

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

## KID STUFF

## Fun Fest

The Downtown Development Authority presents its annual Halloween Fun Fest, Saturday, Oct. 26 in downtown Farmington. Festivities begin with trick-or-treating and a petting zoo 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. followed by a spectacular magic show 12 p.m. at the Civic Theater and a festive Fun Fest 13 p.m. in the downtown shopping area.

## Halloween Party

Come in costume and show your Halloween spirit at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 28, at the downtown Farmington Library. Registration required.

## Halloween Soup

The Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville presents Halloween Soup playing through Oct. 27. No children under the age of three. For scheduled times and ticket information call (248) 349-8101.

## Teen Pumpkin Painting

Teens can paint a pumpkin and listen to scary stories 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29 at the downtown Farmington Library. Pumpkins, paint supplies and refreshments provided. Registration is required.

## Junior Gardeners

Kids in grades 3-6 can get hands-on experience in gardening 4-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5 at the downtown Farmington Library.

## SALES/SHOWS

## St. Paul Rummage Sale

St. Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will hold a rummage sale 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Oct. 24 and 25. A bag sale will be held 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26. The Church is located at 20805 Middlebelt.

## Bethlehem Holiday Bazaar

Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will hold their annual Holiday Bazaar 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26. The Church is located at 35300 W. Eight Mile.

## Holiday Sale

Farmington Hills School will host its 13th annual show for the holidays arts & crafts show 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2. The school is located at 32000 Shiloh Road. Admission is \$2. Proceeds will support the Farmington Football Backers.

## North Craft Sale

North Farmington Garden Club will hold its 24th annual arts & crafts sale 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2 at O.E. Dunkel Middle School, located on I-24.

Mile Road between Orchard Lake and Farmington Roads. Admission is \$1.

## CLUBS

## Farmington Artists

The Farmington Artists Club will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13 at the Costco Activities Center in Farmington Hills. Danielle Bodine will present a review of her slides showing her unique style in basketry weaving and designing of sculptured objects and fibers.

## Farmington Garden

The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon, Monday, Nov. 4, at the Lorraine House in Farmington Hills. The topic will be *All About Roses*.

## Embroiderers Auction

The Farmington Hills Embroiderers Guild will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6 at Faith Covenant Church for lunch and an auction of homemade items. Call (248) 426-7250.

## Musical

The Farmington Musicals will perform *Music of Our Lives: American Folk Music* at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6 at Hammett Music in Livonia. (248) 478-8932.

## Exchange Club

The Farmington Exchange Club will

meet at noon Wednesday, Oct. 30 at the Brass Pointe in Farmington Hills. Superintendent of Farmington Public Schools, will be the guest speaker.

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## Pumpkin Sale

Orchard United Methodist Church will hold their sixth annual Pumpkin Patch Sale 11 a.m.-8 p.m. through Oct. 30 and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 31. Proceeds will benefit the youth group mission trip. Call (248) 626-3620.

## Band-O-Rama

Farmington Public Schools presents Band-O-Rama at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6 at Harrison High School and Friday, Nov. 8 at Farmington High School. Call (248) 489-3412.

## Dracula

The Orchard Ridge Theater Company of Oakland Community College presents Bram Stoker's Dracula at 8 p.m. Nov. 6/7/8 in the Smith Theater on the Orchard Ridge Campus, 20555 Orchard Lake Road, in Farmington Hills. Ticket prices are \$7 for adults, and \$5 for seniors, students and children. Call (248) 522-3422.

## Preschool Auction

Garfield Co-op Preschool will hold its annual dinner auction at 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9 at the American

Legion Hall, 31775 Grand River in Farmington. Buffet dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. Cash bar is available. For more information call (734) 462-0135.

## Artist Exhibit

Watercolor artist Jim Patterson will display his artwork Nov. 19-Dec. 20 at the Farmington and Farmington Hills City Halls.

## Consciousness Forum

Students from the School for Practical Self-Development will present a mixed media lecture on *The Development of Consciousness* at 7:30 p.m. today, Oct. 24 at the Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington. The presentation will cover practical studies on psychological and cosmic principles originating from ancient schools. This forum is free. Call (248) 477-8167.

## Former Tiger Speaks

The First Baptist Church of Farmington will host former Detroit Tiger Frank Tanana at 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 3. Tanana is an active member of Highland Park Baptist Church. First Baptist Church of Farmington is located at 33400 Shiloh Road. There is no cost for admission and all are invited to attend. Call (248) 474-0850.

## Stronger Women

Faith Covenant Church in Farmington Hills presents *Do You Want to Be a*

*Stronger Woman?* from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday mornings through Nov. 21. This special program for women offers aerobics and walking, speakers, crafts, food, fun and fellowship. Baby-sitting is available. Call (248) 661-9191.

## CLASSES

## Stress Management

Assess your current stress level and explore techniques for handling stress, panic attacks, anxiety and insomnia at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11 at Botsford Center for Health Improvement, 39750 Grand River in Novi. To Register call (248) 477-6100.

## Porcelain Doll Making

Learn how to make a porcelain doll in this six-week course. Classes run 6:30-9 p.m. Mondays or Thursdays beginning Nov. 4 at the Heritage Park Studio. Call (248) 473-1857.

## Painting Classes

Various painting classes are available through the Farmington Hills Cultural Arts Division. Call (248) 473-1857.

## Acoustic Guitar

A five-week acoustic guitar class for beginners and intermediates begins Saturday, Nov. 9 at the Costco Activities Center in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 473-1857.

## Readers share 'sweet' thoughts

Glenn Schneemann of Farmington Hills and Resa Latour of Westland were the winners of our Sweetest Day contest. Schneemann's wife, Linda, and Latour's husband, received a dozen boxed roses from Thrifty Flowers and two movie tickets compliments of Star Theatre.

Here are their winning entries:

An Ode to my Husband on Sweetest Day  
By Resa Latour

My dearest hubby, the love of my life  
He brightens my days, gives warmth to my nights.

He works very hard, and goes to school, too, spends time on the house, and the yard, through and through.

He's smart, and he's funny, much more than you'd think, he'll tickle my back; he can patch up the sink.

He knows all my traits and will leave me a note when I'm tired or grumpy, a cute anecdote.

I know that he loves me even when he is tired, each dawn kiss and hug, just to show I'm admired.

A quick "I love you" and he's en route to work, then an e-mail with x's and o's is a quick.

Yet sometimes he's taken for granted I know, but it makes me smile and gives me that glow.

I want to give back to my hubby so sweet, I think roses and cinema will be the treat. For the man of my life, my

husband is groovy, give him roses and an amusing movie. Here's Schneemann's winning entry.

My wife Linda and I will have been married 14 years this December. She does many things to enrich my life. A week ago on Friday, Oct. 5,

she did something extra special. Even though she works three part-time jobs in addition to managing our finances, keeping the house in great shape, being a great mom to our 12-year-old daughter Rebecca and a great wife, she still found the time to bake me a three-tier German Chocolate Cake from scratch using her mother's recipe.

As if that wasn't enough,

she also baked a single layer chocolate cake for our daughter (our birthdays are only a week apart) including a special pink and white icing design (with sprinkles) which our daughter had come up with and done a sketch of.

Not content to rest from her labors, Linda then made sure that our house was ready for guests and we had her side of the family over to celebrate both birthdays. Did I marry a wonderful woman or what?

In recent years, I had been mentally trying to treat my birthdays as just another day on the calendar, but by my wife making the occasion such a labor of love, she truly made it a very special time and has enriched my life yet again.



## Hasan Raffle

Mr. and Mrs. Isa and Ibtisam Hasan of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter Tammy to Michael Raffle, son of Robert and Cathy Raffle of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is of Farmington High School and the University of Michigan. Dearborn with a master's degree in public

administration. She is currently teaching English and French at Novi High School.

Her fiancé is also a graduate of Farmington High School and Michigan State University. He earned a master of business administration degree from Wayne State University and is currently employed by Ford Motor Company. An October 2003 wedding is planned.

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Contest Rules:

\*Participants may enter one time at each of the 12 participating stores. Each store will award a \$1,000 merchandise certificate. Must be 18 years of age or older to enter. Employees of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and their families are not eligible. Deadline to enter is Thursday, Oct. 24 or mail by Nov. 1, 2002. Contest results will be published in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.