

INSIDE ANGLES

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A SMASHING SUCCESS. That's the way organizers described the second annual Kids Day July 21 at Farmington City Park. Final tallies show 7,000 kids and adults attended a wide variety of activities — most free. Some 55 businesses, local schools, clubs, agencies and service organizations supported Kids Day by contributing money, materials, time and staff. Clowns, puppet shows, pony rides, games and amusement park rides were just a few of the offerings.

More than 60 youngsters paraded in their crumpled tennis shoes for the rotten sneaker contest, sponsored by Gabe Shoes of Farmington Hills. Gift certificates from the childrens shoe store were awarded to three winners.

IA would like to salute the major organizers of Kids Day II: Brian Sprague, Adults for Kids; Betty Paine, Farmington Community Center; childrens librarians Denise Albrecht and Jill Locke, Farmington Community Library; Barbara Pangura, Farmington Area Preschool Council; and Jeff Farland, Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation. A balloon bouquet to them and everyone else who participated.

WINNERS in the Farmington Founders Festival annual raffle are J. Blanchard, a Timex watch from Perry Drugs; Jeff Beston, a gift certificate from the Wishing Well restaurant; Dan Meyer, a \$25 certificate from Carousel Travel; Ed Frindy, a \$15 certificate from Canaby St. Salon; Edward Chrusciel, a \$10 certificate from Designs on You; G. Benglian, a \$10 certificate from Halina's Casuals; B. Penn, a \$10 certificate from Pixieland; B. not Jr., a \$10 certificate from Fireside Bookstore; and Mrs. E. Pallitt, a \$10 certificate from Colnate Color Film.

The Honeytree Restaurant won two pizzas from

Romano's; Nick Secca won two dinners from Sveden House; Poulsen won five games from Drake's; Lanes; Flossie MacDonald a \$10 certificate from Colnate Color Film; Dennis Stein, two Romano's pizzas; Bob Smith, a gift certificate from Artistic Interiors; Ann Robbins, five free games from Drake's; Mike Slater, a \$10 certificate from Colnate Color Film; Processing Luma, five games from Drake's; Lanes; J.N. Struthers, a cooker from Berrys Home Appliances; Bill Blankman, a dozen golf balls from Cushman Wakefield; and Marlene Chesney, two Romano's pizzas.

KUDOS TO KENNETH Faulkner, a Farmington High School student was elected governor at the annual American Legion Wolverines Boys' State. He was also elected to go to The American Legion Boys' State. Faulkner attended Wolverine Boys State on the Michigan State University campus earlier this summer, and was elected governor by the 1,000 in attendance. Boys Nation is at American University in Washington D.C. Faulkner is an 11th grade student.

Other boys who attended Wolverine Boys' State from the Farmington area include: Michael Miller, Mark Denny, Michael Grover, Mark Grover, Mark Bowditch, James Carey, James Franchi, Thomas Renard, Randy Brockman, John Gynerson, Roth Snively, Frederick McNeese Jeffery Mara and Donald Stewart.

THANKS TO EFFORTS of dozens of kids, The Old Woman in the Shoe float sponsored by the Farmington Library in this years Founders Festival Parade took a first place trophy in the non-commercial division. Fifty children surrounded the 'old woman,' children's librarian Denise Albrecht, who was dressed in a white cap, seated in a rocking chair, knitting. Children were dressed in costumes as Tarzan, a chef, ballerina, fairy, baseball player and old-fashioned girl. Others wore props like huge bow ties, and ribbons and carried lollipops, mixing bowls and spoons.

The large paper mache shoe was complete with a window, flowers, a three-dimensional door, roof, laces and trimmings. All decorations were done in the two libraries by elementary age kids. The final paper mache work, painting and decorating was completed by librarians, children and adult helpers. The shoe was carried on a 45-foot truck loaned by the Ellen Wood Manufacturing Co.

A BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL to raise funds to combat Huntington's Chorea, a killer disease, is slated Aug. 8-9 in Northville. The minimum donation is \$4 a person. Featured performers on Saturdays include the Country Gazette, Blue Velvet, Livingston County Grass, Phoenix, Dean Rutledge, Neil Woodward, Banjo Betsy and Joe Vermillion from WDET. The festival, at the Ford Athletic Field across Griswold Street from the Northville Ford Plant, begins at 1 p.m. each day.

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