

## Over 600 attend Firemen's Field Day; Norwood's Band places First

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Parishville — An estimated crowd of 600 attended the Parishville Firemen's Field Day last weekend, making the affair a great success. Thirteen departments participated in the parade with Norwood's marching band taking first place followed by Colton.

Hannawa Falls Volunteers took 1st honors for marching department without band followed by Pierrepont and West Stockholm. West Stockholm also won first place for their Ladies Auxiliary.

Rebecca Lodge in our town took first prize for best decorated float with 2nd place going to our Firemen's Auxiliary. Most original float depicted "Joe Indian Campers"; the funniest, "Go-Go Girls".

Duane Butterfield took first place in the horse show. Mary Jo Groebler and Scott Daby placed first and second in the Best Decorated Bicycle category.

Prizes awarded went to Myron Ekford who won a Honda; Mrs. Norma Riggs who donated the rifle won to the Rescue Squad for a future raffle; John Thomas, 57 Maple Street, Potsdam, recipient of a \$25 Savings Bond; and Miss Joanne Wilson, a stuffed tiger.

Many thanks from our Fire Department to all who helped make this the most successful Field Day to date!

The Parishville-Hopkinton Alumni Association is planning a reunion to be held at the school Aug. 27. Registration at the school at 6:30 will be followed by Smorgasbord. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish. Rolls and coffee will be provided. Entertainment will follow.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Lynch and family of Ohio are visiting relatives here during their vacation. They are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Foster.

Mrs. Christine Paddock of Oklahoma City, Okla. is visiting her brother and family, the Royal Hoyts.

Mrs. Dorothy Cochran was hostess to nine ladies at the Sunset Lodge one day last week.

Mrs. Eulalia Fealy who has been confined to the house for the past two weeks, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. George Green and family of Syracuse are spending their vacation at his brother's camp on Allens Falls Flow and visiting relatives in town. Mrs. Green is the former Heidi Foster.

Mrs. Ralph Sanderson and grandson of Delmar were guests last week at the Fletcher home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bailey and son Kevin drove to McConnell Lodge in Quebec and then flew to Island Lake for four days of fishing last week. They had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bump and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wells. The fishing party spotted five moose while in the Canadian woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Vyron Ste-

### West Potsdam

By Carol Blanchard  
The Kings Daughters will convene on Aug. 4 and 18 for their monthly meetings. These are all day meetings at their hall in West Potsdam.

A bridal shower was given by Mrs. Kathy Wilson for Betty Cutler at her home on July 26. Friends, neighbors and relatives attended and an amusing evening was spent by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Waite of St. Petersburg, Fla., called on Mrs. H. P. Bailey and visited his sister Mrs. Bertha Sullivan, a patient at Charlebois Nursing Home.

Darrell Cutler returned home Sunday after spending a week at F.A.A. camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Creighton are spending two weeks at camp.

Preparations are in line for the Second Annual Firemen's Field Day to be held in West Potsdam on Aug. 21. Booths are being built, grass is being cut and many other activities are underway in getting the field ready. Events of the day will be a parade, roast beef dinner, motorcycle scrambles, mid-way and an auction. Anyone having articles to donate are asked to get in touch with one of the organizers for pickup.

## Fair to feature Myron Floren

Myron Floren, who possesses the World's fastest fingers in the field of Accordion Music and who is one of the most famous stars on the Lawrence Welk TV Show has been engaged to appear at the Governor & St. Lawrence County Fair on Wednesday night only, Aug. 10 at 8 p. m. This announcement was made today by Fair President Bligh A. Dodds who stated that the Fair Board Members were elated over the booking of the King of Accordion Music whose fame has become international.

During the 15 years that he has been featured on the Welk Show, Floren has been heard by millions of people all over America and Canada, most of whom agree as they listen to his superb solos that he is one of America's most popular entertainers. During the past five years, he has been featured on the Grandstand Shows at many of the largest State Fairs in the Country.

When Lawrence Welk first heard young Myron Floren play the Accordion, he knew that, potentially, he was one of the greatest accordionists he would ever hear. No one knew better than Welk how much an accordion lends to a band, and he was hired forthwith.

A native of Webster, South Dakota, Myron began playing the accordion at the age of 7, with a Sears-Roebuck catalog instrument priced at \$19.95. No teachers were available, so long hours of practice took the place of formal instruction. At 8, Myron entertained the crowds at the Day County Fair and when he was in third grade, he won first and second prizes in a local amateur contest playing both the accordion and piano.

Working his way through Augustana College in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, teaching the accordion, he began to play

four years. In 1950, while in St. Louis, he met and joined Lawrence Welk's noted orchestra.

Personally fond of all types of music, Myron's favorite is the polka but he is equally adept in playing everything else meeting popular approval. He has written various types of music, and is a member of ASCAP. Also he has published

ed three accordion instruction books, which are widely accepted throughout the country.

He devotes a considerable amount of his spare time to entertaining at hospitals, plays special engagements in cities across the nation, and teaches the accordion to scores of youngsters. He also is a member

of the Toastmasters Club, which has helped him in acquiring a polish for public speaking.

Myron and his wife, Berdyne, who was one of his accordion pupils, live with their three children in Westchester, a suburb of Los Angeles.

In addition to Floren's per-

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