

C'ville survey focuses on day care

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

Before proposing a day care program in the Clarenceville schools, district administrators are asking parents for ideas.

The district has mailed 4,000 questionnaires to find out what sort of program parents would like to see started, said Rose Govig, community education manager for the Clarenceville School District, which includes part of southeast Farmington Hills.

"In speaking with employed mothers, it becomes readily apparent that arriving at work is the easy part of the morning," Govig said.

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GOVIG ADDED that the idea to start a day care program in the schools was sparked by calls from parents and questions from teachers,

and by Superintendent Micheal Shubler's desire to expand community services.

Whatever program is adopted will be cost-effective, Govig said, as parents would pay tuition to fund the program.

Govig said infants would not be accepted in the program, to be geared for toddlers. The district would offer day care for working parents with kids already in school, she said, in an effort to expand on the current limited latchkey program offered through the YMCA.

IN THE SURVEY mailed to parents, questions include:

"How many children in your family are under kindergarten age?"
"How much do you now pay for child care services?"
"What hours would you prefer that such a center be open?"

"What do you consider problems with your present child care arrangements?"

The survey also asks if parents currently use outside child care, how children are cared for while parents work, if parents would be interested in enrolling children in a school district child care center and if parents would be interested in a latchkey program.

Govig said day care services also would be offered to parents outside of the Clarenceville district.

The services could be offered at district elementaries, or at the Clarenceville High School, she said. "I'll be making a presentation to the board in June," Govig said, after surveys have been collected and tabulated.

She said a day care program would likely begin in the fall.

obituaries

ELIZABETH BILACIC
(BARANYA)

Mrs. Bilacic, 80, died March 10 in Williamsburg Nursing Home. Born in Missouri, Mrs. Bilacic was a homemaker.

Survivors include her sons, Frank, Stephen and William; a daughter, Irene Daroczi; brother, Sander Abraham; 14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Mass was celebrated at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. James Wright officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

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ADULT SOFTBALL

Registration is being accepted for new teams interested in participating in a men's, women's or co-ed slow pitch softball league. Teams play a 14-game schedule, co-ed 10 games. A double elimination play-off tournament will be held for qualifying teams at season's conclusion. Team registration fee is \$350 for open leagues, \$320 for industrial and residential leagues and \$285 for co-ed leagues. Registrations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

NATURE STUDY

Can wild flowers be identified, even at this time of year? Yes, but it takes careful observation and you'll learn the reasons why flowers can only grow in certain areas. Preregistration is required at the Recreation Division office for this class that will be held at Heritage Park from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 19.

SWIM LESSONS

Swimming instructions for beginner to advanced skill levels will be offered at North Farmington High School. The six-week program will be held on Saturday mornings beginning April 16. Children who are not 36 inches at their chin height may participate in the Moms, Pops and Tots program. Preregistration is required.

YOUTH BAND AND ORCHESTRA

Children in grades six-eight are offered the opportunity to play in a concert band or orchestra while acquainting themselves with contemporary musical literature. Lessons will be Thursdays 4-5 p.m. at Dunckle Middle School beginning April 14 through June 2. Fee is \$16 with registration at the recreation office. Participants must furnish their own instruments.

BALLROOM DANCING

Senior adults can learn ballroom dancing every Friday at 11 a.m. at

the Senior Adult Center, 28600 11 Mile. Instructor Christine Milchak's experience ranges from professional dancing to choreography. There will be a 50-cent fee per lesson.

SOCCER REGISTRATION

Registration for youth soccer, grades kindergarten through third, is being accepted at the Recreation Division office until April 1. Participants are placed in K-1 or 2-3 divisions. Practices are held once a week at the discretion of the volunteer coach. Games are played on Saturdays for six weeks. Fee is \$15 per child and includes team T-shirt.

FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION TO BID

Farmington Public Schools will accept sealed bids for bleacher renovation until 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 29, 1988 at the Lewis Schulman Administration Center, 32500 Shawwassee, Farmington, Michigan 48021, addressed to Beverly Hausman. They will be publicly opened and read at the Board of Education meeting at 7:30 P.M. on the same date.

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