

Musical benefit concert



Performers: Janice Smith and Lauren Erickson will perform during the Farmington Musicals benefit concert 8 p.m. Friday, April 30, at North Congregational Church. Tickets are \$15 and will be available at the door.

Here's what's happening during arts festival week

Here is a partial rundown of the Farmington Community Arts Council Festival of the Arts for the week of April 25 to May 2. All events are staged at the William Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills.

Saturday, April 24, 8 p.m. Slavery Night gala preview. \$25 per couple.

Sunday, April 25, 2 p.m. Arts Commission Awards Program.

Monday, April 26, noon piano music, Ellen Kendall; 12:30 p.m. Ridgewayers, poetry and readings; 7 p.m. library award presentation.

Tuesday, April 27, 10 a.m. Artist and Embroiderer's Club offer demonstrations; 10:30 a.m. Duncle Jazz Band; 7 p.m. Farmington Community Band and Chorus "That's Entertainment"; 5 p.m. Festival of the Arts concludes.

Wednesday, April 28, 4:15 p.m. piano music - Ellen Kendall.

Thursday, April 29, 10 a.m. Farmington Artist Club demonstrations; 7 p.m. Farmington Community Band (full ensemble).

Friday, April 30, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Special Senior day; 11 a.m. Farmington Artist Club demonstrations; 1:30 p.m. Senior dance with the Harrison High Jazz/Dance Band; 7 p.m. Festival volunteer reception; 7:30 p.m. Detroit Ballet.

Saturday, May 1, 1-4 p.m. Special library program (prekindergarten to fifth grade); Art in the Afternoon, Junior-Senior; Sunday, May 2, 3 p.m. Farmington Community Band and Chorus "That's Entertainment"; 5 p.m. Festival of the Arts concludes.

Horticulture seminar on tap

The Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan District 1 presents a Horticulture Seminar on Monday, April 26, at the Farmington Public Library on 12 Mile between Orchard Lake and Farmington roads.

There is a \$10 fee for the day, which includes four speakers. There will also be morning coffee with bagels and coffee and cookies at noon.

Speakers include Jane Suhail on "How to Grow Orchids and First Aid to House Plants." She is chief horticulturist at Goldner

Walah Nursery. Nancy Szorling will speak on "A Fabulous Season of Color Combining Annuals and Perennials." She is a newspaper garden writer.

Nancy Lindley will speak on "Hardy Roses." She is affiliated with Great Lakes Roses in Romulus. Jim MacKinder's talk will be "What Can I Grow In the Shade?" He is with the Hardy Plant Society and Gardening Naturally Landscaping.

For more information, call Kay at 474-4608 or Charlotte at 851-4234.

WW's leader is named an 'outstanding leader'

Weight Watchers CEO and founding president Florine Mark is included in the 1999 list of Leading Women Entrepreneurs of the World.

Mark is among 50 outstanding women from around the world - including dress designer Nicole Miller, Prevention magazine publisher Ardeth Rodale and Nu-Skin Health Products founder Sandy Tillotson - being honored.

Mark will be recognized for her entrepreneurial achievements as founder of The Weight Watchers Group, which began as a fledgling weight loss support group more than 30 years ago and evolved into a multi-million dollar franchise with locations in 10 states, Canada and Mexico.

"I'm honored to be recognized as a leading entrepreneur, and it's especially thrilling to be among such distinguished businesswomen," said Mark.

In April, honorees from 35

countries - collectively representing more than \$15 billion to the global economy - will visit Monaco for a week of celebratory events commemorating their successes. Event sponsors include Lucent Technologies, United Airlines, KOYUN, Baccarat and Louis Vuitton.

Formal awards will be given to honorees during a gala, black tie reception sponsored by Christian Dior.

The WW Group Inc., headquartered in Farmington Hills, is the largest franchise of Weight Watchers International.

WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS



CIBOR-CAMERON
Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Cibor of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Rochelle Angel, to John Jeffrey Cameron.

WHITEMORE-AMBUHEL
Kathleen Clemence Ambuehl and Todd Allan Whitemore were married July 3, 1998 in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

The bride is the daughter of David and Toni Ambuehl of Philadelphia, Pa. The groom is the son of Karen Whitemore and Allan Whitemore of Farmington Hills.

The bride earned a master's degree in speech pathology from the University of Memphis and a bachelor's degree from the University of Alabama. She is employed as a speech pathologist in the Aldine ISD, Houston, Texas.

The groom is a graduate of Harrison High School in Farmington Hills and Michigan State University with a degree in

son of Jack Cameron of Farmington and Maureen Cameron of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Kalamazoo College. She expects to graduate in April with a master of science degree in physical therapy from Grand Valley State University.

Her fiancé is a graduate of University of Detroit Jesuit High School and the University of Michigan. He is employed by Cameron Sales.

A spring wedding is planned at St. Mary's of Redford Catholic Church in Detroit.



He is attending Texas Chiropractic College in Pasadena, Texas. The couple reside in The Woodlands, Texas.

Tips for rose growers

The Hill and Dale Garden Club of Farmington offers these tips for rose growers.

April is the month to get busy and tend to the rose garden.

Bush type roses should be pruned back 12 to 18 inches or to the live wood. Cut out all the dead or blackened canes, and shape the bush. An urn shape is ideal. All crossing canes should be removed. Climbers should be pruned (after their spring blooming) to look like a fan and they will have more blooms. Strip all leaves off the plants with a scissor pruner. Get rid of all the stubs. Leave the pencil size canes, but cut out smaller stems. All stems should be white after cutting.

Feed all bushes with a balanced rose food. Espoma Rose-tone is a good choice, as well as Ortho Rose Pride Systemic Rose and Flower Care, which fertilizes and protects against insects. Fertilizer works best in 70 degree weather. Espoma salts work well around roses (about 2 table-spoons once a year). Always moisten before fertilizing.

Rose diseases can be prevented if they are sprayed with a fungicide, such as daconil. Spray with a fungicide formulated for rose diseases. Repeat every 10 to 14

days as needed.

After removing roses from their packages, soak them in water for at least six hours or overnight. Roots can be trimmed if they are long and leggy. It's recommended that a plant starter be used, such as Fertile Root Stimulator, and added to the water. To condition the soil, add fine pine bark to clay soil and sphagnum peat to sandy soils.

Plant your new rose with the graft or bud union at ground level or slightly below. It's best to protect the new plant by hilling up soil or compost around plants. If there is a possibility of frost, cover with soil or a paper bag to protect it. A good source of phosphorous for good root growth should be added to the planting hole.

After the first bloom cycle, feed with a balanced rose food (either liquid or granular) by following the package instructions. Fertilize during June, July and August.

Remove faded blooms and always cut the stem above the first 5-leaflet.

Continue your spray program every two weeks as needed. Always follow label directions.

Interurban trolley train author's topic Wednesday

It has been several years since Brian Golden first set out to recreate a model of the interurban trolley.

The Orchard Lake division of the Detroit United Railroad was a very popular transit line that ran through Redford, Farmington, Livonia, Northville and the greater West Bloomfield area.

In an attempt to make this model as historically correct as possible, Golden, vice president of the Farmington Historical Society, has accumulated a lot of information, unearthing new tidbits that had been previously overlooked.

Golden, who is also an associate member of the Michigan Transit Museum and the

National Model Railroad Association, is still diligently working on the HO model, but has completed a book which focuses on the Orchard Lake division. The book is called Farmington Junction - A Trolley History. Golden will be presenting his material and releasing his book at a meeting of the Farmington Historical Society at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 28.

The group meets in the lower level meeting room of the Farmington Community Library, one block south of Grand River and one block west of Farmington Road.

The public is invited to attend.

Bowlathon to benefit registry

The third annual Brandon Weiss bowlathon is slated Saturday, May 22, at 6 p.m. at Cherry Hill Lanes, 6697 Dixie Highway, Clarkston.

Proceeds benefit the bone marrow donor registry in Brandon's name. His father is an attorney with offices in Farmington Hills.

To become a bone marrow donor one tube of blood is drawn, analyzed and the results placed on the registry's computerized files. These results are continually searched against patients in need of a transplant from an unrelated donor. Every year, 15,000 people in the United States alone need bone marrow transplants. The majority, 75 percent, of them can't find a suitable donor.

Tickets are on sale now for \$25 per person or \$45 per couple. The price includes three games of bowling, shoe rental, food and music. Team sponsorships are available for teams of 5 for \$250.

All proceeds benefit the registry, which is a nonprofit charitable organization. Contributions are tax deductible, as provided by law.

"We are looking for this event being even bigger than last year," said Carolyn Cowsett, registry spokeswoman.

"This year we will also have an auction and lots of prizes for our bowlers."

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