

AppleFest features pie contest

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Calling all apple pie makers and apple pie lovers.

The first ever AppleFest is happening at The Longacre House in Farmington Hills on Sept. 28 and 29.

The Blue Circle group is coordinating the event, which invites folks to sign up for an apple pie baking contest judged by local chefs. Those who wish to enter must register before the event and bring a pie to be judged and one for sale. AppleFest takes place from 1-4 p.m. both days.

Denise Tewyea, director of The Longacre House, said the two-day affair will include plenty of apple-inspired food and fun. The Longacre House is located at 24705 Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile Roads. The Blue Circle nonprofit group is coordinating the event with proceeds benefiting Longacre, said Tewyea. "What we're trying to do is help

enhance the community to enjoy a sort of community picnic," she said. "It's an opportunity to visit your neighbor. It's great to be outside and enjoy the grounds before we have to close the windows."

Besides the apple pie contests, there will be tours of the historic house, a history presentation by the Quaker Tour Questers, grilled and apple-related foods, entertainment and contests and lawn games. Admission is free.

The Questers will be exhibiting their personal antiques collections in the house. The owners of the collections will be on hand talking about the unique items and answering questions. Some ladies will be in Victorian costume. Exhibits include, Victorian ephemera, perfume bottles, tea customs, baskets and daguerreotypes and early photography. Food will be grilled by Chef Russell and volunteer staff at The Longacre House.

Also, a 6-foot apple strudel will be donated by Farmington Bakery.

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For more information about the event, visit Blue Circle's Web site at www.bluecircle.cc

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On their way

North Farmington High School junior varsity cheerleaders are busy with fund-raisers, after earning a chance to perform at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando, Fla. For the girls to make the trip, they've got to raise \$25,000. Kids have used "scratch off star sponsor sheets" and have planned a car wash and cheer clinic. Parents will also be asking local businesses for help. To donate, call Steve Moss at (248) 489-8977 or Michael Nedelman at (248) 655-8888.

AppleFest apple contest rules

Forms are available at the Farmington Observer, Big Apple Bagels and The Longacre House. The contest is limited to first 50 entries received on or before Sept. 27.

1. All entrants must be 18 years old or older.
2. Contest open to males and females.
3. No professional chefs or bakers, amateurs only.
4. Entrant must bake pie.
5. In lieu of an entrance fee, the group is requesting that entrants bring two apple pies, both in disposable pie pans - one to judge and one to be sold for the benefit of The Longacre House. The pies become proper-

ty of AppleFest.

6. Recipe must be included with pie. Winning recipe will be published in the Farmington Observer along with the winner's photo.

7. The homemade apple pie must be delivered to The Longacre House between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sept. 28.

8. Pie entry will be assigned a secret number at the registration booth. No identifying marks may be made on pie or pan.

9. Judging will commence at 1:30 p.m. The winner will be announced at about 2:30 p.m.

10. Entrant need not be present to win.

11. First prize will be \$100 and

1st place ribbon, recipe and photo in the newspaper. Second prize is \$35 with 2nd place ribbon and honorable mention in the newspaper. Third prize will be an AppleFest cooking apron, 3rd place ribbon and honorable mention in the newspaper.

12. Pies will be judge according to 1) appearance 2) taste and 3) texture.

To submit an entry, send your name, the date, your address, e-mail address and phone number. Mail it to Blue Circle - AppleFest, P.O. Box 1008, Farmington, 48336.

Or submit through the Blue Circle Web site at www.bluecircle.cc

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For more information on the following programs contact the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services at (248) 473-1800.

Fall Program Registration

Fall program registration for residents and non-residents is now open.

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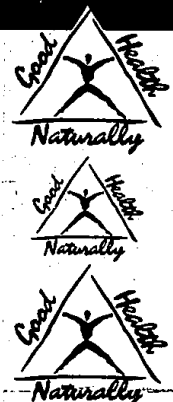
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