

Village plans 27th country fair

The 1976 special events season at Greenfield Village gets off to a colorful start May 13-16 with the 27th annual Country Fair of Yesterday. Recalling the excitement of old-time rural fairs, this four-day event offers something to delight adults and youngsters alike.

Everything that made the country fair a much anticipated and well-remembered annual event a century ago will be included in the fair. Parades, marching bands, farm animals, old-time crafts demonstrations and a variety show will highlight the activities.

Each day will begin with a colorful "Cavalcade of Transportation" parade through the Village streets led by highstepping high school bands. The parade is to feature

a variety of historic vehicles from a stagecoach and Conestoga wagon to light wheel bicycles and antique automobiles.

MUSIC WILL SET the pace during the weekend. Just inside the Village entrance, the Pigeon Flingers, an early American orchestra, sets visitors toes tapping right away. Other musical highlights include performances by a banjo band, barbershop quartets and 19th century-style folk singers and the country-western sounds of the Oklahoma Prairie Dust Band.

All day, each day of Country Fair there will be things to see and do all around the Village. The Early Engine Club will be on hand with chugging machinery to show how farm chores were once performed. On

the Activities Field, a variety show featuring a magician, ventriloquist and acrobats will be presented twice daily.

On Saturday and Sunday on the Village Green, the "Barnyard" an exposition devoted to keeping alive the heritage of American cycling, will demonstrate the pleasures — and perils — of manipulating tightwheeleders.

THROUGHOUT the village, craftsmen will be at work demonstrating the skills once essential to comfortable living. Butter churning, cider making, bannocking and rug hooking are but a few of the many arts they practice.

During country fair weekend, two cen-

tury-old steam locomotives — the Torch Lake and Mason No. 1 — will travel the Village perimeter, carrying visitors on nostalgic trips into the past. In Somers Park, the paddle-steamer steamer "Swansea" will begin weekend operations. Rides in pony carts, horse-drawn carriages and antique automobiles also are available.

Greenfield Village admission is \$2 for adults and \$1.25 for children six through 12. Children under six are admitted free.

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Program discusses infidelity

The Michigan Inter-Professional Association on Marriage, Divorce and the Family, Inc. will sponsor a program on women, infidelity and the double standard, on Thursday, May 13, in Somerset Inn, of Troy.

It is designed for professionals working in the disciplines of family life.

The program will discuss whether infidelity is far from being exclusive a male pastime or "perogative", or whether times are truly changing and the double standard is ending.

The two speakers will be William Nichols and Gertrude Zemon-Gass. The moderator will be Norman N. Robbins.

Nichols is a professor of home and family life and director of family and marriage counseling at Florida State University. He also is editor of the Journal on Marriage and Family Counseling and president-elect of the National Council on Family Relations. A certified marriage counselor, he has had a private practice in Michigan.

Ms Zemon-Gass is a psychotherapist and marital therapist in private practice in Birmingham. She has investigated and written about the women's movement — its impact on family life as well as its clinical implications for therapists working with couples.

For additional information and to make reservations (\$250 per person and \$1 for students) please call 963-6860, the office of the association.

Lamb roast

The youth of St. John Armenian Church, 22001 Northwestern, Southfield, will hold their annual lamb Roast at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 16 on the church grounds.

There will be Armenian music by the Johnites, lamb and pita with all the trimmings, and a bake sale with a variety of Armenian delicacies.

Art Boudadian of Southfield is chairman.

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