

OBITUARIES

Margaret M. Chamberlin

Services for Margaret M. Chamberlin, 83, of Farmington Hills, were held Dec. 23 at McCabe Funeral Home in Farmington Hills. Mrs. Chamberlin was born in Belfast, Ireland and died Dec. 20, 2002 at Providence Hospital in

Southfield.

She worked as an English teacher at Lincoln High School in Ferndale (1940-42), and then became a permanent substitute teacher for Farmington High School (1958-61).

In 1961, Mrs. Chamberlin taught

at North Farmington High School and was also a department head until 1976. She volunteered for the American Cancer Society Discovery Shop in Farmington and won the National Skinner Debate Medal at University of Detroit.

Mrs. Chamberlin enjoyed reading, sketching, music and traveling with her husband to golf courses.

She is survived by her son, Don 111 (Sandra) and daughters, Lynne (Bill) Chamberlin Graham and Sheila Chamberlin Main (Rich), all

of whom were educated in Farmington schools; one brother; and eight grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, Don.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.



Jim O'Connor, Ford Group Vice President, North American Marketing, Sales & Service, displays a model of the 100th Anniversary Centennial grounds.

Ford Motor unveils centennial details

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The Ford Motor Co. is throwing a Centennial Anniversary Party in 2003 and everyone is invited. Ford unveiled its plans for a five-day celebration next June, coinciding with the June 16 anniversary date.

Details were made available at a press briefing for the local media at Ford's World Headquarters on Wednesday, Dec. 18.

Jim O'Connor, Ford Group vice president, North American Marketing, Sales and Service, hosted the briefing and told attendees, "We're going to have some fun."

O'Connor said the event on June 12-16, 2003, entitled "The Road is Ours" will have a little bit of everything for everyone, including rides in a Model T and interviews/autograph sessions with drivers and owners in the Ford Racing family. A complete list of the activities and prices for the event can be found at www.fordcentennial-reg.com or by calling 866-4-100-FORD. A partial list of activities is included below.

The celebration will take place on the grounds of the World Headquarters at the corner of Michigan Avenue and the Southfield Freeway in Dearborn. The events will include interactive displays and exhibits from Ford, Lincoln, Mercury, Mazda, Aston Martin, Jaguar, Volvo and Land Rover.

In addition, there will be live entertainment, children's activities, food and merchandise. One of the featured performers will be popular country music recording artist Toby Keith, a "devout Ford truck man" who will perform at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 15.

CARS ARE THE STARS

The center of attention is no surprise - the cars. "The star at Ford is always the cars," O'Connor said. He added that car clubs from around the world have already planned to attend the event and that car enthusiasts will make up a large part of the visiting contingent.

Ford will pay special attention to its heritage and the developing years of the company, while looking toward the future. Among the featured events will be a tour of the famed Ford Rouge Factory, something that hasn't occurred in years, according to O'Connor.

"The Rouge says the most about the future direction of the Ford Motor Company - as well as its legacy," he added.

O'Connor thanked his Centennial team, which "began work 780-days ago and still has 180 days to go. This is a team effort, and I want to give them the full credit."

Centennial Operations Team members include: Gary Nielsen, Executive Director;

The celebration will take place on the grounds of the World Headquarters at the corner of Michigan Avenue and the Southfield Freeway.

Tom Hoyt, Manager, Global Communications; Fabrizio Minneci, Manager, E-Business Projects; John Nens, Manager, Marketing Programs; and Barbara Teasdale, Manager, Partnerships and Licensing Programs.

Teasdale heads up a very special department for the anniversary celebration: the commemorative merchandise. The 100th anniversary is being celebrated with many items including clothing, lapel pins, books, videos, etc. For a merchandise catalog call 888-380-6683 or view and order merchandise online at www.ford-collection.com.

Tickets for the five-day event include:

■ Credentials on a commemorative lanyard for entry all five days.

■ Daily assigned parking area with shuttle service to and from the event grounds.

■ Access to the Centennial Theatre and Concert Series.

■ Discounted admission and free shuttle service at area attractions including Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum.

■ Access to Ford Racing Night.

■ Fireworks display on Friday, June 13th.

Tickets are \$24.95 per person or \$19.95 each for Ford employees, retirees or extended families. Children age 12 and under are free when accompanied by a paying adult.

In a recent Ford press release, Nens said "We encourage people to register and purchase their tickets now to ensure we have space on the company's grounds to display their Ford products, and to be sure they can participate in all the planned activities."

Ford is also asking people to tell their stories about how the Ford Motor Co. has touched their lives. A feature of the centennial website is entitled "Your Stories." Visitors are asked to tell their stories about their favorite Ford cars or Ford experience. All stories will become part of the 100th anniversary celebration.

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