

Finnish Center hosts jamboree

The Finnish Center Association of Farmington Hills will hold its annual Springfest/Jamboree Friday, May 31 through Sunday June 2.

A fish fry and the Novi Community Band will kick off the three-day event at 5 p.m., Friday.

A variety of folk bands and musicians will perform throughout the day beginning at noon on Saturday. Sunday begins with

Lutheran worship services at 9 a.m. and a pancake breakfast at 11 a.m. The Finnish American Singers will close out the weekend with their annual spring concert at 3 p.m.

Food and beverages will be available throughout the weekend and visitors can also browse the Finnish Center Library.

The Center is located at 35200 W. Eight Mile Road. Call (248) 478-6939.

MILITARY NEWS

Pendergraft serves on Operation Noble Eagle

Specialist Joe Pendergraft of Farmington Hills, a member of Charlie Company 1st Battalion 126th Infantry, Michigan Army National Guard, was mobilized into federal services in support of Operation Noble Eagle on Feb. 25.

Specialist Pendergraft is normally employed as a Michigan State Police Trooper at the Metro North Post in Oak Park. Pendergraft's wife, Heidi, is a teacher for the Novi Public School System and they are expecting their first child in August.

Due to the events of Sept. 11, national attention has been sharply focused on the security

of our nation's borders.

To prevent future attacks and protect the American public, equipment and personnel have been requested from the department of defense by federal agencies to assist in securing the nation's borders.

Pendergraft, along with 146 other soldiers from the Michigan Army National Guard were mobilized on Feb. 25 in support of Operation Noble Eagle and the war on terrorism.

Currently Federal agencies are securing the Ambassador Bridge and Windsor Tunnel, the Blue Water Bridge in Port Huron, and the International Bridge in Sault St. Marie.

ETHEL V. GREEDA
Services for Ethel Vivian Greeda, 80, formerly of Farmington Hills, were held May 11 at St. Colman Catholic Church in Farmington Hills with the Rev. Norbert Kendzierski officiating. Burial took place at Rose-land Memorial Cemetery in Oxford.

Mrs. Greeda was born Oct. 23, 1921 in Detroit and died May 9, 2002 at St. Joseph Hospital in Pontiac. She was a homemaker. She is survived by her husband, John; sons, Christopher, Curtis (Claire) and Keith; brother, Frank Spitzery; sister, Yvonne Bergmeyer; and grandson, Brent Greeda. She is preceded in death by her son, Gilbert.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mental Health Association in Michigan, 10920 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48076.

Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

JANE Q. BURROWS
Services for Jane Gargone Burrows, 75, of Farmington Hills, will be held at East Haven Memorial Funeral Home in East Haven, Conn. with burial at East Lawn Cemetery in East Haven, Conn.

Mrs. Burrows was born June 24, 1926 in New Haven, Conn. and died May 11, 2002 at Farmington Hills Hospice. She worked as a bookkeeper at Bradford Senior Center when she lived in Connecticut.

She is survived by her daughter Karen (Robert) Chappell; son, Russell (Lisa) Burrows; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. She is preceded in death by her husband Russell.

Arrangements made by Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington.

JOSEPH J. GIES, JR.
Services for Joseph Jeremiah Gies Jr., 93, of Farmington Hills, were held May 14 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Farmington with the Rev. Loren O'Dea officiating. Burial took place at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights.

Mr. Gies was born Sept. 22, 1908 in Detroit and died May 10, 2002 at Huron Valley Sinai Hospital. He worked as an assessor for the Wayne County Bureau of Taxation and earned a degree in civil engineering from the University of Detroit. He was an honorary member of the Knights of Columbus, a member of the Holy Family Council #11811, and a past officer of the Michigan Dalia Society. He was an avid square and round dancer and loved to travel.

He is survived by his wife, Melvina; sons, Jerome (Barbara), David (Sandra), Timothy (Karyn) and Joseph (Nancy); daughter, Sharon Vold; two brothers; three sisters; 17 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his son, Michael.

Memorial contributions may

be made to Odyssey Hospice, 26111 Evergreen Road, Suite 303, Southfield, MI 48076.

Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

WESLEY L. BERRY SR.
Services for Wesley Louis Berry Sr., 79, of West Bloomfield, were held May 15 at Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills with the Rev. Benjamin Bohnsack officiating.

Mr. Berry was born May 22, 1922 in Detroit and died May 10, 2002 at Dotsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. He was the owner of Wesley Berry Florist and served in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II. He enjoyed fishing and hunting.

He is survived by his wife, Florence; son, Wesley Jr. (M); daughters, Lois (Tom) Bandlow and Lynn Lanstra; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his brother Arthur.

Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

WARREN G. SMITH SR.
Services for Warren Grant Smith Sr., 83, of Farmington Hills, were held May 14 at Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington.

Mr. Smith was born Oct. 18, 1908 in Chicago and died May 12, 2002, at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. He worked as a construction foreman for the

State of Michigan Department of Conservation and was one of the first two water patrolers for the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. He had been a member of the Punta Gorda Lion's Club since 1971.

He is survived by his wife, June; sons, Warren Jr. (Beth) and Dale (Marie); granddaughter, Kathy Smith; grandson, Jeffrey Smith; and sister, Hazel Kientz.

MARION D. COLVIN
Services for Marion D. Colvin, 76, of Canton, will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, May 17 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Colvin was born Sept. 11, 1925 in Tiffin, Ohio and died May 14, 2002 in Canton. He was a district manager for the Social Security Administration and also worked for General Filters in Novi. He was a World War II veteran and life-member of the V.F.W. in Northville.

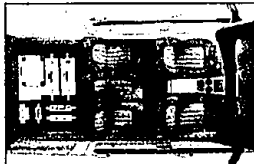
He is survived by his wife Betty; sons, Jeffrey (Suzanne) Colvin and Frederic Bauer; daughters, Lori (Brian) Bucalo, Nora Bauer, Lisa (Thomas) Lewandowski and Kimberly Kozachenko; mother, Esther Colvin; sister, Mary (James) Craven; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice.



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