

YMCA highlights

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

• **YOUTH RUN** — Invest in Farmington's Youth by running in the YMCA's fourth Annual Invest-Youth Run. This one- and five-mile personal record race is hosted by the Farmington YMCA and sponsored by Ben-Gay and D. Donnell's Seafood Restaurant. The run takes place on Saturday, May 7, along with a Health Fair. Your participation will help provide memberships, recreational activities, youth sports and

camping for Farmington Area Youth. Register at the YMCA. We are also accepting volunteer applications. For more information, contact Mary Stewart, 553-4020.

• **OPEN HOUSE** — There will be an open house 7-9 p.m. Sunday, May 1. The afternoon will include information about our day, resident and preschool camps as well as prizes, games and free swim. Bring your swimsuit and your family for an afternoon of Y-Fun.

• **SCREENING** — The YMCA goal is to enhance the health of the

community around them. To help you better understand your health and current fitness level, the YMCA provides you with a fitness screening. You will learn your ideal body weight, blood cholesterol level, resting blood pressure, resting heart rate and the heart rate at which you should strive for during exercise. This will take only 20 minutes. The two days this is available are Saturdays, April 30 and May 14, 8-10 a.m. Call the Y for more information, 553-4020.

• **POOL PROGRAM** — Bring swimming lessons to your own back-

yard. The Farmington Area YMCA will send a certified instructor to your house for lessons. You supply at least two hours of pool time and 12 students. We will supply the lessons of your choice whether it be preschool swim lessons or water exercise. For more information, call Jean Warren, 553-4020.

• **SLEEPER** — Come to the YMCA for a sleeper filled with fun and games. Swimming, games, in the gym movies and a pizza party are all part of the evenings activities. The fun begins at 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 30, and concludes the next

morning at 8:30 a.m. Bring your pajamas, sleeping bag, pillow, swimsuit and towel. Registration ends on April 28.

• **GYMNASTICS** — Get ready for the Olympics, join a gymnastics class. Classes are offered for ages 2-16 years of ages at the YMCA. Classes begin the week of May 2. For more information, call Jean Warren, 553-4020.

• **PARENT/TOT PROGRAMS** — Are you looking to enhance your baby's growth? Come to the Farmington YMCA. Gym &

Swim, gymnastics and exercise programs are offered. Each are designed for the parent to learn how to teach their child under 3 years old motor development skills. Classes begin the week of May 2. For more information, call the YMCA at 553-4020.

• **CLASS REGISTRATION** — Registration for classes begins Monday, April 25, for YMCA members only and starting Tuesday, April 26, for program members. Registration hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

C'ville eyes enrollment in 1st budget draft

About the time the Tigers were wrapping up spring training in Lakeland, local school administrators were involved in a form of fiscal spring training that has become an annual rite of sorts.

The fiscal training involved preparation of what amounts to a first draft of the proposed operating budget for the coming fiscal year for Clarenceville Public Schools.

The draft budget officially is known as the Wayne County Allocation Budget and is required by law to be submitted each spring (the dead-

line is today) to the Wayne County Allocation Board.

EACH YEAR the allocation board makes decisions on the 15 mills the county distributes among municipalities and school districts. But the distribution has become mostly a tradition, as the board each year allocates exactly 8.9 mills to local school districts — not a tenth of a mill more or a tenth of a mill less.

In spite of that, however, local school superintendents must submit allocation budgets to "justify" the need for those 8.9 mills. And superin-

tendents are serious, at least publicly, in submitting those budgets because none can afford to take 8.9 mills for granted.

The process of preparing allocation budgets, though, does allow school business offices the opportunity to take a hard look at the coming year's finances and prepare what becomes a working first-draft document for what will become the final operating budget adopted later in the year.

The deadlines require submission of the allocation budget even though the districts don't yet know significant information such as student enrollment (officially known after Fourth Friday in September) and the state aid formula.

CLARENCEVILLE WILL submit its budget based on a total levy of 27.9 mills but actually won't know what it can levy until after residents vote in the June election on whether to waive the rollback requirement of

the Headlee Amendment.

Clarenceville's allocation budget includes layoffs of 11 teachers and one maintenance person and reduced hours for others.

Clarenceville's revenue is projected at \$8 million with expenses at \$7.8 million. The fund balance of June 30, 1987, of \$324,650 is expected to drop to \$284,650 by the end of this June and the following year a fund balance of \$185,000 or about two percent of the total budget.

The allocation budget Clarenceville submits today shows the following decreases in planned expenditures: instruction, \$171,063; pupil services, \$7,928; school administration, \$7,300; business services, \$124,820.

Of the \$4.5 million instructional budget, salaries total \$3.6 million and benefits \$586,000.

The Clarenceville teacher salary schedule for the current year is \$19,594 for a bachelor's minimum to a master's maximum of \$38,882.

This week spotlights crime victims' rights

April 17-23 has been designated by President Reagan as National Victim Rights Week. This week has been set aside to recognize the problems, rights and needs of victims of crime.

"Although Mothers Against Drunk Driving focuses its concern on the victims of drunk-driving crashes, we believe that all victims are entitled to certain basic rights under the judicial system, among them the right to be treated with respect, to have their voices heard and to be a part of the court proceedings," says Penny Bien of Oxford.

This year, six million Americans will become victims of crime. "They

are more than statistics. They are our family, our friends, ourselves. Only when all these voices are heard will there truly be justice for all," Bien said.

MADD, along with other victim advocacy groups, is asking citizens to sign petitions titled "A Million American Voices for Victims." The goal of the petition effort is to express America's concern for the rights of the victim.

The petitions can be obtained by calling the MADD hotline at 333-3060 or by writing MADD, P.O. Box 3004, Farmington Hills 48333.

Optimists honor active students

A student from each of four Farmington-area high schools were honored by the Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club at the group's annual Youth Appreciation Day, April 13.

The students, their parents and school principals attended the breakfast awards presentation with members of the Optimist Club.

Honored were:
• Drew McDougall, of Farmington High School,
• Paul Landry of North Farmington High School,

• Amy Gibbs of Harrison High School,
• Molly McWood of Mercy High School.

EACH RECEIVED a plaque. Principals read short summaries about each student's accomplishments.

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