

TEMPLE SHIR SHALOM

Temple Shir Shalom, 3909 Walnut Lake Road, announces a special youth service at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, when the Shir Shalom Temple Youth host the NIFTY Michigan Region Winter Kallah. For more information, call (248)737-8700.

The Brotherhood of Temple Shir Shalom continues to hold a monthly meeting at E.G. Nicks on the first Tuesday of each month. The cost is \$15 per person, including tax and tip. Call (248)737-8700 if interested in attending.

ANNUAL MASS

The Archdiocese of Detroit welcomes the divorced and separated to the annual Mass at St. Columban Church, 1775 Melton, Birmingham, at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6. The main celebrant is Bishop Walter Schoenherr.

A reception of hors d'oeuvres, beverages and fellowship follows in the parish center, hosted by Bethany Chapters.

Call Marge (248)879-9777 or Mary (810)247-2619 for additional information.

CATHOLICS COME HOME

"Catholics Come Home," a program which ministers to Catholics who have left or drifted from the Church, is 3 p.m.

Sundays at Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Clawson. The program features speakers and discussions.

Upcoming topics are: Feb. 8: Prayer; Feb. 13: Sexuality; Feb. 20: Marriage and Annulments; Feb. 27: Eucharist; March 6: Reconciliation; March 12: A Personal Relationship with Jesus.

For information, call Jerry Flanagan at (248)870-9018, or Carol Bardelline at (810)977-9070.

FOLK VESPERS

Lonesome and Blue, a "hard-driving Michigan bluegrass band" will perform at 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6, at Folk Vespers, at the historic First Baptist Church in downtown Birmingham. The event is free. There is free adjacent Sunday parking in the city lot. The church is at the corner of Willits and Bates streets. For information, call (248)644-0550.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Holy Name Church in Birmingham holds a four-week winter series of "Theology on Tap" at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the back room of Dick O'Dow's Irish Pub, 160 West Maple Street in Birmingham.

Theology on Tap provides an opportunity for people to informally discuss issues of the day. Monsignor John P. Zenz and Father Chip Ferrar serve as facilitators.

Upcoming programs are: Feb.

BELIEFS Values

S. Monsignor John Zenz, "I'll Be Right Back! A Christian Look at Reincarnation and Evolution," and Feb. 13, Father Chip Ferrar, "Balancing Male and Female Spirituality."

There is no admission charge. Theology on Tap is open to the public. For more information, call the Holy Name Parish Office, (248) 646-2244.

TEMPLE BETH EL

David Ellenson will be scholar-in-residence for Temple Beth El's 58th annual Rabbi B. Benedict Glazer Institute on Judaism for Christian, Eastern Orthodox, Muslim and Protestant clergy.

The Glazer Institute event draws over 300 clergy from the metropolitan area. The institute provides a setting for scholarly presentations and shared concerns. Ellenson is professor of Jewish religious thought at the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Los Angeles. He has published and lectured on modern Jewish history, ethics and thought.

At 9:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 11, Ellenson will speak on "Other Religions in Jewish Eyes: Classical Exclusivity, Modern Tolerance," at 8 p.m. Shabbat services on "Abraham Joshua Heschel

and Tikkun Olam: A Message of Enduring Worth," at 10:30 a.m. Saturday Shabbat services on "One Rabbi's Approach to the Jewish Faith: A Personal View."

The community is welcome to attend. There is no charge. For more information, call Barbara Grant, 851-1100, ext. 3149.

BIRMINGHAM TEMPLE

Miriam Jerris, rabbinic candidate with the Birmingham Temple, will lead a marital enrichment class beginning Feb. 29. The fee is \$150 per couple. Call Miriam Jerris at (248)843-7496 for more information.

The Birmingham Temple is at 28611 West 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills.

EILU V EILU

New students are welcome to join winter classes now in progress, sponsored by Eilu v Eilu, the adult Jewish learning project of the Michigan Conservative movement and a year-round resource for adults seeking to connect with Jewish history, holidays, culture and Torah. Weekly study series include "Poetry of Modern Jewish Women" with

Rabbi Aaron Bergman, an eight-part Let's & Learning series that continues at 10:30 a.m. Mondays through Feb. 21 at Borders Books & Music, 30906 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. On Feb. 7, the topic is "Adrienne Rich and Denise Levertov - Is Their Poetry Jewish Poetry?" New students are welcome. \$5 per session.

Also in progress: "The Red Tent and the World of the Midrash" with Ruth Bergman, and "Judges, Kings and Prophets - The Struggle for Power, Authority and Leadership in Tanakh" with Michael Weiss. Monthly learning opportunities include "Swimming in the Sea of Talmud - Lessons for Everyday Living" with Rabbi Lee Buckman, and Rosh Hodesh Women's Learning Minyan. For information, call (248)737-1931 or e-mail eilulearn@aol.com. Web site: www.cbahm.org/eilu.htm.

TEMPLE ISRAEL

Temple Israel, 8725 Walnut Lake Road in West Bloomfield, will begin an eleven-week "Introduction to Judaism" course from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22. The class is open to anyone interested in learning more about Judaism and considering conversion to Judaism.

The course is taught by Temple Israel clergy. Topics will include Jewish traditions, history, holiday celebrations, Israel and Hebrew. Two special Holocaust sessions will be included, with a field trip to the Holocaust

Memorial Museum at the JCC in West Bloomfield.

For more information, call the Temple Israel Tynor Religious School: (248)661-5725.

FAITH COVENANT CHURCH

A free Alpha course "Exploring Life Questions" will run Thursday, Feb. 10 through April 13 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Dinner and child care will be provided. Alpha is a practical introduction to the Christian faith.

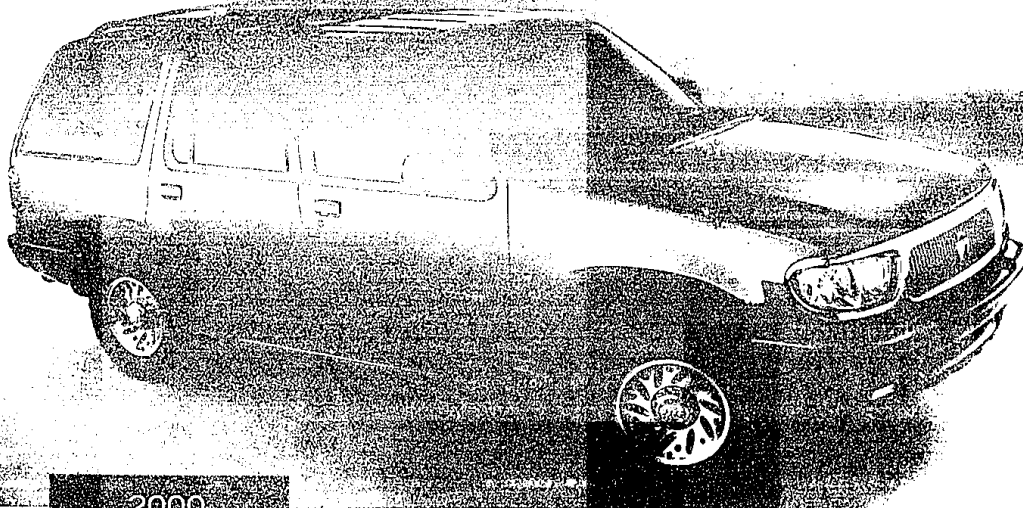
Faith Covenant Church is at 35415 W. 14 Mile Road at the corner of Drake. Call 661-9191 for more information.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Presbyterian Church of Farmington welcomes the Rev. Dr. Sue Melrose as senior pastor Sunday, Feb. 6, immediately following the 11 a.m. service.

Ongoing programs: Tuesday morning adult Bible study at 9:45 led by Rev. David Noble. Currently studying Book of Hebrews. Thursday morning men's group; youth group meets Sunday evenings; Logos program for kids K-12 every Wednesday at 4:15. Call the church at 474-6170 for more information or visit its Web site: www.first-farmingtonpcusa.org. The church is at 26105 Farmington Road on the northwest corner of 11 Mile.

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