

# Garden walk is June 24

The Farmington Garden Club will host a garden walk on Saturday, June 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. beginning at the Spice House visitor's center in Herkimer Park.

The bi-annual walk will show off six private gardens in the Farmington/Farmington Hills area. This year the theme is "La Tour de Jardin" featuring a variety of sun-drenched and shaded properties, such as a National Wildlife Federation backyard wildlife habitat. There's also a

Tickets will be available the

chance to see a two story completely decorated backyard playhouse.

## Get new ideas

The tour provides a great way to enjoy the day with friends and see new ideas to enhance your garden. Garden related items will be available in the Herkimer Park visitor's center, west of Farmington Road between Ten and Eleven Mile. Refreshments will be served.

Tickets will be available the

day of the event at the visitor's center for \$7; free for children 12 and under.

Or tickets can be bought in advance at the Vienna Flower and Garden Shop at 30560 Grand River; Schreiter's Flowers at 29216 Orchard Lake Road; Springbrook Gardens at 23614 Power Road; Stainkof Nurseries at 20315 Farmington Road; Farmington Road; and Hearts and Flowers at 32238 Twelve Mile.

## Web sites help track nursing home legislation

Lydia Rizzo of the Michigan Campaign for Quality Care, Oakland County chapter, has compiled a list of free web sites on federal and state legislative information. Campaign for Quality Care is a consumer watchdog organization for the nursing home industry.

Project Vote Smart tracks the performance of federal and state leaders: president, governors,

congress and state legislators on campaign issue positions, performance evaluations, voting records, campaign finances and biographical backgrounds. Its information is more extensive and complete on the federal level but also has much important material on the state level. The organization's sponsorship list includes former presidents Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford.

It's run by volunteer researchers and accepts no corporate support or financial help from PACs, or any organization that supports or opposes candidates. The website is [www.vote-smart.org](http://www.vote-smart.org); you can also get information by calling 1-888-868-3762.

The Library of Michigan has a compilation of Michigan legislative information from 1997-2000. It includes bill status, text, sponsors, and other legislative facts. It doesn't include voting records. The website is [www.michiganlegislature.org](http://www.michiganlegislature.org).

The National Institute on Money in State Politics is a non-partisan, non-profit, independent source of documentation and research on campaign finance at the state level. It has info on campaign contributors and amounts to individual legislators. The website is [www.followthemoney.org](http://www.followthemoney.org).

"I haven't been able to get the voting records of legislators on the state level," Rizzo said. "I'm waiting for a reply (from state library) and will continue to do research."

## MenoPause, Naturally!

June 7, 2000

Novi Civic Center

45175 10 Mile Road (West of Novi Rd.)

Multi-purpose Room

7:30-9:00

### Natural Alternatives for the Treatment of Menopause

Presented by:

Jerrold Weinberg, M.D., FACOG and Stacey Goldberg, R.N., M.P.H. from the Birmingham Menopause Institute

Seating limited to 50.

RSVP required. Admission: Complimentary Call: HEALTH DIMENSIONS, INC. (248) 489-1573

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a service group of the museum, has six slide programs available including two on the historic buildings of Detroit, two on people who have contributed to its history, one on fashion and one on antique dolls. Arrangements for a program can be made by calling Mary Ellen Busch at (810) 646-0504 or (517) 332-7641.

## FYA

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Mason and Susan Roble, both seniors at Mercy; Lindsey Menger, a junior at Farmington High; Elizabeth Anne Murrenus, a North Farmington sophomore; and Jonathan Read, a Farmington High sophomore.

Seniors Robert Mitchell Salter and Sofia Zahoor of North Farmington High; and Grant Weber and Matthew Webb of Farmington High also received recognition.

Farmington Youth Assistance operated with sponsorship of the Oakland County Probate Court, said Joseph Svoke, chairman of

the family division, the Farmington Schools, the cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills and with principle funding supplied through the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

FYA is dedicated to the prevention of juvenile delinquency and child neglect. Programs are community based and developed by volunteers.

"We at youth assistance recognize the young men and women who do things to make our community a better place to live," said Joseph Svoke, chairman of

Farmington Youth Assistance. "We do care; we appreciate you and truly thank you for your efforts. You really do make a difference."

Mary Ann Wade, co-chairwoman, noted that the youths recognized performed at least 50 hours of volunteer service in organizations as varied as churches, hospitals, nursing homes, the Jewish Community Center, the YMCA, food banks, Habitat for Humanity and building a community playground.

## Alzheimer's Association needs help

Alzheimer's Association — Detroit chapter is recruiting volunteers to assist with the In-Home Respite program. This service is open to residents of Oakland County to relieve caregivers of persons afflicted with Alzheimer's. The respite is pro-

vided by trained volunteers.

Volunteers donate from 4-16 hours per month. They are pro-

vided with training prior to placement. They are reimbursed for mileage during the training and for mileage traveled to and from placement sites. Day,

evening, and Saturday hours are available.

Working with a person afflicted with Alzheimer's disease can be a positive experience. In-home volunteers provide companionship and supervision. Call 557-8277 or 800-337-3827.

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