

CALENDAR

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PLAYERS AUDITION
The Farmington Players will hold auditions for "Kiss Me Kate" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, at the Players Barn, 32332 West 12 Mile Road. 12 Male roles and 12 female roles will be cast. Call Emily McSweeney at 626-8767.

ARTIST RECEPTION
A public reception will be held for 1992 Farmington artist-in-residence Evanthis Samra from 6:30-7:30 Monday, Jan. 24, at Farmington Hills City Hall. Her paintings will be on display at Farmington and Farmington Hills City Hall. Call 473-1856.

ADOPTION MEETING

Adoption Associates Inc. will hold an informational meeting for anyone considering adoption from 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, at 26882 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills. There is no charge for the meeting. To make a reservation call 474-0990.

MUSICAL PERFORMS

The Farmington Musicale will perform "To Russia With Love" at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, at the Farmington Hills Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile Road.

WRITING ANALYST

Handwriting Analyst Liz Mills will analyze your handwriting at 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30, at Borders in Farmington Hills.

ECO-AWARENESS

Ann Arbor folk musician Lisa Hunter will present an Eco-Awareness Campfire program including a sing-along and activities at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, at the Borders book store in Farmington Hills.

DUO-A-LONG

Local musician Will Danforth will hold a duo time sing-along at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25, at the Borders book store in Farmington Hills.

RAISING CHILDREN

The Children's Program Committee of Orchard United Methodist Church will host a workshop on "How to Raise Children With Strong Morals and Values." The nationally acclaimed presentation will be held from 7-9 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, at Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, in Farmington Hills. The cost is \$10 per person and registration is limited. Call 626-3620.

CHILD I.D.

AAA Michigan is offering a free child I.D. fingerprinting program from 8:50 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays at the Farmington Hills location.

YOUTH COFFEEHOUSE

People ages 16-25 can enjoy the relaxing atmosphere of The Basement Coffeehouse from 8 p.m. to midnight every Friday at the Harvest Temple Worship Center, 23283 Drake, Farmington Hills.

BBQ

The American Legion Hall in Farmington hosts bingo at 6:30 p.m. Fridays. Non-smoking areas are available. Call 476-9174.

GIVE BLOOD

HILLS BLOOD DRIVE
The Farmington Hills city blood drive will be held from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, at the Farmington Hills Fire Department. Call 428-4400.

KID STUFF

BOOK TALK

The Farmington Branch Library will hold a book discussion group for fourth and fifth graders at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 and Feb. 19, at the downtown Farmington Library. Call 474-7770 for book titles and registration information.

YOUTH NIGHT

Farmington First United Methodist Church hosts Logos Youth Night, which includes singing, study, service and supper every Thursday night. The church is located at 33112 Grand River, one block east of Farmington Road. Call 474-6573.

HEALTH

HEALTHY COOKING

Healthy cooking demonstrations are available throughout the month at Botsford's Health Development Network in Novi. The cost is \$6. Call 477-6100 to register.

SENIORS (55-PLUS)

TAX HELP

The cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills will offer tax counseling for seniors throughout the tax season at the following times and locations: 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Farmington Hills Senior Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile Road; or noon and 3 p.m. Fridays at the downtown Farmington Library.

CATCH A FEVER

The Farmington Hills Senior Center presents "Catch a Fever," a program to get deadly mercury thermometers out of circulation. Bring a silver-filled mercury thermometer (no alcohol-filled) to this program at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, at the Senior Center and exchange it for a safe, free digital thermometer. Call 473-1862 to register.

THAT'S ITALIAN

Enjoy an all-you-can-eat spaghetti and meatballs dinner from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, at the Farmington Hills Senior Center. Dinner will be followed by an exciting dance showcase. Tickets are \$5 and must be purchased in advance. Call 473-1862.

REP TALK

State Rep. Andrew Raczkowski is available to answer questions at 10 a.m. every third Friday of the month at the Farmington Hills Senior Center.

QUILTERS

The Sunshine Quilters meets at 10 a.m. every Friday at the Cockick Activities Center. All are welcome.

MENT'S CLUB

The Men's Club meets at 10 a.m. the fourth Friday of the month at the Cockick Activities Center.

MEMORIES AND MORE

Share your recollections with Memories and More. This senior group meets from 10 a.m. to noon every Friday at the Farmington Hills Senior Center. Call 473-1830.

CREATIVE WRITING

An informal creative writing class is offered at 1 p.m. each Thursday at the Senior Center. All are welcome. Call 473-1830.

BALLROOM DANCING

Dances to live big-band sounds from the '40s and '50s at 1 p.m. Fridays at the Cockick Center, 11 Mile and Middlebelt. Admission is \$2.50 and includes refreshments, which are served at 2 p.m. Call 473-1830.

Big thanks



Good job: U.S. Marine Corps Cpl. Don Hawes presents a member of Longacre Elementary School Cub Scout Pack 45 with a certificate for taking part in the recent "Holiday Hope Chest '99" and "Tree of Warmth" projects.

BRIDGE AND PINOCLE

The Farmington Senior Drop-in Bridge and Pinochle Club meets Mondays at the Farmington Masonic Temple. Call William at 474-4308.

CLASSES

HOME SELLING

Farmington Community Education is sponsoring a Home Selling Workshop from 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 19 and 26. Learn the process of selling your own from A to Z. To register call 489-3333.

LIVING TRUST

This Advanced Living Trust seminar will cover: why your trust may not work; how and probate may be in your future; saving taxes with your living trust assets; and strategies for reducing risk and maximizing returns. This seminar is scheduled from 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25, at the Farmington Hills Library. Call 540-8710.

UNICYCLING

A class for beginning unicycle riders will be held on Saturday mornings at the Salvation Army Center in Farmington Hills. All ages are invited; some unicycles available. For more information call Tom or Carol Bronchore at 661-0334.

LONGACRE CLASSES

The Longacre House in Farmington Hills is currently taking registration for a variety of classes including youth classes: Chess, drawing, Kelly Kirby piano, Magic of Self Esteem; and, for adults, ballroom dance, country line dance, belly dance, digital photography, drawing, Kung Fu, photography with Monte Nagler, yoga, self defense, sign language, business, watercolor, Web page production and more. Call 477-9404.

BOTSFORD CLASSES

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, 33411 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335, or by fax to 248-477-9722. Items will appear at least one week. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper.

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional info:

471-4361 or 476-8257.

OPTIMIST CLUB

The Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. every Wednesday at the American Legion Hall located at 31776 Grand River. Call 474-9680 or 442-9796.

KIWANIS CLUB

The Kiwanis Club of Farmington Hills meets at 12:15 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday at Steak & Ale Restaurant, 27690 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills. Prospective members are welcome. Call 661-8463.

TOASTMASTERS

The Toastmasters/Toastmasters Club meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Thursday, except the first Thursday, at Kerby's Koney Island, 21200 Haggerty, in Farmington Hills.

PRESCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

Nardin Park Community Nursery School is holding its annual open house from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16. All interested parents and prospective students are invited to visit the school and meet with the teachers. The preschool is located in Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile Road in Farmington Hills. Call 478-1241.

OCF CHILD CARE

Winter registration is now going on for Orchard Ridge Child Care Center located on the Orchard Ridge campus of Oakland Community College. Children must be between the ages of 2 1/2 and 6. Call 471-7597.

HOPE MOMS & TOTS

Moms and Tots meets 10:15-11:30 a.m. Mondays at Hope Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills. This program provides time for moms to get together while their children play in a supervised environment. To join, call 553-7170.

FARMINGTON CO-OP

Farmington Cooperative Playground meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Monday at First United Methodist Church in downtown Farmington. Moms and kids meet for crafts, snacks and fun. Call Paul at 478-3452.

UNITED MOMS & TOTS

Orchard United Methodist Church of Farmington Hills has a mom-and-tot play group that meets year-round at 10-11:30 a.m. every Friday. Call Amy, 478-4294.

VOLUNTEERS

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

The Alzheimer's Association seeks volunteers to provide companionship to those with memory loss. Volunteers receive an orientation that provides them with the information and skills to brighten the life of someone with Alzheimer's disease. Call 567-8277.

SENIEX

Senex, a program for older adults, provides home-bound people with extra care and a variety of activities. For more information, call 473-1830.

MEAL DRIVERS

Substitute drivers are needed to fill in periodically one day per week, Monday through Friday, one to two hours per day. Call Diane or Chris at 473-1825.

NUTRITION VOLUNTEERS

Kitchen volunteers are

needed from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Call Chris or Diane at 473-1825.

FOCUS-HOPE

Drivers are needed for an hour or two to deliver food boxes to senior citizens once a month. Call Gail at 473-1826.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Volunteers are needed to help improve relationships between parents and children in a program sponsored by Catholic Social Services of Oakland County. Training for the program is provided. Call Francine Adams, 334-3695.

DRIVERS NEEDED

If you have some free time to transport cancer patients in your area to nearby treatment centers, call Ivory Underwood at 443-5800.

SUPPORT GROUPS

DYSLEXIA MEETING

The Michigan Dyslexia Center will hold its monthly support group meeting from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19. The institute is located at 30230 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 130 in Farmington Hills. Dr. Arthur Robin, professor of psychiatry and behavioral neuroscience and pediatrics, will be the guest speaker.

PET THERAPY

Doctor Paws Pet Assisted Therapy is a non-profit organization based in Farmington Hills, in cooperation with Therapy Dogs Inc., that tests and prepares your dog and you to visit hospitals, nursing homes, children centers, etc., on a volunteer basis. If you have a dog that gets along well with other dogs and people and you would like to volunteer one hour or more a month visiting patients, call Dr. Paws at 888-7488.

MODERATION MANAGEMENT

MM is a free self-help group and nine-step program that provides guidelines for moderate drinking and support to change your drinking habits. Not intended for alcoholics. Meets 7:15-8:15 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at Universalist Church, 26301 Halsted in Farmington Hills. Meetings are anonymous, with no fees. Call 788-8040.

MANIC-DEPRESSIVE

The Manic-Depressive and Depressive Association of Metropolitan Detroit provides education and support for people with depression and related illnesses and also for family and friends. Meetings are held 2-3:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at Providence Medical Center located at 30055 Northwestern Highway. Call 542-0430.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT

The city of Farmington Hills Senior Adult Division offers an Alzheimer's support group for caregivers and family members 1-3 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month. Call 473-1822.

DIVORCECARE

DivorceCare divorce recovery support group meets 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Forest Park Baptist Church in Farmington Hills. Child care will be provided. Call 347-6676.