

Club 65 Roses continues the fight against fibrosis

A dinner dance to aid in the fight against cystic fibrosis gets under way at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 5 in Dearborn's Hyatt Regency.

Called "Club 65 Roses Welcomes Detroit's Grand Prix" the event is co-chaired by Senator Don Riegler and Mrs. Basil Briggs. Radio host J.P. McCarthy will be master of ceremonies.

The name for the dance came from the efforts of a child who was trying to

say the name of his illness and called it "sixty five roses."

The image of 65 roses contrasts sharply with the real disease which is the nation's leading genetic killer of children. But now those across the country helping to fight the disease are using that child's poignant description to raise funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

In Detroit, tickets are \$75 each and are available by calling the metro

chapter at 552-9616.

Entertainment will be provided by the Johnny Trudell Orchestra and jazz trumpeter Marcus Belgrave, with singers Ursula Walker, Fat Bob Taylor, Sandy Mandella, Betsy Carter, Bonnie Jacobs-Silva and Dr. Yvan Silva.

Hostesses for the gala will be 25 contestants who will be vying for the title of Miss Michigan United in the beauty pageant that will be staged June 23 in Canton's Center Stage.

"IN PART we will be bringing night clubbing back to Detroit with a good dinner, fine company, and fabulous entertainment," Mrs. Briggs said.

"But we'll also be helping to take cystic fibrosis off the child killer list so when a child says '65 roses' he will be talking only of flowers."

Brett, Kristie and Kimberly Pearce from Farmington Hills have their pictures on literature, billboards and posters across the country now, serving as poster children for the national Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Their illness occurs once in every 1,600 births and is the most serious of the lung-damaging diseases, but can also affect the gastrointestinal system.

There is no known cure for cystic fibrosis, though through improved therapy and expanded research, increasing numbers of the children are living into their teens and adulthood with the ability to lead more normal and active lives than ever before.

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation aids in the identification of the disease through public education projects and gives related services concerning treatment and cure of cystic fibrosis as well as other lung diseases, including asthma, chronic bronchitis and childhood emphysema.

The Detroit metropolitan chapter of the national foundation is located at 24655 Southfield Road, Suite 210, Southfield.

Kristie and Kimberly Pearce, with their brother Brett, are the poster children for the National Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The Farmington Hills children have posed for pictures that appear across the country in the foundation's efforts to educate the public on the lung-damaging disease. The benefit in Detroit is called "Club 65 Roses Welcomes Detroit's Grand Prix" Saturday, June 5.



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Mrs. Basil Briggs and Senator Don Riegler co-chair "Club 65 Roses Welcomes Detroit's Grand Prix," a dinner dance to aid in the battle against cystic fibrosis, the nation's leading genetic killer of children.

Deadline nears for those wishing to vie for title of 'Miss Farmington'

If it's true that almost every girl dreams of being Miss America, then the way to get started is by entering the 1982 Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant. Deadline to apply is Tuesday, June 1.

The Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant is an official franchise of the Miss Michigan and Miss America pageants, and the winner of this local pageant automatically advances to the state competition. If she wins the title of Miss Michigan, she earns herself the opportunity to compete in the spectacular Miss America Pageant, held each September in Atlantic City.

Holly Ann (Schmidt) Lichtman, who was Miss Farmington 1977, won the 1977 state title as a representative of Farmington and Farmington Hills, and went on to compete in the coveted Miss America Pageant in the fall of 1977.

Miss Farmington 1981 is Kelly Gaeffer, who will relinquish her crown at the 1982 Scholarship Pageant and will represent the two neighboring cities at the 1982 Miss Michigan Pageant on June 12 in Muskegon. She was selected at last year's pageant as part of the annual Farmington and Farmington Hills Founders Festival and has appeared at numerous civic and social functions throughout the past year.

Television sportscaster Phyllis George Brown is a former Miss America. And Miss America 1978, Kylee Baiker, describes the pageant experience as "a challenging form of competition... it gives women the opportunity to display, test and develop those traits that will be necessary for their success throughout life."

That includes the chance to show that intelligence, self-confidence and

talent are important qualities for a Miss America.

TO ENTER the Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant, a young woman must have been a resident of Farmington or Farmington Hills since Jan. 1 and have never been married.

Entrants must be at least 17 years of age and not be more than 24 years old as of Sept. 15. Contestants will be judged on personality, poise, and talent, swimsuit and evening gown presentations by a panel of qualified judges. The talent portion is worth 50 percent of the total points awarded.

Talent presentations at previous Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageants have ranged from ballet to violin solos, magic acts to gymnastics routines, dramatic readings to clever display of original fashion designs or works of art.

Women entering the scholarship pageant will receive personal advice and tips from several former Miss Farmingtons. They also will participate in special workshops and seminars prior to the pageant competition for special instruction on personal grooming, talent performance, and modeling and interviewing techniques.

But time is running short. Entry forms and information are available from the Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce office, 23715 Farmington Road at Grand River (474-3440).

The Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant, which is now in its ninth year, will be staged Wednesday, July 28, in Vladimir's in Farmington. That is when Miss Farmington 1981 will end her reign, and Miss Farmington 1982 will be crowned.



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When this photo was taken last summer, Kelly Gaeffer was taking off down the runway after the announcement was made that she won the title of Miss Farmington 1981. Next week she'll be taking off for Muskegon to vie for the title of Miss Michigan.

Granning, Hansen, Stevenson take Eagle award from Troop 110

A day called "outstanding for Troop 110" by Tom Herrmann was the day that culminated years of work for three of its members who attained their Eagle Scout awards.

Dave Granning, Jim Hansen and Dave Stevenson are the area scouts who earned scouting's highest rank in ceremonies conducted by the troop sponsored by Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church.

Their awards were presented to them by Rick Lilley, an Eagle Scout and one of the young man's former scoutmasters.

The Eagle requirements include a progression through the scouting ranks, earning a minimum of 21 merit badges. "Eleven of these are required and 10 are optional, but each is a major task in itself," Herrmann said.

Another requirement is actively serving for a period of at least six months in a leadership position in the troop. Then the scout must plan, develop and carry out a service project which aids some religious institution, a school or an agency in the community.

"Each of our new Eagles has met the requirements and then some," Herrmann said.

DAVE GRANNING holds the Scout Life Guard and Best Camper Award as well as an award for making the fastest Klondike sled.

The senior at Catholic Central High

School is credited with saving the life of another scout two summers ago when that scout was taking his swimming test.

He was one of the scouts that passers-by Farmington Training Center saw fall when work was going on clearing brush, leaving the ground filling dirt, laying railroad ties for erosion, and generally sprucing up the center's grounds.

Jim Hansen, a senior at Farmington High where he maintains a 3.4 grade average and earned his varsity letter in swimming.

Because of his swimming abilities he was a part of the Special Olympics teaching team instructing the handicapped for competition.

Hansen is the third person in his family to become an Eagle and chose to work in Farmington Community Center gardens as his service project. That project amounted to moving about 1,000 bricks, he said, for a new garden design.

Dave Stevenson maintains a 3.3 grade point average at Detroit Catholic Central, and will enter University of Dayton next fall to study engineering. Meanwhile, he is employed with Ram's Horn Restaurant in Southfield.

Visitors to Farmington Historical Museum will see the results of Stevenson's community service project. He stripped, sanded and repainted all of the stairs and hand railings in the old mansion.



Jim Hansen (at left) Dave Granning and Dave Stevenson join the ranks of those who have earned the rank of Eagle in Troop 110, sponsored by Our Lady of Sorrows Church.

Terry Seaver heads Michigan Jaycees

Terry Seaver, a past president of Farmington Area Jaycees, has been elected president of Michigan Jaycees.

The election came after a two-month round of campaigning across the state. Seaver was recently named a Jaycee Senator, an honorary title given in recognition of outstanding service.

"I'm in an elite group," Seaver said. "The chapter members have to believe you've done a super job and have had a special unique impact on the chapter as a whole to nominate you."

As president of Michigan Jaycees, Seaver, who owns TL Printing in Farmington, will direct the activities of about 10,000 Jaycees. He will be

working with five vice presidents and a 70-member board of directors. Seaver is the 50th president. "It's a big milestone of accomplishment for me personally," he said.

SEAEVER HAS inherited a few ongoing community services that are traditionally carried out by all 30 chapters across the state.

All of the local chapters contribute to the National Institute for Burn Medicine in Ann Arbor. All are involved in the state-wide Special Olympics basketball tournament, and all are involved in raising money for the Muscular Dystrophy Associations of America.

"We've already set our (state) goal at \$135,000 to raise to fight MS," Seaver said.

"I have a few changes in mind to make," he said of his one year term, "but most of them will come by adding enthusiasm and excitement at the local levels. Something we're starting immediately is training the local chapters in how to go out into their own communities and find the needs in that community, then set about filling that need."

"It will be sort of an in-house outreach," he said. As Michigan Jaycee president, Seaver will be an automatic member of the U.S. Jaycees board of directors.



Terry Seaver

School board candidates speak in open forum

The four candidates running for the two vacant positions on the Farmington Board of Education will speak in an open forum at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 3, in Dunckel Middle School's cafeteria, 32800 12 Mile Road.

Incumbents Jack Inch and Janice Rolnick are in the race to retain their seats against challengers Jean Moran and Richard Corey. The electorate is invited at no charge to the program jointly sponsored by Farmington Branch of the American Association of University Women, League of Women

Voters, West Bloomfield-Farmington Branch, and Farmington Area PTA Council.

Each candidate will be introduced by a moderator and will give a five-minute speech presenting his or her position on school issues and the reasons they have for seeking election.

Following these presentations, the candidates will respond to written questions from the audience, submitted through monitors of the sponsoring organizations.

The host group has prepared a coffee hour to allow time for guests to have an opportunity to speak informally with the candidates.

Inch is a past president and vice president of Farmington School Board of Education. He has been a professor of economics at Oakland Community College since 1969.

Rolnick winds up her term as vice president for Farmington Board of Education this spring. She is a former elementary-school teacher, a former instructor in food awareness for Oakland

Community College and Oakland University, and a consumer advocate.

Corey is president and owner of a three-store retail chain and served for many years as a precinct delegate in the 17th Congressional District.

Moran is a former public school teacher now involved in religious education for Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church. She is a member of American Association of University Women, Hill and Dale Garden Club and a Girl Scout leader.