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SUMMER DREAMS

Right now HAVEN friends have the opportunity to help provide children in our shelter with a fun-filled summer and have your gift matched dollar for dollar.

Many times children coming into HAVEN's shelter from an abusive home have been living in a state of constant fear. These children are worrying from day to day about their safety, they don't have the chance to just be a kid.

Summer months can be one of the busiest times at our shelter. Women are more apt to flee their violent homes when their children do not need to be uprooted from school. Although, these families have escaped their violence filled home, it takes a lot of work to make the children comfortable, to make them feel like it's ok to be silly and have fun, that the shelter is a safe space for them.

Throughout the summer we work with these families to create memorable outings, build trust, play games and just have fun. Your donation today will help us provide these children with nurturing programs, therapeutic care and playdates, where these children can learn to trust again, learn what it feels like to just be a kid.

Please make your donation online at www.freep.com/summerdreams quickly so that your donation can be matched. Matching funds are limited. Our goal for this program is \$10,000 and the Detroit Free Press and Skillman Foundation will match your gift dollar for dollar. Your \$50.00 gift today becomes \$100.00 for this summer dreams program.

Thank you for your support of HAVEN.

Sincerely,

Beth Morrison
President & CEO



3 WEEKS OF PEACE, LOVE & FLOWERS!

FOUR SEASONS GARDEN CENTER CELEBRATES ITS SPRING REOPENING WITH A GROOVY, SIXTIES-THEMED SPRINGTACULAR GARDEN EXPOSITION MAY 7-31 BENEFITING HAVEN AND TWO OTHER LOCAL NON-PROFITS.

Spring is finally here and Four Seasons Garden Center & Custom Landscape Services is letting the sunshine in during a three week love fest for garden enthusiasts (true flower children) from May 7-31! Dig this...the store's SPRINGtacular Garden Exposition will feature 3 Weeks of Peace, Love & Flowers. Patrons cruising to Four Seasons Garden Center, located at 14471 West Eleven Mile Road in Oak Park between Greenfield and Coolidge, can:

- Select from an OUTTA SIGHT selection of flowers, plants, trees and shrubs
- Find GROOVY garden art, accents and accessories for their PADS
- Snap up FAR OUT deals at 1960's PRICES
- Shop while listening to GROOVY 60's tunes
- Attend FREE seminars hosted by FABulous gardening experts (see schedule below)
- CHOW DOWN at a COUNTER CULTURE CAFÉ on the weekends (for those with the shopping MUNCHIES)
- Get planting pointers from their HIP, helpful, knowledgeable staff

- REGISTER TO WIN A CUSTOM-BUILT OUTDOOR BARBEQUE STATION (NO PURCHASE NECESSARY)

FREE SEMINAR SERIES *Seating is limited. Stop in and reserve your spot!

May 16 10:30-11:30 am Lillian Dean-SOCWA Reducing Garden Chemicals to Protect Our Water

May 16 Noon Ken Rutkowski—Encore Lighting Drama in the Suburbs: Landscape Lighting for Drama, Accent and Security

May 16 2 pm Martha Hoffert—Perennial Expert No Perennial Left Behind: Perennial 'Parenting' Tips

May 23 10 am Carol Vettese—MCN, Master Gardener It's Easy Being Green (Really)

May 23 Noon Kathy Takenaga—Four Seasons Contain Your Gardening Enthusiasm: Create Containers with Flair and Daring Garden Center

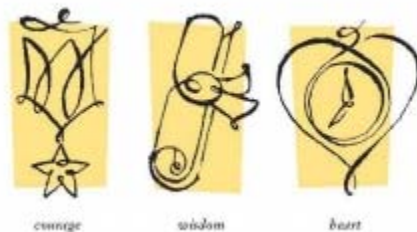
May 23 2 pm Four Seasons Garden Center Staff Stage Your Landscape for Curb Appeal: For Less Than Your First Price Reduction

May 30 10 am Jay Kelly—Zelenka Nursery Hydrangeas, A Timeless Garden Favorite: Stunning New Varieties, Growing Tips

May 30 Noon Jay Kelly—Zelenka Nursery Right Tree, Right Place

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<http://www.fourseasonsgardencenter.com/>



ONLINE AUCTION ENDS ON MAY 15TH

Where: www.promenadeofhope.cmarket.com

The bidding and auction excitement didn't end on May 7th. The bidding continues with new items added today!! Check out HAVEN's first online auction. 100% of the proceeds are used to help us provide services to survivors of domestic violence. If you have any questions

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