

FARMINGTON FOCUS

On students rights

Patrick Calkins, former chancellor of Oakland Community College, will return to the college as a guest speaker for a free talk beginning at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28, in the Smith Theater on OCC's Orchard Ridge campus, Orchard Lake Road, south of I-696. Calkins will speak on "Rights, Privileges and Responsibilities of College Students in the '90s."

A meeting on moths

Attention, Farmington-area residents who are interested in the gypsy moth suppression program in Oakland County: A public meeting to outline the gypsy moth program and to receive public comment will be held 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, in the Commissioner's Auditorium, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac. Information will be provided on the nature of the problem, last season's program and materials that can be used to counter the insect. For more information, call Carol Lenchek, coordinator, Oakland County Gypsy Moth Suppression Program, at 638-5198.

Safe drinks coming

Employee volunteers will bring some holiday cheer to the Farmington Hills Korger store, 37550 W. 12 Mile Road, from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30. That's when the Auto Club of Michigan will offer free samples of award-winning, non-alcoholic party drinks featured in its "Great Pretenders Party Guide." The guide has an automotive theme and features such libations as "Catalytic Converter," "Crankshaft Sangria," "Tootlet Rolla Royce" and "Fliver Pizz." "Every year we invite Michiganders to submit their favorite non-alcoholic drink recipes," said Joan Peer, district manager of the Auto Club's Farmington Hills branch. "We publish the guide in time for the holidays to provide party hosts with a non-alcoholic alternative so they can make sure guests get home safely." Along with drink samples, copies of "The Great Pretenders Party Guide" will be available.

Historical holidays

The Farmington Historical Museum, decorated for the holidays, is open 1-5 p.m. Sundays and Wednesdays, beginning Sunday, Dec. 3. The museum is located in the Gov. Warner mansion at 33805 Grand River. An exhibit of duck decoys will be highlighted and the Farmington historical afghan will be available for purchase. A \$1 donation for adults will be asked. Children under 12 will be admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

Comments, please

Hear ye! Hear ye! An information meeting of the Farmington Downtown Development Authority will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, in the Farmington City Hall, Grand River and Liberty. The meeting will be open to the public and comments and suggestions will be welcomed.

Mail early — got lucky

The U.S. Postal Service has added an incentive for people to mail Christmas cards early. Postal customers who present a minimum of 10 cards at the Farmington and Farmington Hills post offices through Saturday, Dec. 9, will be eligible to win a Howard Miller collectible entitled "Checking It Twice" as first prize in a random drawing. The piece depicts Santa reviewing his list with a grandfather clock looming in the background. The clock actually functions as a timepiece. Second prize will be an antique Santa musical figurine. The drawing will be held Sunday, Dec. 10. Customers, who do not have to be present to win, may enter once only.

Students on the march

Six students from Farmington-area high schools were among the more than 300 Detroit-area honor roll students to march in the fourth-annual Parade Honor Corps, a specialty unit that participated in America's Thanksgiving Day Parade in Detroit. The local students are: Matt Michalski and Melissa McDonald, both of Farmington High School; Maria Banaas and Jessica Jorissen, both of Mercy High School; and Josh Hernan and Melissa DiMalo, both of Harrison High School. Items for Farmington Focus may be mailed to the Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington 48335; faxed to 477-9722; or dropped off at the newspaper office. For the computer literate, the Internet E-mail address is: packy@online.com.

Memory Lane

From the Nov. 24, 1955 edition of the Farmington Enterprise:
■ Farmington city and township officials pledged their support for nationwide Safe Driving Day on Dec. 1.
■ "Sturdy overalls" with double-stitched seams were advertised at \$2.29 each at Dancer's Department Store on Grand River.
■ Short item: "Nearly all of the aspirin made in the United States comes from Michigan companies."



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