FROM PAGE C5

FRÈMPAGE CS

And men, if you don't buy
anything else about women's
friendships, you have to agree
the chief Rick is something you
simply tolerate.
Women friends bond over
them, talk about them and
learn from them.
The last motivalities and I
say together was Divine
Set together was Divine
Like the fire the bit
in the state of the set of the se

her and even when you don't realize you do. After sniffling our way through Sandra Bullock's dys-functional relationship with her-mother, played by Ellen Burstyn, Alice and I decided to

be Ya-Ya priestesses, divinely ordained as royalty in a secret society that claims friendship as its only real tenet. The prob-lem has been coming up with a name.

name.
Alice became "Princess Hair Like Hedgehog." She likes the spiky look.

My hair is blonde, but I'm just not going there, because I think a Ya-Ya name should be

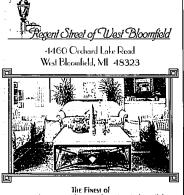
trutiful.

Soil myself Princess Misses Her
Best Friend. Because even
though friends who are like
family never really leave, you
always feel a little sad when
they're not around.
That's something all friends
know, gender notwithstanding.

Joni Hubred is editor of the Farmington Observer. She welcomes your comments by mail, 334lf Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335; by phone (248) 477-5450; by fax (248) 477-9722; or e-mail, jhubred@oe.homecomm.nel





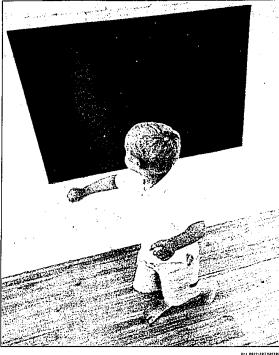


Assisted Living, with catened services in beautiful surroundings created especially for older adults

Studios and suites with private baths
Three well planned daily meals • Licensed Nurses & Resident Assistants 24 hours/7 days *Emergency cull system * Medication management * Alzheimer's and dementia cares Housekeeping and linen service * Aerobic Pool and exercise room * Scheduled activities 7 days weekly • Game Room • Hair Salon • Sundries Shop • Transportation • Includes all utilities except telephone

Call Kathy Porman at 248-683-1010

This is your alternative to a nursing home



Christian Conrad races by the glass doors of the fireplace and looks over to see his reflection.

AUTISM

FROM PAGE C5

FROM PAGE CS
hasn't just become a cause for
Monique Conrad — it's become
a crusade.
'I want to help parents get a
deeper understanding of how
they can help their children,'
Monique said. 'That's one of
my missions I believe have
been called to me from God.
'My main goal is to reach out
to the community,' Monique

Conrad said. "It used to be 1 Conrad said. 'It used to be 1-in-10,000 children; now it's 1-in-166 boys. I want to be on the forefront of educating other parents. These children can be worked with with a lot of love and a lot of patience.' That's what the Courads have been delay and it's new.

have been doing, and it's pay-ing off. You can hear the payoff in Monique Conrad's voice when she delivers the evi-

"I get kisses from my son

The Christian Conrad Faith The Christian Contrad Faith Benefit is still in need of dona-tions of things such as hot dogs, buns, condiments, chips, pop. coolers, barbecue coals, lighter fluid, face paints, toys for prizes, etc.

r prizes, etc. Anyone wishing to make a donation can contact Michelle Brown, (734) 266-8131, or Joyce Sosnowski, (734) 397-9246, or e-mail CCFaithFund

bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net (734) 459-2700

Jaycees outina planned

The Farmington Area sycces' Golf Outing Benefit is

Jaycees' Golf Outing Benefit is fast approaching. It will be held on Saturday, August 10 at the Fox Creek Golf Course in Livonia.

The four-person scramble format golf competition will start at 11 a.m. with registrantion beginning at 10:15 a.m. Fox Creek Golf Course is located on 36000 Seven Mile Road between Farmington and Newburgh Roads in Livonia.

and Newburgh Roads in Javonia.
The golf registration fee is \$380 per foursome.
Response and money is due by Monday, July 22.
The package includes 18 holes of golf, eart, lunch at the turn, two complimentary beverages tickets, dinner, and

erages tickets, dinner, and goody bag.
There will also be a \$10,000 hole in One, Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, door prizes, and a silent auction.
Prizes include a massage, oil change, a box of golf balls, wine, dinner at a local restaurant, golf shirt, camping rental package, and much more.
The outing is limited to 25 foursomes.

The outing is limited to 25 foursomes. Individuals, businesses and organizations are invited to support the golf outing by becoming a sponsor ranging from a tee sponsor for \$100 and up to a dinner sponsor for \$500.

Contributions for prizes and silent auction are also wel-

To register for the golf out-g, become a sponsor, or for lore information, contact ing, become armore information, contact
Betty Ference or Holly Hintz,
by mail: Farmington Area
Jaycees Golf Committee P.O.
Box 33 Farmington, MI 48332
by hotline: (248) 477-JCCS, or
by email: golf@fajic.org or
visit the chapter's Web site at
www.fajc.org

Local volunteers help keep INFO TV-12 going

Have you caught all the great LOCAL programs that are on INFO TV-12 on your cable sys-tem? All of them are produced by local volunteers who aren't by local volunteers who aren't necessarily professionals (although much of what you see looks just as professional as anything you'll see on any other channel).

Our communities of Our communities of Farmington, Farmington Hills and Novi have established facil-ities and resources to enable anyone an opportunity to pro-duce television programming. And that also gives you the viewer an opportunity to see what's going on in 'your own backyard.'

what's going on in "your own backyard."

But it takes many volunteers to make this all come about. Not just the volunteers who produce, edit and host pro-

CABLE CONNECTION

grams, but also the volunteers who establish the guidelines, promote the resources and lobby on your behalf for Public Access TV. In our communities, those

In our communities, those volunteers are members of the Cable Access Committee. This committee is comprised of nine volunteers appointed by the mayor and city council (four from Farmington Hills - Chairperson Pat Isham, Scott Durke, Larry Bohner, Kathy McKee, and three from Novi-Art Cervi, Elinor Holland, Pat Poicre and two from Farmington Jeannie Liming and Trucy Thompson.)

There is a variety of experience on the committee. Allow us to introduce the two newest additions: an access producer for many years, and resident of Farmington, Truey Thompson and a long time resident of Novi, Par Poirer. This diverse group of producers, equipment experts, volunteers and average citizens is your direct contact to community access.

If you have suggestions or input on how to make public access better in our community, don't be shy come and to a meeting. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. the second Thuesday of each month (except July and August) at the SWOCC Studios in Farmington. They are open to the public.

To take it a step further, you as a resident or cable access

user, even have a say on how INFO TV-12 operates. It's through members of the Cable Access Committee. The Cable Access Committee was formed to make recommendations to the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission (SWOCC)

Cable Commission (SWOCC) regarding the use of the public access facilities, equipment and cable access facilities, equipment and SWOCC is a consortium of the cities of Farmington, Farmington Hills and Novi, which oversees the contract with the Cable Company pertaining to regulatory matters. SWOCC also promotes the community TV channels for public, educational and government access.

Caren Collins is the Executive Director of the Southwestern Datland Cable Commission. The next SWOCC meeting is 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4, at Farmington City Hall. The next CAC meeting is 4:7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10 at SWOCC Studios.



BIRTHS

Barry and Sheri Rourke of Lake Orion announce the birth of their daughter, Matia Angeli at 5:41 a.m. Friday, June 28, 2002. She weighed 6 pounds 11 ounces and was 19.5 inches

ounces and was 19.5 inches long.
Matia was welcomed by her big brothers Evan, Brennan and Griffen. Her grandmothers are Yolanda French of Farmington and Clare Rourke of West Bloomfield and greatgrandmother, Edna Cannizzaro of Livonia.

