

## community calendar

**THE SMOKELESS SYSTEM**  
Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 17-18: Free meeting introduces The Smokeless System at 7:30 p.m. each evening in Botsford Hospital's Administration and Education Building, 28050 Grand River. Charge for the program is \$140.

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**  
Monday, Sept. 17: Blood pressure screening and follow-up sessions 1-4 p.m. in Botsford Hospital's Administration and Education Building, Classroom A, 28050 Grand River. No charge.

**WINNING OVER WHEEZING**  
Monday, Sept. 17: "Winning Over Wheezing," lecture for asthmatics of all ages, at 7 p.m. in Botsford Hospital's Administration and Education Building, 28050 Grand River. No charge.

**PORCELAIN ART**  
Monday, Sept. 17: Porcelain art display, showing the works of Michigan Porcelain Artists, Birmingham Chap-

ter, remains in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty streets, through Sept. 30. Exhibit is a forerunner to the chapter's show Nov. 17.

**IRA**  
Tuesday, Sept. 18: Gerald Norris of E. F. Hutton talks about Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA) for young adults at 7 p.m. in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 32737 12 Mile Road. No charge.

**AEROBICS**  
Tuesday, Sept. 18: Aerobic classes 7-8 p.m. offered every Tuesday and Thursday on a drop-in basis in Our Lady of Sorrows Church gym, 23615 Power Road. Fee is \$2 per session, or \$1 for those under 18 years. Lock facilities free.

**BREAKDANCE FOR THE ARTS**  
Wednesday, Sept. 19: "Breakdancing for the Arts," fund-raiser to benefit FAR Conservatory, 5:30-10:30 p.m. in Glenside, corner of 12 Mile and

Middlebelt Road. Admission is free.

**GOAL SETTING**  
Wednesday, Sept. 19: Judy Morse tells what goal setting is all about at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Reservations taken in the center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Fee is \$8.

**TASTE OF FARMINGTON**  
Wednesday, Sept. 19: Eleven Farmington area caterers serve up "A Taste of Farmington" from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Farmington Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Tickets are \$8 on sale in the center.

**FASHIONS FOR THE YOUNG**  
Wednesday, Sept. 19: "Fall and Winter Fashions for the Young and Young at Heart," show and some new ideas from Claire Finn of Hilt or Miss at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library, 23500 Liberty. No charge but reservations are requested by calling the library, 474-7770.

**PEDIATRICIAN SPEAKS**  
Wednesday, Sept. 19: "An Informal Evening With a Pediatrician" hosted by Hill Elementary School PTA at 7:30 p.m. in the school on Hill Road, between Nine Mile and Grand River. No charge.

**ARTIST'S RECEPTION**  
Wednesday, Sept. 19: Reception for Alice Nichols at 7:30 p.m. in Wallace Smith Theater Art Gallery, Orchard Ridge Campus, Oakland Community College, opens the one-woman show of the artist's award-winning works. The exhibit remains through Sept. 28.

**PIONEER CLUBS**  
Wednesday, Sept. 19: Pioneer Girls and Pioneer Boys Clubs begin at 8 p.m. in Faith Covenant Church, 14 Mile and Drake Road for all first-to-sixth graders regardless of church affiliation. Membership fee is \$10, which includes members of service projects, Bible studies, parties, field trips, crafts, games and skill achievements.

**WOMAN'S CHORALE**  
Wednesday, Sept. 19: Suburban Chorale of Livonia invites women singers to sit in on open rehearsals at 7:30 p.m. in Clarenceville High School, Middlebelt Road, north of Seven Mile, this date and Wednesday, Sept. 26.

**STRESS MANAGEMENT**  
Thursday, Sept. 20: "Stress Management," lecture by Dr. David Wartel at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Reservations are \$7, taken in the center.

**COMPUTERS INTRODUCED**  
Thursday, Sept. 20: "Computers: Introduction to Adults," two session workshop begins at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Workshop is repeated at the same time beginning Oct. 18. Fee is \$16. Registrations taken

in the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile.

**PROBLEM SOLVING**  
Thursday, Sept. 20: "Problem Solving and Logical Thinking," lecture by Martha Quinn, at 7:30 p.m. in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 32737 12 Mile. No charge. Lecture sponsored by Michigan Association for Children and Adults With Learning Disabilities as a public service.

**COUNTRY FAIR**  
Friday and Saturday, Sept. 21-22: "A Country Fair in Farmington," standard flower show staged by Hill and Dale Garden Club 2-8 p.m. Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday in Antioch Lutheran Church, corner of 13 Mile and Farmington Road. No charge.

**CLUTTERBUG SYSTEMS**  
Friday, Sept. 21: "Clutterbug Systems," workshop led by Dorothy Lehnkuhl who tells how to organize homes and lives, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Farmington Community Center. Fee is \$25. Registration information given by calling the center, 477-8404.

**FALL FESTIVAL**  
Friday through Sunday, Sept. 21-23: Fall Festival with rides, bingo, Las Vegas Room, games of skill and chance, country store, food and continuous entertainment 5-11 p.m. Friday, from noon to 11 p.m. Saturday and from noon to 9 p.m. Sunday on the grounds of St. Alexander Catholic Church, Silhouette Road west of Inkster. "Kids Day" games and special events run 1-4 p.m. Saturday. No admission to the grounds.

**CREATIVE MUSIC**  
Saturday, Sept. 22: "Creative Music

## Mercy lists fall offerings

Mercy Center's fall offerings of swim and fitness classes are now complete, with some special programs added to the regular agenda.

For elementary-age children, the center has scheduled an after-school recreation program, Saturday movies, and a "Saturday Surprise." An overnight is planned for the 5-13-year-old set Oct. 5, with swimming, movies and camping in the gym.

A Halloween party Oct. 27 for 5-9-year-olds offers a costume contest, mystery guests, a fun house, games and treats.

Santa's Sitter Service is scheduled for Dec. 15, Dec. 19 and Dec. 22.

A holiday party is scheduled for Dec. 22 that includes lunch, visits with Santa, games and a movie.

Holiday camp for the 3-12-year-olds runs Dec. 28-29.

Complete brochures are available in the center, 28600 11 Mile. For information, call the center, 476-8010.

Ideas," for teachers, librarians and parents from 9:30 a.m. to noon in Farmington Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Fee is \$10 payable with in-person registration in the center.

**BACK TO SCHOOL BREAKFAST**

Saturday, Sept. 22: "Back to School Breakfast" begins at 9 a.m. in Hudson's 12 Oaks Greenery, with puppets, The Kitten Frog, Strawberry Shortcake and special treats. Reservations are \$3.50 each, taken by calling 340-3232, ext. 2520.

**YARD SALE**  
Saturday, Sept. 22: Yard Sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the grounds of Universalist-Unitarian Church of Farmington,

23501 Haledale, north of Grand River.

**WHAT HUSBANDS NEED TO KNOW**

Sunday, Sept. 23: "What Husbands Need to Know" continues Marriage Enrichment Film Series at 6 p.m. in Central Church of Christ, 34500 11 Mile. Classes for children run concurrently with film. No charge. Complimentary refreshments.

**FINANCING COLLEGE**

Monday, Sept. 24: "Finding Financial Aid for College," lecture by Diane Chambers, financial aid officer for Oakland Community College and Gene Plant, from Comerica Bank, at 7 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library, 23500 Liberty. No charge, but reservations are requested by calling the library, 474-7770.

retirement memos  
**Margaret Miller**

## Still an editor . . . sort of

What kind of work did I used to do, a new friend asked me recently.

Well, I was a writer and editor for a community newspaper that published editions twice a week, I told her.

"Just like here," she said. And I was somewhat taken aback because no way am I now in the niche I used to occupy. But then I realized she had come to know me as the one who does a good share of the writing for our church's weekly newsletter. And not long after that conversation, I started gathering material for the first issue of the monthly newsletter I've agreed to produce this year for the Sarasota branch of the American Association of University Women.

SO I GUESS in retirement I still am a writer and editor — of sorts.

For the church publication known as "The Acorn," I now gather up scraps of paper each Sunday from a box on the secretary's desk. These are assorted announcements various people would like made. Sometimes I get a few more by telephone.

I translate them into English, add a few more for which I would be doing the publicity writing anyway, put out a drawing or two from a file of church bulletin illustrations. Then I type it all into proper format — with a lot of help from that marvelous white correction goo — and get it back to the church by Monday afternoon to be run off on the copier on Tuesday.

The monthly "AAUW Synthesis" requires taking notices that come by mail and again typing them onto a four-page format. On this one, I send my baby through paste-up in the shop of our friendly neighborhood printer. For the first issue this fall I also worked on the mailing to 350 members, but after this I'll have someone else to handle circulation.

I FIND I derive some of the same satisfactions from these publications that I used to get from my Observer accolades.

But there are major differences between past and present editorial functions. Differences, that is, that go well beyond the contrast between computer terminal and manual typewriter with correction fluid.

The first is readily noted every Thursday. No eagle files; no paycheck can be expected.

And the other is equally evident all the time I'm typing from my scraps of paper and scrawled notes. The deadlines are few and well-spaced. There's never any need to do any more than I feel like doing in any given day.

And that's the great joy of being a volunteer in retirement.

Margaret Miller was Suburban Life editor for Observer Newspapers for 16 years. She and her husband Joe have retired to Florida, where she writes Retirement Memos.

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