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Beautiful babies step up to take their prizes

Winners in this coed beauty contest skipped the swimsuit competition. Not one said they wanted to help mankind or secure a movie contract.

The oldest contests were pushing 12 months old. They participated in the Farmington Area Community Women's annual Baby Beautiful Contest, which benefits research into Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. The contest also promotes the Commu-

ty Women's car seat rental program, Buckle Up Babies.

As in previous years, deciding the winners made for a tough set of decisions, according to Debbie Thams, project chairwoman.

Six babies in two age categories were chosen as this year's most beautiful babies. In the 6 months to 1-year-old division, Ashley Wrobel, daughter of Harold and Cheryl Wrobel of Farmington Hills came in

first. Capturing second was Christopher Safran, son of William and Ann Safran of Farmington Hills. In the third spot was Kiera Frey, daughter of Gary and Patricia Frey of Farmington Hills.

IN THE newborn to 6-months-old category, Michael Dickey, son of Robert and Karen Dickey of Farmington Hills, was the winner. In second was Lauren Pachuta, daughter

of Greg and Colleen Pachuta of Farmington Hills. Andrew Campbell, son of Paul and Katie Campbell of Livonia, finished third.

Among the donated prizes the baby beauties took home with them were a portrait from Focal Point of Farmington and a weekend video camera rental from Negative Outlook Photographic, Farmington. Marmel Gifts and Toys Inc. of Farmington Hills and Kiddieland of

West Bloomfield donated stuffed animals.

Discovery Toys by Joyce Allerdinger donated a package of toys and Books Abound of Farmington kicked in a gift certificate.

All proceeds from the contest were donated to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome research. SIDS, also called crib death, is the leading cause of death in the country of babies between 1-12 months old. An es-

timated 7,000 infant deaths each year are attributed to SIDS, according to the National Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Clearinghouse.

Buckle Up Babies, the car seat rental program, provides Century Infant and toddler car seats for a nominal fee on a daily, weekly or yearly basis. Proceeds from the program are donated to child-related causes and activities.



In EMU concert

Paula Pashby and Michael Samardzija, both residents of Farmington Hills and both graduates of Farmington High School, are two of the 28 members of Eastern Michigan University's Chamber Choir. The choir will be in concert at 8 p.m. Friday in Pease Auditorium on the EMU campus. Proceeds from the concert will be used for the choir's Mexican tour in May. Pashby is majoring in music education. Samardzija is majoring in arts management.

Shamrock sales aid research

Once again, the Muscular Dystrophy Association is selling shamrocks for \$1 at bars, restaurants and convenience stores. The Shamrocks Against Dystrophy program runs through St. Patrick's Day, March 17.

This year's goal is to sell more than 20,000 shamrocks in Oakland

county. The money raised through the sale helps to provide for research, therapy, equipment and summer camp for local kids with muscular dystrophy. Last year, the event raised more than \$14,800. Participating establishments can be identified by the MDA shamrocks, posters and banners.

A major figure

Patrick Henry (1736-1799) was a major figure in the American Revolution. He served as Independent Virginia's first governor (1776-79, 1784-86) and is probably best known for his words, "Give me liberty or give me death." The Quakerstown Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution honors this great statesman.

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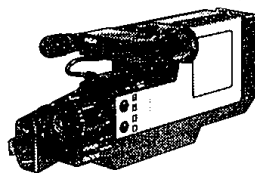
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Center needs volunteers

Common Ground, Oakland County's 24-hour crisis center, needs volunteers to provide telephone and face-to-face crisis intervention during daytime and early evening hours. Screening is required but previous experience is not necessary.

Training is provided. An orientation session is set for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, at Common Ground, 751 Hendrie Blvd., Lincoln at Woodward. No appointment necessary.

For further information, contact Donna Reymann, 543-3050.



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Additional donations are gratefully appreciated and can be mailed to the SHS-Rebuild the Library Fund, c/o the Southfield Eccentric, P.O. Box 187, Southfield, Michigan 48037.

For more information: City of Southfield Community Relations Department, 354-4854.