

# Celebrate fall at Warner Mansion

By TIM SMITH  
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The weekend of Oct. 2-3 will seem like good old times at the Gov. Warner Mansion - Home of Farmington History. Corn on the cob, shish kabob, hay rides and much more will highlight the Fall Harvest Celebration at the Grand River mansion and grounds. Denise

Tawyea of the Governor Warner Mansion Development Committee, estimated that turnout of 300-400 people are expected for each day of the festival. The event is set for noon-6 p.m. both Saturday, Oct. 2, and Sunday, Oct. 3.

During and after Monday's Farmington City Council meeting, Tawyea talked about how the "Fall Harvest Celebration" will help launch what the com-

mittee hopes will be a year-round use of the facility.

"My hope is that people will linger the way people used to sit and visit with each other," said Tawyea, "and really enjoy the grounds and the neighborliness."

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Denise Tawyea  
—Mansion development committee

May 2000 is targeted for a "proper, elegant tea" on the mansion porch.

Meanwhile, the major fundraiser for refurbishment and preservation of the Warner Mansion carriage house is set for next Aug. 12, called "a gala on the grounds of the mansion that would make the governor proud."

"Our intent is to use the property through all seasons," Tawyea told council members.

For information about events, fund-raisers and volunteering, call (248) 478-9600.

Local businesses are lining up to help with the Fall Harvest Celebration. Fresh Approach will prepare the shish kabobs, Great Harvest Bread Co. will serve up breads and other retailers will provide various desserts, Tawyea said.

But food is only part of the fun. There will be horse-drawn carriage rides on Saturday and a hay ride on Sunday, among other festivities.

The Fall Harvest Celebration, Tawyea explained, is the first of several planned events.

In December, there will be a competition to decorate the interior of the mansion, as well as a "thank you for our Friends (of the Mansion) and docents," she

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## YMCA HIGHLIGHTS

**FALL B REGISTRATION**  
The second fall registration begins Oct. 25. All class offerings in swimming youth sports and family activities will be available. Classes begin Nov. 1.

**YOUTH BASKETBALL**  
Registration for grades 4 and 5 begins now. The deadline is Oct. 28. The season begins Nov. 6. All games are played on Saturdays. All players will play an equal amount of time.

**WOMEN'S HEALTH**  
A seminar for women will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8, at the Farmington YMCA. There will be discussions on menopause and breast cancer prevention. The cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for nonmembers. Call 553-1934. This event is sponsored by Providence Hospital and Wyeth Pharmaceuticals.

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**KIDS NIGHT OUT**  
Kids Night Out will take place from 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9 at the Farmington YMCA. Games, crafts and swimming will be available for kids kindergarten through 5th grade. The cost is \$12 for members and \$24 for nonmembers.

**ARTHRITIS EXERCISE/STRETCHING**  
Designed in cooperation with the Arthritis Foundation, this class emphasizes range of motion and flexibility with very low cardiovascular activity. This is taught continuously at 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

## Oinker 'Lympics to benefit Pet-A-Pet Club

Dogs big and small, short and tall will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25 at Bell Creek Park. Redford for the Oinker 'Lympics to benefit the Pet-A-Pet Club Inc.

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begin at 10 a.m. with registration for participants followed by the Oinker's Rock-n-Roll K-9s at 11:15 a.m. Various agility competitions will be held including pet treat catching, pet trick contest, pet costume contest and

a doggie limbo at 12:30 p.m. The Oinker's Rock-n-Roll K-9s will make another appearance at 3:30 p.m. to conclude the event. Amateur competitors will see dogs in Agility Level 1. The course may be done on leash and

dogs of any age with no previous agility or obedience training are needed.

Level 2 may be done on leash. Dogs are required to be over a year old and have some obedience training.

Level 3 dogs should have obedience and agility training. Dogs should be familiar with obstacles like the A-frame, teeter-totter and dog walk.

All dogs are invited to participate who are socialized and capable of getting along with other animals and people. If your pet tends to become nervous or distracted by crowds or high levels of activity, organizations are encouraging you to leave him/her at home and come and enjoy the fun on your own.

For questions, please call (800) 432-6465. You must bring proof of current rabies vaccinations. Only pets participating in the games will be admitted (no spectator pets).

Meanwhile, Pet-A-Pet president Ruth Curry said volunteers are always needed for pet visitations in the Farmington-Farmington Hills area. Please call her at (313) 555-0410.

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