

RELIGION CALENDAR

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UPCOMING EVENTS

**Healing Touch Harpist**  
The Healing Touch Center of Farmington Hills presents Christian Tourni, a harpist of extensive talents, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Mercy Center Chapel. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Call (248) 788-5608 for ticket information.

**Message of Humor**  
Shirley K. Trout will be at Hardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills for a series of events including *Humor in Your Home Doesn't Mean Your Home is a Joke*. This seminar runs 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28. Parents of teenagers can attend *Give 'Em Their Heads, But Hold Tight to the Reins* 6:30-9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 29. For more

information call (248) 476-8860.

**St. Gerald Mission**  
St. Gerald Catholic Church is hosting a Parish Mission Oct. 12-17. Rev. Dan Havron OFM will be the presenter. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning sessions begin with 9:15 a.m. mass with evening sessions at 7 p.m. The church is located at 21300 Farmington Road. Call (248) 477-7470.

**Prayer Service**  
The PIME Missionaries (Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions), presents *Tapestry of Faith, Unity Through Prayer* at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9 at the Mercy High School Auditorium. This prayer service is designed to promote dialogue, understanding and peace. For more information call (313) 342-4066.

CHURCH SERVICES

**Universalist Unitarian**  
Rev. Alex Riegel presents The Ennaagram Sunday, Sept. 2 at the Universalist Unitarian Church of

Farmington. Services, Sunday School and Nursery at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. 25301 Halsted. Call (248) 476-7272.

Ongoing

**Widow/Widower Support**  
New Hope Center for Grief Support, a Christian-based bereavement outreach center, offers support for widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The group meets at 7 p.m. at St. Kenneth's Parish offices, 14951 Hagerly, Plymouth. New Hope for Kids meets at the same time and place and is aimed at ages 4-11. (248) 348-0115.

**Marriage Encounter**  
Weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills and renew their love. Friday-Sunday, June 28-30 and Sept. 20-22 at St. John's Family Life Center, 4401 Five Mile Road, Plymouth. Registration \$50, call Bill & Carol, (248) 528-2512 or Dan & Debbie (810) 286-5524 or visit [www.renet/detroit/wmme](http://www.renet/detroit/wmme).

ENGAGEMENTS

**Tobe-Miller**  
Janet and Thomas Tobe of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter Krista Marie to Dr. Justin Robert Miller, son of David and Donna Miller of Berkley.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Harrison High School and a graduate of Michigan State University with a B.S. degree and a master's degree in curriculum and teaching. She is a second grade teacher for Bloomfield Hills Schools.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Birmingham Seaholm High School, Michigan State University and Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is an internal medicine resident at Genesys Regional Medical Center.



Oakland Community College's Womencenter offers programs

The Womencenter at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills presents a seven-week seminar on parenting issues Tuesdays, beginning Oct. 8.

The seminar, "Effective Parenting," is open to the public. Admission is \$40 and registration is required.

Conducted by Womencenter Coordinator Arlene Frank, the "Effective Parenting" meets in the campus' J Building, Room 309, from 7-8:30 p.m.

Based on the book *How to Talk so Your Kids Will Listen and Listen so Your Kids Will Talk* by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish, this seminar is designed for parents of children of all ages. It offers practical, effective methods of communication to make relationships between parents and children less stressful and more rewarding.

"Effective Parenting" is sponsored by the Womencenter, a facility that provides educational and supportive resources for area women.

For more information on the seminar and other program offerings, call the Womencenter at (248) 522-3642.

The Orchard Ridge Campus is located at 27055 Orchard

Lake Road, just south of I-696.

ASSERTIVENESS SEMINAR

The Womencenter OCC's Orchard Ridge Campus is also presenting a three-week seminar for women on assertiveness, Wednesdays, beginning October 2. Registration is required.

The seminar, "Assert Yourself" is open to the public. It will meet in the campus' J building, Room 309 from 7-8:30 p.m.

This informational and interactive seminar will help women learn to develop self-confidence in relating to people and situations in a healthy, assertive way. Women will examine various life situations, discuss specific techniques, and practice using skills to create confidence in work and personal life situations.

Licensed Professional Counselor Amy Tschirhart leads the seminar.

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DREAMS

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Swoish are in the midst of planning a big fund-raiser, which will be held next March at the Detroit Science Center. They're currently in negotiations to make that a distribution point.

"There's such a correlation between science and health," Donnelly said.

The 650-square-foot office

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