## SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

The Farmington Motor City
Madness girls fastpitch softball
teams will conduct tryouts for
the 2003 spring season 1-2
p.m. Saturday, March 8, at
Power Middle School.
Ages are determined as of
Jan. 1, 2003. Players should
arrive a half hour early registration. Players need to bring bats,
mitts, helmets and gym shoes.
For more information call
Terry Gardner at (248) 2537078 regarding the 12-andunder team and Bill McNeil at
(248) 471-4953 for all other
ages.

#### HOOP TOURNEY

The Milford Follce The Millord Fotice Department is sponsoring its 14th Annual 3-on-3 Junior Shootout basketball tourna-ment March 14-16 for boys and

ment March 14-16 for boys and girls in grades 4-12. The entry fee is \$60 per team (four players) and must be sub-mitted by March 10. For more information call Rick Sharpe at (248) 584-1322.

#### **VOLLEYBALL TRYOUTS**

■ Tryouts for the Farmington Volleyball Club's Juniors 15 Elite team will be 5:00 p.m. Studey, Feb. 16, at St. Fabian School in Farmington fills. For more information call the club at 248-59+1269 or see the Web site at http://fjuniors.home.att.net.

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12 The Motor City Volleyhall Club will hold open tryouts from 2-4 p.m. (ages 15-16) and 4-6 p.m. (ages 17-18). Sunday, Feb. 9, at Henry Ford Community College, 5101

Evergreen Drive, Dearborn.

Evergreen Drive, Dearborn. Open registration and open tryouts for 12-and-under will be from 9-11 a.m. each Sunday (through March 1) at Henry Ford CC (or until positions are filled. Open tryouts and open registration for ages 19-14 will be from 10-30 a.m.-1 pm. each Sunday at Henry Ford (through March 2) or until all positions are filled.

For more information, call

## **COACHES NEEDED**

athletic department at (248)

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476-2836.

a The Farmington Public School district is in need of three coaches for the spring season: varisity softball, NY softball and boys tennis. Interested parties should contact the director of athletics at (248) 489-3352.

## MIXED COUPLES GOLF EVENT

Crystal Mountain Resort in

Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville will host the 2003 Great Lakes Amateur Mixed Comples Golf Champsonships, Aug. 22-23. The 36-hole event includes 40 teams (men and women) in four divisions: (A) open-scratch; (B) net with 90-per-cent handleap index; (C) Seniors net (48-56); and (E) Seniors net (48-56); and (E) Seniors net (48-56); and prizes will be awarded in each division.

The cost is \$390 per team, which includes 36 holes (with eart), complimentary practice center use, welcome goodle bag, merchandlse prizes, receipten after Friday's round, and awards dinner with entertainment on Saturday evening.

The entry deadline is Aug. 9. For more information, eal Crystal Mountain (800) 968-7686 or the Michigan State Amateur Golf Association at (517) 782-7594.

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Registration for the Farmington P. eckets football program (players and cheer-leaders) will be Saturday, March 8, at the William Costick Center on 11 Mile Road east of Middlebelt.

Returning players and cheer-leaders can register 10 a.m. to noon. Open enrollment will take place between noon and 2

Former USA Junior Olympic Team member and Montreal Expo Aaron Knieper will teach arm-strengthening techniques, pitching mechanics and philos-only.

pitching mecannics and power-ophy.
The cost is \$325 per player. Classes will be 4-5:30 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays.
To register call Total Baseball at (248) 638-0166 or e-mail at totalbhallwixom@ aol.com.

# YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL

Total Soccer will be running a 7-on-7 youth flag football league starting March 4. The league includes age groups ranging from 6-12 year old, League fee in 590 per per-son, and this session runs through April 24. For more information, call

(248) 669-9817.

#### YOUTH LACROSSE SIGN-UP

Farmington Hills Recreation wites all interested seventh invites all interested seventh and eighth graders to join its new Middle School Lacrosse Travel League, which has sepa-rate leagues for boys and girls. The emphasis is on learning the fundamentals of the game

and promoting sportsmanship. Practices will take place two to

Practices will take place two to four times a week starting in March, Games will be played in April and May. Parents must provide trans-portation. The fee is \$100 per player for residents and \$105 for non-residents. The fee includes the cost of a team jer-sey, balls, field time and goals.

Registration continues through Jan. 27. Coaches are needed,

for more information call the For more information call in City of Farmington Hills Special Services Division at (248) 473-1800 or stop by the Costick Community Center on 11 Mile Road between Middlebelt and Inkster.

### REDFORD SOFTBALL

Girla ages 6-15 interested in playing softball in Redford Township, are now welcome to register.

The cost is \$40 per child and the leagues will begin the last week of April. All games begin at 6 p.m.

Minor-lengue games are Tuesdays and Thursdays and will play coach-pitch. Majorleague games are Monday and Wednesday and will play modified fast-pitch. The registration hours are

8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday at the Parks and Recreation Office in

and Recreation Grace in Redford. Weekend registration will be noon to 2 p.m. Saturdays in February at Pierce Middle School. Call (313) 387-2650 for more information.

## **VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS WANTED**

The Motor City Volleyball Club is seeking players to fill teams at 12-, 13- and 14-and-under levels for the upcoming spring season. All teams are pay to play. For more information, call Larry or

Amber Wyatt at (734) 522-1690 or e-mail MCVBC@nol.com.

## SOFTBALL OPENINGS

Thunderbirds Softball Incorporated, a girls fastpitch softball team, has player openings for the 2003 season. Parents with pirls between the ages of 7 and 16 years are invited to contact either Mike Roberts (734) 397-1355 or Tom Ciotti (734) 748-6081 or visit the Web sites.

Thunderbirdsoftball.tripod.co

## WINTER SENIOR BASKETBALL

Schoolcraft College is offer-ing basketball for seniors 50-and-over from 10 a.m. to noon each Tuesday and Thursday through the end of

Thursday March.
Cost is \$35 for the entire winter season. For more information, call (248) 478-4457 or just show up Thesday and Thursday mornings.

#### RUGBY TRAINING

The search is on for high school boys (grades 9-12) interested in learning rugby football and participating in the Michigan Youth Rugby Association's spring season. Rugby is a rugged contact sport enjoyed around the world.

The Michigan Youth Rugby Association plays against clubs from Brighton, Berkley,

Howell, Dearborn, Livonia and

Northville.

The team has a "no cuts" policy. Everyone who practices will play. No experience is neces-

The sport of rugby football

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The sport of rugby football features 15 players to a side with limited abstitution; no blocking or padding, which makes it safer; and continuous play, like ice hockey, basketball and soccer.

It is a sport in which fitness, brains and brawn come together. Everyone is a ball-handler, scorer and defender. There are no playbooks; players make onthe-field decisions.

Winter (indoor) training will be 5:30-7 p.m. every Monday evening beginning Jan. 27 at the University of Michigan Coliseum (located on the corner of Fifth & Hill streets), with the possibility of additional sessions being scheduled.

For more information, call (734) 761-1938 or e-mail magnette@unich.edu.

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#### NORTHVILLE RUN

The Galyan's Northville Solstice Run will be held Saturday, June 21. The event is designed to promote healthy lifestyles and fitness while providing amenities and entertain-ment within the Northville

community.

For more information, please call the Northville Parks and Recreation Department at (248) 449-9941 or race director Alan Whitehead at (248) 420-

