

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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Blood Drive
Antioch Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will hold a blood drive 2-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 6. To make an appointment call (248) 626-7906.

Festival of the Arts
Farmington Festival of the Arts runs Sunday, April 27, through Sunday, May 4 at the Cotick Center in Farmington Hills. The festival will include fine art, lectures, workshops, music and more.

Spaghetti Dinner
The American Legion Post 346 in Farmington Hills will hold a spaghetti dinner 5-7 p.m. Saturday, April 26. The Post is located at 3175 Grand River. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 10 and under.

Bingo
The American Legion Post 346 in Farmington Hills will hold a bingo evening at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$1. Six cards for \$1. The post is located at 3175 Grand River. Call (248) 474-9778.

Victorian Woman
Ann Peterson presents The Victorian Woman at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 18 (corrected from an earlier notice) at the Warner Mansion in downtown Farmington. Topics will include Victorian clothing, culture, social events and family life. The cost is \$5. For reservations call (248) 473-7275.

Comedy Night
The New Hope Center for Grief Support presents Comedy Night: Laughing on the Outside at 6 p.m. Friday, May 16, at the Farmington Hills Manor, 23666 Orchard Lake Road. Eric Wilson from the HDV Local 4 weather team will be the master of ceremonies with a performance by comedian Bill Thomas. The evening will include appetizers, dinner, cash bar and a live auction. Proceeds will benefit the New Hope Center for Grief Support. Tickets are \$50. Call (248) 348-0115.

National Speakers
National Speakers Association, Michigan Chapter, will meet 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 10, at the Holiday Inn North, 3600 Plymouth Road, in Ann Arbor. To register call Amy at (800) 990-7126. Open to the public.

Hunans
The Farmington Players present Hunans April 25 through May 25 at the Farmington Players Barn. Call (248) 219-0500.

Junior Golf Tourney
The Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club is now accepting registration for their annual Junior Golf Tournament to be held Friday, June 13, at Glen Oaks Golf Course in Farmington Hills. Boys and girls 11-18 will play separately according to age groups. The cost is \$35 and includes golf, lunch and awards ceremony. Golfers limited to 144. For more information call Scott Franklin at (248) 855-4949 or e-mail him at SFG229@aol.com

Summer School
Farmington Public Schools Early Childhood Department is now accepting registration for the Summer School Enrichment Program for children ages 3-5. The program runs 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 16 through Aug. 15. For more information, call Sandra Millman at (248) 489-3373.

Brae Choir
The Brae Theatre Choir of Farmington Hills will perform at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, in the Altium of the Slate Capitol building in Lansing. The public is welcome.

Sunday Brunch
Enjoy Sunday Brunch at the Finnish

Center in Farmington Hills on Mother's Day, May 11. Call (248) 478-6939.

Stamp Collectors
Stamp collectors meet 2-4 p.m. the last Sunday of every month at the First United Church in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 478-6939.

Rabbit Rescue Auction
The Michigan Rabbit Rescue will hold its third annual Silent Auction and Rummage Sale 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 7, at the Sylvan Lake Community Center. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$35 per couple. Tickets must be purchased by April 25. Call (248) 682-7320.

SALES

First United Sale
First United Methodist Church in downtown Farmington will hold its annual spring rummage sale 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 15 and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, May 16.

Antioch Sale
Antioch Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will hold a rummage sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, May 2, and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 3 (bag sale). The church is located at 13 Mile and Farmington roads.

Farm. Artists Sale
The Farmington Artists Club Spring Art Exhibit and Sale will be held Sunday, April 27, through Sunday, May 4, at the Cotick Activities Center, in conjunction with the Farmington Festival of the Arts. The Cotick Center is located at 28600 11 Mile Road.

St. Alexander's Sale
St. Alexander's Catholic Church in Farmington Hills will hold a garage sale 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 24, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 25. The church is located at 27835 Shilwassee, just west of Inster Road.

St. Paul's Sale
St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will hold a rummage, bake, and white elephant sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, April 24-25, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 26. Light lunches will be available. The church is located at 20805 Middlebelt.

Prince Rummage
The Women's League of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will hold a two-day rummage and bake sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 2 and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 3 (bag sale). The church is located at 12 Mile and Farmington roads.

GOLF OUTINGS

YMCA Golf Classic
The Farmington YMCA will hold its annual golf classic Monday, June 9, at Walnut Creek Country Club. Lunch begins at 11 a.m. with shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. A free raffle ticket will be given to anyone who registers before April 30. Call (248) 553-1934.

Chamber Golf Classic
The Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber Golf Classic will be held Wednesday, June 18, at the Links of Novi. Shotgun start at 9 a.m. Early bird rate is available for anyone registering by May 1. Call (248) 474-3440.

Angela Hospice Golf Outing
Angela Hospice will hold its 15th annual golf outing Monday, May 12, at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon. For more information, call (734)

953-6018.

CLUBS

Farmington Garden
The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Monday, May 5, at the Longacre House in Farmington Hills. Member Beth Poole will give a presentation on container gardening.

North Farm, Garden
North Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Tuesday, May 13, at the Aldo Vignozzi Visitors Center in Heritage Park. Jan Everson will give a presentation on Hostas and Companion Plants.

Hill & Dale
Hill & Dale Garden Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 8, at the Heritage Park Visitor's Center. The topic will be Growing Geraniums the Natural Way.

Musicals
The Farmington Musicals will present Awards for Musical Excellence at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 9, at North Congregational Church in Farmington Hills.

Exchange Club
The Exchange Club will meet at noon, Wednesday, April 30, at the Biceps Pointe Restaurant, in Farmington Hills.

Career Women
The National Association of Career Women - Metro Detroit Chapter, will hold its monthly meeting 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Thursday, May 8, at the Hilton Hotel, 26000 American Drive, in Southfield. The West Suburban Chapter of NACW will meet 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, at Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth.

SENIORS

Senior Lunch
The Finnish Center in Farmington Hills offers lunch for seniors at a minimal cost beginning at noon the third Wednesday of the month. To make your reservation call Eleanor at (248) 437-0350.

CLASSES

Home Building
Farmington Community Education and the Oakland Builders Institute will offer a 6-hour seminar on "Home Building, Protecting You & Your Money" 6-10 p.m. Monday/Wednesday April 28-May 7, at the Community School, 30415 Shilwassee. To pre-register, call (248) 489-3333.

Parenting Bright Kids
The DECA Gifted Department of Farmington Public Schools will offer parenting classes for parents raising bright and gifted children. Classes begin Monday, April 28, at the Farmington Training Center. Morning and evening classes are available. Call (248) 489-3399 for more information.

Chronic Illness
Botsford Hospital will offer a free seminar on chronic illness and employment issues at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 7. The hospital is located at 28550 Grand River.

Herbal Remedies
Mary Jane Sudekum, a Botsford registered pharmacist, will discuss herbal remedies relevant to women's health issues 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 8, at North Congregational Church in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 848-1150.

Agnes & Falls
A presentation on safety in the home will be given at 12:45 or 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, 12:45 p.m. Thursday, May 8 or 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, at Merry Marian Oakland West, located on 10 Mile just east of Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 474-7204.

Motherless daughters invited to attend luncheon

The Eighth Annual Metro Detroit Motherless Daughters Luncheon will be held Saturday, May 10 at the Detroit Renaissance Marriott in downtown Detroit.

Guest speaker is Hope Edelman, author of the New York bestseller "Motherless Daughters: The Legacy of Loss." Letters from Motherless Daughters, a compilation of letters written by motherless women and girls in response to her first book. Edelman, a Los Angeles resident, is in the process of writing "Motherless Mothers" and will interview Detroit area

women for her new book. The Motherless Daughters Day luncheon began eight years ago in huge response to Edelman's book and are always held the day before Mother's Day.

Each year, approximately 200 women and girls gather to remember and celebrate their mother's lives that have died. The luncheon allows motherless girls and women to bond who have suffered the same loss. The event is held the day before Mother's Day as it is a very difficult day for those whose mothers who are no longer here.

A book fair with various books on loss, grieving and support and the first annual Metro Detroit Motherless Daughters Cookbook will be for sale. All proceeds help supplement the cost of the luncheon for motherless girls 18 years and younger.

There is no charge for motherless girls to attend the luncheon. Seating is very limited and all reservations need to be pre-paid by May 2. Cost is \$30 per person.

For information, call (866) 254-2156 or email: Metrodetroitmd@wideopenwest.com

SINGLES CALENDAR

METROPOLITAN SINGLE PROFESSIONALS

Single Mingle Dances

MSPs hold single mingle dances on Friday nights throughout the month. Call (248) 851-9909 for times and locations.

Golf/Softball Leagues

Co-ed golf and softball leagues are now forming. Call (248) 851-9909 for sign-up information.

Barn Dance

MSPs will hold a Western Barn Dance at 7:45 p.m. Saturday, May 10 at the Lary J. Ranch, 625 South Hickory Ridge Road.

Book Discussion Group

MSPs book discussion group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Borders Books in Farmington Hills. Borders will offer a 20-percent discount on all titles chosen for discussion.

Volleyball

Drop in and play volleyball 6:45-9:45 p.m. every Tuesday at the gym and fieldhouse at Bloomfield Hills Middle School, 4200 Quorton Road.

Euchre

MSPs play euchre 6:30-9:30 p.m. every Monday at the Brass Point Inn in Farmington Hills.

Social and Travel Club

For people 25 years old and up. Activities include dinners, dances, cards, camping, theater, sports, travel. To learn more about the club call (248) 435-5320 or go to www.sslc.org.

Fun & Fine Dining Parties

Join MSPs every Thursday between 6:30 p.m. for socializing with dinner afterwards. Enjoy sampling some of the best and most interesting dining places in the Metro Detroit area.

West Side Singles

Friday dances to be held every Friday night at Burton Manor, located on Schoolcraft Service Drive, just west of Inkster in Livonia. The dances are open to the public. Doors open when 8 p.m.-1 a.m., 25 years of age and older. Dressy attire required, held in non-smoking ballrooms with a D.J. and budget bar. Admission price is \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after 8:30 p.m. For information, call Anita at (734) 981-0909.

Annual Crop Walk set for May 4

The Farmington/Farmington Hills West Bloomfield 18th Annual Crop Walk will take place Sunday, May 4, starting at First United Methodist Church in downtown Farmington. Money raised through pledges from sponsors will provide relief from hunger and

disaster, to more than 70 countries around the world and local hunger relief programs. Twenty-five percent of the funds raised will be equally distributed to the St. Alexander Food Pantry, the Salvation Army, Neighborhood House of Farmington, and the Baldwin Center in Pontiac.

Walkers can choose from a 10 km (6 1/2 mile) walk or a two mile mini-walk. Registration begins at 1 p.m. and the walk starts at 1:30 p.m. Walk pledge forms can be obtained by calling Mary Biedron, Associate Minister at (248) 848-1750.

RELIGION CALENDAR

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar, fax it to (248) 477-9722 or write: Religion Calendar, Farmington Observer, 3341 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335. The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

Erin Moss, Miss Michigan 2002, will be the guest speaker at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 4, at Farmington Hills Church of God Worship Celebration. The public is invited.

Coffee Talk
Single Point Lighthouse Cafe offers an evening of relaxation and fun while listening to live entertainment provided by other Single Pointers. Cost is \$5. Hot dogs, goodies and coffee provided.

Call Single Point Ministries at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road (near Haggerty), Northville, at (248) 374-5920.

Antioch Preschool
Antioch Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills offers Christian based preschool for 3-4 year-old children. Class registration is now being taken. The church is located at 13 Mile and Farmington Road. Call (248) 626-7906.

ONGOING

Widow/Widower Support

New Hope Center for Grief Support, a Christian-based bereavement outreach center, offers support for widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The group meets at 7 p.m. at St. Kenneth's Parish offices, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth. New Hope for Kids meets at the same time and place and is aimed at ages 4-11. (248) 348-0115

Aglow

Aglow International, a community lighthouse for women, meets for dinner and discussion at 6 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Best Western Executive Hotel, 31525 W. 12 Mile in Farmington. For information or reservations call (248) 476-1053

HomeCrest Cabinetry A Lifetime of Choices: Spring Clean-Up SALE Cabinetry For Every Room On Sale Now Free Cookware With Purchase. Minimum purchase of 10 HomeCrest kitchen or bath cabinets to qualify for special offer. Offer ends June 15, 2003.

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