



BEARD CONTEST WINNERS at the Farmington Founders Festival were, from left, Robert Goers, the reddest; Roger Goers, the neatest; John Foley, the longest; and Wally Christensen, the curliest. The four



HARRISON, JOHNSON, a resident of Farmington for more than 30 years, accepts a certificate of appreciation from Ned Ogleby during the "Farmington Honors Its Own" ceremony following the Farmington Founders Festival Parade. Mr. Johnson was one of the long-time residents of the community honored.



over the coals. During the three days of the Festival the Elks had meat sizzling all the time while the men took over the cooking chores.



WATERMELON is awfully good, but sometimes it poses problems on the best means of eating. Four-year-old Lisa Anderson of 23100 Purdue tackles her piece near the Farmington Soroptimist booth during the three-day Farmington Founders Festival.

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The name of the beautiful filly foal born July 3rd to Centaur, Holloway, Mott, "Maggie" has been officially registered as "Sudney's Child". Credit for naming her must be given to Andrea Potts, 12-year-old daughter of Tom and Norma Potts, Assistant Manager of Centaur, located on Drake Road near Wall Lake Road in West Bloomfield. Maggie, the "Sudney's Child" will soon join Touche, the first foal to be born at Centaur, in the Stables, and they may meet and see them. Touche recently celebrated her first birthday.

MORE HISTORY

Readers have asked us to continue with our discussions of the history of various breeds of horses, and today we comply with a discussion of the American Quarter Horse. This is the official designation of a prominent breed which claims as its founder the English Jockey, John Farquharson, of Virginia in 1753 and propagated a racing strain noted for its extreme speed over a quarter of a mile and its great distance. When the advent of course or four-mile racing, it retreated to the background and finally found a home in the far southwest.

This breed was kept alive by frontier men and their boys in a desultory way until it became the subject of organized promotion and publicity. Its development was entirely thoroughbred with an admixture of the blood of the pleasure or range horse descended and from the Morgan, the Quarter Horse. Of the last-named variety, few genuine specimens survive, the modern representation of the Morgan being in the moustings, bronchos, foals, pinto and other sub-species recorded and used upon the range.

In a "Centaur Post" column soon, we will discuss the founding of the American Quarter Horse Society, which is, surprisingly, of rather recent vintage.

HOW SMART?

The intelligence of the horse has been appraised in widely different terms. Ordinarily it is ranked fourth among the lower animals, following the elephant, ape and dog. On the other hand, the horse has been dropped to tenth or even lower in the list. While this is a question of horse intelligence, riding them is a wonderful sport. Come out to Centaur Farm Stable on Drake Road near the crossroads of Walnut Lake Road in West Bloomfield Township and let us show you how intelligent we can make it for YOU!

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PRIZES were in store for about everyone at the Farmington Founders Festival. Three-year-old Mary Anne Pell of 32631 Meadowlark won a monkey which she displays proudly.



COWBOY HATS are the preferred headgear of the younger set in Farmington and during the sidewalk sales of the Farmington Founders Festival Mrs. Colburn uses

all her selling powers on, from left, Captain Pell, 5, and Mary Anne, 3½. They live at 32631 Meadowlark Court. (Photos by Tom Donoghue)

Festival Has Crowds

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one of the residents honored at the Festival Thursday.

Friday night hungry people lined up along Farmington Rd. waiting for their chance at the scrumptious food prepared by the local order of the Eastern Star at their Old Fashioned Country Threshers Dinner.

They then joined the Downtown Center Parking Lot to see Rita Bell, Town Spa, Pat Murphy and Festival Queen Debbie Mann choose the winners of the board growing contest sponsored by the Farmington Elks and the Farmington Enterprise.

The winners were: Robert Goers, the reddest; Roger Goers, the neatest; John Foley, the longest; and Wally Christensen, the curliest.

A capacity crowd filled the Farmington Junior High Auditorium to see the top notch entertainment provided by the local folk at the Founders Follies Friday night.

Following this some of the members of the audience—Queen Debbie Mann and her official chaperones Mayor and Mrs. Samy Bruberton made the mad dash to Michigan's TV star, Marti Kristen as she got off a plane from Hollywood in time to participate in Saturday's festivities.

Saturday morning crowds, estimated at 10,000, by police, lined Grand River to view the Festival Parade.

Following this they then traveled to the Village Green to help Farmington Honor Its Own. A total of 12 achievement awards were presented to Farmington residents for distinction in fields ranging from drama and music to industry and sports.

The community also took time at this point to honor its founders with certificates going to 12 residents who were more than 80 years of age and have lived in Farmington for at least 50 of those years.

Lt. Governor William Milkin spoke—briefly—and the event was enjoyed by all. Following this the credit was given to the sidewalk sales, the ox roast, the many booths around town or the City Park where baseball

games were in progress. More than 800 people were served at the James Chicken Barbecue Saturday night and many of them stayed to enjoy another open air band concert—this one by the Farmington Community Summer Band.

The fun-packed three days drew to a close Saturday evening when the City of Farmington sponsored a square dance in the Downtown Center parking lot. Mr. and Mrs. Harley Wood were the callers for this event.

All in all we guess it really isn't surprising that the Board of Commerce office was relatively quiet Monday morning.

Council

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exactly what he wanted, to establish some guidelines and policies.

There was a "good deal of talk in the community about consolidation and how should it be handled.

With that the Council voted to meet in the executive session Aug. 11.

Bruberton said that he had talked to Vagnoni and explained the problem to him, that he could not speak for the Council and that he would not be in town on the night of the meeting, but promised to let the Democrats know what the position of the Council was and what action was being taken.

Allen said that he would be present at the meeting "as a citizen, not as a councilman" and City Attorney Robert Kelly was instructed to be present. City Manager John Dinan said that he would have some technical information available about financial meetings.

Bruberton said that Vagnoni had told him that a similar request had gone to the Township officials who had refused to attend.

DIANE HAMILTON, 12, of 2084 Robinson, took first place with 74 jumps in the Farmington Area Recreation Commission's Annual Field Day held Friday in conjunction with the Farmington Founders Festival.

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Schools

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