

# Dealer returns from buying tour ready for festival show

Farmington resident Dorothy Thompson is one of 22 antique dealers who will bring pieces to the Founders Festival Antique Show, held annually in the house and on the grounds of the Farmington Community Center.

She and her husband Jack, who live at 24117 Twin Valley Court, have just returned from an extensive buying trip to out-of-the-way places in England which resulted in a successful search for authentic antiques.

She speaks with excitement and anticipation of her exquisite stained glass windows, which she expects will be delivered in time for the show's opening on July 28. Each window is centered with a large crest of the city from which it comes; Battlesbridge, Ipswich, Woodbridge, Cambridge and St. Albans.

She is equally proud of her newly acquired 1720 Queen Anne brass candle holder, a bronze striker and pipe tapper, circa 1850; and a brass Uncle Tom ink well made in about 1870.

THEY ARE BUT a few of the treasures she will have on display, with prices ranging from \$10 to \$600.

"The price range will please the novice as well as the veteran antique buff," she said.

Other dealers will be displaying furniture and small items of copper,

glass, brass and jewelry. One of the out of the ordinary exhibitions coming to the show is Shirley Stone's "Christmas Plates."

The Thompsons own and operate Dorothy Thompson Antiques at 157 North Eaton, Birmingham, and together make frequent trips to England which Thompson says is "the last stronghold for antiques."

Mrs. Thompson obtained her antique know-how from "growing up with it and then cleaning it." Most of the pieces she collects for her shop have a story connected with their origins which she passes on to her clients because history is a good part of working with antiques. If the piece isn't registered, or cataloged she is pretty sure she can put a circa date on it.

The history of the piece, she says, "is what makes it fun."

THE FESTIVAL antique show is the eighth annual show to be sponsored by the Farmington Community Center with emphasis on bringing outstanding dealers to show the best of their collections.

The show will run on July 28-29, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

Luncheon and snacks will be available during show hours.

There will be a \$1.50 admission charge at the door.

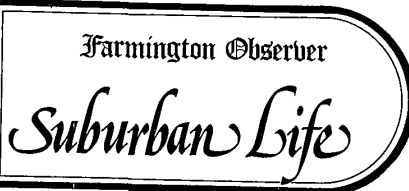


Dorothy Thompson, owner and operator of Dorothy Thompson Antiques, shows some of the pieces she will put up for sale when

Farmington Community Center sponsors its eighth annual antique show in conjunction with the Founders Festival.



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Kendallarks' director Jim Whitten is flanked by chorus members Bea Scaglione (on his left), Marie Clark and Ann Brincat. Invited artists will share the spotlight with the chorus for Sunday evening's performance. (Staff photo by Harry Mauthe)

## The Kendallarks bring their fun music to "Summer in the Park"

By LORRAINE McCLISH

The Kendallarks, a Farmington Hills based women's chorus that has gained a reputation for singing "fun music," continue the Summer in the Park series with a concert Sunday, July 23.

The series is made possible through a grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts, in cooperation with the Farmington Area Arts Commission, so there is no admission charge.

There is also no curtain on the stage of the open-air amphitheater on the Orchard Ridge campus of Oakland Community College, where all concerts within the series are held. Showgoers who come early can get a good seat for starters, then watch the sort of activity that usually goes on behind the curtain.

The show starts at 7 p.m. and the finale is timed before the mosquitoes come out. The campus is south of Twelve Mile, between Orchard Lake and Farmington roads.

Bea Scaglione, president of the Kendallarks, said, "Bring your lawn chairs or boat cushions, the neighbors, the kids and grandma, and enjoy the entertainment."

THE KENDALLARKS have been singing in Farmington and the surrounding areas for 21 years, and will use their expertise again in putting together a show with some invited guests.

The Costello sisters will dance to "Gonna Fly Now," the theme from "Rocky," and later in the program turn Spanish senoritas, to click their heels and castanets to "Ocarinas."

Teenagers Meg and Kathy Costello live in White Lake Township.

"We the People," a mixed quartet that originated in Greenville, Mich., are brought to the concert by Kendallarks director Jim Whitten, who with his wife, Terese, form half of the quartet.

The Whittens will also join for a duet of "Wunderbar" from "Kiss Me, Kate."

Barbershop singing for the show comes from a hybrid quartet made up of members of Those Other Guys and The Oakland Counts from the Oakland County chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA).

Marv Wilson, Darl Wiley, Don McDaniels and Stu Williamson's songs and snappy patter will comprise a whole segment of the program.

THE CHORUS has prepared a wide variety of songs for the concert, some familiar, such as "Feelings," "I Write the Songs," and "The Way We Were." The not-so-familiar songs in the line-up are for the most part done in a comedy vein—"Pollution" and "Little Old Lady in Tennis Shoes."

A few oldies but goodies will stir reminiscence for some, but all are there to get everyone's toes tapping.

"The Kendallarks always has room for new members, and the group is also available for hire for luncheons, banquets, group meetings and functions," Mrs. Scaglione said. "Talk to any of our members about this after the performance, or call us."

She can be reached by calling 626-3028. Secretary and president-elect of the group is Sara Woolard, who will take inquiries at 553-0182.

The Kendallarks' Katydid, a mini-chorus with its own costumes and repertoire, will not appear on the Sunday evening program, but will be out during Farmington Founders Festival sidewalk sale days July 27-28.

Festival-goers can catch the Katydid's act in the flower garden in front of the Masonic Temple, or by the fountain in Downtown Center, or wherever a group of passers-by choose to sing along.

The Katydid will also represent the Kendallarks in the Founders Festival parade July 29.

EIGHT WOMEN who lived in Kendallark subdivision in 1957 formed The Kendallarks with their singing talents in order to make a musical contribution to the community.

Today the chorus is about 40 members who regularly perform for social clubs, hospital benefit, churches, schools and special holiday programs with costumes and props.

Whitten joined the group as director about a year ago and just recently choreography has been added for special numbers. Norma Niblett is the group's accompanist for the calendar that now calls for about 25 concerts a year.

Most of the Kendallarks are housewives. Participation in the chorus is a hobby for all of them except the director.

## Neighbors get together for day of picnicking

Residents in Canterbury Commons subdivision got together Saturday for their annual family picnic which got under way when bike-riding members of the group paraded their colorfully-decorated vehicles through the neighborhood.

An afternoon of picnicking with games for all ages and a baseball match between residents on the east and west sides of the subdivision completed one of the homeowner association's purposes for the year.

Social and recreational activities for the residents in the 300-home subdivision is scheduled once a month as a pledge from the association's board, headed by Tom Hill of 30106 Fox Grove.

The spring agenda called for an egg hunt, a spring dinner dance and a treasure hunt. Coming up is a bridge party, a square dance, roller skating and Halloween party.

On the other side of the social end of things, the board pledges to promote (Continued on page 2B)



Meghan Mariatt (at left) and Charles Christman enjoy picnic fare with their neighbors in Canterbury Commons. Charles' costume is the one he wore in the bicycle parade which helped him to win the best of show prize in the three-wheeler competition for tots. (Staff photos by Allen Schlossberg)



Jack Karagozian was a hands-down loser in the subdivision's tug-o-war when a wrong flip of the rope landed him in the creek. (Staff photo by Allen Schlossberg)