Volunteer: As part of the World Wise Study pro-gram at O.E. Dunckel Middle School, teacher Claudia Doughty invited Peace Corps volunteer Alyssa Cooper to her class. Cooper is based in a remote mountain





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All-Night Happening lock-in tops \$12,000

Members of the Humanitarian Club at North Farmington High School presented a check for more than \$12,000 recently following their "All Night Happening" fundraiser held at the school from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. March 1-2. All four grades attended the party. About \$50 students attended the lock-in event. Seniors Lauren Young and llana Levinson are co-presidents of the club, which has about \$50 members. Kathleen Maisner, an honors English teacher, is their advisor.

"People came in with at least a \$20 donation," Young said. "There was a moon walk and a

Velcro wall, a fly on the wall kind of thing."
Food was served all night. Kids could play video games or participate in a volleyball tournament. They even got the chance to throw a pie at a teacher's face. A disc jockey played all night.
"We did this on a \$1,200 budget, "Young said. "We are experts at making money stretch."
Levinson and Young, who work as hostosses at Champps Restaurant in West Bloomfield, persunded management to allow the North Farmington High jazz band and steel drum band to perform there and raised \$600 in donations.

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"This is the third year for the All Night Happening and the seventh year for the club," Maisner said. A total \$32,000 was raised

over the last three years for MDA.

"We meet once a week," Young said. "It's a community service club."

"The club is open to anyone who wants to come," Levinson raid

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The group wanted to help the Muscular Dystrophy Association after watching a friend's father auffer with Lou Gehrigs disease.

Levinson was also touched by Mattic Stepanek, 11, who was a guest on the Oprah Show and is fighting a rare form of muscular dystrophy.

About 30 Farmington-area businesses contributed both money and gift certificates. More than 40 parents and touchers also donated their time.



Generous spirits: North Farmington students Ilana Levinson, Lauren Young, Angela Hanks, Jessica Sapick and Julie Kaplan helped raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

