

Rotarians Aiding Library, Spreading Heritage

The Rotary Club of Farmington, entering its third year of existence in the community, will send its members into action for all three days of the 1971 Farmington Founders Festival to raise funds for the Farmington District Library. The fund-raiser for the new library on 12 Mile east of Farmington Rd. now nearing completion will be a large games tent right next to Federal's Department Store in the Downtown Farmington Center.

THE TENT is being furnished to provide the comfort of shade from the hot sun or shelter in case of rain for festival goers, explains Roger Peck who's directing Festival activities for the Farmington Rotarians.

Inside the tent will be three games for young and old with prizes for winners including funny hats, plush animals, etc.

An unusual feature, however, is that there will be no losers for those attending the Rotary games. Anybody not winning the big prizes will automatically qualify for a grab bag containing a consolation prize.

"Everybody loves a winner," quips Peck, "but we Rotarians love losers too. With us, everybody is a winner." Peck is owner of Roger Peck Chevrolet, Inc., on Grand River in Farmington Township.

"Rotary's motto is 'Service Above Self,'" explains Joe Nicita, club president, "and Farmington Rotarians feel very strongly about community service."

"We have pledged to support the library because it is a community agency which serves the entire community, residents of all ages, races, backgrounds and needs."

THE CLUB will also be entering a float in the parade Saturday.

The director planning the float details is Austin Coughlin, manager of the National Bank of Detroit branch at 2602 Middle Belt, Farmington Township.

Besides dedicating itself to community service, the Rotary Club of Farmington is also using one of the Rotary traditions to spread the heritage of Farmington throughout the world.

The tradition is a club banner which is taken by members while traveling and exchanged with other Rotary clubs throughout the world.

THE FARMINGTON club's banner contains a line drawing of the Warner Mansion, former residence of Michigan Governor Fred Warner and a Farmington community landmark.

Warner was an early pioneer in Farmington and served as governor between 1905-10.

Farmington Rotarians visiting foreign countries will take the banner, and when presenting it to another club, will explain the significance of the mansion on the banner and, thus, spread throughout the world an important story of Farmington's history.

The former governor's mansion in Farmington still exists on Grand River and is being occupied by a member of the family, one of the governor's daughters.

The Farmington Rotarians feel a link to the Warner family and Farmington's heritage because one of its members is Alan Warner, a grandson of the former governor.

Rotary International is the oldest service club in the United States. The Farmington club meets every Tuesday at 12:10 p.m. in the Botsford Inn.

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SPREADING HISTORY — The banner of the Rotary Club of Farmington, distributed internationally by members, contains an important part of the community's history — a drawing of the mansion of former Governor Fred Warner. (Evert photo)

Rotary GREETINGS

FARMINGTON MICHIGAN U.S.A.

GOVERNOR'S MANSION 1905-1910

Franklin Band Returns For Thursday Concert

The opening night of the seventh annual Farmington Founders Festival will once again feature a concert by the Franklin Village Band.

The 60-minute concert will begin at 7:15 July 29 by Federal's Department Store in the Downtown Farmington Center.

Immediately after the concert, beauty contestants will arrive on stage and the Queen and her Court will be announced before the large crowd which annually is attracted to the concert.

The Franklin band is a favorite in Farmington because it is directed by Dr. Conrad Lam, Wood Creek Farms resident. Lam founded the band in 1959 with four members, including his wife Marion who plays the bass drum.

Lam, chief of thoracic surgery at Henry Ford Hospital, once sold instruments and organized community bands in Texas and has thus earned the title locally of "The Music Man."

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