

## club circuit

**POLISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN** hosts Rev. Leonard P. Blais, former archivist for the Archdiocese of Detroit, at 3 p.m. Saturday in the Explorers Room of Detroit Public Library, 5201 Woodward Ave.

Rev. Blais' talk is called "Records of the Archdiocese of Detroit." He is a native Detroit, a graduate of Sacred Heart Seminary, and the North American College in Rome, and has studied

at University of Michigan.

Personal help in Polish research problems will be available one hour prior to the meeting and Rev. Blais' talk.

The session is open without charge. Free parking is available in the lot on the Putnam Street side of the library.

**ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS ASSOCIATION**, Detroit Chapter, host an open meeting at 2 p.m. Sunday in the auditorium of William Beaumont Hospital's Administration Building, 3601 13 Mile Road, Royal Oak. All events hosted by the chapter are given to all interested persons without charge.

Topic for the program is "Coping With Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders."

Eric Amberg, a neuropsychologist for Wyandotte General Hospital, will discuss the impact of the disease on patients and their families. The aim of the meeting is to give participants a chance to learn more about the disease and how to cope more effectively with the physical, emotional and financial strain the malady brings.

Amberg now serves on the association's advisory board and has extensive experience in caring for and working

with Alzheimer's patients and their families.

Alzheimer's disease is a degenerative disease of the brain which gradually robs afflicted individuals of all mental capabilities. It is often mistakenly called senility and has been misleadingly ascribed as hardening of the arteries. Both its cause and cure are unknown.

The Detroit area chapter sponsors seven support groups in the Detroit metro area, one of them in Farmington Hills. Inquiries are taken by calling its central office, located in Bloomfield Hills, 540-2373.

**BEREAVED PARENTS GROUP** meets at 8 p.m. Monday in Newman House, Schoolcraft College, 17300 Hagerty Road.

Inquiries are taken by Gloria Collins, 348-1857.

**JUNIOR GARDENERS** meet at 4 p.m. Monday in the home of Barbara Noll, 28388 Seven Oaks Drive, Farmington Hills, to make a birdfeeder.

Stewart and Michelle Bruce are hosts for the meeting. Adult assistants are Elaine Gunderson and Janet Patrell.

**FARMINGTON AREA JAYCETTES** invite guests to their general meeting

at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Farmington Community Center, on Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile.

Potential members are women between the ages of 18-35 years. Marital status is not a consideration for membership.

The group is a community service organization which works with the Farmington Jaycees, or by itself, offering leadership training programs, giving community service through projects, and socials for its members.

**FARMINGTON GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY** meets at 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18 in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty Street.

Speaker for the evening is Janice A. Boche. Her subject is "Mayflower Descendants."

The program is open to all persons interested in genealogy.

**FARMINGTON NEIGHBORS CLUB** host Mal Sillars, WDIV-TV4 weatherman, when the group meets at noon, Wednesday in Glen Oaks Country Club. Guests are welcome. Reservations are taken by Peggy Slokes, 553-3653 or Dorothy Kraft, 553-3940.

Before joining WDIV, Sillars was known for six years as the morning weatherman on WJR-Radio. In 1978 he was the only Detroit forecaster to cor-

rectly predict the blizzard which immobilized the entire metropolitan area for several days.

Sillars professional meteorological experience includes seven years with Commercial Weather Services, Inc., located in Flint where he serves as vice president and meteorological consultant for that organization.

He holds both a bachelor and masters degree in physics, and has taught physics, engineering and meteorology.

**WOMEN'S AGLOW FELLOWSHIP** is taking registrations now for its seminar that will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and again beginning at 7 p.m. Jan. 24 in Svendsen House, Orchard Lake and Grand River.

Speaker for both sessions is Mary Kowalski.

Registration information given by calling Rosalie Naglich, 474-7464.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 23352 Farmington Road, Farmington

## Mercy's swim and fitness term starts

Mercy Conference Center's winter term of swim and fitness classes for all ages runs from Jan. 18 to Feb. 28.

The swim program offers open, 15' and synchronized swimming; swim water and exercise classes; and special sessions for seniors. Swim passes are available.

The fitness program offers co-ed fitness classes; fitness sessions for those over the age of 55; hatha yoga; and indoor jogging.

The center also rents its gym or pool. For more information, call the center at 476-8010.



Mal Sillars  
guest of Farmington Neighbors  
Club

## Forced blooms add color to drab days

The other day I had a brief chat with localite, Nell Stark. We were talking about miscellaneous issues when he said, "Remember you don't get the fruit if you don't get out on the limb."

I thought of this quote when I submitted the picture for this column of the sleigh filled with people riding around Greenfield Village. You see, as I write this copy we haven't had our first snowfall.

As true as night and day we should have a rousing cover of snow in 10 days. It is a never-to-be-forgotten experience to go riding around the village, wrapped warm, to the jingle of bells. Do put it on your wish list. If there isn't a good cover of snow there will be carriage rides available.

Many of our readers have second homes up north in Michigan. Deer damage is often experienced both summer and winter. You can control areas by spreading on the surface widths of chicken wire, flat on the ground. They don't like to walk on it.

In the winter, we are dependent upon cut flowers, and the American Hospital Association tells us to use a cleaning agent for the initial vase cleaning. A slow-release chlorine diluted in water with two tablespoons of sugar in the vase of clean water will help the cut



## down to earth Alice Burlingame

flowers increase in size and retain their good color. The sugar feeds while the diluted chloroxine will keep the water bacteria-free.

One of the pleasures of having flowering shrubs in your garden scheme is to have several which are early spring flowering. Among those readily recalled are forsythia, shadow box, dogwood, azalea, periwinkle, many of the dogwoods, daphne, pearl bush, some magnolias and many more varieties.

For forcing you should be interested in those shrubs or trees which form their flower buds during the previous

summer or late fall. Shred or mash the ends of the stems, a hammer works nicely, to increase water absorption and soak over night in tepid water. Completely immerse.

The next day place the cuttings in a bucket of water for forcing. Change the water weekly and place some charcoal in the water to keep it from souring. Mist the branches in the bucket frequently. When the buds begin to show color, arrange in a vase for public display.

The cooperative Extension Service tells us that the use of pruning paint on tree wounds may make the wound look better but it doesn't help the cut to

heal. It may actually promote wood decay.

A wound dressing holds moisture in the wound. When small cracks develop in the coating, decayed fungi enters the moist area and finds conditions just right to grow and multiply.

The decay process begins. The conclusion is that painting does more harm than good so let the tree heal the wound naturally. I would believe this authority due to the research behind their judgment.

Here is an idea for those who have choice shrubs and perennials planted on a hillside. Begin now to save all of your juice cans, cut out the bottoms, and in the spring insert near the base of the choice plant material, maybe with one inch of the height exposed. Pour your fertilizer in the can and it goes to the location you wish — a report from Robert Stevenson, Bridgeville, Pa.



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