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## Boosting the Boosters

Farmington High School teams and clubs are boosted year long by the school's Booster Club. For the next few months they'll get an additional boost through purchases at Orchard-10 IGA Super Market. Kathy Waker, a member of the parent organization, and Don Hillier, owner of the market on 10 Mile

and Orchard Lake Road, have the appropriately marked box for boosting in place. Shoppers who want a percentage of their sales earmarked for the teens are asked to deposit their cash register receipts in the box. The box will remain in the store through March 1.

## club circuit

**TINNITUS AND HARD OF HEARING SUPPORT GROUP** meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, in Botsford Hospital, Grand River west of Eight Mile. Inquiries are taken by calling the hospital's Health Development Network, 471-8090, during regular office hours weekdays.

**ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS ASSOCIATION**, Farmington Family Support Group, meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, in Farmington Nursing Home, 30405 Folsom. Inquiries are taken by Carolyn Darling, 477-7400.

**FARMINGTON KIWANIS CLUB** meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, in Sweden House, in Farmington Plaza, Grand River west of Orchard Lake Road.

Guest speaker for the evening is Lt. Gov. Glenn Timbarn who will show slides of worldwide Kiwanis projects designed to aid the unfortunate.

Reservations and inquiries are taken by Lloyd Smith, 474-2431.

**EMBROIDERERS GUILD OF AMERICA**, Farmington Chapter, meets at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, in Faith Covenant Church, corner of Drake and 14 Mile. Guests are welcome.

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 346** and its auxiliary meet at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, in the post home, 31775 Grand River.

**WOMEN OF NORTH FARMINGTON** invite guests to join them for a tour of Great Lakes Fur Co. The tour begins at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 7. Lunch is planned in the Rhinoceros.

Reservations, at \$10 each, are taken by Beth Rice, 363-2737.

**LARYNGECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP** meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, in St. John's American Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill Road. Family and friends are welcomed. Inquiries are taken by Jean Purdy, 476-7855.

**FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONALS**, a social club for sin-

gles 25-40 years, will host dinner in The Old German restaurant in Ann Arbor. Car pooling is available at 6:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8.

An outing at Plymouth Ice Festival is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 10. Prospective members are invited to call the singles hotline, 425-9663.

**FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER WOMEN'S CLUB** meets for lunch at noon Saturday, Jan. 8, in the center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Entertainment for the afternoon is furnished by pianist Ann Tueros.

Guests are invited to make reservations by calling the center, 477-8044. Fee for members is \$6, or for guests \$7.

**NORTHWEST BETHANY**, a support group for the divorced, separated and widowed, hosts a "Bye, Bye Blues" dance party from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 8, in Our Lady of Sorrows social hall, Power Road north of Shawwassee.

Admission is \$5 at the door. Beer and snacks are furnished. Guests are asked to bring their own liquor.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 32202 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.

## Ski discount card does double duty

Winter fun enthusiasts can get the most out of their winter recreation dollar this season and at the same time benefit the American Lung Association of Southeast Michigan (ALASEM).

The 1987-88 Ski & Stay Card entitles its holder to half off and more on skiing, lodging or both. Thirty-six Michigan ski areas are offering their slopes and rooms at discount prices to skiers and travelers across the state.

Some participating resort areas are Boyne Highlands, Boyne Mountain, Crystal Mountain, Nubs Nob,

Sugar Loaf Resort, Pine Knob and Mt. Holly.

The \$300 value costs only \$25, and if the card is used twice, it pays for itself. With each card purchased, the \$25 contribution will help thousands who suffer from the disabling effects of lung disease.

To order, send a check or money order payable to ALASEM, 18850 W. Ten Mile, Southfield 48075. For faster service call the Lung Association at 559-5100 and use Mastercard or Visa. Office hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## chalkboard

Chalkboard lists events that will take place in Farmington Public Schools through the week. The calendar is compiled by Paul Barber, the schools' coordinator, who can be reached at 471-6441.

date	school	event	time	location	fee
Jan. 4	Employees	Appleworks: Data Base	4 p.m.	NFHS, Rm. 217	free
Jan. 4	Gill	PTA Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Media	free
Jan. 5	All	Board of Education meeting	7:30 p.m.	Adm. Bldg.	free
Jan. 5	Employees	Smoking Cessation	3:45 p.m.	DMC	free
Jan. 7	FHS	Winter Band Concert	8 p.m.	Aud/Cafe	\$1.50/1
Jan. 7	K-12 staff	Bloom's Taxonomy	3:45 p.m.	DMC	free
Jan. 7	Pre-School	Workshop	8:30 a.m.	Glen Oaks	fee
Jan. 7	M.S. Parents	Dr. Rimm	7 p.m.	Warner	free

## 'Project Self' is introduced

Common Ground, Oakland County's only 24 hour crisis intervention and referral agency, introduces "Project Self." Targeted at Oakland teens having problems with self-esteem and emerging anti-social behavior, the pilot program has been made possible by matching \$40,000 grants from the Skillman Foundation and the Shirley K. Schlafier Foundation.

"Project Self" is a structured nine week commitment for young people aged 12-16. Group sessions, led by carefully trained volunteers and support professionals, are tailored to meet the needs of teens in distress. Suicidal feelings, school truancy, depression, substance abuse, shoplifting and peer problems are all possible symptoms of the larger issue of poor self-concept.

In many cases, these individuals are not receiving services because their problems have not yet reached the emergency stage and traditional channels are severely overburdened. "Project Self" takes a preventive intervention approach, offering education and support in communication and coping skills, problem solving techniques, values clarification and other vital skills to becoming an emotionally healthy individual.

Midway through the program, the teens plan a Parents Night, allowing an important opportunity to share ideas and mutual concerns. At program completion, group members will meet to determine continuing needs and set up a regular teen support group at Common Ground.

THE SKILLMAN Foundation was founded in 1960 by Rose P. Skillman, widow of Robert H. Skillman, late vice president and director of Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company. The private foundation, headquartered in Detroit, has assets

totaling \$250 million. The foundation makes grants in areas concerning children, youth, young adults, basic human needs, community-wide collaborative efforts, culture, the arts and education.

Schlafier, a Bloomfield Hills resident, is one of Common Ground's

most devoted volunteers. Her generosity has also allowed Common Ground to make improvements in the medical clinic and expand informational material available to its clients.

"Project Self" is an alternative approach to expensive one on one

counseling, which taxes an already overloaded agency referral system. Experts project that this new effort will shorten the wait for some troubled youths and bring new hope to others.

For information call Common Ground at 645-1173 during business hours or 645-9878 24 hours a day.

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