

club circuit

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WAITS, Broadhead-Farmington Hills Post 2269, was represented when Gold Star Mothers hosted their 41st annual Victory Day Service last Sunday in White Chapel Memorial Cemetery. The event was sponsored by Districts 2, 3, 4, and 5 and the Department of Michigan VFW.

Parade Marshal Fred Collet, from the local post, opened the memorial service which consisted of the parade of colors and placing of memorial wreaths.

Those participating in the service from Broadhead-Farmington Hills were Fred Esser, commander of the local post as well as commander of the Oakland County VFW Council, Fred Webber, Harold Rundquist and Jerry Rodebaugh.

WESTSIDE SINGLES meet for a dance party at 8 p.m. Friday in Livonia Elks Club on Plymouth Road east of Merriman; and at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Plymouth Hilton on Northville Road.

Admission is \$4 at the door for singles over the age of 21. The singles' hot line number is 277-4242.

DETROIT STORY LEAGUE meets at noon Saturday, Aug. 19 in Livonia Civic Center Library on Five Mile Road between Farmington Road and Merriman.

Guests are invited at no charge. Members and guests bring a bag lunch beverages and desserts are furnished by the hostesses for the day. Mary Harkless from Dearborn, Jean Jambar from Farmington Hills and

Hartmut Jung from Grosse Pointe. Storytellers for the day are Barbara Wallace from Wyandotte; Loraine Davis of Novi; Rose Farber from Birmingham; Paulina Leon from Detroit; Barbara Blackie from Ann Arbor and Barb Isack from Troy.

Their theme is "The Return." Storytelling workshop for the day, called "Voice Production and Projection" is led by Audrey Kirkland.

The service organization repsonsors to storytelling requests and give programs for adults and children. To make an appointment call Mary Beth Janisse in Royal Oak, 549-4286.

THE CHICKADEES JUNIOR GARDEN CLUB meet for its first session of the season at 415 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21 in the Farmington home of Jean Moran, 35454 Tall Pine.

The club was organized in 1980 by Hill and Dale Garden Club members who were interested in promoting gardening among children ages 5-11. Meetings for the remainder of the season are scheduled for the third Monday of each month.

The Chickadees are instructed by Hill and Dale members on horticultural topics, wildflowers, flower arranging, birds, butterflies and flower show procedures. The club is also involved in beautification of their community by planting flowers on the grounds of Botetford Hospital in the spring, and helping with grounds clean-up in the fall.

The meeting this month is an organizational session where members will learn how to press fresh flowers to be used in January for a pressed flower key chain.

Membership is open to all area children. Inquiries about membership is asked by Sally Ouellette, the group's adult leader, at 535-2915.

WELCOME WAGON of Farmington-Farmington Hills invites women who are newcomers to the area to a Welcome Salad and Splash Party at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23 at one of the members' homes.

The informal social will acquaint potential club members with the organization and its activities while enjoying a light lunch and pool dip. Participants are asked to bring a salad to share, a swimsuit and lawn chair.

Reservations are to be made with Charlotte Leicht, 851-2137.

FARMINGTON KIWANIS meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23 in The Sweden House, in Uptown Center on Grand River west of Orchard Lake Road.

Speaker for the evening is Clarence Duke. His topic is the life of former Kiwanis Michigan Governor Helen Pingree.

Farmington Golden Kiwanis meet at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 24 in Mercy Center. Carl Campbell will speak on "Immigration."

Guests are welcome at both meetings. Inquiries are taken by Lloyd Smith, 474-2431.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 33203 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.

She's art smart

By Chirlee Rose Iden
staff writer

In any two-month period, Southfielders who appreciate music have their pick of some 30 concerts featuring jazz, Broadway tunes, great instrumentalists and more to enjoy free of charge.

And the Business Consortium for the Arts, a prestigious arts group based in Southfield, will soon sponsor "Michigan Outdoor Sculpture II." A series of art and science festivals keeping Southfield patrons and others stimulated and entertained 12 months of the year.

These are just a few of the reasons that Mariowé Belanger, a Farmington Hills resident and director of the Cultural Arts Division of Southfield Parks and Recreation, is a winner. With more than a decade on the job, Belanger, already recognized as a leader in her field, and an innovating programmer, has received the 1989 Dottie Mullen Arts and Humanities Award from the National Recreation and Parks Association; Great Lakes Region.

She is now a candidate for a national award to be decided from among eight regional winners and



Mariowé Belanger
presented in San Antonio, Texas, in October.

The regional award was given to her on MacInac Island with Belanger's husband, son and daughter present.

"I CAME to Southfield in 1979 and it's going on 11 years now," said Belanger. "I'm still here and I love

being challenged."

Belanger came to Southfield from a job with Oakland County that was very service oriented. Here, it's people service that she enjoys as her focus.

"I like to think of what we do here as creating new art in a new manner. We try to show people that they can be part of the arts. Just think, there are 31 symphonies in a tiny country like Israel."

"My goal is for the arts to become as common for residents as a baseball game for a sports buff," she said.

Belanger earned a bachelor's degree in arts administration at the University of Michigan and an additional liberal arts degree from Oakland Community College.

This is the first time Michigan has been recognized by the National Recreation and Parks Association," she said.

A leader in appreciation of the arts, the city of Southfield was one of the first Michigan cities to make a serious investment there by hiring Belanger as full time arts coordinator and by expanding its arts expenditure many times over during the last decade.

Center marks 20th year

Editor's note: For 20 years the doors of The Community Center have been kept open through the work of men and women who volunteer to serve as its directors. The Farmington Observer presents the members of the 1989 duces to readers as part of the center's 20th anniversary year observance.

Nine year Farmington Hills resident Nancy Finley has been a long time community affairs activist. In her four years of membership to the board of directors of The Community Center Farmington-Farmington Hills, she served as board president 1985-1986, chaired the community relations committee and served on the financial development committee for the past two years.

Her most significant contribution to the center was appearing before Farmington Hills City Council a few years ago to garner its support when the center was in financial distress. She believes the center fills a need in the community for cultural opportunities close to home.

Vice president and director of corporate service quality for Michigan National Corporation, Finley is concerned with the financial stability of the center and hopes that the current

renovation of the facility will be helpful in marketing the center to businesses as a favorable meeting rental location.

She is an eight-year member and former president of the Chamber of Commerce Farmington-Farmington Hills. She is also active in fund raising for the Y.M.C.A. and political campaigns.

She and her husband Jon are the parents of a two-and-a-half year old son and are expecting their second child in October.



Nancy Finley

Pasties in the fast lane

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employees they've hired to keep the dough rolling.

THEIR WORK days usually go from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and most mornings, you're sure to find them in the kitchen of one of the stores, grinding rutabaga, rolling dough and making the pasties.

"Granted they have a lot of time-saving equipment in the kitchen — a machine that rolls out the dough balls, one that cuts peeled potatoes into neat little cubes and a grinder that turns rutabaga cubes into yellow mush."

"We grind it so it mixes more thoroughly with the meat and onion and spreads the taste throughout the pasty," Quail explained. "That way you taste everything in every bite."

But even with the time-saving machines, there's still between 400-500 pasties to be made each day. Most are sold the day they're made. The leftovers are frozen and sold that way for people interested in stocking their freezers.

They claim their pasties have that Upper Peninsula taste and point to residents of Calumet, who buy their pasties and take them across the bridge.

One customer, Joanne Whell, ordered about 50 pasties for a family dinner for her husband's relatives Dennis and June York, natives of Cornwall, England. Admittedly, Whell was nervous about serving an American-made Cornish dish to the Yorks, but said they were "thorough-

ly enjoyed."

"It made their last day in the States a good one," she said.

To make sure, they taste-test pasties made at every store every day. And while the novelty of eating pasties has worn off, they admit that they haven't gotten tired of making them.

"It's exciting when you have a big order," Lochinski said. "You spend the entire week making them and all the while you're thinking about the 500 people who are going to eat them. It really gets you excited."

Now that they're budding businessmen, they do have some advice for those considering self-employment.

"PATIENCE, endurance and confidence," Lochinski said. "You have to have patience because nothing happens overnight. And you have to be able to endure all those long days."

"And you have to have confidence that you have the best product. People aren't going to walk in and say they know your product is good. You have to have the confidence to tell them that it's good."

"The main thing is that whatever you do, make sure there's a market for it," Quail added. "Second, be ready to work and make a commitment."

And as for being successful, they said their employees are "a real big part" of their making it in the business world.

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