

## club circuit

**HILL AND DALE GARDEN CLUB** meet at 8 o'clock in Antioch Lutheran Church, corner of 13 Mile and Farmington Road.

Speakers for the evening are Barbara Novak, a teacher of third-graders in Forest Elementary School, and Kara Walkley, a fourth-grade teacher at Larkshire Elementary School. The two are winners of the club's Higgins Lake Scholarship, and will tell the members about their experiences there.

**ZETA ALPHA ALUMNAE** meet at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 13, in the Livonia home of Melodie Provencher. Reservations are necessary, to be made before Friday, Jan. 10 with the hostess, 322-5989, or Eileen Wagner, transportation chairman, at 542-1025.

**MOONDUSTERS** meet for a dance party at 9 p.m. Saturday, in Livonia Activities Building, corner of Five Mile and Farmington Road. The event is open to all singles over the age of 40 from all surrounding communities.

Admission of \$3.50 at the door includes dancing to a live band and refreshments.

**BETHANY**, a gathering of separated and divorced Christians, meet at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13 in St. Alexander Catholic Church, 27835 Shilohwasee.

Speaker for the evening is David Doone. His topic is "Creative Listening and Enhancing Communication."

Inquiries are taken by Dale Johnson, 474-4260.

**COUPON TRADERS** meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, in Farmington Hills Branch Library on 12 Mile Road, east of Farmington Road.

The session is open to all persons interested in trading coupons, forms and qualifiers.

Inquiries taken by Alfreda Potrykus, 626-1681.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**, Three Flags Chapter, meet for a noon desert luncheon, Monday, Jan. 14 in the home of Judy Amore, 16075 Kinross, Birmingham. Co-hostess for the day is Marge Gorman.

Program for the afternoon will be given by Margaret Weldon Redford. Her topic is the history and life of the Statue of Liberty and the story of Ellis Island in New York harbor.

Mrs. Morley Foster, of Farmington Hills, is the chapter regent.

**WOMEN'S CHAPLAIN FELLOWSHIP**, Farmington Chapter, meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, in Sweden House, in Farmington Plaza, Grand River and Mooney. Guest speaker for the evening is Betty Dresser.

The non-denominational Christian fellowship is open to women of all ages in all surrounding communities without charge.

Inquiries are taken by the chapter president, Sally Rousseau, 474-4160.

**AMPUTEE SUPPORT AND SERVICE GROUP** meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, in the offices of Farmington Family Physicians, 28800 Orchard Lake Road.

Inquiries are taken by Beverly Cornell, 553-9974.

**PLYMOUTH CHILD BIRTH EDUCATION ASSOCIATION** begins a two-week course for expectant couples at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, in Geneva United Presbyterian Church, 5835 Sheldon Road, Canton.

The class gives information on care and development of the newborn from birth through three months. Registrations are taken by calling the association at 438-7477.

The association's Lamaze orientation class begins at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 21 in Newburgh Methodist Church, 35500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Admis-

sion is \$1 at the door.

**ALPHA CHI OMEGA SORORITY**, Alpha Omega Alpha Chapter, meet at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15 in the home of Carol Doll, 7632 Cathedral, Birmingham.

Following a salad luncheon, members will watch a demonstration on flower arranging.

**LAECHE LEAGUE**, Farmington-Southfield Chapter, begins its series "The Womenly Art of Breastfeeding" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15 in the home of Terri Robinson, 26836 Emmett, Southfield.

Inquiries are taken by Robinson at 353-9812.

**WOMEN OF NORTH FARMINGTON** meet at 9:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, in Swensen's parking lot, 12 Mile and Orchard Lake Road, to carpool to Fairland Manor for a tour of the manor and lunch.

Reservations must be made no later than Tuesday, Jan. 15, with Pat Muzarelli, 1-353-8756, or Sandy Mills, 476-5260. Cost is \$11. Guests are welcome.

Membership inquiries are taken by Arlene Sukamp, 651-4915.

**FARMINGTON GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY** meets at 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty streets.

Program for the evening is led by Mary Karschner, associated with Photographic Preservation Advisory Council. Her topic is "Identifying Your Family Photos."

The meeting is open to all persons interested in genealogy.

**FARMINGTON KIWANIS** will be held to Southern Michigan Kiwanis and Key Club members at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15 in Farmington Elks Lodge, on Orchard Lake Road north of

Grand River. The evening will honor the high school students from the area who participate in Key Clubs, a high school service organization.

Among the guests will be Tammy Zilka, state governor of Key Clubs, and David Siger, chairman of Key Clubs for the Michigan District.

The meeting is open to guests. Dinner reservations are taken by Lloyd Smith, 474-2431.

**OAK HILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL** meets at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16 in Oak Hill Care Center, corner of Gull Road and Grand River. This meeting is open to guests.

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN**, Farmington Area Branch, meets at 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16 in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty streets.

Speaker for the evening is state Sen. Jack Faxon of the 15th District. The meeting is open to guests without charge.

**FARMINGTON NEIGHBOR'S CLUB** hosts "Gentlemen's Day" at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16 in Glen Oaks Country Club, 13 Mile Road, between Orchard Lake Road and Middlebelt Road.

Speaker for the afternoon is Dr. Weldon Petz, retired education administrator, now a writer and lecturer who is one of the few nationally recognized authorities on Abraham Lincoln in the country. He will talk on the personal aspects of Abraham Lincoln. Inquiries will be taken by B. Dinamore, 474-1887.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 32203 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

## Woman of the Year

Beverly Cornell, a resident of Farmington Hills and founder of Amputee Support and Service Group, has been named "Professional Handicapped Women of the Year" by Pilot Club of Detroit. Cornell will be the guest of honor at a dinner hosted by the International professional women's club in February and will be a candidate for the organization's district title with competition among other nominees from Michigan and Indiana in April.

## Judges had tough pick

By Avigdor Zoromp  
special writer

Once in a while an event comes along that reminds us that classical music isn't relegated to older generation out of touch with modern trends. (Half-filled concert halls, tend to foster pessimism).

The show of young talent during the "Quest for Excellence," sponsored by Macaebos Mutual Life Insurance Co., held in the metropolitan area over the past few months, was reassuring on this count.

The final judging took place at Orchestra Hall last week following many weeks of preliminary contests.

The finals, broadcast live on WQRS-FM, pitted 15 teen-age musicians in a match for three scholarship prizes, \$5,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000.

The large audience showed up early and while the starting time was marked on the tickets at 7:30 p.m., the doors didn't open until 10 minutes later leaving the late crowd packed like sardines in the small waiting area. While this inconvenience might seem insignificant in comparison to the larger calamities befalling mankind, it could have been avoided with better management.

Things improved during the actual program. The contestants demonstrated considerable talents. One factor that made the judging even more challenging was the different kinds of instruments represented — violin, flute, voice (soprano), piano, clarinet, cello, bass trombone, oboe and alto saxophone.

The atmosphere of the live broadcast added another dimension to the event. Mike Whorf and Dave Wagner from the radio station were on stage. Wagner served as master of ceremonies, introducing the contestants and giving information about their backgrounds. He had some problem pronouncing the name of the Polish composer, Weinlawski — maybe a trip to Poland would help.

In some cases, the piano accompanist was a parent, many demonstrating considerable skill.

The most outstanding family was the Adelsons of Franklin. Brothers, Robert, clarinet, and Andrew, oboe, won the first and third prizes. They were both accompanied by their mother, Joyce Adelson, whose pianistic skills are substantial.

Robert first prize winner, played the Weber Concertino for Clarinet in C Minor and Andrew, third prize winner, performed movements from the Sinfonia Oboe Sonata Op. 168.

Second prize winner was Kelly Leon, who performed the first movement of the Violin Concerto in D Minor by Wieniawski, a work that is substantially more difficult than the name of the composer.

While some contestants were stronger than others, all were well qualified. Even the compositions for the less conventional instruments were attractive. Among them was a bass trombone concerto by George Ritter, ably performed by Anthony Giles and a movement from the Concerto in E Flat Major for Alto Saxophone by Paul Creston, convincingly played by Kevin Stewart.

The fact that the judges' decision wasn't easy was evident by the length of time required to arrive at a decision. During this interim the radio announcers demonstrated great ingenuity at ad-libbing without any hesitation. The decision was announced by John Gulm, music critic and panel member and I tend to concur with that final decision.

While there are only three official winners, there are no losers. Each of the contestants will be featured in a special hour on WQRS-FM in the coming weeks. It is hoped that all of them will be successful in the pursuit of their musical interests.

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