

Friends of the Library host gala featuring brass quintet

The 17th annual Friends of the Farmington Library Gala again will honor Friends' members with a wine and cheese reception featuring entertainment by the Great Lakes Brass Quintet on Friday, June 6 in the atrium of the newly dedicated Main Library.

Friends' President Rose Marie Fertig states "We are looking forward to a wonderful evening with the Great Lakes Brass Quintet. There is still plenty of room for music lovers to participate in this eventful evening. You can easily become a member of the Friends of the Farmington Library by calling (248) 553-0300 and pledging a donation."

Donation categories are as follows: \$15 Friend; \$30 Contributor; \$50 Sponsor; \$100 Patron; \$150-plus Champion.

Doors open at 7 p.m. for this annual event, which began in 1987. The Farmington Friends of the Library is a non-profit organization which supports the library by funding programs, services and materials not provided for by the regular library budget.

Wine and cheese will be provided for the 10th year by Ron Asmar's Vincents Cafe and Catering on Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills. Asmar again will serve wine and provide expert discussion of wine flavors and bouquets.

The Great Lakes Brass Quintet features five musicians with extensive musical experience performing with the Detroit Symphony, Michigan Opera Theater, Ann Arbor and Toledo as well as the Michigan Chamber Orchestra. Musicians are Mark Flegg and Matt Thomas on trumpet as well as Emily Price on the French horn, Kip Kiekman, tenor trombone and Michael Tyrrell on bass trombone.

The Friends have, in the past, supported the Farmington Community Library in many ways. They are responsible for providing funds for Book Parade to support Farmington Public Schools, the Middle School Battle of the Books, the Dr. Seuss Birthday Party, the children's summer reading program, business resources and many other enhancements to the library.

"Membership donations in excess of \$45,000 have been contributed this past year by Farmington-area families," Friends' Treasurer, John Carlson announced.

He remarked, "Our community's magnificent response over the past decade has resulted in a dramatic increase in membership donations enabling the Friends to significantly enlarge their support of Library programs."

Beverly Papal, director of the Farmington Community Library noted, "In the last 18 years we've grown from 300 Friends members to over a thousand families. Their support and volunteerism enrich library service to the entire community."

Friends' income is derived from three sources: Member contributions, an on-going used book sale and from interest on an endowment begun with a bequest to the Friends by Mary Deland, a former Farmington resident. Since then, other donations have enlarged the endowment including a generous one in 1997 by Mrs. Dorothy Josaitis from her husband's estate.

Friends' donations enriched the library in several areas this year. Contributions aided in purchasing the Pioneer Plasma Screen Television near the fireplace and the Mime Sculpture at the entrance to the library. In the children's department TechnoFrolics Video Spin Browser and Lift Digital CD Players were purchased for the juniors and the children's picture book collections was also enlarged by Friends contributions.

Also for the youngsters, the Friends supported many programs including:

- The Kokoro Dinosaurs including the dig station and the rubbing station,
- The ever-popular Battle of the Books with over 1000 teens participating in 187 teams,
- A special 3 month exhibit of natural history for elementary school children,
- Late Night at the Library for Teens, and
- The Summer Reading Club which gives away paperback books as reading incentives.

Another friends tradition is their annual luncheon, honoring the many hours volunteers contributed to the library. This year, 87 volunteers were honored for contributing over 6,000 hours. At the luncheon daily journals were given to the volunteers for their admirable service in the library. In addition, a book was added to the collection in honor of each volunteer.

In addition to Rose Marie Fertig and John Carlson, the Farmington Friends Board members include Vice-President Bonnie King, Secretary Roslynn Greenberg, Jacob Hurwitz, Robert Brewer, Lucy Schoener and James McLaughlin.

The Farmington Friends of the Library welcomes new members.

Call Sally or Allyson at the Hills Branch of the Farmington Community Library. (248) 553-0300.

SINGLES CALENDAR

instructor. For more information call (248) 851-9909.

METROPOLITAN SINGLE PROFESSIONALS
 Single Mingle Dances
 MSPs hold Single Mingle dances on Friday nights throughout the month. Call (248) 851-9909 for times and locations

Book Discussion Group
 MSP's book discussion group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Borders Books in Farmington Hills. Borders will offer a 20-percent discount on all titles chosen for discussion.

Volleyball
 Drop in and play volleyball 6:30 p.m.-dusk every Tuesday at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills

Euchre
 MSPs play euchre 6:30-9:30 p.m. every Monday at the Brass Point Inn in Farmington Hills

Social and Travel Club
 For people 35 years old and up. Activities include dinners, dances, cards, camping, theater, sports, travel. To learn more about the club call (248) 435-5320 or go to www.sssc.org

Fun & Fine Dining Parties
 Join MSPs every Thursday between 6-7:30 p.m. for socializing with dinner afterwards. Enjoy sampling some of the best and most interesting dining places in the metro Detroit area.

West Side Singles
 Friday dances to be held every Friday night at Burton Manor, located on Schroeder Service Drive, just west of Inkster in Livonia. The dances are open to the public. Doors open from 8 p.m.-1 a.m., 25 years of age and older. Dressy attire required. Admission price is \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after 8:30 p.m. For information, call Anita at (734) 981-0969

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RELIGION CALENDAR

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Children's Concert
 Dean O and the Dinosoms, a children's Christian music band, will perform at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 7 at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene in Northville. Tickets are \$3 in advance or \$4 at the door. Call (248) 348-7600.

Indian Prophecy
 "Interested in Native American Prophecy? Come to the Farmington Hills Library at 7:30 p.m. today, May 22 for a presentation concerning "Native American Prophecies on Future World Unity." The guest speaker will be Dr. William J. Martin, an internationally known visionary, speaker, and traditional medicine helper. Dr. Martin is a well known lecturer on indigenous cultures, prophecies and holistic healing. An informal conversation will follow the presentation before the library closes at 9 p.m.

Northville, at (248) 374-5920.

Antioch Preschool
 Antioch Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills offers Christian based preschool for 3-4 year-old children. Class registration is now being taken. The church is located at 13 Mile and Farmington Road. Call (248) 626-7906.

First Presbyterian Church
 First Presbyterian Church of Farmington will begin a summer schedule of one worship service at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, May 25. The summer schedule will continue through Labor Day. (248) 474-6710.

Antioch Lutheran
 Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will begin its Sunday and Wednesday summer worship schedule starting on Sunday, May 31 at 9:30 a.m. and throughout the summer until Sunday, August 31. A contemporary service called Praise Forth is held on the fourth Sunday. Wednesday evening services will be held at 7:30 p.m. with Bible study at 6:30 p.m. until Aug. 27.

ORNING

Widow/Widower Support
 New Hope Center for Gift Support, a Christian-based bereavement out-reach center, offers support for widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesdays on each month. The group meets at 7 p.m. at St. Kenneth's Parish offices, 14951 Hogarty, Plymouth. New Hope for kids meets at the same time and place but is aimed at ages 4-31. (248) 348-0155.

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- 2-nights Heartbreak Hotel - Grandchild Package
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- 2-nights Lenox Suites Hotel - Chicago
- 2-nights Madison Point Resort - Macquinn Island
- 2-nights Soldati Chicago Water Tower
- 2-nights The Peninsula Hotel - Chicago
- 2-nights Penn's View Hotel - Philadelphia
- 2-nights Pinewood Lodge - Adrian, MI
- 2-nights Radisson Hotel - Plymouth Harbor, MA
- 2-nights Royal York Hotel - Toronto
- 3-nights Old Lemont Inn - Lewiston, CA
- 3-nights Rondel Village - Jamaica
- 3-nights St. Gregory Hotel & Suites - Washington DC
- 4-nights Embassy Club Respite Beach Resort
- 4-nights Holiday Inn South Beach Resort - Miami
- 5-nights The Cove Lighthouse - Bahamas
- 5-nights Hilton Hawaiian Village - Honolulu
- 5-nights Hilton Waikoloa Village - Hawaii
- 5-nights Huggell Tree House Resort - Jamaica
- 5-nights Leadership Tour - Windsor
- 7-nights Dilly's Plantation Inn - St. Kitts, West Indies
- Georgetown Canada - 2 monthtrip coach tickets
- My Big Fat Greek Weekend Package for two

Art

- Art Area Art Center
- Bob Ross Paint Sets
- Home Portraits - pen & ink sketch
- Old Lemont Inn - watercolor print

Collectibles

- Classic Collegiate China - collector plates
- Corolla Goletto CD
- Duffy Bakema Annual "Barns" Sculpture
- Hudson's Pot Belles Figurines
- Red Wings - Jopz Larsson autographed puck
- Red Wings - Lou Roubicek autographed jersey
- Red Wings - team autographed Charles jersey
- Red Wings - team autographed T-shirt

Edibles

- 227 Bistro - dinner & lunch
- Archie's - gift certificates
- Barco Restaurant - dinner
- BD's Mongolian Barbecue - dinner
- Big Boy Grill - dinner
- Big Rock Chop House - dinner
- Bob Evans - lunch or dinner
- Broadsmith - bread for a year

Goods & Services

- Adolfo Men's Watches
- Amelia House Wedding & Bridal
- Barnes gift pack
- Beamer Laser Tag
- Bill Sports Bar to Ride Bike Art
- Bonaventure Skiing Center - skating party
- Boyer USA - Golf
- Busby's Restaurant
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- Conquest 9000 Pocket PC
- Cupidality.com Dating Service
- Detroit Historical Society - membership
- Detroit Science Center - membership
- Detroit Tigers & Cleveland Indians tickets
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- Detroit Tigers & Texas Rangers tickets
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- Diamond Jewels tickets
- Eastern Mountain Sports
- Eddie Bauer all terrain strove
- Edwin & Eleanor Ford House
- Giuseppe Motta CD player
- Grand Rapids Race
- Gymboree - gift certificate
- Harriet Jewels - variety of items
- Harriet Jewels tickets
- Has & Hers Soft Watches
- Huron-Clinton Metroparks East International Star Region
- Kings Island - tickets
- Little Mommy doll from Mattel
- Mackinac University - tuition waiver
- Mark Ridings Comedy Castle
- Mother & Child gold pendant from Bids
- Nancy's Nipples - gift certificate
- Plymouth Whalers - game tickets
- Polly Pocket plaster from Mattel
- Rattle Run Golf Course - Golf
- Sunning Star doll from Mattel
- Sun Flags World of Adventure - tickets
- Skate World all free
- Stuffed Animal tickets
- Super Car Wash
- The Great Skate - skating party
- Universal Studios Orlando - tickets
- Videos with action toys and pack
- YPC Tape Binding System
- Workout Company - 20 exercise classes
- Yon-Sun Salon - salon care set

HOUSING

- Culinary - food processor & coffee maker
- Culinary Knife set
- Magnum World of Rogs - cleaning and retail certificates
- Wiltonkover bank set
- Rewenta Bathroom Scales
- Silver Plated Frames
- Wiltonkover Silver Water Pitcher
- Yankee Squared Pool Bouncer

Media

- Barnes & Noble gift pack
- Birmingham Bloomington Symphony - season tickets
- Bonnie's Theatre tickets
- Charlotte's Better Health - magazine subscription
- Charlotte's Village Players - season tickets
- Crown & Country W/S set
- Detroit Reception Theatre - Crown & Country tickets
- Detroit Reception Theatre - G&S Subscription
- Detroit Symphony Orchestra - tickets
- Fine Cooking Magazine
- Hobnob Theatre - tickets
- Honolulu Post Office
- Paula Cooksey & Living Magazine
- Joseph's Entertainment Theatre - season tickets
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- Newsweek Magazine
- Season's Street Vase set
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