

recreation news

Each week, the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services Recreation Division presents a synopsis of upcoming activities. For more information about programs, please contact the recreation office at 474-6115. For details about city council agenda items, please call the city newsletter at 476-3828.

CARIBBEAN CRUISE

Imagine seven fun-filled, warm, relaxing days in the sunny Caribbean as you visit the exotic islands of St.

Thomas, St. Martin and San Juan. You will travel on Carnival's New Celebration beginning Jan. 30. Fee is \$1,200 per person plus port tax. You may obtain a reservation card at the recreation office or contact Uniglobe Travel at 553-5555. Only 16 spaces.

TRAVEL NIGHT

Ever dream of taking a luxury cruise, a trip to a fascinating city? On Monday, Oct. 26, 7-9 p.m., Uniglobe Travel will show you how that dream can come true. Speakers will

present detailed travel plans and answer your questions. Individuals attending the Travel Night are asked to RSVP to Uniglobe Travel at 553-5555. There is no fee for this program.

CRAFTS FROM NATURE

Tim Nowicki will help you learn the methods for drying wildflowers and creating dried floral arrangements, along with ways to use nature's material for dying cloth. The class will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday, Nov. 14 in Heritage Park. Registration fee of \$3 per person or \$7 for the family should be paid at the Recreation office.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

An organizational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10 at the Farmington Hills Library, 22737 12 Mile, for adults 18 years and older. This meeting is for team managers and will pertain to league structure, registration dates, fees and

other pertinent information.

BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Registration is now being accepted for the boys and girls youth basketball program. Children in grades 4-8 are eligible to participate. Teams will be formed by geographic location and grade levels. The instructional clinics will begin in December with games starting Saturday, Jan. 9. Registration deadline is Nov. 27. Fee is \$10 per participant.

ICE RINKS

If your community group or subdivision association is interested in building a natural ice rink for the upcoming winter season, contact our Parks Division at 474-9830. Upon confirmation of your interest, we will send a copy of the recommended procedures for your review. Prior to the flooding of the rink, a \$25 fee is required.

Burger King, Lucci aid kids

Burger King and Mike Lucci are joining forces to promote an organization that deals with the children of Michigan.

It's the youngsters that benefit from the generosity in time and money given by Burger King franchisees of metropolitan Detroit and Mike Lucci, who has a 17-year track record raising money for Spaulding for Children. The children, because of learning or physical disabilities, developmental and emotional problems, have lived in temporary care most of their lives.

Spaulding for Children not only finds families for these youngsters who have had traumatic experiences, but provides crucial support services for the new families. Their specialty is finding loving homes for difficult-to-place youngsters.

On Friday, Oct. 30, Burger King franchisees of metropolitan Detroit will host their fund-raiser, a dinner

dance, at the Omni International Hotel in Detroit. At the event they will not only present Spaulding for Children with a check for \$100,000, but will honor Lucci, a Farmington Hills resident, for his untiring efforts on Spaulding's behalf.

Because of Lucci's being honored and his background as linebacker for the Detroit Lions, sports figures and other prominent guests will attend. Tickets for the black-tie event are \$150 per person (tax-deductible). For ticket information, call 737-5657.

Spaulding, working as a liaison between social service agencies and the adoptive parents, offers a variety of services calculated to preserve new families as they adjust to changing roles.

Established in 1968, Spaulding for Children acquired its name and headquarters through the generosity of Warren G. Spaulding, a Chelsea farmer.

YMCA highlights

These YMCA highlights appear courtesy of the Farmington Hills YMCA, 28100 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. For information, call 553-4020.

OPEN HOUSE - Saturday

Oct. 24 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Farmington Area YMCA will be sponsoring a Fall Open House. All community members are welcome to come and view the YMCA facilities and learn more about programs offered to the community. The Farmington Area YMCA is located at 28100 Farmington Road just north of 12 Mile.

CLASS REGISTRATION -

Registration for classes begins Monday, Oct. 26 for YMCA members only and starting Tuesday, Oct. 27 for program members. Registration hours are Monday through Friday, 9

a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

NEW MEMBER DISCOUNT

The YMCA is now offering a 15 percent discount on memberships for all new members. This discount period will last through Oct. 31. For additional information contact the Y at 553-4020.

WELLNESS CENTER

The Farmington Area YMCA's new Wellness Center has opened its doors to the Y members. Featuring new Camstar weight training equipment and with its unique concept combining the mind, body and spirit philosophy, the area promises to be a fine asset to the Farmington community.

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