

CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND FARMINGTON- FARMINGTON HILLS

HAPPENINGS

FARMINGTON YOUTH ASSISTANCE

Meets at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 17, 32789 N. Mile, 489-3434.

FARMINGTON LITTLE PROFESSOR

In the Grand River/Halsted Shopping Center, sponsors sports columnist for Detroit Free Press, Mitch Albom, in a book signing 7-8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 18.

BLOOD DRIVE

Red Cross urgently needs blood during the Holiday Season. From 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 2, in St. Gerald Church parish hall, 21220 Farmington Road.

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Community Education winter brochures will be mailed to area residents during the month of December. High school completion and G.E.D. Register 489-3333.

FARMINGTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Is open to the public 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, and Wednesday, Dec. 23. The museum is at 33805 Grand River. \$1 donation is requested. Children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult.

NEW MEMBERS

The American Legion welcomes new members. If interested in becoming a Legionnaire call Jerry Lynch at 471-0348. An eligible veteran would have served on active duty any time during times of war.

YANKEE CONSIGNMENTS

Giving Tree. Bring in donations of new hats, mittens, scarves and toys, to be donated to Detroit homeless, 31678 Farmington Road in the Uptown Farmington Plaza, 471-0320.

BLACKTHORN

Appears at Cowley's Old Village Inn, 33338 Grand River, Farmington, Dec. 18 and 19. 474-5941.

BALLROOM DANCE CLASS

Beginner dance class offered starting Jan. 4 at James Addams Elementary School, 14045 Berwyn, Redford, 7-530 p.m. Singles or couples. 471-4168.

FRESHSTART

St. Mary Hospital offers program to quit smoking. Six-session starts Jan. 25, 28 and Feb. 1, 4, 8 and 11. Participants may choose between day classes 1:30-2:30 p.m. or evening classes 7-8 p.m. Cost \$20. St. Mary is at 36475 five Mile Road. Registration deadline Jan. 21. 591-2922.

SCOUT MEETINGS

Troop 45 Scout meetings 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesdays in First United Methodist Church, Farmington. Boys 10 1/2 and older are welcome to join. 478-9013 or 478-6558.

ACTIVITY ANNOUNCEMENT

Community Access Cable television channel 12 will show instruction in Japanese elementary language and culture at 7 p.m. Monday evenings and at 4 p.m. every Wednesday afternoon. Akiko Sakuma, 344-0909.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Ball sponsored by B'nai B'rith and Adat Shalom Men's Club at 8 p.m. in Adat Shalom Synagogue, \$49.50 per person. Call 552-8177 for reservations.

CHRISTMAS THINGS TO DO

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Service is scheduled at 6 p.m. Sunday Dec. 20, at Forest Park Baptist Church, 28805 Farmington Road south of 12 Mile at I-696 and OCC-Orchard Ridge. The church will hold a special Christmas Eve Service at 7 p.m., Dec. 24. 478-0080.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

On the Tee Restaurant, San Marino Golf Club, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Reservations, 476-5193.

BREAKFAST IN BETHLEHEM

Thursday, Dec. 19 at 9 a.m. Children's Department of Detroit First Church of Nazarene, 21280 Haggerty Road, Northville. Breakfast theater for children and parents. Reservations required, 348-7600.

HANUKKAH HAPPENINGS

CELEBRATION

Hanukkah celebration for former Soviet Jews at the Oak Park Jewish Community Center 3-5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 20.

SUPPORT GROUPS

WESTERN OAKLAND

Parkinson Support Group meets 7:30-9 p.m., the second Tuesday of every month, in Farmington Hills Baptist Church, 28301 Middlebelt. 474-0003, 476-3404 or 478-0189.

SUPPORT GROUP

For the newly hurting/divorced or separated. Held weekly at Our Lady of Sorrows Social Hall, 23615 Power. 471-2708.

MMPD

Mothers with postpartum depression meet first and third Tuesday of the month in Room 8F, Providence Hospital Medical Bldg., 7:30-9 p.m. 737-3612.

FOR WOMEN ONLY

Michigan Cancer Foundation starts a new monthly group designed especially to meet the needs of female patients. Meets the second Thursday of the month at Orchard Lake St. Mary's Field House located off Commerce Rd. 833-0710.

LARYNGECTOMY SUPPORT

Group meets first Thursday of each month in St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill Road, Farmington. 476-7855.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Meets 7:30-9 p.m., Monday, Dec. 21 in Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile, Novi with Dr. Michael Meyer. Information, 348-1800.

CRAFT AND RUMMAGE SALES

CRAFTERS NEEDED

Attention painters, potters, knitters sign up for Madonna University Juried spring arts and crafts showcase to be Saturday, March 27 and Sunday, March 28. Application deadline Friday, March 26. 591-6127.

SENIOR CITIZENS

POSTAL SERVICE

All retail services available at the post office may be obtained at express truck at Farmington Hills Senior Center. Truck will be parked by Door A 12:30-12:50 p.m. on Dec. 23. The center is located in Mercy Center, 28600 11 Mile. Enter through gate 3, door A.

HEARING IMPAIRED

Join the group on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 1 p.m. in Farmington Hills Senior Center. Justine, 473-1823.

VOLUNTEER WORKSHOP

A representative from Center for Volunteerism will address seniors at Farmington Hills Senior Center, located in Mercy Conference Center, 28600 11 Mile. Enter through Gate 4 at 10 a.m., Jan. 19. Call Justine at 473-1823.

ARTHRITIS SPEAKER

Representative from Arthritis Foundation will speak at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 12 to provide valuable information. Justine, 473-1823.

HEALTH MOUTH

Dr. Joanne Hartwick, D.D.S. speaks at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 5 and concerns to the mouth at Farmington Hills Senior Center, Mercy Conference Center, 28600 11 Mile. Enter through Gate 4. Call Justine, 473-1823.

VOLUNTEERS

MEALS ON WHEELS

Volunteers need to deliver to seniors in the Farmington area, Monday-Friday around noon. Time commitment only one to two hours per week. Meals picked up at Farmington Hills Senior Center, 28600 11 Mile Road. Subs are also needed. 473-1825.

ANIMAL VISITATION

Pet-A-Pet program seeks volunteers to visit the Farm-

ington Nursing Home. Volunteers bring their dog or cat on monthly group visits to area nursing homes and adult day care, as well as schools and hospitals. Information call Estelle, 464-9005 or Joann, 464-5944.

ADULT MENTOR

For a child, Oakland County Youth Assistance Volunteer Program holds a training session from 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 6 and 13 at Probate Court Conference Room on the second floor in the East Wing of the Oakland County Courthouse, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd. Pontiac. Register, 558-0041.

SINGLES

NEW GROUP

Do you need someone to talk to? Are you on the younger side of a senior citizen? 737-1850.

SUBURBAN SINGLES

Meets Wednesdays at Vladimir's, 28125 Grand River, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Ages 21 and up. Cost \$3. 842-0443.

ACTIVITIES GROUP

Investment Group meeting at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 17 at Bloomfield Township Public Library at Telegraph and Lone Pine Rd. To join \$28 and includes individual membership. Meets third Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 18 at Langan's Northwest Lanes on Northwestern Highway, south of 14 Mile, members \$10, visitors \$12. 777-7777. Exercise club forming at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 19 at Vic Tanney, Novi, 624-7777. Singles skiing night and social mixer, 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 19 meets at Alpine Valley Ski Resort, 6775 E. Highland Rd., between Bagley Lake and Teggedere Roads in White Lake Township, members, \$18 and non-members, \$20, 624-7777; Noon to 7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 25, fun festival, present party, bring golf equipment to donate for use by beginning golf members at 22149 Albion, Farmington Hills. If lost call 478-5784 for directions.

AARP

American Association of Retired Persons meets 12:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 18 in Farmington Hills Senior Center, 28600 11 Mile Road. 473-9475.

SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN MENSA

Meets at 8 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 16 in Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen Rd. 342-2995.

BOTSFORD HOSPITAL

CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS

Every Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Botsford General Hospital, Administration & Educational Center, 28050 Grand River, Farmington Hills. 442-7986.

CHOLESTEROL SCREENING

Third Monday of each month 1-4 p.m., \$5 fee in Botsford Center for Health

SINGLE PLACE

Presents special dinner at 6

p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 23 at St. Mary's Hospital, reservations necessary by calling 349-0911; Christmas Eve get together at 10:15 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., Northville.

CLUBS IN ACTION

PANIC AND ANXIETY

The Crew group meets 10 a.m. to noon the second and fourth Saturdays of each month in St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 6255 Telegraph, north of Maple. 573-7183 or 585-3733.

STROKE SUPPORT

First Step Stroke Group meets weekly 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays in Farmington Hills Senior Center, 28600 11 Mile. 473-1822 or 551-0134.

WOMEN'S SURVIVAL CENTER

Professionals serving the public with crisis intervention, counseling, transitional housing, a legal clinic and child care. 335-2655.

LIONS CLUB

Meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month. George White 478-8604.

FARMINGTON ARTIST CLUB

November and December, the 12 Mile Farmington Library's Quiet Room will exhibit paintings by Alice Egan.

WOLVERINE DOG TRAINING

Club of Livonia offers classes for beginners obedience as well as puppy headstart programs. Classes held on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings starting Jan. 5. 476-8650.

BRIDGE AND CHESS CLASSES

Morning and evening bridge classes ongoing at the Jewish Community Center. In addition, there is a new novice bridge game, the "JCC Bridge Link" that meets every Monday at 11 a.m. at the Maple/Drake Building. The JCC Chess Club meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the library. There is a modest fee for these clubs. Shirley Siegal, 661-1000 Ext. 335.

SIGN LANGUAGE

Class for beginners, holds classes starting Jan. 5 at the Jewish Community Center, Maple/Drake building in West Bloomfield for five Tuesdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Fee is \$35 plus class material. Details 661-1000, Ext. 345.

CONCERTS

CHURCH CHOIR

Farmington Hills Baptist Church Choir, 28301 Middlebelt, performs at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 18 and at 11 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 20. Admission free. 551-0310.

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS

December concert "An Evening in December" at Harrison High School at 8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 18 and Sunday, Dec. 19. Tickets bought at the door, \$5 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and students. Children under 10 admitted free. 471-4516.

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Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River, Novi, 477-6100.

FOOD TALK

Cooking demo at 7 p.m., Dec. 17 in Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River, Novi, 477-6100.

BAKE SALE

Holiday bake sale from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 19. All proceeds to a local needy family, designated by the Salvation Army. 477-7400.

HADEL'S MESSIAH

At 7 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 20 in Farmington First United Methodist Church, east Farmington Road, 53112 Grand River, is the sand off finale to Farmington First's Advent Series of Christmas concerts. 474-6573.

CHRISTMAS CARILLON CONCERT

Stated at 5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 20 in Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Rd. Bloomfield Hills, 644-5210. No charge. Patrons are encouraged to bring nonperishable food items for distribution to area hunger programs.

PRE-SCHOOL

ENRICHMENT CLASS

For pre-kindergarten children offered by Sunshine Preschool in Faith Covenant Church, 14 Mile and Drake meets Tuesday and Thursday afternoons 12:45-3:15 p.m. 661-2120.

OPENINGS

For 3 year olds at Alameda, Monday and Wednesday, 489-3508; Fairview, Tuesday and Thursday, p.m., 489-3739; Farmington Community Schools, Tuesday and Thursday, a.m., plus a LEAP class Wednesday, p.m., 489-3373, beginning in January, 1993.

NARDIN PARK

Community nursery school will be accepting enrollment for the 1993-94 school year for Alumni Families, Jan. 4-15. Call Cindi Stitt at 478-4484.

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER

VICTORIAN DINNER

At 7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 17 in the center, 24705 Farmington Road. Christmas entertainment. Buffet style and cash bar, \$25 per person. 477-8404.

LISTEN UP

GREAT DECISIONS

Great Decisions is a series of eight lecture-discussions sponsored by the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies at Wayne State University and the Detroit Council for World Affairs. The lectures run from 6-7:45 p.m. every other Wednesday beginning Jan. 13 at Groves High School. Each session is \$18, textbook \$10. Call Elizabeth 577-3453.

PARENT TRAINING

Disciplining Your Child, an eight-week parent training series for parents of children under 12 years old, will be held at Oakland Psychological Clinic 7:30-9 p.m. beginning Monday, Nov. 16. The cost is \$50/person or \$75/couple. Call 335-6770 or 1-800/423-3764.

RESEARCH STUDY

Beaumont Hospital is seeking volunteers, between the ages of 21 and 65, for a 20-week research study of high cholesterol. 645-6500.

BREASTFEEDING CLINIC

Nature's Way Breastfeeding Clinic helps nursing mothers perfect the art of breastfeeding. The clinic is open 9:30-7:30 p.m. on Monday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays. 858-6363.

CALENDAR FORM

The Farmington Observer, without charge, welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Farmington Observer, 21898 Farmington Road, Farmington, MI 48336, or by fax to 313-477-9722. Items will appear at least once. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper.

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional info:

Use additional sheet if necessary

YMCA HIGHLIGHTS

These YMCA highlights appear courtesy of the Farmington YMCA, 29100 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. For more information, call 553-4020.

HOLIDAY CAMP
Farmington Area YMCA Holiday Camp begins

Monday, Dec. 21 and runs through Thursday, Dec. 31. Camp activities include games, arts and crafts, swimming and holiday activities. Cost for the camp is \$15 per day for full members and \$30 per day for program members. Call the Y 553-4020 for information.

PARENT AND CHILD BASKETBALL LEAGUE
A non-competitive league for parents and children ages 8 through 12. Both parents and child play at the same time and special rules insure equal participation. Men, women, boys and girls (any combination) are welcomed. Games are on Sunday after-

noons. The league begins January 19. Register early.
NEW YEAR'S EVE SLEEPOVER
A fun way to bring in the New Year while Mom and Dad are celebrating on their own. Open to school children only. There is a limited enrollment so register early. Pre-registration is required. Call the Y at 553-4020 for information.