



FARMINGTON FOUNDERS' FESTIVAL SECTION

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Founder's Festival Opens Tomorrow

BY SUE SHAUGHNESSY Editor, Farmington Observer. How does a three day vacation without the work of packing, driving any great distance, or combating with a make-shift living arrangement sound?

ance is 'Farmington Honors Its Own' will give recognition to the many outstanding sons of the community. All these people will be honored following the Festival Parade on Saturday at the City Park.

Murphy will serve as the MC for the dance. All day Thursday, Friday and Saturday you are invited to visit the Elks Ox Roast in the Downtown Shopping Center and on Friday and Saturday the old fashioned sidewalk sale sponsored by the merchants in the Center.

chicken will be featured on the menu to satisfy all tastes. Following the dinner it's a short walk to the Downtown Shopping Center to view the judging of the beard growing contest winners beginning at 7 p.m.

Assembly, the show features local talent and promises to be tops in entertainment. Saturday, the closing day of the Festival, is jam-packed with events.

sponsor a square dance under the stars in the Downtown Center Parking Lot as a grand finale to the Festival beginning at 9 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Harley Wood will be the callers at this closing event.

THE QUEEN WILL be announced and crowned Thursday night at the Village Green by Pat 'Mad-Cap' Murphy of WKYz. This event will be preceded by the final judging for the queen at the Boatyard Inn beginning at 8:30 p.m.

CONCESSIONS WILL also be located strategically throughout the community during the time of the Festival. On Friday Farmington's younger set will have the opportunity to participate in the Farmington Area Recreation Commission's Annual Field Day which is being held in conjunction with the Festival.

THE FESTIVAL parade begins at 10 a.m. at Grand River and Truck Rd. and will proceed west on Grand River to Farmington, east to the City Park.

Michigan's Lt. Governor, William G. Milliken, will ride in the parade and speak at the ceremony 'Honoring Its Own' at the city park following the conclusion of the parade.

Soccer and baseball games - three in all - will be conducted during the day at the City Park and the Farmington Jaycees will begin serving their chicken barbeque at 4 p.m. in the Park.

How about you and your family slowing down and taking a three day summer break this week? Your friends and neighbors will be there and your presence will add to the enjoyment of the occasion.

test, parades, good things to eat, an art show, sidewalk sales, dances, and games and athletics - both the spectator and participating type. Added to all this, the Festival features two local bands and an art designed for the teen age stars Ronnie and Robyn. Pat

What Does Event Mean To Youth EDITOR'S NOTE: The Founders Festival is many things to many people. Winona Woods, general manager of The Farmington Enterprise, has the following thoughts about what the Festival means to Farmington's younger generation. She explains them in the form of an open letter to the Young People of the community. We invite the young in age and the young in spirit to consider this aspect.

PROCLAIMATION Farmington Founders' Days Festival

WHEREAS: to keep an identity with our past and to make a covenant with our future, we, the Greater Farmington Board of Commerce, do hereby designate the days of July 28, 29 and 30, in the 1968th Year of Our Lord, to be known as the Farmington Founders' Festival. This to be a time to explore and remember our past, to enjoy our present, and to develop our future.

Citizens To Receive Achievement Awards Scholars, businessmen, athletes and entertainers are all a part of the Farmington community. They will all be honored during the Farmington Founders' Festival, too.

revolutionary new concept in precision tooling; Steven B. Dine, 28444 Kendallwood, Michigan state champion quarter mile in high school track; John P. Glick, 30435 10 Mile Rd., artist whose work is on exhibit in the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Open Letter to the Young People of Farmington: You may not realize it for a long time, but the Farmington Founders Festival has a very special meaning for YOU. A few of you were born in Farmington, but most of you came here from some other place, and all of you will leave Farmington sooner or later - either for a short time or permanently. Then what could the Festival mean to you?

What Does Event Mean To Youth (continued) Right now the fans are, hot dogs, cotton candy, music and parade will occupy your attention. You may not understand the speeches and may be bored by the many references to the Founders of Farmington and the old-timers who took part in building your town.

Founders Festival Calendar TUESDAY, July 24 7:30 P.M. - Miss Founders Festival - Preliminary Judging, Knights of Columbus Hall, 2190 Middlebelt Rd.

7 P.M. - Beard Growing Contest, Final Judging, Downtown Farmington Center at Ox Roast location. 9 P.M. - Founders Follies, Musical Extravaganza, Farmington Junior High gymnasium on Thomas Street, 51 adults, 50c standing, 60c seated.

Plaza Hot Dog Sale To Aid Little League Mr. T. Redick, Manager of the Sams Store, announced the Farmington Plaza Association would again have the 5¢ hot dog sale during the Founders' Day celebration. He further stated that several of the merchants would again offer outstanding items - during Founders' Festival Week.

Special Recognition Throughout this special Founders Festival section there are stories with the heading, 'Past Honors.' The Festival theme, 'Farmington Honors Its Own,' suggested the idea of searching the Enterprise files for people who were front page news' in the past, and deserving of recognition for their place in Farmington's history.