

# CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND FARMINGTON

## FAMILY FUN

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT**  
The Farmington YMCA will host family fun night starting at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at the Y. Take a swimsuit and towel. There will be snacks and refreshments, an obstacle course for kids under 6 and a moon walk. You must register by April 6. Call Robin at 553-1834.

**OKLAHOMA**  
Harrison High School will perform *Oklahoma* at 7:30 p.m. March 29-31 at the Harrison High School auditorium. Call 489-3412.

**CCC PLAYERS**  
The Oakland Community College Orchard Ridge Players will perform *Brighton Beach Memoirs* at 7:30 p.m. March 29-31 at the Smith Theater on the Orchard Ridge Campus. Call 622-3595.

**ARTS CELEBRATION/SALE**  
Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills will host a fine arts celebration for the whole family from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 31, at the church. A fine arts exhibition and sale will follow the celebration from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 1. Call 476-8860.

**TYNDALE CONCERT**  
William Tyndale College will hold its spring concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 31, at Grace Chapel, 27996 Halsted, in Farmington Hills. Call 553-8042, Ext. 2040.

**PIANO CONCERT**  
Pianist Paul Blascaccia will perform *The Great American Piano* at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 1, at Nardin Park Methodist Church in Farmington Hills. Call 476-8860.

**YOUTH THEATER**  
Farmington Youth Theater will perform *Doors* to Atlanta at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 3, at the Farmington Hills Library and at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, at the downtown Farmington Library.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**  
The Farmington Area Jaycees will host an eat-what-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, April 6, at the North Congregational Church, 35520 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. The cost is \$10 per person. Proceeds will benefit the Farmington Area Jaycees and the Cancer Awareness, Prevention and Education Program. Call 477-JCCS.

## KID STUFF

**HEALTHY KIDS DAY**  
The Farmington YMCA will host its annual Health Kids Day starting at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 7. There will be a variety of activities for kids and the whole family to enjoy. The Farmington Y is located at 28100 Farmington Road in Farmington Hills. Call 553-4020.

**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 14. The church is located at 28987 W. 11 Mile Road. The cost is \$3 per child and all are welcome. Bring your own basket. Call 476-8860.

**PARKY EASTER**  
Parky the Panda, the lovable mascot of the recreation division, invites children to join him at the Heritage Park Day Camp Building on Saturday, April 7, for an Easter Eggstravaganza. Program for children 3-5 years old will be 10-11:30 a.m.; and children ages 6-10 from 12:30-2 p.m. The activities include snacks, games, arts

and crafts, an Easter Egg Hunt and story telling. Programs are for children only. Parents are welcome to wait in the lobby. Advance registration is required.

**PUPPET SHOW**  
Songstress' puppeteer Maureen Schiffman and her puppet pal Coco will perform *Coco Celebrates Spring* at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 1, at Borders Books & Music in Farmington Hills. Call 737-0110.

**JEWELRY MAKING**  
Kids ages 7 and older can learn how to make jewelry 7-9 p.m. every Wednesday beginning March 28 through May 2 at the Costick Activities Center. Call 473-9570.

**SPORTS CLINICS**  
The Farmington YMCA offers youth basketball, t-ball, soccer and lacrosse clinics. For more information call 553-4020 ext. 122.

**LEARNING ACTIVITIES**  
The Farmington Friends of the Library sponsor a learning activity center, which includes reading readiness activities and crafts for children ages 2-3 and 3-5. For dates and times call the main library at 553-0300.

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

## POTPOURRI

**BLOOD DRIVE**  
The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Orchard United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills from 1:30-7:30 p.m. Monday, April 2. The church is located at 30450 Farmington Road, between 13 and 14 Mile Roads. Call 623-3620.

**MUSICAL SCHOLARS**  
The Farmington Musicale will host the Scholarship Winners Recital at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 1, at the Hammel Music Auditorium in Livonia.

**BRIDGE TOURNAMENT**  
The Finnish Association Center will hold a bridge tournament for all skill levels March 29-April 1 at the center, 35200 W. 8 Mile. Most sessions begin at 1 p.m. or 7 p.m. and entrance fees range from \$5-\$9. Call (734) 480-9055 or (248) 364-0089.

**HOME CHORE HELP**  
Home Chore Volunteers are needed to do minor in-home repair for seniors in the Farmington/Farmington Hills area. Please call the Senior Adult Division at 473-1827.

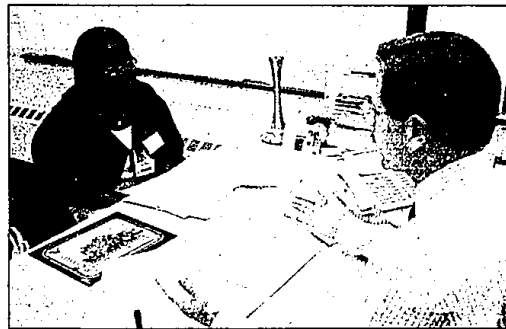
**WARNER MANSION**  
The Governor Warner Mansion in downtown Farmington is now reopened to the public 1-5 p.m. every Wednesday and first Sunday of the month. Group visits by special arrangement. Adult admission is \$2 and children 12 and under are free when accompanied by an adult.

**FEST APPLICATIONS**  
The city of Farmington and Farmington Hills are now accepting applications for the Farmington Founders Festival, a juried outdoor arts and crafts show to be held July 19-21.

**SPECIAL ED. FORUM**  
A special education forum will be held 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, at the Farmington Training Center, 33000 Thomas St. Speaker Cynthia Burkhour will address inclusive recreation for all kids. Recreation providers will be present, too. This forum is open to parents, teachers and the community. Call Carolyn Das at 474-8851.

## PERSONAL TRAINING

## A mile in my shoes



Shadow play: Students from Farmington area high schools spent some time recently learning what school administrators and central office employees do in the course of a day. Above, Farmington High School principal John Barrett discusses future graduation requirements with Harrison student Eborae Larkin.

The Farmington YMCA offers personal trainers from 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. For more information call 553-4020.

**FUN & FITNESS**  
Faith Covenant Church in Farmington Hills offers Faith, Fun & Fitness from 9:30-11:30 a.m. every Thursday through March 29. 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 661-9191.

**ART EXHIBIT**  
Watercolor paintings by Marjorie Chellatrop, 2000 Artist in Residence, will be on display at Farmington and Farmington Hills City Halls April 9 through June 29.

## SENIORS (55-PLUS)

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

**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 437-0360.

**BOOK TALK**  
Join friends and neighbors for an informal book discussion 1 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at the Costick Center, 11 Mile and Middlebelt. 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 Activities 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 1:10-2:40 p.m. Mondays at the Costick Activities Center, 11 Mile and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. Call 473-1830.

**SENIOR SUPPORT**  
The Farmington Hills Senior Division offers a variety of support groups for seniors such as diabetes and stroke. For times and dates, call 473-1830.

## CLASSES

**WANGO TANGO**  
The Farmington Family YMCA's tango dance class is offered 7:30-9 p.m. Fridays at the Y on Farmington Road north of 12 Mile. Fee is \$10. Partner not necessary. Call (248) 653-1934.

**SCUBA DIVING**  
The Farmington Family YMCA teaches self-contained underwater breathing apparatus diving 1-4 p.m. Saturdays. Call (248) 563-1933.

**CONDOLENCE NOTES**  
Deborah Chappa will offer a one-night class on how to write a sensitive and comforting sympathy note from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 12, at the Farmington Community School, 30415 Shawnee. The fee is \$16. Call 489-3333.

## TEEN TALK

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

**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.

**BOTSOFD 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.

## MEETINGS

**GENEALOGICAL**  
The Farmington Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, at the downtown Farmington Library. The program will be *Ohio Research and Sources* with genealogist, Steven M. Charter.

## 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.

**CO-ED GOLF**  
Sign-up and informational meetings for Farmington

Single Professional co-ed golf leagues will be held at 7:30 p.m. Mondays, March 26, April 2 and April 9 at Cowley's Old Village Inn located in downtown Farmington.

**CO-ED SOFTBALL**  
Sign-up and informational meetings for Farmington Single Professional co-ed softball leagues will be held at 7 p.m. Mondays, March 26, April 2 and April 9 at Cowley's Old Village Inn located in downtown Farmington.

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

**VOLLEYBALL**  
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 \$6 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.

**AFTER 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.

## MOMS&TOTS

**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 553-7170.

**UNITED MOMS & TOTS**  
Orchard United Methodist Church of Farmington Hills has a mom-and-tot play group that meets 10-11:30 a.m. every Friday. Call Amy, 476-4224.

## 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 557-8277.

**SENEX**  
Senex, a program for older adults, provides home-bound 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 8:30-11 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, 334-3595.

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

## SUPPORT GROUPS

**ADVOCACY TRAINING**  
Special education law and the individualized education program as related to students with dyslexia will be the topic when the Michigan Dyslexia Institute's support group meets 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 21, at the institute, 30230 Orchard Lake, suite 130. Call (248) 737-0044.

**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 888-7468.

**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 2-3:30 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, 47601 Grand River, in Novi. 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. 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 at 7 p.m. the third Monday of each month at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. Call 477-6100.

## CHARLEEN DAWSON PROGRAM

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 once. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Thursday for the following Sunday's paper.

Event: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date and Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Additional info.: \_\_\_\_\_