

YMCA highlights

The Farmington-Area YMCA provides a variety of services for youth and adults in the community. Further information may be obtained by calling 553-4020 between 9 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. daily.

PRESIDENTS RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT — For all Farmington YMCA members. Held Feb. 18, 19, 20 with men's class A, B, C, Novice and 20-and-over open division, along with women's class B and Novice. Cost is \$8 which includes a T-shirt and competition. Register at the Y by Feb. 15.

YOUTH BASKETBALL (YBA) — YBA Association was started by the YMCA and the NBA players association in 1975. Since that time, over one million players, coaches and parents have been involved throughout the U.S. and Canada. As a special partnership of professional and youth basketball, the YBA Program is unique. Practices begin the week of Jan. 31 at area grade schools. Two divisions as follows: Junior Division — played on rims that are

extended to eight feet and smaller basketballs that provide kids with the opportunity to have a fun game with a lot of scoring, for grades 1-3; Senior Division — the best game in town for grades 4-5. The program involves fast action, fair play, quality instruction and helps players develop their own skills.

JUNIOR HIGH FLOOR HOCKEY — For grades 6, 7, 8. Register by Feb. 19. Games and practices are held at East Middle School (Middlebelt), between 10 and 11 (Mile). Games will be held Feb. 23, March 5, 12, 19 and 26. All equipment is provided — you must wear tennis shoes. Practice begins Feb. 19. You will be contacted on times by coaches. The fee for members is \$12 and \$16 for non-members. All fees include team jersey. Coaches are needed — parents are welcome.

SPORTS SHORTS — Feb. 14-18 from 1:30-4 p.m. for grades 1-5. We will feature sports such as basketball, floor

hockey, team handball, soccer, swimming, races, racquetball and more. Time, 1:30-4 p.m. Fee is \$13 for members and \$20 for non-members (second child half price). Bring swim suit and towel.

SNOWBALL SPECIAL — Do you need a place for the kids to go during the upcoming winter vacation? Snowball vacation special runs from Feb. 14-18 with activities such as gym games, craft projects, snow games (weather permitting) and more. The program is for youth in grades K-5 only. Children should bring a bag lunch, swim suit and towel. Program runs from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Fee for members is \$15, and \$22 for non-members.

WORKING PARENTS' DELIGHT — Do you have to work during the winter school break? In conjunction with the Vacation Special and Sports Shorts, we are offering early-morning and late-afternoon child care. Activities include games, crafts and films. Children must be attending the Vacation Special or

Sports Shorts to attend. Parents drop off and pick-up times will be at your working convenience. Dates, Feb. 14-18. Times: mornings, 7:30-8:30 a.m.; afternoons, 4-6:30 p.m. Fee is \$10 for members and \$14 for non-members. Additional child/same family half price.

VACATION DROP-IN — For Middle School students only. Enjoy activities designed for you. Activities include open swim, floor hockey, gym games, water polo. One major program each day. On Wednesday, we feature a trip, bowling, pizza and some electronic games. Dates, Feb. 14-18. Time, 1-4 p.m. Fee for members is \$16 and \$23 for non-members. Fee includes trip, bowling, pizza and games.

FEBRUARY MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYOFF — 6:30 p.m. Celtics vs Lakers; 6:30 p.m. Old Homestead vs Buddy's Titans; 7:30 p.m. Sixers vs Spartans; 7:30 p.m. Bills Burns vs St. Johns; 8:30 p.m. Pepsi-Cola vs winner of game one; 8:30 p.m. Loser of Game one vs loser of game two.

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Educator travels to Taipei, China



Norene Daly

Dr. Norene Daly, chairwoman of the Education/Psychology Department at Madonna College in Livonia, is in Taipei, Taiwan, to attend the 50th anniversary of the China Education Society.

Daly will visit colleges, universities and the Ministry of Education to discuss educational exchange programs. The visit is at the invitation of Hwei-Sen Chu, minister of education and president of Taiwan Normal University.

The society, founded in mainland China in 1933, consists of leading educators in the educational system and government agencies.

Daly will represent the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. She is a member of the executive committee.

Taiwan ranks second in the national origin of foreign students attending American colleges and universities. Daly's visit is designed to foster profes-

sional relationships and educational exchanges between the two countries. Daly has been a full-time instructor at Madonna since 1978. She lives in Farmington Hills.



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