

Nelson attains Eagle rank



James E. Nelson

A milestone Court of Honor was staged by Boy Scout Troop 389 when James E. Nelson was given his Eagle Award simultaneously as the troop marked its 50th year.

Nelson attained the highest pinnacle of scouting with the troop that was founded as Troop 89, in 1918, under the sponsorship of Grand River Avenue Church in Detroit. That church merged with Niide Church in 1927 and became known as Nardin Park Methodist Church, located on Grand River and West Chicago Avenue in Detroit.

In 1982 Nardin Park moved to Farmington Hills.

Because of the moves there were several breaks in the continuity of the

troop. When it was reactivated in Farmington Hills, the troop took its new number, 389.

Since that time Troop 389 has served as the Governor's Honor Guard on Mackinaw Island eight times. Its present scoutmaster is John Farley, who heads up the troop meetings on Tuesdays in the church's Scout Room on 11 Mile Road, east of Middlebelt Road.

NELSON is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Nelson, and a sophomore at Harrison High School who entered Boy Scouting in the spring of 1977.

He is holder of the Brotherhood Award from Order of Arrow, Chippewa Lodge 29, and now serves as treasurer of that lodge.

At school he is a member of Harri-

son's varsity football team with plans to pursue a career as a conservationist or petroleum engineer.

He is an avid camper and backpacker. He is a collector of coins and beer cans.

Mothers of his fellow troop members hosted a dinner in his honor prior to the Court of Honor ceremonies and then a reception for him afterwards.

Eagle Scout Ron Ligenza, escorted Nelson's parents to the stage for the ceremonies, and Eagle Scout Terry Finafrock made the Eagle presentation.

Nelson completed his community service project, a requirement for the rank of Eagle, enhancing picnic tables, benches and playground equipment for the grounds of Nardin Park Church.

Extension Service gives tips for picnic safety

The Oakland County Cooperative Extension Service offers three simple tips for keeping food safe in spite of warm weather: Keep hot foods hot; keep cold food cold; keep food clean.

Food-poisoning bacteria grow best between 60-120 degrees so food stored within this temperature range for more than two hours is likely to be contaminated.

Hot food should be heated to at least 140 degrees and transported to a nearby picnic site in an insulated chest or bag. As long as the food is kept warmer than 140 degrees it is safe to travel distances more than two hours away. Hot food also can be refrigerated and reheated or cooked at the picnic area.

Cooled foods should be transported in an insulated ice chest with plenty of ice and chilled until ready to serve. Bacteria is likely to grow in cold foods allowed to sit at temperatures above 40 degrees. Because the center of food stays warm in deep storage containers

allowing bacteria to grow, shallow dishes are recommended for transporting cold food.

To ensure cleanliness and avoid cross contamination, wash hands, all food containers, and utensils before and after handling raw meat or poultry. Any containers used to store picnic food also should be washed before and after use. Keeping food covered on the table prevents insect contamination.

There is no need to fear the outdoors. By following these three picnic safety steps, you can avoid spoiling picnics.

New daycare center opens

Tiny Towne Daycare is a new daycare center to be opened in Farmington Hills Christian Center, corner of Drake and Freedom roads in Farmington Hills.

The name 'Tiny Towne' sets the mood for the theme of the new center for children ages 2 to through 5. Applications, both full and part time are being accepted.

The center is licensed by the state with qualified, experienced director and staff, and open year-round, Monday through Friday, 6:45 a.m.-5 p.m. Lunches and snacks will be provided.

The well-equipped facilities will provide an atmosphere allowing the children to grow mentally and physically in a happy, secure surrounding.

For enrollment or further information call Tiny Towne, 478-1571. Ten dollars will be deducted from the first week's fee for registrations made before July 12.

m.m. memos



Margaret Miller

It's Annie, any way

I was heading out for a brief encounter with 11 little girls. All I had been told was wearing Annie dresses and hairdos and they were going to sing and dance for a benefit.

Which led me to another comment that Annie seems to be taking over these days. The musical, and now the movie, and dolls and now dresses.

We agreed there was another Annie we had known, one who didn't sing about the sun coming up tomorrow and tomorrow being only a day away.

"Do you remember," she asked, and broke into tune, "Who's a little chatter-box?"

And without hesitation, I could come back with "The one with curly auburn locks."

We didn't want to torture anyone at desks close by, and anyway, there wasn't anyone else around of sufficient maturity to know what we were talking (or singing) about.

But we agreed we could both go right through the lyric of the radio show that came on at 5:45 each Monday through Friday before supper and recounted adventures much wilder than the orphanage scenes in the musical.

"DON'T remember how Annie talked on that show," my co-worker commented, "but I sure can remember the way Sandy went: 'Ar! Ar!'"

I headed out to my meeting with the current Annies and thought about the ones of earlier days.

I remembered weekends of suspense when the Friday episodes left Annie and Sandy (and for that matter their

time-sit precursors Jack Armerstrong, the all-American boy and Billy and Betty) stuck in horrible spots like halfway up a cliff in Tibet or rafting non-stop down the Amazon in a South American jungle. They always got out safely on their own.

I also remember puzzling out messages intoned in code by the announcer. They could be decoded by a decoder ring that was available for several Ovaltine box tops. It took me a while to get one of those rings because I didn't care much for Ovaltine and couldn't get my younger brother to drink it either. When I finally acquired a ring, I decided it was more fun to decode without it.

AND OF COURSE there was yet another Annie who preceded the chatter-box whirly auburn locks and the one who knows tomorrow is only a day away.

She was the one met daily in the newspaper. I had trouble dealing with her circle eyes, though, and I liked the radio Annie much better.

Somewhere in childhood, too, I remember seeing a magazine cartoon. It showed a little girl filling a whole clothesline with red dresses with white collars and saying to someone on the other side of the backyard fence: "No, I don't wear the same dress every day. I have a lot of them."

I reached my destination and found smiling Annie 11-fold. The Annie way back then had no idea how she and her dresses would proliferate.

Vying for Miss Pre-Teen

Jennifer JoAnne Schack, 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Schack of Farmington Hills, has been selected as a finalist in the 1982 Miss Michigan National Pre-Teen Pageant. The pageant will run Sept. 10-11 in Grand Rapids' Amway Grand Plaza.

The sixth grader at Dunckel Middle School will be vying for a cash scholarship, a crown and banner, and a round-trip flight to the national pageant to compete with other state winners for the title of Miss National Pre-Teen of 1982.

The young cellist will be judged on poise, personality, her talent, an interview and on-stage appearance.

She is being sponsored by H.R. Krueger Machine Tool, Inc. of Farmington and Ideal Accents, Inc. of Farmington Hills.



Jennifer Schack

Chorus calls for singers

The Farmington Hills Chapter of Sweet Adelines is still looking for a few women, age 16 and over, to sing with the chorus in international competition, the first week of October, to be held in Minneapolis, Minn.

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