

# Kids Day: always a park full of fun

## Pet show among highlights

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Dr. John Richardson, a Farmington veterinarian and chairman of the annual pet show, will be on hand once more as a master of ceremonies.

For the 22nd consecutive year, Plaza Veterinary Hospital, where Richardson practices, and his Pets 'N' Particulars pet store will sponsor a children's pet show in conjunction with the Farmington/Farmington Hills Founders Festival.

This year's show, again part of Kids Day, will be at 1 p.m. on the stage of the showmobile in Shiawassee Park.

"I enjoy the kids," Richardson said. "Kids and animals are very unpredictable."

If you think your pet fits the following categories, you might want to consider entering the show:

- Largest pet with smallest owner.
- Best trained pet (30 seconds to perform).
- Pet with waggiest tail.
- Most articulate pet (the one that speaks the best).
- Best dressed pet and owner.
- Best presentation of a caged pet.
- Most unusual pet.

TROPHIES will be awarded to the first-, second- and third-place

winners in each category.

Entry forms are available at Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department playgrounds, in the Farmington Community Library children's sections, at the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce office, at the Farmington YMCA and at Pets 'N' Particulars (across from the Uptown Farmington Plaza at Grand River and Mooney).

Kids Day sponsors again will provide a float in the Founders Festival parade on Saturday, July 15, to give all the entrants a chance to display their pets to the community.

This year's sponsors are Pediatric Associates of Farmington, Our Lady of Sorrows Church/School, Metro Group Productions, the cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills, Farmington Public Schools, Farmington Public Safety Department, Observer Newspapers, Farmington Hills police and fire departments, Pets 'N' Particulars, Farmington Area Jaycees, Moto Photo of Farmington, Gymboree, Discovery Toys, Farmington Rotary Club, Metro Bank of Farmington, Contemporary Awards, Cinderella Carriage Service and Farmington Elks Lodge.



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Jonathan Haglund, who attended the old Cloverdale Elementary School and the old Farmington Junior High School, returned to Shiawassee Park at last year's Kids Day as "Jonathan the Juggling Fool." Above, he balances on a rolling barrel while he juggles flaming torches.



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