

Tax aide program is now under way

Members of Farmington Hills Chapter 2088, American Association of Retired Persons, who have completed training to become tax aides, are now assisting senior citizens and retirees in preparing 1980 income tax returns for the federal and state governments. The tax aides will give the free assistance in seven locations, two of them in the Farmington area from now

through April 1. Times and dates when the tax aides will be in The Gathering Place in Mercey Center, 28600 11 Mile Road; and in Farmington Community Library, 23550 Liberty Street, will be listed in the Community Calendar of the Farmington Observer each edition through April 1. The program was initiated six years

ago by members of the local chapter of retired persons, whose volunteers obtain the rating of counsellor after three days of training and testing by IRS agents and another day of training by a representative from the Michigan Treasury Department. Seniors wishing the service must bring the following items to the sessions when they meet the tax aide: W

and 1099 statements for income, pension, interest and dividends; total social security received in 1980; 1980 real estate tax receipts; total rent paid in the year; and copy of 1979 income tax returns. They must also bring the name and address to whom their rent was paid. If there any questions, seniors can call Joseph L. Anderson, 476-8743.

DuMouchelle Galleries give appraisals Jan. 31

Laurence DuMouchelle and representatives from DuMouchelle Galleries in Detroit will be in Farmington on Jan. 31 to participate in an "Art Appraisal Clinic" sponsored as a benefit for the Farmington Genealogical Society. The clinic will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, between 13 and 14 Mile roads. Written appraisals will be given on any antique or collectible except jewelry. Persons may bring up to five items to be appraised and will be charged \$3 for each item. In turn they will be given a written description of the item along with its current market value. In addition to appraisers at the clinic, DuMouchelle buyers will be there for the purchase of fine antiques, most notably, china, figurines, music boxes, paintings and oriental rugs.

No advance registration will be taken. All items must be carried in, and registration will be made at the door. Registration will close promptly at 4 p.m. KAY WILSON, president of the Farmington Genealogical Society, says: "This is a terrific opportunity to get an appraisal suitable for insurance purposes at an unbelievably low price by the most reputable antique dealer in the metro area." The society, organized in 1973, provides information on genealogical skills, techniques and resources to its members. Most recently the members have begun a program of acquisitions which will provide a special reference collection for use by the society, as well as all other serious researchers. The collection is housed in the Farmington Community Library.

Merkerson, Piippo, Laing perform

The musicians who will perform in Farmington Community Center's new chamber music series beginning Sunday, Feb. 1 come with impressive backgrounds. Charlotte Merckerson studied violin with Dr. Morris Hochberg, head of Wayne State University's string department. She was first violinist with the Salzburg Austria Summer Festival Or-

chestra and concert mistress with the Michigan Opera Theatre Orchestra. Richard Piippo studied cello at the University of Milwaukee with George Sopkin and in Switzerland with Pierre Fourrier. He won a National Federation of Music Clubs Competition. Currently he teaches cello at Wayne State and conducts string workshops in the area.

Fontaine Laing has a master's degree in music from the University of Michigan. She majored in piano and chamber music. As an accompanist, she has traveled extensively in Germany and Canada. She has recorded with Ervin Monro, first flutist of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. She was the staff accompa-

nist at the International Flute Convention in Boston. She teaches at home in Novi and at the Detroit Community Music School. "Intermezzo," the first concert, will begin at 8 p.m. and include the Mendelssohn Trio in D Minor. Donation at the door is \$4 for adults or \$3 for students and senior citizens.

Career planner talks about job marketing

Career questions, whether in the mind of a 16-year-old or a 60-year-old, will be answered by Ruth E. McDonald in a free program offered at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27 in Farmington Hills Community Library, 32737 12 Mile Road. Ms. McDonald is the director of the Career Center at Oakland Community College Highland Lakes campus. She will give information on how to

determine individual interests and abilities; then how to match these up with multitude of jobs and careers that are available in today's job market. She will answer questions on what training is necessary for various jobs; what one can do if he or she feels stuck in a present job; tell her audience about testings available for different careers; and how to prepare a resume.

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