

Fun, sun garner top billing at festival



Steak out: Jeffrey Hiotaky helps himself to a plate from Kyoto Steakhouse. Seated next to him is his wife, Helen.



Crust of the matter: Elizabeth Rockwell of Farmington Hills holds her 6-year-old son, Philip, as they wait to hear results from the pie baking contest at the First Methodist Church. Four of her seven children between ages 7-13 entered pies in the junior division.



Music appreciation: Jim Bone of Farmington Hills holds his 2-year-old grandson Zachary Silver over a guitar case so the boy can drop a dollar in for the band. Playing its third year at the festival, the band, Sisai performs traditional music of the Andes Mountains. Musicians are Alberto Arias (left), Jose Muenala, Jaime Pineda, Rafael Arias, Alonso Santaeruz (not pictured).



Pie judges: Mark Ziegler from Heency-Sundquist and Erika Schneider from "Happiness" sample pie. Cappy Goltra, in the middle, has been volunteering for the last 12 years during festival.

Splendid weather puts shine on annual event

Farmington Founders Festival organizers must have Mother Nature's Internet password or credit card number.

They could not have ordered more splendid weather for the start of the 33rd edition of the annual fest. The festival kicked off in downtown Farmington Thursday under blue skies, temperatures in the low 80s with little humidity. Ditto for Day Two on Friday.

The Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber-sponsored event survived torrential downpours to equator-debilitating heat in the past.

At least this year people could reminisce about good times instead of the weather, keeping within the theme "Remember When."

Nostalgia prompted people like those who work at NBD on Farmington Road to dress in Victorian-aged garb for the festival.

For many of those who sampled delicacies prepared at the assembled food stalls or shopped for bargains in craft booths along Grand River, the festival theme may have taken on a different meaning: As in, "Remember When . . . I had a thinner waist line and a thicker wallet."

Big Boy owner recognized for food sale achievements



George Darany, Jr., owner of the Big Boy Restaurant at Farmington and Eight Mile, was recently awarded the Big Boy International 1996 Sales Increase Leader Award.

His restaurant placed fifth in the top 10 for Sales-Increase Leaders in the company-wide chain of over 700 restaurants.

Darany and family traveled to Fort Lauderdale, Fla. to accept the award at the Big Boy International Franchise Conference. The family became Big Boy franchisees in 1968.

Botsford exec promoted
Steven B. Faine, administrator for professional and support services at Botsford General Hospi-

tal, was elected chairman of the College of Osteopathic Healthcare Executives' (COHE) board of directors in May.

A member of the COHE board for the past year, Faine is the first non-CEO and non-fellow elected to head the board. He recently completed a term as the college's treasurer.

Faine is a graduate of both Eastern Michigan University and the University of Michigan. He resides with wife, aren, in Farmington Hills.

New partnership
Creative House Advertising, Inc., in Farmington Hills, is the new advertising and marketing agency of HTC Products, Inc. in Royal Oak.

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Hair cut benefit

Mane Design, in the Rainbow Square shopping center on 12 Mile west of Middlebelt, is offering customers a dent: a quality haircut for a donation to help a Canton woman who needs a transplant.

From 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 13, all wet haircuts at Mane Design will cost \$10, while children 10 and under pay only \$5. The money raise will go to the Andrea Slayton Transplant Fund, to pay for a pancreas transplant.

Connie Nadon said she set up the event to help a friend. Door prizes, refreshments and a 60-60 raffle will also be featured. To get more information, call 471-0140.

The facility houses Total Soccer, which is reportedly opening its own facility in Wisconsin.

Though common in Canada, hockey training facilities are a rather new concept in this area. Anastos said ones in the Toronto area have smaller rinks — 60 by 100 feet — where players work on three-on-three drills and other skills type training.

His facility would also include weight training and a meeting room. Such a facility would get a lot of use, Anastos said.

He noted that Novi is also considering a new two-rink ice arena. An ice facility creates anywhere from 400 to 600 new users, Anastos said.

That's what is unique about the ice arena business: You don't get the participants until you get the facility."



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parked in neutral.

A recorded telephone message for the Farmington Hills Hockey Association informs callers that it is full and has a hundred names on a waiting list.

As a result, the hockey association is not taking any more names for the upcoming season and the message tells people to call back in February.

Farmington Hills Hockey Club is also looking for more ice time.

"We're out of ice in this city," said Susan McKendrick, skating club spokeswoman. "We have two ice surfaces and those are filled well beyond capacity."

"We're in favor of a new facility," added McKendrick, who also believes the city should add a third surface at the Ice Arena.

Farmington Hills Hockey Association and Figure Skating

Club people he's talked to are receptive to his plan, Anastos said.

"You never know what competition might develop," said Dan Potter, Special Services director. "Initially we know we can't meet everyone's needs. They've told us they're not out to undercut us."

"Let's see if they can get past the road blocks."

Suburban Hockey specializes in hockey instructional programs and publishes several publications. The company is headquarters for Michigan Hockey Magazine, Hockey Times and Red Line.

Anastos moved his company's operations from Dearborn to Freeway Park earlier this year and became aware a former indoor tennis facility nearby was up for sale.