

SPORTS ROUNDUP

ROCKETS PREPARE FOR ORBIT

The Farmington Rockets will have lac registration for football players and cheerleaders from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Aug. 2, at Farmington High School.

The registration fee is \$80, which includes equipment, physical, banquet and trophy.

Boys between the ages of 8 and 16 and weighing between 65 and 165 pounds are eligible for either the freshman, JV or varsity teams.

Positions remain available for varsity cheerleaders only.

For more information call Lee Luttman (477-9322) or John Sawulski (477-9082) regarding football. Cheerleaders should call Sheila Miracle at (313) 697-0151.

AREA GOLF TOURNAMENTS

The Academy of the Sacred Heart Parents Club will host its Sixth Annual Golf Classic at Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester Hills on Monday, Sept. 29.

The outing includes lunch, dinner, girls and 18 holes of golf on the challenging Great Oaks course. Foursomes will play a best-ball scramble with a 1 p.m. shotgun start.

Registration begins at 11 a.m. with lunch preceding the tournament. The cost of the outing is

\$250 per golfer and hole sponsorship fees are also \$250.

The 1997 Golf Classic is chaired by Academy parents Larry Graves of Bloomfield Hills, Tim Glaros (Royal Oak) and Jerry Watson (Troy). Proceeds from the event benefit athletic and recreational programs at the Academy.

For more information, contact the Academy at (248) 646-8900.

The Walled Lake Western High School basketball program's first annual golf outing is scheduled for 8 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, at Rolling Meadows Golf.

The \$75 per person fee includes golf with a cart, food, beverages and prizes. Limited space is available, and program sponsors are still needed. Reservations and fees are due by Monday, July 7.

All proceeds go to the Walled Lake Western boys and girls basketball programs. For more information, contact Fran at 624-8879 or Dave at 624-9117.

MARLINS NEED COACHES

Mersey High School needs a varsity basketball and junior varsity tennis coach. If interested call Nancy Malinowski, Mersey athletic director, at (248) 476-2836 or fax a resume to (248) 476-3691.

CLASSES/CLINICS

WILDERNESS FIRST AID

The Southfield-based School of Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR) is offering a Wilderness First Aid Class on Aug. 1-3 at the Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion. Call Susan Gaydos at (313) 482-8404 for more information. SOLAR will also offer a backpacking class beginning in September.

CANOE CAMPING

Recreational Equipment Inc. is offering a clinic in canoe camping, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9.

CAMPING AND HIKING WITH KIDS

Recreational Equipment Inc. is offering a clinic that will cover the issues of safety and equipment needed when camping and hiking with children beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16. REI is located in the Northville Center (Six Mile and Haggerty). Call (810) 347-2100 for more information.

BACKPACKING

The School of Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation will offer a five-week backpacking class beginning at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 3, in Farm-

ington. Call Carol McCririe at (810) 229-5232 for more information.

OUTDOOR CLUBS

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6659 for more information.

FISHING CLUBS

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Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. Call (810) 656-0566 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call (313) 420-4481 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month

at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Dearborn Civic Center. Call (313) 676-2863 for more information.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun, rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to sunset, Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

SMALL FRY SAMPLER

A program of stories, songs and

activities for children ages 3-5 begins at 10 a.m. Tuesdays through Aug. 5 at Kensington.

NATURE DISCOVERY

A nature program for children ages 6-7 begins at 10 a.m. Wednesdays through Aug. 6 at Kensington.

ESPECIALLY FOR KIDS

A nature program for children ages 8-10 begins at 10 a.m. Wednesdays through Aug. 6 at Kensington.

TOT LOT

A half-hour nature program for tots on a surprise topic begins at 1 p.m. every Sunday at Indian Springs.

PLANTS WITH A PURPOSE

Learn how pioneers and Indians made use of native plants during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Kensington.

TOUCH, LISTEN AND SMELL

Open your senses to the wonders of nature during this indoor/outdoor program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Indian Springs.

HOME SCHOOLEE

Home schooled children ages eight and older will learn how wild plants are used for food, medicine, clothing, soap, dye and garden flowers during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 6, at Stony Creek.

STATE PARKS

FISHING IN THE PARKS

A program designed to introduce individuals and families to the fun of fishing and to help them get acquainted with nature will be held Tuesday evenings through Aug. 12 at Island Lake, Metamora-Hadley and Pontiac Lake recreation areas.

FARM STORIES

Meet at the Farm Demonstration building for stories and garden activities during this program, which begins at 11 a.m. Saturday and again at 3 p.m. Sunday at Maybury.

FAMILY FISHING

Learn about fishing and have some family fun during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. each Saturday through Aug. 23.

CREEPY CRAWLIES

Get close and personal with creepy creatures during this program, which begins at 3 p.m. Saturday at Island Lake.

BIKE HIKE

Tour nature by bike during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Island Lake.

GOIN' BATTY

Learn the truth about bats and find out what bat life is all about during this program, which begins at 6 p.m. Sunday at Island Lake.

OAKLAND PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

LEGENDS, YARNS AND TALES

Gather around a campfire and celebrate earth and wildlife through stories and songs during this program, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1, at Independence Oaks.

Kayak from D1

Lake Superior, particularly around the majestic Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, is very popular with kayakers, who partake in everything from short jaunts to day trips to overnight excursions.

"It's backpacking by water," said Lowell. "But with a kayak you can carry more gear."

The Great Lakes can get a bit nasty at times so for safety reasons kayakers don't go out in bad weather.

"Not many people go out in bad weather, but a lot of times they come back in bad weather because it can change so quickly out there," said Lowell.

For that reason it's the responsibility of the kayaker to learn proper paddling, safety and rescue techniques.

Great River is the area's only importer and wholesaler of Valley Kayaks, "the BMW of kayaks," according to Lowell. Great River also performs kayak repair and offers extensive kayaking classes.

Kayaks have withstood the test of time and are now making a big comeback with recreational paddlers. If you're interested in more information on kayaks and the sport of kayaking contact Great River Outfitters at (248) 683-4770.

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