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North Queen Picked

NAN MISTELE was named homecoming queen for North Farmington, reigning over the game when North defeated Redford Thurston. Pam Gooding, Ann Weston, Tina Pulgini and Sue Greene were her court. The seniors, with their float depicting a tank (below), won first place in the annual homecoming parade. (Photos by Ralph Evert)



KFB Honors Businesses, Residents At Breakfast

Accolades for Farmington residents, merchants and property owners who have made efforts during the past year to keep Farmington beautiful were distributed at the annual Keep Farmington Beautiful awards breakfast on Saturday.

Hand-made plaques were distributed by the KFB committee for apartments, businesses, industry, auto service, and churches.

There were also several special awards, and Mrs. Joan Barbrick, committee chairman, presented five awards from "Keep Michigan Beautiful," the state organization.

Award-winning apartments included Kensington Manor, Kings Lane, Anderson Apartments, Farmington West and River Glen.

Businesses which won plaques included First Federal Savings and Loan, Burger King, the MacLean and Proppe offices, Lawrence Mayer Florist, National Bank of Detroit, Landmark Restaurant, Huron River Hunting and Fishing Club, Thayer Funeral Home, and Heaney-Sundquist Funeral Home.

An auto service center award went to the Boron Oil Co.

Industry won recognition too. American Screw Products, Mills Products Co., Chesley Industries and Bosch, Inc., were awarded.

Renovation awards went to Burger Chef, Oak Hill Nursing Home, Metropolitan Center Offices, the Village Mall, the Steinhuis Bar, and Dr. Ronald Barr.

The First United Methodist church, and Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church won church awards.

Special awards went to City Hall and the Farmington Downtown Center, for their work with the committee.

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National Bank of Detroit was recognized for its efforts on the Rouge River cleanup last year.

Standard Construction was also honored for its work in the river cleanup.

The Golden Fleece was honored for its window displays.

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Sesquicentennial Theme Is Sought

What should be the theme of a city's 150th birthday? Farmington's sesquicentennial committee is asking the question in the form of a contest for a theme slogan for next year's celebration.

A short phrase which tells something about the area's past and the kind of community it is today will set the tone for the festivities.

The theme will be featured on commemorative items such as coins, as well as signs and promotional material.

The theme will tie many of the activities planned for next year together — such as the Founders Festival, Michigan Week, and the Chamber of Commerce dinner dance.

Deadline for entries is 5 p.m. Oct. 26, at the office of the Farmington Chamber of Commerce, 23715 Farmington Road.

Entries will be accepted either in person or by mail.

The theme will be selected from among the entries by the 15th executive committee: John Ahlert, Marjorie Van Ameyde, Ralph Yoder, Robert McConnell and Paul Schreiber.

The theme winner will be honored at a special ceremony by the Chamber of Commerce and will also hold a prominent place in the Founder's Festival activities, according to the chamber committee.

After The Shovel

Community Digs Out

By MARIE MCGEE

"Operation Shovel" was still the best neighborhood project in Farmington Hills' history "even if we didn't get everything we wanted from the county."

So spoke Mayor Robert McConnell commenting on what he termed was the "successful completion" of the citizen-organized project to install culverts to relieve road flooding conditions in the southeast sector of the new city.

To date, about 80 per cent of the culverts have been installed and plans have been made to take care of the stragglers, the mayor noted.

But it didn't quite work out that way, Mrs. Seabolt complains.

The spirit of cooperation among the residents "was beautiful," she said. Easter weekend saw all the families working together — sharing the work and then joining together in a potluck meal.

"But we feel we've been had," she said, because the promised slag and gravel never came.

"The only thing we got was referred to as a 'sweeping' of gravel — or about an inch," she reported.

McConnell reluctantly has come to the county's defense.

The county is not entirely to blame, he says, because the township voted to become a city in the midst of the project, thus ending county jurisdiction over the roads.

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"Technically, the county was out of the picture by July 1," he added, "and there were still a number of culverts to be installed."

He said he felt the county did as much as it could "under the circumstances" and cooperated "far beyond the call of duty."

"At least we've got a base for future road work," he said, referring to the one inch of gravel applied to the road.

McConnell was optimistic about road conditions in the new city. Things should begin looking up soon, he said.

City Recreation Program Begins

Recreational activities ranging from gym to chess will highlight the fall program in Farmington beginning this month.

A men's gym night featuring volleyball, basketball and the use of exercise equipment will meet from 7:30-9:30 p.m. each Tuesday evening at Power Junior High School.

A slim and trim gym class for women will meet from 8-10 p.m. on Thursday evenings at Farmington Junior High School.

Senior Citizens Club will meet from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday mornings at the Masonic Temple building for card playing and field trips.

Trips to Plymouth's ice rink facility are scheduled from 3:45-6:15 p.m. each Monday and Wednesday. The bus will load and unload at Farmington Junior High. Cost is 75 cents with skate rental set at 50 cents.

Beginning tennis instructions will given from 7:30-8:30 p.m. on Monday nights at Power Junior High. Fee for the class is \$12, and balls will be provided. Registration is on opening night, Oct. 8.

Men's touch football league is scheduled for Wednesday evenings at City Park.



PAT QUINLAN will speak to the Farmington Artists Club, at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 10, in the Farmington Library on 12 Mile. She is an associate professor of art at Wayne State University, and will critique members' work.



AWARDS FOR BEAUTIFYING Farmington went to winners in several categories. From left Pat Chesley, winner in the industrial category; Shirley Richardson, KFB awards

chairman; Don Campbell, winner for his apartment complex; Ed Balden, special award; and John Howell, church category. (Evert photo)

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