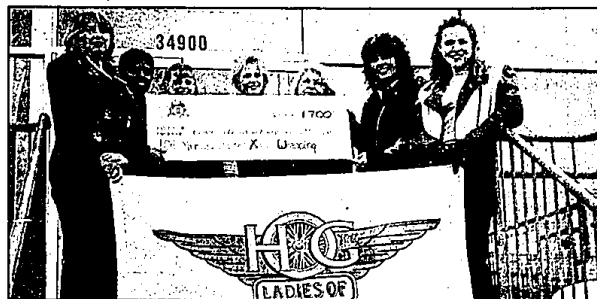
The Windbaggers/Toastmasters Club meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Thursday, except the first Thursday of the month, at Kerby's Koney Island, 21200 Haggerty, in Farmington Hills.

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 478-6993.

Submit information no later than Monday for the following Thursday to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington MI 48335.

Ladies of Harley



Cycle cause: JoAnn Symansic, Keenya Hester of Children's Leukemia Foundation, Pat Ross, Sharyn Hughes, Pat Kosowski, Debbie Kunewych and Tess Sjodensman present a \$1,700 check to CLF at Motor City Harley Davidson in Farmington. It was raised in a holiday giftwrapping fund-raiser. Motor City Harley owner Dick Rose donated wrapping paper. CLF provides support to families of leukemia patients.

Washington trip opens FHS student's eyes

Farmington High School senior Bob Hoyer said a recent trip to Washington, D.C., gave him a new attitude about politics and government.

Hoyer was part of a group of 350 high school students from around the country who visited Washington Feb. 11-18 as part of the National Youth Leadership Conference.

The students took part in leadership exercises, listened to several speakers and saw the sights in Washington.

"Our whole goal was to get leadership skills and understand what politics are," he said.

Hoyer, who wants to be a lawyer, said there is not as much corruption in Washington as he thought there was. He also learned to be a little less sure of his political convictions.

"I went there conservative and came back less conservative," he said.

Hoyer met Michigan Sen. Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow but was clearly more impressed with the former. "When we started to ask questions (of Stabenow) she kind of blew us off because she had to leave," he said. "Carl Levin was more informed."

Hoyer said he wasn't enthusiastic about the trip before he left, but by the time the week was over he didn't want to go home.

The trip's \$1,100 cost was paid by Hoyer and the following sponsors: Farmington Rotary, Farmington Youth Assistance, the city of Farmington Hills and Farmington Hills Assistant City Manager Dana Whinnery.

Susan Hoffman of Farmington High School lined up the sponsors.

Hoyer is the son of Farmington Hills residents Mark and Lita Hoyer.



Meeting: Farmington High senior Bob Hoyer was impressed with Michigan Sen. Carl Levin, whom he met in Washington, D.C., recently.

Local businesswoman named to state technology council

Gov. John Engler recently appointed Farmington business owner and resident Laura Rembias to the Michigan Council on Technical Excellence.

The purpose of the council is to establish the Michigan Technical Excellence program to certify secondary and post secondary technical education programs for consistent quality throughout the state.

The council will also recommend a system to award the Great Lakes Technical Certificate to individuals upon completion of approved programs. The council's aim is to help improve the technology for delivering education and career development programs to the Great Lakes region. They will work closely with the governor to set regionwide education standards.

The committee, a branch of the Department of Career Development, has seven members representing business, labor and edu-

cation. The committee is headed by Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus. "Technology is changing and moving so rapidly it is difficult for professionals to keep up with the latest trends. It is our goal to make sure our students have the technical skills necessary to thrive in today's workplace," said Rembias.

Rembias is the owner of RemTech Business Solutions.

"As an information technology staffing firm, we see, firsthand, the disparity between the skill requirements of the job market and the skills of our graduates."

Remtech Business Solutions is planning to open a training center to upgrade the skills of recent graduates and working IT professionals who find it difficult to keep up with changing technology.



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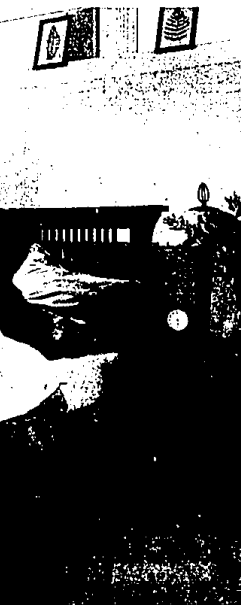
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