

WEDDING ENGAGEMENTS

Celebrate cultures Saturday

The Finnish Cultural Center in Farmington Hills will host Finnish and Hungarian Ethnic Night Saturday, Oct. 27. The evening will include a variety of ethnic foods and dancers. The cost is \$20 per person and reservations can be made by calling 478-6939. The center is located at 35200 W. Eight Mile.

Forms available

Forms to announce weddings or engagements are available at the Farmington Observer office, 33411 Grand River, west of Farmington Road, weekdays between 9-5.

engagement of their daughter Cathy to Jeff Grownney, son of Dr. John and Gertrude Grownney of Ashland, Kan.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Indiana University School of Business and is working as a project director for Diagnostic Research in Los Angeles, Calif.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Polytechnic State University with a degree in industrial technology. He is employed as a strategic accounts manager at AT&T in Irvine, Calif.

A May 2002 wedding is planned.



ALCORDE-EATON

Thelma Alcorde of Farmington announces the engagement of her daughter Tara Catherine to Shane Duncan Eaton, son of Warren Eaton of Ann Arbor and Marcia Bennett of Point Pleasant, W.Va.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Farmington High School and the University of Michigan with degrees in cultural anthropology and English. She is pursuing a master's degree in anthropology and works for the National Science Foundation, and also for the Institute of Information Technology & Culture.

Her fiancé is also a graduate of U of M with a degree in computer engineering. He is employed by Internet Security Systems in Southfield.

A spring 2003 wedding is planned.

stood there is a small shopping center. An office building stands on the site of the Coe store.

Ruth Mochman is a local historian and author

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on the west side of Farmington Road north of 13 Mile. Children were taught by one teacher for grades one through eight. The school was heated by a wood burning stove and drinking water was carried to the school in a bucket.

The school was the center of social activities including plays. For nighttime activities, the mothers brought lamps to school. The first Nichols School was torn down in 1919. It was rebuilt by Grant Putnam. The 1919 building burned down in 1979.

Children played basketball and baseball. There was a playground. One of the attractions for children was an ancient Dutch elm tree that grew right in the intersection of 13 Mile and Orchard Lake. It grew until the 1960s when it either died of Dutch elm disease or was cut down after a bad automobile accident.

North Farmington was important enough to have a post office. In 1850 Chauncey Wolcott was the first postmaster. The post office was in his store. There was a succession of postmasters, each

moving the post office to his residence or business. The last was Theodore Armstrong, who lived on the West Bloomfield side of 14 Mile.

Rural delivery

Rural free delivery was established in 1898 and the North Farmington Post Office that was in West Bloomfield closed on Sept. 15, 1902.

The North Farmington cemetery is still there and is operated by a private cemetery association. It dates back to 1827 and was reincorporated in 1874. One of the social affairs in old North Farmington was a cemetery association picnic. Local ladies made lunches and the men did on the lunches and got to eat them with the lady who made them. The picnic was held at the school house. The funds collected were used to keep up the cemetery.

Two or three of the original houses are still standing, and the cemetery is still there. Part of North Farmington has been recycled. There is a gas station. Where the milk receiving station

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PREVIEW

Thursday, November 1 - 12 Noon to 6 PM.
Friday, November 2 - 12 Noon to 6 PM.
Monday, November 5 - 10 AM to 5 PM.

AUCTION

Tuesday, November 6 - 6 PM.
Wednesday, November 7 - 6 PM.
Thursday, November 8 - 6 PM.



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