

CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND FARMINGTON AND FARMINGTON HILLS

FAMILY FUN

ANNIE, JR.
St. Fabian Middle School in Farmington Hills will perform *Annie, Jr.* at 7 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29. Call 563-2760.

YOUTH FIDDLERS
Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills presents Fiddlers Philharmonic, Youth String Ensemble Concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 22, at the church. Call 476-8060.

KID STUFF

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 at 29887 W. 11 Mile. The cost is \$3 per child, and all are welcome. Bring your own basket. Call 476-8880.

SPRING BREAK FUN
Children ages 5-12 may show their creative flair by trying their hand at different art projects from 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, at the Main Library and from 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, at the Farmington Branch.

ARTFEST
There will be two sessions of Artfest for Kids on Saturday, April 28, at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills. The theme from 10 a.m. to noon will be "Windows into Art" and "Kite Construction" from noon to 2 p.m. Call 473-9570.

SPORTS CLINICS
The Farmington YMCA offers youth basketball, tee-ball, soccer and lacrosse clinics. For more information call 563-4020, 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 563-0300.

CHILDREN'S STORY TIME
Sue 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 St. Fabian Church in Farmington Hills from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, April 29. The church is at 32200 W. 12 Mile. Call 563-4610.

PLAYERS
The Farmington Players present *Stag 17* beginning April 27 and running through May 19 at Barnes & Noble Book Store in West Bloomfield. Call 563-2955 for dates and times.

MUSICALS
The Farmington Musicals presents *Opera Outreach* by the Michigan Opera Theater at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, at the Farmington Community Library.

BOOKLAND BAND
The Salt City Dixieland Band of Manistee will perform 6:15-7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at the Finnish Cultural Center, 95200 W. Eight Mile, in Farmington Hills. The cost is \$15 per person and includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and dessert. To make a reservation, call 589-8829.

ART EXHIBIT/SALE
The Farmington Artist Club spring exhibit and sale will be April 29 through May 6 at the Costick Activities Center in

Farmington Hills. Hours are: noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and both Sundays; and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Friday.

TALL SHIPS
Researcher, writer, photographer and lecturer Thad Koza will present a slide program on tall ships at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 11, at the Farmington Branch Library in preparation for the upcoming Sail Detroit event as part of the Detroit 300 tricentennial celebration.

GIFT JARS
Learn how to make mixes layered in Mason jars for charming and delicious gifts from 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 30, at Farmington Community School, 30415 Shiawassee. The cost is \$20. Call 489-3333 to register.

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 accepting applications for the Farmington Founders Festival, a juried outdoor arts and crafts show to be held July 19-21.

PERSONAL TRAINING
The Farmington YMCA offers personal trainers from 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. For more information, call 563-4020.

ART EXHIBIT
Watercolor paintings by Marjorie Chelstrop, 2000 Artist in Residence, will be on display at Farmington and Farmington Hills City Hall through June 29.

SALES

FINNISH RUMMAGE
The Finnish Cultural Center in Farmington Hills will hold a rummage, party and bake sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 14. The center is at 35200 W. Eight Mile.

NARDIN RUMMAGE
Nardin Park United Methodist Church will hold its annual spring rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 26 and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, April 27. The church is at 29887 W. 11 Mile.

UNITED RUMMAGE
The United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church will hold their annual spring rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 26, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, April 27. The church is at 33112 Grand River.

ST. ALEXANDER SALE
St. Alexander Church in Farmington Hills will hold a garage sale 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, April 18-19, and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday, April 20. The church is at 27835 Shiawassee.

MOMS SALE
Tri-county Mothers of Multiples will hold a Mom-to-Mom spring/summer clothing, equipment and toy sale from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills. Admission is a \$1 donation. No strollers.

ST. PAUL RUMMAGE
St. Paul Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will hold a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 19-20 and a bag sale 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, April 21. The church is at 20805 Middlebelt.

Readathon success



Reading for a cause: Forty-two readers at the unique 10-hour readathon staged by the Oakland Literacy Council March 24 at Birmingham Borders Books & Music included Judy Bryce, of Farmington Hills. Judy serves as chair of the nonprofit Council's fundraising group. The readathon celebrated March as reading month and raised \$4,000 for tutoring adults in basic reading and English language.

SENIORS (55-PLUS)

TAX COUNSELING
This year's tax counseling for people older than 60 will run 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.

SENIOR CONCERT
The Farmington Community Band will present its annual senior citizens concert titled "A Step in Time" at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills.

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, 11 Mile and Middlebelt. Paperback copies will be available for advance checkout. Fee is 90 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 senior citizens such as diabetes and stroke. For times and dates, call 473-1830.

CLASSES

BABY-SITTING
Young adults, 10-17 years, can learn the ins and outs of working as a sitter from 4:50-6:30 p.m. April 16-18 at the Farmington Branch Library; or 7-8:30 p.m. April 20, May 3 and May 10 at the main library. A certificate is awarded to participants who complete: "Planning Baby-sitting/Emergency Situations," "Infant Care" and "Integrating with Children." Please call to register.

GIFTED KIDS
Farmington Public Schools' DELTA gifted department will sponsor a six-week session of parenting classes to increase understanding of the social and emotional needs of highly able students. Classes run 7:30-9 p.m. Mondays, April 23 through June 4. For registration and location information, call the DELTA office at 489-3399.

ALZHEIMER'S
Botsford Hospital will offer a series of classes on understanding Alzheimer's disease. Classes will run from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturdays, April 21 and 28 and May 5 at Botsford Commons. Call 471-8000 for more information.

WEB STUFF
Learn what search engines are and how they work at 7 p.m. Monday, April 30, at the Farmington Branch Library. Please call to register.

WANGO TANGO
The Farmington Family YMCA's tango dance class is offered 7:30-9 p.m. Fri-

days at the Y on Farmington Road north of 12 Mile. Fee is \$10. Partner not necessary. Call (248) 553-1934.

SCUBA DIVING
The Farmington Family YMCA teaches self-contained underwater breathing apparatus diving 1-4 p.m. Saturdays. Call (248) 553-1933.

CONDOLENCE NOTES
Deborah Chappa will offer a one-night class on how to write a sensitive and comforting sympathy note from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 12, at the Farmington Community School, 30415 Shiawassee. 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 7:30-9 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.

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 477-6100 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
A sign-up and informational meeting for Farmington Single Professional co-ed golf leagues will be 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 9, at Cowley's Old Village Inn in downtown Farmington.

CO-ED SOFTBALL
A sign-up and informational meeting for Farmington Single Professional co-ed softball leagues will be 7 p.m. Monday, April 9, at Cowley's Old Village Inn in downtown Farmington.

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.

VOLLEYBALL
Play drop-in volleyball from 6:45-9:45 p.m. every Tuesday in the gym and field house 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

HOPE MOMS & TOTS
The Hope House in Farmington Hills is taking registration for exercise, dance, fiction writing, art, psychic reading, piano martial arts and kickboxing classes. Call 477-8404.

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, 476-4294.

VOLUNTEERS

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

LONGACRE HOUSE
The Longacre House of Farmington Hills 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 activi-

ties. 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 473-1825.

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

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 support and education about prostate cancer. Call 477-6100.

PARENTING
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 (313) 792-2877.

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.

OBSESSIVE-COMPULSIVE
Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder is a self-help group for youths and their families that meets 7-9 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at Davis Counseling Center in Farmington Hills. Call Greg at (313) 438-3299.

FREE COUNSELING
Free counseling services to all community members is available from Eastern Michigan University graduate counseling students in partnership with Farmington schools. Appointments are available 5:30-7:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Call 489-3447 for an appointment.

THE FARMINGTON CALENDAR

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: _____