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FARMINGTON NOTES

Heritage picnic

The annual subdivision picnic for residents of Heritage Village, Nine Mile and Holsted in Farmington Hills, will be held this month. Date and time have yet to be decided, Heritage Village Association officials said. Check with Nancy Merrell for details.

Strathmore meeting

The board of the Strathmore Homeowners Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 23, at a location to be announced. Strathmore is at 13 Mile and Haggerty roads, Farmington Hills.

Holly Hill event

Residents of the Holly Hill Farms subdivision, 13 Mile and Middlebelt, should mark Sunday, Aug. 29, on their calendars. That's the date of the annual picnic to be held 2-7 p.m. near the pond at Ash and Karin Hargunani's home.

A subdivision board meeting on Sept. 7, a Tuesday, will focus on complaints about speeding through the sub.

Kimberly roast

People who live in the Kimberly subdivision at 11 Mile and Middlebelt roads in Farmington Hills, are reminded to watch their newsletters for information on the corn roast scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 12.

A meeting of the Kimberly Homeowners Association is scheduled for Sept. 14, a Tuesday. Questions about subdivision activities should be directed at Cindy Stephel.

Items for the Neighborhoods column may be mailed to the Farmington Observer, 21898 Farmington Road, Farmington 48336, dropped off at the newspaper office or faxed to 477-9722.

Kids love hot fun in summertime

If you're a Farmington-area youngster, downtown Farmington is the place to be most summer Wednesdays. That's when Summer Fun Series events take place.

By Sue Buck



Two events remain in the Summer Fun Series sponsored by the Farmington Downtown Development

Authority (DDA) and held every Wednesday in the Downtown Farmington Center.

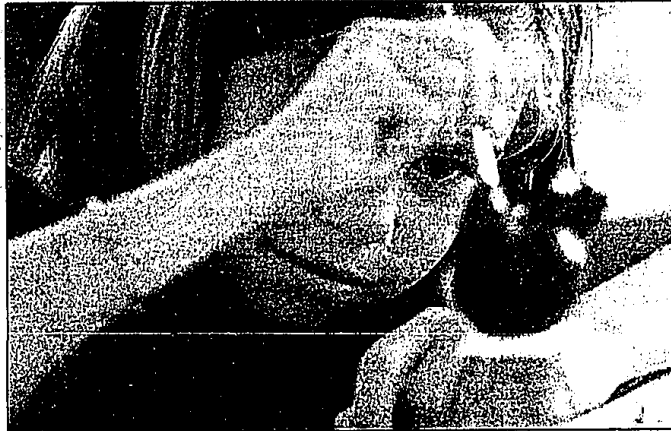
Most programs are free and held under a large tent on Grand River, east of Farmington Road.

Stipendiary and The Farmington DDA — debuts Wednesday, Aug. 18, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Children will enter their favorite fuzzy friends in a variety of categories for fun and prizes.

"It's becoming increasingly more popular," said DDA director Judy Downey. "There's more mothers and shoppers. Everyone benefits."

Participants who attend each series receive goodie bags with coupons provided by downtown merchants, Downey said. There are even free passes to the movies at the Civic.

A new event — the "The Teddy Bear Revue" co-sponsored by Metrobank and The Farmington DDA — debuts Wednesday, Aug. 18, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Children will enter their favorite fuzzy friends in a variety of categories for fun and prizes.



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Painting Mickey: Stacey Szczepanek (above), 10, paints Mickey Mouse at the Summer Fun Series. In the photo below, Sudha Raju helps her son Teju with a project.

Categories include Fuzziest, Largest, Child/Bear Dress Alike, Best Dressed Boy Bear, Best Dressed Girl Bear and Smallest Bear. In addition, kids can show off their creative flair by entering the "Best Homemade Bear" or display their first aid techniques in the "Owie Bear" category.

The Farmington Public Safety Department will also be accepting donations for their Operation Teddy Bear program that provides a fuzzy friend to children in crisis situations.

And a challenge has been made to area children to fill the emergency van with "bearly" an inch to spare so donations can be shared with other police departments and area hospitals.

The police department is also accepting donations of new bears as long as they are new and under eight inches in height.

Metrobank staff will be available to register children for their innovative banking program called "Moola,



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