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Oyster Bay Town Councilman Angelo A. Dellagatti, third from right, chats with local residents following the November 13 fire at Mr. Bar-B-Q on Leffington Avenue, Bethpage. Expressing their concerns to the Councilman are, left to right, Margaret Carvey Phyllis Guglielmo; Mike Steiniger, president of the Bethpage Central Civic Association; Theresa DeZema and Debra Lombardo.

Hicksville F.D. Election December 8

Voting for the Hicksville Fire Commissioner will take place Tuesday, December 8 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Incumbent Commissioner Clifford Davis is running unopposed.

A ballot can be cast at Fire Headquarters on East Marie Street.

Special Zoning Meeting Postponed

The Oyster Bay Town Board has cancelled, at the request of the applicants attorney, the previously scheduled December 15, public hearing for the purpose of reviewing conditions under a granted special use permit to erect, maintain and operate a drive-in window in an already existing fast food restaurant.

The attorney for the applicants, Old Country Road Burgers Co., Inc., Creative Foods Corp., and Fulton Associates has requested a cancellation of the hearing previously scheduled for Tuesday, December 15.

The property is located at the southeast corner of Old Country Road and South Oyster Bay Road in Plainview.

This Issue

This issue includes three sections. The first is the main news with all local news and photos. The second section is our annual Christmas Edition, with articles on the many things needed for enjoying the holidays. It is one of the 15 special editions, given at no extra cost to subscribers each year. The third section is the regular Discovery Magazine, with columns and features for every member of the family, plus classified ads and dining information.

Fire Board Meeting Schedule

The Board of Fire Commissioners Regular Meetings are held on the second Tuesdays of each month except in the month of December when they are held on the first Tuesday. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. in the Board room at the E. Marie Street Firehouse.

Meetings are also held on most Sundays at 10 a.m. at which time small details are discussed.

Sunday, January 3, at 10 a.m. the Reorganizational Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will take place in the Board Room. At 2 p.m. the newly elected Commissioners will be sworn in.

Young Man Killed In Auto Crash

The 8th squad reports the details of a fatal auto accident that occurred at Old Bethpage Road and Arbor Gate, Old Bethpage at 1:30 p.m. November 26.

Richard Kalderon, 24, of 30 Frankie Lane, Old Bethpage was operating his BMW southbound on Old Bethpage when his auto was struck by a northbound 1977 Pontiac operated by Wilhelm Schroeder, 30, of 455 Main St., Farmingdale.

Kalderon was pronounced dead at the Nassau County Medical Center, East Meadow at 2:30 p.m. Schroeder was admitted to Central General Hospital ICU Unit with broken collar bones and multiple lacerations to the face. He was charged with 1192-4 DWI Impaired-Drugs.

Schroeder apparently fell asleep after taking medication and struck the oncoming vehicle. Both cars were impounded for testing. The investigation is continuing.

School Bd. Reviews Academic Statistics

Special to Mid Island Times

By Maureen Traxler

With the establishment of Regents Action Plan mandates, districts throughout New York State have begun formally to report a wide range of statistics. Director of Instruction Robert Durso outlined Hicksville's statistics in the 1987 Comprehensive Assessment Report (CAR) before the Board of Education and the public at the November 24 monthly meeting. The report serves as an academic profile of the district and covers annual testing, high school graduation results, enrollment, attendance, drop-out rates, racial/ethnic distribution, average class size and pupil/support staff ratio.

Mr. Durso said, "The average (Hicksville) student is performing at above average level." He noted that in the language arts area, students are significantly above grade level and that 10% more graduates are going on to further education. Mr. Durso attributed these successes to the district's focus on basic skills and emphasis on constantly raising student expectations.

The report shows that the pupils on the 6th grade level taking the Program Evaluation Test in social studies, first administered in the spring of 1987, scored mildly ahead of the Nassau County average. The district students in grades 3 and 5 also taking various PEP tests and the secondary level students taking the Preliminary Competency tests also scored above County average. In the Regents Competency tests in mathematics, reading and writing, students taking the mathematics test for the first time in June scored above Nassau County averages, but students taking the reading and writing exams for the first time in January, scored slightly below County averages.

The charts depicting Hicksville's Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) mean scores with those on the national and state level show Hicksville scores favoring since 1980.

Other statistics show: 396 of the 425 graduates of the Class of 1987, received local high school diplomas. Included in these numbers are 29 handicapped students, of which 26 received local diplomas. The percentage of students receiving Regents diplomas remained at 53%. Comparable statistics show New York City with 33% and Nassau and Suffolk Counties at 50%.

The average attendance rate in Hicksville is 94%, compared with 93.7% in Nassau County and 85% in New York City. The percentage of student enrollment with Limited English Proficiency states is 2.6% compared with 6% in Nassau County and the district's pupil/support staff ratio is 106:1:1, significantly lower than the Nassau County ratio of 136:1.

Assistant Superintendent G. Robert Couillard reviewed the district's course of study for the four-year high school. He acknowledged that adjustments to curriculum were made to conform with the Regents Action Plan.

Trustee Carole Wolf noted that the Ad Hoc Committee on Elementary Reorganization is moving into its final stages. At the December 2 meeting the topic of discussion centered around different organizational plans, such as the 4-4-4 or 5-3-4 grade breakdown. January's topic will be school closings. In February, the Committee is scheduled to vote on options to send to the Board for their discussion and determination of further plans.

At the October meeting, the Board had appropriated \$725 for the cost of a survey of residents in connection with reorganization. Mrs. Wolf said that the committee voted down such a survey, because they did not want anything to influence their vote. Mrs. Patricia Rooney, a member of the committee, stated that her perception was that the committee turned down the survey because they would not receive the results directly.

In trustee William Bennett's report of the November 18 Policy Committee meeting, he stated that Messrs. Dettloff, Humann, Cusick and Brigandi of the Hicksville Water Commission made a presentation stressing the importance of teaching water conservation measures to students. They informed the committee that the Water Commission was ordered by the State Department of Environmental Conservation to reduce this year's water usage by 29% from last year, and that to date only a 13% savings has been realized. The Commissioners called for a joint effort to be made to educate young Hicksville residents of the importance of water conservation.

Mr. Bennett also indicated the committee's intention to have the School Board take an official position in opposition to the proposed

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Assemblyman Lewis J. Yovell, right, Chairman of the Assembly Committee on Commerce, Industry and Economic Development appears with Nassau County District Attorney Dennis Dillon at a recent press conference to disclose the details of tough new legislation proposed by Dillon relating to the home improvement industry. Assemblyman Yovell will introduce the legislation during the 1988 Legislative Session in Albany.

Editor's Notebook

Residents are reminded that Fire Districts hold elections on Dec. 8. The contenders in each race are given in a news item on the front page of this newspaper. In some races there are no contests, in others there are one or two opponents. Voting in fire district races for commissioners is often a forgotten duty of citizens. But considering the importance of a good fire department, it is actually of great importance and should be taken seriously. The times and places to vote are in the story for your district.

This week we are including our special Holiday edition as part of this newspaper. Each year the number of pages and specially prepared articles increases. We hope that readers will look over this special edition and enjoy the stories and benefit from the special advertising messages of businesses in the area who want to be of service to you.

Robert L. Morgan

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changes in criteria for the awarding of Regents and Empire State Scholarships. These changes would include non-weighted grade point averages, along with SAT-ACT scores, in the formula for determining scholarship winners. The feared impact would be less money going to Hicksville High graduates.

Board President Thomas Nagle noted that the district's health insurance rates will jump 60% effective January 1, 1988. Meanwhile, the \$250,000 increase to the present budget which had not been allotted will be covered through a transfer from the Retirement Account. It has been determined that the costs in this area will be under previous estimates due to a lowering of the retirement rate for this year.

In other action: The Board unanimously accepted a check for \$2100 from the Veterans Memorial Fund to be applied to the improvement of the Middle School Veterans Memorial site. Noting that this money was culled through donations from the people of Hicksville, the district will proceed with plans to install lighting which will enhance the memorial area.

Mr. Bennett motioned that the Board accept Trustee Daniel MacBride's resignation of the rights and duties of Secretary of the Board due to career circumstances. Upon receiving Board approval, Mr. Bennett nominated Trustee Carol Wolf to the position of Secretary to the Board. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board approved the appointment of Alan Schaub as Assistant Director of Facilities. Mr. Schaub is a native of Hicksville and attended the public schools from Nicholas through Senior High School. He brings to the district expertise in the areas of plumbing, electricity, carpentry, masonry and grounds.

After a two month suspension of instruction in the Academic Enrichment Program for grades 4 through 6, the district looks forward to resuming the program in January. The Board approved the appointment of two teachers - Mrs. Nora Friedman who comes from the New York City schools where she taught advanced elementary classes and Mrs. Ann Gladstone from the Bethpage School District elementary Gifted and Talented Program.

The next monthly Board meeting has been advanced to Tuesday, December 15, due to the holiday season. The meeting is scheduled for 8:15 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building.

NWCA Meeting December 1

The next general meeting of the Northwest Civic Association will take place on December 1, at 7:30 p.m., at the Burnas Avenue School.

We had hoped to have someone from the Office of the Town Attorney to address our membership, and answer some of our questions regarding Zoning and

Ordinances. Unfortunately they cancelled. It was too late to re-schedule anyone else.

We will have an update from Mrs. Lafferty on the findings and recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee and reports from Chairpersons of the various Committees. It promises to be an informative meeting.

Fatal Accident In Hicksville

Eighth Squad Det. Robert Raymond reports the details of a fatal auto accident that occurred at Old Country Road and Jerusalem Road, Hicksville at about 8:50 p.m. on November 26.

Maria Stouges 84, of 18 Andings Avenue, N. Merrick was being driven home from her son's home after Thanksgiving Day dinner. John Funk, 64, 2026 Decker Avenue, N. Merrick was operating a 1970 Plymouth northbound on Jerusalem Road, and attempting to make a left turn onto Old Country Road. Funk was in collision with a 1985 Dodge Van headed southbound on Jerusalem Road, operated by Raymond Allen, 26, of 151 Lilip Terrace, Lilip Terrace.

Stouges was in the front passenger seat and was knocked unconscious. She was taken to NCMC, E. Meadow where she was admitted. At 9:45 p.m. she was pronounced dead by a hospital staff doctor. An autopsy will be performed to determine the exact cause of death.

The accident was classified a minor accident and the death was unexpected. No charges have been filed.

Cliff Davis Runs For Fire Re-Elect.



CHIEF Davis

Clifford G. Davis has announced his candidacy for re-election for the five year term of Hicksville Fire Commissioner. Voting will be held Tuesday, December 8, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Station #1, Gebhardt Plaza (East Marie Street) Hicksville. Mr. Davis has served sixteen years as a Hicksville Fire Commissioner, and is an Ex-Chief of the Hicksville Fire Department. He is a third generation Hicksville Fireman having served 39 years with the Hicksville Fire Department, and has resided in the Hicksville Fire District his entire life. He is an active member of County, State, and International Firematic Associations, a Past President of the Hicksville Exempts Association, the Executive Council of Firematic Associations of Nassau County, Nassau County Fire Chiefs Council, and the South Shore Firemen's Association. He also served as Chairman of the Nassau County Fire Commission, and Chairman of the Ninth Battalion Fire District. Mr. Davis was a local business man in Hicksville for over 30 years and presently is employed in the Building Department for the Town of Oyster Bay. He also serves as Director for Nassau County in the Firefighters Burn Center Foundation, (for better burn care for the people in the Long Island and New York area). Anyone who is a registered voter in the Hicksville Fire District may vote.

THE OFFICE CAT

By Gabby Tabby

WHILE the amounts were small and there was no wrong doing uncovered, the State auditor has brought to light a system whereby Town officials okay their own expenses in an audit that has just ended. Obviously there will have to be some changes if State Assemblyman Lewis Yevoli has his way.....NASSAU County police patrols in unmarked cars are being added to regular police in shopping centers during the Christmas season. The number of robberies in parking lots in shopping centers has been increasing and the police want to get the upperhand.....THAT dangerous roadway where Northern State comes to a merge with Meadowbrook Parkway past Hicksville near Westbury is going to be changed starting this summer. The merge has been a dangerous condition since the 1950's. Money has now finally been allocated to the change.....THE CRIME REPORT is published each week to alert residents of where crime is taking place in the area and as an aid in the Neighborhood Watch program. Anyone seeing suspicious activity should phone 911. BURGLARS broke into the Scibelli home, 15 Dorothy Drive, Syosset on Nov. 25. They entered through a rear window and stole a Jacuzzi and swimming pool liner.....JEWELRY was stolen from the Lazar residence, 58 Stewart Drive, Syosset on Nov. 25. Entry was through a rear window.....BURGLARS broke into the Barimoli residence, 59 Melanie Lane, Syosset on Nov. 25. Entry was through a rear window. The loss was cash, earrings and jewelry.....CASE, a TV, VCR, clothing, furs and a wallet were stolen from the Petermann home, 52 Smith St., Hicksville on Nov. 26. Entry was through the front door.....BURGLARS broke into the Kearney home, 4 Wilshire Drive, Syosset on Nov. 27. A rear door was pried open to gain entry. The loss included a VCR and video camera.....A STEREO, radio and jewelry were stolen from the Sharfman residence, 71 Circle Drive, Syosset on Nov. 28. Entry was through a rear window.....THE LOSS is unknown at the Suberman residence, 66 Circle Drive, Syosset. Burglars broke in through a rear window.....A TV, coin collection, jewelry and a copy machine were stolen from the Zapitz residence, 19 Chelsea Drive, Syosset on Nov. 28. A rear door was pried open to gain entry.....BURGLARS entered the Dairoza residence, 37 Birchwood Park Drive, Syosset on Nov. 28. Entry was through a rear window. The loss is unknown.....THE LOSS is unknown at the Bennisato residence, 24 Adams St., Hicksville. Burglars entered the house on Nov. 29.....SPORTS equipment, phones and electrical equipment were stolen from Who's On First 15 W. Nicholas St., Hicksville on Nov. 24. Entry was through a rear window.....BURGLARS made a hole in the roof at Foodtown 3988 Hempstead Turnpike, Bethpage, on Nov. 24. They entered but what was taken is unknown.....A VCR and jewelry were stolen from a house at 56 Admiral Lane, Hicksville on Nov. 26. The method of entry is unknown.....That's all the news for now.....G.T.



Oyster Bay Town Councilman Thomas L. Clark, second from right, was among the many public officials on hand for "wall-breaking" ceremony to kick off a multi-million renovation of the Plaza at Mid Island, soon to be known as the Broadway Mall. Mall principals Martin, second from left, Alan, third from left, and Julius, third from left, Yundell presided over the festivities, which were also attended by State Assemblyman Daniel Friso, left, Nassau County Executive Thomas S. Galotta, third from right, and State Assemblyman Fred Parola, right.

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Plainview resident Tom Galantich will star with Tammy Grimes in a Theatre On Park production of 'Mademoiselle Colombe'. Performances are scheduled to begin December 9, ending on the 20th. Tom plays the role of Edward in the musical. He's also been on TV's soaps 'All My Children' and 'Search For Tomorrow'.

Chanukah Oneg Shabat At Mid Is. Y

For single parents and their children, there will be a special Chanukah Oneg Shabbat on December 18, at Temple Or Elohim in Jericho.

This Special Oneg in cooperation with the Mid-Island YM & YWHA in Plainview will follow the Friday Night Evening Services which begin at 8:30 p.m.

Members of the community are invited for the services and the special Oneg with Rabbi Phillip Bentley at the Temple at 18 Tobie Lane, Jericho.

For further information, call Temple Or Elohim at 433-9587 or The Mid-Island Y Adult Group Services 822-3535.

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Holiday Concert Scheduled Dec. 18

The Town of Oyster Bay Town is again sending musical holiday greetings to residents in the form of a free concert by the Concert Pops of Long Island on Friday, December 18, according to Town Councilman John Venditto.

"Through the Cultural and Performing Arts (CAPA) Division of the Department of Community Services, the concert is being presented as a gift to residents in the Town of Oyster Bay," Venditto said. "It will be held at the Tiles Center of Long Island University's C.W. Post Campus, Rte. 25-A, Greenvale, beginning at 8 p.m."

Free tickets for the performance are being distributed on a first come, first served, basis. They can be obtained by calling CAPA at 795-5943.

"The Concert Pops of Long Island is well known to Oyster Bay audiences through its many performances in the summer concerts at the parks series," Venditto said. "Under the baton of Dean Karahalis, who boasts an extensive background in performing, teaching and conducting, the Concert Pops never fails to excite audiences with its virtuosity and versatility."

"I cordially invite all Town residents to order their tickets now for what promises to be an enjoyable evening of holiday and pops music as only the Concert Pops of Long Island can," Venditto concluded.

Sweet Adelines Want Singers

Start the New Year on a Happy Note. Join a singing group that is filled with fun and fellowship. Raise your voices in song with the Twin County Chapter of Sweet Adelines, Inc. who meet every Wednesday evening at 7:45 at the United Methodist Church 992 Old Country Road, Plainview.

Our membership chairperson - Tina - will be waiting to hear from you with further information. Call her at 798-4950 - you will be happy to hear more about this rewarding singing experience.



Hicksville's All-State Chorus and Orchestra representatives are, left to right: Joanne Rivers, Dawn Trunka, Jennifer Lee and Jennifer Tower.

Hicksville Grad. At 4-H Convention

Richard Stache, a 1987 Hicksville High School graduate, has been chosen by the New York State Chapter of the 4-H Club to go to the 4-H National Congress in Chicago this month. He is one of four distinguished young adults to achieve this honor, which is based on one's 4-H experience, including presentations, exhibits and projects. Being selected to go to the National Congress is the highest accolade a "4-Her" can receive at the state level.

In Chicago, every state is represented and over 2000 4-H members are there. Here, national winners are selected.

Hicksville High School was represented at the National Congress last year by Scott O'Callaghan in the category of leadership. Richard Stache will be judged on his expertise in wood science.

Four Perform At Music Conv.

Four Hicksville High School music students performed at the New York State School Music Association's (NYSSMA) All-State Convention on November 29 through December 3. The students were selected on the basis of an audition held at the NYSSMA Spring Festival.

High School junior, Jennifer Lee, performed in the All-State Orchestra showing her expertise at the violin. She most recently played in the All-County Orchestra and is a member of the Modern Music Masters Honor Society.

Hicksville was represented in the All-State Mixed Chorus by seniors Joanne Rivers and Dawn Trunka. Joanne is active in many school activities including the National Honor Society, TADA (Teens Against Drug Addiction), and the Drama Club.

Dawn is the Treasurer of the senior class, Secretary of the National Honor Society, and Historian of the Modern Music Masters, among many other projects.

First soprano, Jennifer Tower, performed in the All-State Women's Chorus. As a high school senior, Jennifer is active in a variety of clubs including the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and the Modern Music Masters, of which she is President. Jennifer is planning a career in Music Therapy.

All three chorus representatives were also members of the 1987 All-County Chorus.

The Hicksville Music Department is very proud of these fine delegates to the NYSSMA All-State Convention and how well they represented Hicksville.

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The Ballet Center of Long Island recently opened at 2 Hertz Place, Hicksville. They cater to the serious dance student and also offer jazz and tap classes for all levels. The faculty is comprised of, left to right: Tina Zimmerman, (Jazz, Intermediate and Advanced); Norma Hoffman, (Ballet, all levels); Toby Witkoff (Stretch & Strengthen, Beginner Ballet and Jazz, Creative Movement, Men's Exercise); T.J. Rizzo (Tap and Theatre Dance); and Victoria Corley-Hawley, (Intermediate and Advanced Ballet). They offer a wide variety of classes and welcome inquiries at 935-7113.

'Good Foods' At Burns Ave. School

As a culminating activity to their nutrition unit on "Good Foods," (Growing Healthy Program) the Second Graders (Mrs. Oliveri's Class and Mrs. Blaauboer's Class) had a nutritious lunch in their classrooms.

All the children helped prepare the foods for the luncheon the day before - they washed vegetables, peeled fruits and vegetables, mixed ingredients, used a whisk and egg beater, etc. This proved to be a wonderful learning experience for them. This preparation made them quite eager to taste the foods on the day of the luncheon.

The "luncheon menu" consisted of foods from the Basic Four Food Groups that the children studied in the nutrition unit. They learned the importance of selecting and eating "healthy foods" at all meals as well as snack time.

They realized that good nutrition went hand-in-hand with good health.

An enjoyable, delicious time was had by all!

Each child wrote an original food riddle accompanied by an illustration of their answer. The riddles were displayed in the classrooms for all to enjoy. The children from both classes read the riddles to each other and had fun guessing the answers to these riddles.

Our Luncheon Menu

Vegetables (with or without dip) Broccoli, cauliflower, peppers, carrots, celery, tomatoes. Fruit - oranges, pineapple, bananas, apples (fruit salad). English Muffin Pizza; "Hot Dog Surprise"; Vanilla or Chocolate Pudding; Apple Juice.

Mrs. Oliveri - Mrs. Blaauboer - Second Grade Teachers - Burns Ave. School.



Left to right: Jerry Wallis, Stratis Christodoulou, Joey Rini, Suzi Milan, Marc Atlas.



Left to right: Mrs. Emanuel (Class Mother), Danny Hurtes, Debbie Koutseubis, Rachel Simon, Deanna Ghezzi.



Sung Ho Goldfrank



Preparing dips - left to right, Danny Hurtes, Shane Grolla, Mrs. Rini (Class Mother), Jerry Wallis, Bobby Vernace.



Peeling and cutting fruit for the fruit salad. Left to right: Brett Flax, Soema Pereira, Mrs. Corrado (Class Mother), Paul McNamara, Joel Laffer.



Preparing vanilla and chocolate pudding. Left to right: Shirley Delaney, Rachel Simon, Mrs. Modifica (Class Mother), Anthony Benavides, Mrs. Emanuel (Class Mother), Sangeeta Nayak, Stratis Christodoulou.

St. Ignatius PTA Cake Sale Dec. 6

The St. Ignatius Loyola Parents Association is sponsoring a cake sale on Sunday, December 6. It will be run by Grades 3 and 4 after all the morning masses. Proceeds will be used for the children's Christmas social.

Two Rob Home In Plainview

Two armed black males robbed a Plainview couple in their bedroom of \$3,200 dollars in currency plus assorted mens and womens jewelry around 1:55 a.m. November 23.

Robert Rohde, 51 and his wife Elena, 52, were asleep in an upstairs bedroom of their home, at 182 Roxton Road, when Mr. Rohde awakened by a crash and saw a man turning on a light. He was punched in the face by one of the suspects holding a small black handgun, who demanded the couple hand over their cash and jewelry. After getting same, both fled the house via the front door after warning the Rohde's to stay put.

Mr. Rohde received a contusion of his eye and right shoulder for which he refused attention and will see his own doctor. Mrs. Rohde was not injured.

The suspects were described as follows: 1-Ski masked black male, armed with a handgun, 28-30 years, 6', 160-180 lbs., slim build, light complexion, chipped upper front tooth, wore a brown ski mask and a brown sweater; 2-M/B, armed with a knife, which he kept in his pocket, 25-30, 5'7"-5'10", 180 lbs., had a mustache, wore a dark blue jacket and a tan ski cap with an orange band.

The Second Squad is investigating.

St. Ignatius PTA Santa Breakfast

St. Ignatius Loyola Parents Association is sponsoring its annual Breakfast with Santa. This holiday outing will be held Sunday, December 13 in the New School cafeteria. Breakfast includes pancakes, juice, milk or coffee. Pictures taken with Santa will be available, too. The seating will be available at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children. For more information please contact M. Mars at 731-8719.

College Notes

Bettina Michelle Remacle, 10 Gardenia Lane, Hicksville is a candidate at SUNY Fredonia for a December BFA degree in Theatre Arts.

Lady Of Mercy Holding Bazaar

The Tots to Teens Clothing Bazaar will be held at Our Lady of Mercy School Cafeteria, Saturday, December 12, 8:30 - 4:30.

At the height of the Holiday shopping season, here is the sale everyone has been waiting for.

By arrangement with the "Kiddies' Delight" stores in Plainview, there will be designer fashions and the finest brands at closeout prices.

The size range goes from infants and toddlers, through Pre-Teen for Girls, and size 20 for boys.

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Reunion In Korea For Hicksville Family

Fall was a special time of year for a Hicksville family that was reunited October 26 in the Republic of Korea through the Reunion in Korea program, sponsored by the Korea National Tourism Corporation (KNTC).

Daniel and Carol Hogan joined their son Army 1st Lieutenant Daniel L. Hogan Jr., who is a fire direction officer with A Battery of the 8/8 Field Artillery stationed at Camp Stanley, for a five-day visit in the Republic of Korea (ROK). They were welcomed by top United States Forces in Korea (USFK) officials who briefed the group on the American commitment to the ROK and the threat facing peace and security in the area.

The U.S. Army has some 29,000 soldiers in the Republic of Korea, helping to protect the peace in this strategically vital area of the world. More than 90 per cent of them are serving one-year tours of duty away from their families.

Reunion in Korea was established in 1981 in recognition of the centennial of diplomatic relations between the U.S. and the ROK. The program demonstrates the Republic's appreciation of American contributions to security on the Korean peninsula by enabling family members of USFK and Department of Defense civilian personnel to visit Korea at special group rates. Although tour costs vary according to departure and return points, the unique package includes round-trip air fare, hotel accommodations and all meals and tours affordably priced for the servicemembers' families.

USFK representatives accompanied the Reunion group throughout the program, which includes tours of the United Nations Command Joint Security



Daniel and Carol Hogan pause for a picture during the Reunion in Korea tour. (U.S. Army Photo by Spec. 4 Michael Thompson)

Area at Panmunjom on Korea's Demilitarized Zone, the ancient Changduk Palace in Seoul, Bulguksa Temple and the National Museum in Kyongju, the ancient capital of Korea's Shilla Dynasty.

Tour members also had the opportunity to visit the Korean Folk Village in Suwon. Like a living museum, the Folk Village includes reproductions of traditional Korean houses, complete with villagers actually practicing the ancient crafts and demonstrating the old ways of life. In contrast, the group

was given a tour of the massive Hyundai shipyard in Ulsan where modern craftsmen work in heavy industry.

Throughout the visit participants stayed at first class hotels and were given the opportunity to dine on traditional Korean foods and be entertained by top Korean musicians and dancers.

Santa To Visit Hicksville P.O.

Santa Claus will visit the Hicksville Post Office, 185 West John Street on Saturday, December 12 from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Roger Nienaber, Hicksville Division General Manager/Postmaster invites children to come to the post office with letters to Santa, Candy canes and postal coloring books will be handed out.

The Hicksville Post Office will be open on Sundays, December 13 and 20 for the sale of holiday stamps. Mr. Nienaber asks holiday shoppers to mail early this year and to make certain that mail is addressed correctly. Include the proper ZIP code and make sure your packages are wrapped correctly so that cards and parcels reach their destinations in plenty of time for the holidays.



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the special clothing the firefighters wear to protect them when doing their job. The importance of good fire safety was reviewed and the children learned a valuable lesson from this "hands on" experience. This wonderful special learning event was organized by Mrs. Gail Cooley, SMT, Burns Ave. School's Health and Safety Coordinator. Thank you, Mrs. Cooley



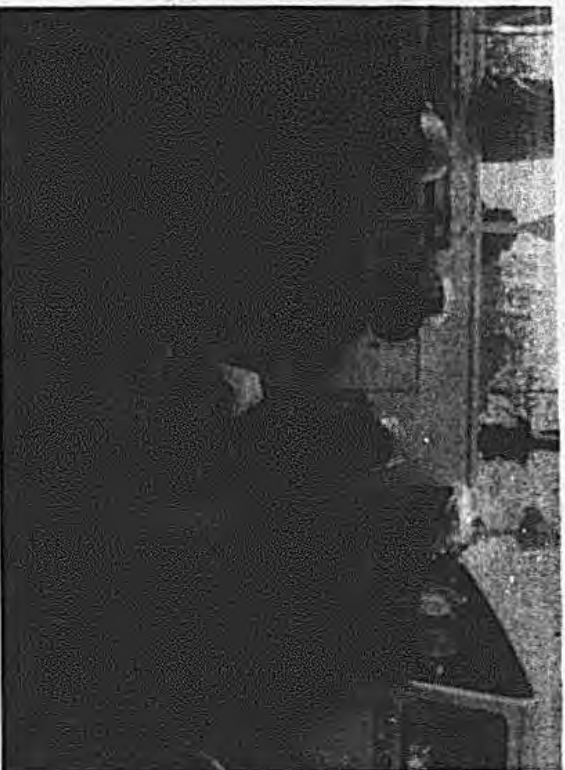
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Students Enjoy Art Collection



The fifth grade students from Dutch Lane Elementary School spent a beautiful morning in November at Hofstra University, visiting a collection of sculpture and graphics by world-renowned artist. Henry Moore (1898-1986). Samples of maquettes, working models and finished pieces were on exhibit. The children were delighted to be able to touch pieces by the artist they had been introduced to through film and

discussion in art class. The students, Mr. Harry Smith, fifth grade teacher, and Mrs. Carol Loshigan art teacher, were escorted through the exhibit at various locations on campus by Hofstra student guides. The field trip was followed up by discussion in art class. Written reports revealed that students enjoyed the experience and have become familiar with one famous artist's work. Many children commented that artwork doesn't have to be realistic. Moore's figures of mother and child had feeling and were beautiful to look at. They gave cause to stop, look and think. Students will follow this experience with their own attempts at figure drawing and sculpture. Who knows? We may have a future Henry Moore in our midst!



Sixth graders from Dutch Lane: Stephanie Anderson, Joseph Burke, Michael Burton, Eda Boon, Kim Calver, Stephen DiGirolamo, George Gercynski, Vanessa Grubman, Kim Grove, Judith Grove, Sarah Grummett, Melissa Handelman, Christopher Higgins, Susan Hobland, John Handelman, Devin Johnson, Robert Kerr, Keith Kuba, Jennifer Krummer, Jennifer Krummer, Paul Meyer, Zoe Michaels, Melissa Pavlenko, Deborah Rivers, William Rogers, Robert Rumbach, Lynn Ruggieri, Stephen Matthews, Michael Zale.

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By Rosalind Remond



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All one needs to do to enjoy a Club Med vacation is to bring oneself, the rest is provided for by club management and it is the "G.O.'s" duty to make sure the lively upbeat tempo never falters. They expedite a variety of activities including all types of sports, arts and crafts, group interaction, and entertainment while making every effort to insure that each member has a memorable stay.

Upon joining Club Med for a one-time initiation fee of \$25 and an annual fee of \$40 per family (entitling one - or the family - to receive pertinent information about the clubs throughout the year and to reserve space at any club Med village), the vacationers make only one other comprehensive payment. From the start he or she knows the exact cost of the vacation because air fare, meals, wine, sporting facilities, equipment and entertainment are included in the price. The few exceptional expenses are liquor, cigarettes, personal items, special excursion fees, or sporting activities requiring additional costs such as 18 holes of golf, horseback riding and deep-sea fishing.

Best of all, Club Med's all-inclusive approach to vacationing creates a carefree, anxietyless atmosphere conducive to concentrating on fun. Even tipping is of no concern because there isn't any. Radios and newspapers are also discouraged.

"Mini Meds" (for children 2-11) are new programs aimed at the young family market. Not every village has a program, but many do - enough to retain a mature member's loyalty as well as to appeal to his friends or to encourage a first-timer. During certain slow seasons, children may vacation for free, and care is taken to see that their vacations are as enjoyable as those of their parents. There's even a "Baby Med" (baby care) at Club Med - The Sandpiper in Florida.

Villages are constantly being refurbished and new sites are added every year. The first all-season Club Med resort within the continental United States was recently opened in Fort St. Lucie, Florida. Club Med - The Sandpiper is advertised as a resort that caters "to people four months to 70 plus - single, married, coupled, uncoupled, whatever."

Saboro, Hakkaido in northern Japan is the location of another new club. It's slated to open today and will function as a mountain resort in summer and a ski resort in winter.

The newest addition, Club Med Hautu (Mexico), located in the state of Oaxaca on a beautiful newly developed west coast beach area will open on December 12. The Mexican government agency Fonatur spear-headed the development of the Hautulco area which is accessible not only to sporting activities but also to Mayan ruins and the colonial city of Oaxaca.

Yes, Club Med is a unique concept. Many love it, others do not. Yet, the continued expansion of the Club Med organization would lead one to believe that it must have a loyal and growing clientele. It's popularity has even expanded to the point that the Club Med ambience is recognized by business as a fine background for conferences - the contained, all-inclusive feature, I'm sure is not lost on meeting organizers.

Willet Avenue Studies Fire Safety

The 1987-88 Fire Safety Program at Willet Ave School began with a presentation by Fire Marshal Edward Steinmueller of Nassau County Fire Prevention Bureau. By means of film and drawings, Mr. Steinmueller instructed all Willet students in the

"Stop, Drop and Roll" exercise, how to execute a fire drill in the home and detecting fire hazards around the house. Fire Marshal Steinmueller, as always, presented a lively program which added to the children's knowledge about fire prevention.



Fire Marshal Steinmueller with students from Willet Avenue School.

Fire Safety Tips At OpenHouseDec.16



The main Hicksville Fire Station on East Marie Street is all decorated and waiting for Santa's visit, Sunday, December 6, 2-5 p.m.

The annual Hicksville F.D. Holiday Open House will be held on Sunday, December 6 2-5 p.m. at Fire Headquarters on East Marie St. Santa will be on hand to greet the children.

Fire Safety ALL year long will be the main topic with displays and demonstrations. For all those children interested there will be a quiz on Fire Safety and a small prize for all those who score 100%.

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 real property. General
 Partner, Contribution & Share
 of Profits: Marjack Develop-
 ment Corp., c/o Martin
 Reffsin, 99 Jericho Tpk.,
 Jericho, N.Y. \$100, .9%.
 Initial Limited Partners,
 Contribution and Share of
 Profits: C. Jack Levine, 224-24
 Union Tpk., Bayside, N.Y.;
 Martin Reffsin, 157 Townline
 Rd., E. Northport, N.Y. \$100
 each, 49.5% each. Special
 Limited Partner, Contribution
 and Share of Profits: Charles
 Jack Levine, as trustee, 224-24
 Union Tpk., Bayside, N.Y.
 \$1,500,000, .1%. Partnership
 to continue until Dec. 30, 2037
 unless sooner terminated. No
 additional contributions to be
 made. No time agreed upon
 for return of contributions. No
 limited partner shall substitute
 an assignee in his or her place
 without consent of general
 partner. Additional limited
 partners may be admitted. No
 priority among limited
 partners as to contributions or
 as to compensation by way of
 income. Upon death, insanity
 or retirement of a general
 partner, remaining general
 partner shall have the right to
 continue the business. No
 limited partner shall demand
 property other than cash in
 return for his or her contri-
 bution.
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**NOTICE TO NASSAU COUNTY
 TAXPAYERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
 that sales lists are being prepared of
 unpaid School District Taxes for
 the year 1986-1987, and State,
 County, Town and special district
 taxes for year 1987, on real prop-
 erty situated in the towns of Hemp-
 stead, North Hempstead and Oyster
 Bay and the City of Long Beach,
 New York. Sales lists are also being
 prepared of unpaid State and
 County Taxes for the year 1987 on
 real property situated within the
 territorial limits of the City of
 Glen Cove, N.Y. Unless such unpaid
 taxes, with interest and additional
 fees be paid on or before the 21st
 day of December, 1987 the tax lien
 on the property against which such
 taxes are levied will be advertised
 and on the 16th day of February,
 1988 thereafter, sold.

Any taxpayer interested may
 send a brief description of his
 property to the County Treasurer,
 and a statement of the amount of
 unpaid tax, if any, will be forward-
 ed to him.

The completed lists will be
 open for examination, and copies
 will be available in the County
 Treasurer's Office, 240 Old Country
 Road, Garden City, N.Y. (P.O.
 Address, Mineola, N.Y. 11501) on
 or about the 28th day of January,
 1988.

JOHN V. SCADUTO
 Nassau County Treasurer



**IT USED TO BE, AT 13, LITTLE BOYS
 BECAME INTERESTED IN LITTLE GIRLS.**

Boys and girls used to use straws to sip sodas at the
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Now they cut the straws in half and use them to snort
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Times have changed. Our children need our help.
 We need to talk with our children. And talk. And talk.
 This way, we'll learn what they think about drugs. What
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 in a better position to offer our own. Then we'll be able to

talk about the dangers of various drugs. And about what
 our children can do to avoid them.

It takes courage to talk to them like this. And to do it
 effectively, it takes homework—like reading articles,
 attending meetings and talking to other parents. Other-
 wise, our children won't see us as informed sources. And
 they'll get their answers elsewhere.

As a parent, you can get answers to your own ques-
 tions by contacting your local agency on drug abuse.

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LILCO Employee Badly Burned

Det. Keteilas of the Eighth Squad reports that Gary Lubniewski age 37, of Holbrook, an LILCO employee was working on a de-energized secondary line when he came accidentally in contact with a live primary line (7620 Volts). Mr. Lubniewski suffered internal and external burns and was taken to NCMC in Police Ambulance and admitted to the burn center. Mr. Lubniewski is in critical but stable condition.

LEGAL NOTICE DUPONT MORTGAGE ASSOCIATES 1987

C/o Robert Friedman and Howard J. Fein, 60 Cutter Mill Road, Suite 411, Great Neck, N.Y. Commencing on or about December 15, 1987, the principal place of business shall be at the Jericho Atrium, 500 North Broadway, Jericho, N.Y. Substance of Certificate of Limited Partnership filed in Nassau County Clerk's Office October 30, 1987. Business: Purchase residential mortgages. General Partners and capital contributions: Robert Friedman, 33 Yale Drive, Manhasset, N.Y., Howard J. Fein, 10 Windemere Way, Woodbury, N.Y., collectively 1% of the amount of capital contributions of LPs plus their own contributions. Initial Limited Partner (ILP) and capital contribution: Steven Bzura, 185 Harvard Drive, Plainview, N.Y. \$10. Term: October 30, 1987 to December 31, 2035 unless sooner terminated. Additional LPs to be admitted and shall make contributions which when aggregated with the ILPs contribution shall total a minimum of \$500,000 and a maximum of \$3,000,000. The ILP shall withdraw from the Partnership upon the admission of additional LPs and the return to the ILP of his contribution. Contributions of LPs shall be made all in cash. Share of Net Cash From Operations, Profits and Net Cash From Sales or Refinancings: 1% to General Partners and 99% to LPs in proportion to contributions. Sale or assignment of limited partnership interest permissible with consent of General Partners. LPs have the right to withdraw capital contributions under certain circumstances. Upon death, withdrawal, retirement, assignment for benefit of creditors, bankruptcy, insanity or incompetence of a General Partner, the remaining General Partner(s) continue as General Partner(s); upon one of the foregoing termination events with respect to sole remaining General Partner or all General Partners, Partnership terminated and dissolved unless successor General Partner approved by majority in interest of LPs. No Partner may demand property other than cash in return for his contribution. Management of Partnership to be carried on by General Partners.

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Birthday And Anniversary Club

Beginning with this December 4 edition, members of the Mid Island Times Birthday and Anniversary Club will be published on a weekly basis rather than once a month. If you haven't sent us your special date, please make sure you fill out the form enclosed with your renewal invoice or, just jot down names and dates and send them to "Birthday and Anniversary Club", Mid Island Times, 81 East Barclay Street, Hicksville, N.Y. 11801.

Happy Birthday wishes to:

December 1 - Michael D'Auria and Michael Trongone
December 2 - John Liba
December 3 - Sal Strazzeri
December 6 - Amelia Matzu, Frank Rapuano, David Malle, Jr.
December 8 - John Rapuano, Brian Fayda

Happy Anniversary To:

December 1 - Edwin and Lisa De Veau
December 2 - Walter and Marie Matzu (37 this year Congratulations!)
December 5 - Ronald and Judi Platt (6 years - many more)
December 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Schlauch (A big 46 this year!)
December 9 - Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fitzgerald (celebrating their 42nd)

And, Belated Wishes to the following people who celebrated their special day in November:

Birthdays

November 2 - Georgia Abrahamson
November 3 - Dina Stinmark, Edward O'Connell
November 6 - Michael Fiore, Michael Trongone, Jr., Michael Pakaluk, Jr.
November 7 - Jessica Menzies, John C. Edwards
November 8 - Meredith Zielinski
November 9 - Kimberly Jo Maisonet, Andrew O'Connell, Kimberly Maisonet
November 10 - Kevin Liba
November 11 - Sandy Gersten, Sean Pastuch
November 12 - Lucy Hammond
November 13 - Rob Conover, Thomas Ofenloch
November 16 - Joanne Conover
November 18 - Leatrice Burwasser
November 20 - Barbara DiPaola, Robert Obermeyer, Jr.
November 21 - Ann Freyelsen
November 22 - Michael Anthony Amoroso, Mary Ann Zielinski
November 27 - Ed Malle, Donna DiGiovanni, Marilyn Edwards, Michael Pakaluk III
November 29 - Joan Bubenik
November 30 - Roseanne Brogna

Anniversaries

November 9 - Michael and Linda Trongone, Jr. (12th)
November 11 - Bill and Anne Gorney
November 13 - Robert and Carol Fayda (16th)
November 17 - Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bennett
November 18 - Tracey and Bobby Jewett
November 20 - Alan and Alice Roth
November 29 - John and Rita Liba

Prenatal Classes At Mid-Is. Hosp.

Mid-Island Hospital in Bethpage is offering a continuing series of four weekly classes designed for the pregnant woman and her husband. Husbands attending classes will be permitted to remain with their wives in the Labor Room and if feasible will be permitted in the Delivery Room.

Lecture and discussion topics include: the supportive role of the father during labor; care of the mother during pregnancy; exercises; breastfeeding; care of the newborn (bathing, diapering, feeding, etc.); and a tour of the Obstetrics Unit.

The Prenatal Classes, which begin on the first Wednesday of each month, are held at 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. in Mid-Island Hospital's Staff Room. The fee is \$20 for women delivering at Mid-Island Hospital, \$25 for women delivering elsewhere. The next series begins January 6, 1988. Call 520-2212 for more information.

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Shamrocks Tie Auburndale 1-1

By A. Blicher

The Hicksville Shamrocks 1974 travelling soccer team continued their undefeated season on Sunday, November 8, with a stirring, come-from-behind 1-1 tie, against the Auburndale Aces at the latter's field, at Fort Totten, to bring their LI Junior Soccer League record to 4 wins, no losses and 4 ties, leaving them in a first place tie in their division.

The first half, which ended in a 0-0 tie, was one of exceptional soccer play on the part of two very evenly matched teams. At the two minute mark of the second half, the Aces scored when the Shamrock right fullback and sweeper collided, setting up a play that the Shamrock goalie had no chance to stop. The goal enraged Hicksville, who then put constant pressure on Auburndale, only to be repelled time and again. Finally at the 55 minute mark, striker Jason Kingsley got the ball to sweeper Chris Doyle, who lined it up the middle for the goal and tie. Both teams had numerous chances in the final 15 minutes, but their defense held up.

Ed Jacobsen, at goal, exhibited his "Long Island Select Form" throughout the game, including one outstanding sliding save that left everyone breathless. Eric Blicher had an exceptional first

half at sweeper and a strong second half from right wing, left wing and striker. Chuck Oliver, Kristian Friedrich, and Greg Szumowski were Rocks of Gibraltar from fullback. Brian Harkins had an outstanding game from the stopper position, excelling on both defense and offense, including some exceptional throw ins. Chris Doyle played a sound defense at sweeper, in the second half, and just missing winning the game at the 65 minute mark, on a 25 yard direct that just went over the cross bar.

David Lovato, Domenick Perillo, Matt Fordum, Kareem Holman and Cory Kessler played a fine game at the halfback position, keeping up strong offensive pressure while aiding the defense. Junior Tomlinson, Karl Rlec, Jason Kingsley and Chris Koetter all kept the ball moving up front, never letting up on the offensive attack, each playing heads up soccer and contributing smart passes and hustle.

Congratulations to the team, coach Herb Fordum and assistant coaches Gianni Lovato and Glenn Kingsley, Sr. for another afternoon of outstanding soccer, amid the whirling Army helicopters and sprawling fields off the water at picturesque Fort Totten.

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE ON PROPOSED CONTRACTS FOR FIRE PROTECTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Oyster Bay in the Hearing Room, Town Hall, East Building, Oyster Bay, New York on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1987, at which hearing residents and parties interested will have an opportunity to be heard on the proposed contracts for fire protection, copies of which are on file in the Town Clerk's Office and may be viewed daily between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., prevailing time, except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, and the contracts with the following Fire Companies shall provide in general for the furnishing of fire protection during Calendar Year 1988, to the listed Fire Protection Districts at the agreed per annum charge set forth, all subject to taxation in said Districts, as shown on the last completed Town Assessment Roll:

Fire Company - East Norwich Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, Fire Protection District - East Norwich, Agreed Per Annum Charge - \$94,875.00. Fire Company - Oyster Bay Fire Company No. 1 & Atlantic Steamer Company No. 1, Fire Protection District - Oyster Bay, Agreed Per Annum Charge - \$214,100.00. Fire Company - Glenwood Hook & Ladder Engine & Hose Co. No. 1, Fire Protection District - Glenwood-Glen Head, Agreed Per Annum Charge - \$248,641.00. Fire Company - Plainview Volunteer Fire Company, Inc., Fire Protection District - Plainview, Agreed Per Annum Charge - \$969,800.00.

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Fire Company - Roslyn Fire Company, Fire Protection District - Groenvale, Agreed Per Annum Charge - \$10,977.00.

Fire Company - Bayville Fire Co., No. 1, Fire Protection District - Bayville, Agreed Per Annum Charge - \$309.00.

The contracts with the following fire companies and fire districts shall provide in general for the furnishing of fire protection during Calendar Year 1988 for the listed areas at the agreed per annum charge set forth: 1. Bayville Fire Company No. 1 for the area shown on the Tax Map as Section 28, Block G, Lot 3, the agreed per annum charge of \$2,575.00. 2. Wantagh Fire District for the Town-owned property known as Tobay Beach, the agreed per annum charge of \$2,500.00.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF OYSTER BAY

Joseph Colby, Supervisor
Ann R. Ocker, Town Clerk
DATED: Nov. 17, 1987
Oyster Bay, New York.
MIT2045
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NOTICE

HAVE YOU A HIDDEN TALENT that has yet to be discovered in print?

We are looking for articles, not exceeding 3,000 words, on local topics, opinions, ideas, nice places to visit on Long Island, and even fiction. In our magazine section, we will try to "Discover" one new feature length article and writer per week. Each writer will be reimbursed a stipend of \$25.00.

If you want to be published and be part of an issue of Discovery, you may submit your article to: Litterer Publications, 81 East Barclay Street, Hicksville, N.Y. 11801.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Hicksville Fire District, Town of Oyster Bay, County of Nassau, State of New York, on the First day of December, 1987 subject to a permissive referendum, as provided for by Sec. 6-G of the General Municipal Law.

An abstract of the resolution is as follows:

The Hicksville Fire District maintains a Capital Reserve Fund under Sec. 6-G of the General Municipal Law in

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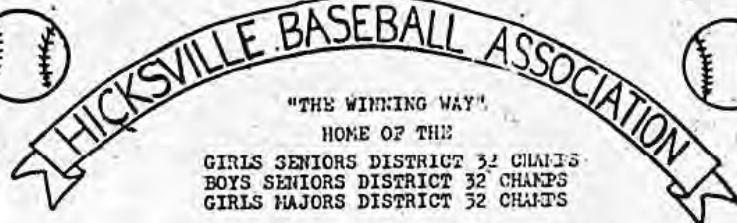
which account there is sufficient funds to accomplish the purpose herein set forth, namely, repair of stone cornice, repair of parapet brick work and installation of a new metal roof with standing seams above stone cornice on Hicksville Fire House located at 20 East Marie St., Hicksville, N.Y. 11801. The resolution further provides that there be transferred from the present Capital Reserve 6-G Fund of the Hicksville Fire District a sum not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars and the

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District Treasurer is authorized to effect such repair subject to a permissive referendum. This Resolution shall not take effect until January 5, 1988 unless in the meanwhile, a permissive Referendum, as provided for in Sec. 6-G of the General Municipal Law is required to be held.

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

DATED: December 1, 1987
Attest: John Knight, District Secretary
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GIRLS SENIORS DISTRICT 32 CHAMPS
BOYS SENIORS DISTRICT 32 CHAMPS
GIRLS MAJORS DISTRICT 32 CHAMPS

REGISTRATION FEE: \$53.00 for the first child, \$65.00 for two or more children per family. Registration fees include a team photo for each child. A UNIFORM DEPOSIT is required for the Senior League. This deposit is to be given when uniforms are distributed.

Included in the registration fee are FIVE chance books for each family; SIX if two or more children are registered. The chances, given out on opening day, are to be returned to the league for the drawing, which will be held during the ALL-STAR DINNER. The money is to be kept by the family as a reimbursement towards registration. Therefore, registration can cost as little as \$3.00.

There will be a \$5.00 DISCOUNT for registrations postmarked by Monday, December 21st. If registration is received after February 20th, 1988, there will be a late registration fee of \$10.00..... no exceptions. Finally, if the registration is postmarked after February 29th, we cannot guarantee placement of your child.

Please make your check payable to the HICKSVILLE BASEBALL ASSOCIATION and mail to: Carole Wolf, Player Rep HBA, 7 Harkin Lane, Hicksville NY 11801...OR...come to early registration which will be held on Saturday November 14th and 21st from 10:30 A.M. to 1 P.M. at Levittown Hall.

AGES (as of July 31, 1988) for divisions, depending on registration

	BOYS	GIRLS
INSTRUCTIONAL	6,7	6,7
FARMS	8,9	
MINORS	10,11	8,9,10
MAJORS	11,12	10,11,12
SENIORS	13,14,15	13,14,15
TRAVELING TEAM	Registration forms will be mailed out in March	

AGREEMENT: I, the parent of the player(s) listed below, give approval for his/her participation in any and all activities sponsored by HBA, and do hereby waive all claims against the organization it represents except to the extent and amount covered by accident and/or liability insurance. I acknowledge the requirements of HBA: (a) All glasses worn by children must have safety lenses, (b) All boys will wear protective devices furnished by the family.

Signature of Father/Mother/Guardian

Phone

Address

Town

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Please print ALL the information for the children you are registering

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	AGE ON 7/31/88	BIRTH DATE	M/F	HBA 1987
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WE ARE A VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION AND WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOLLOWING: managing _____, coaching _____, team mother _____, shed _____, committee work _____, umpiring(14 & over) _____.

I, _____, am interested in managing/coaching in boys/girls _____ league. Suggestions are appreciated.

News From Hicksville Library

Friday, December 18, at 8 p.m. the Hicksville Public Library will present the play "Lunch Hour" by Jean Kerr. This hilarious comedy will be performed by the popular Other Vic Theatre Company.

Never has Jean Kerr's wit had a keener edge or her comic sense more peaks of merriment than in this clever comedy which stars Frank Scoblete and Alana Caraccio as a pair whose spouses are having an affair, and who have to counter by inventing an affair of their own! He, ironically, is a marriage counselor and a bit square. She is kind of kooky. Can their ruse work? Can they win back their respective spouses?

The critics said, "The most entertaining play in years!" N.Y. Daily News, "Civilized, charming, stylish...very warm, totally enjoyable." New York Times. "A beautiful weave of plot, character

and laughs!" NBC-TV.

This play is co-sponsored by the Hicksville Public Library and the Nassau County Arts Decentralization Consortium with public funds from New York State Council on the Arts Decentralization Program.

Teddy Bears will be celebrating Christmas in the lobby case of the Hicksville Public Library during the month of December.

The Teddy Bears, dressed in antique clothes, are handmade by Barbara Bronzino, a talented Long Island craftswoman.

This adorable holiday display is a "must-see" for all bear lovers. It will be on view from December 3 to December 30, during regular library hours.

Creative Art and Writing workshops for young adults will be held three mornings, December 28, 29 and 30 10:15 a.m. to 12 noon. Registration

starts now.

Artist, Carol Bergman will conduct a 3 day workshop for teens and college students home for the holidays. Each student will be taught with a special brush, the art of Oriental Brush painting.

Poems or sayings composed by the student will be added to the completed art work to make a picture which will then be matted, laminated and displayed at the library before being returned to the individual artist.

Materials fee is \$3. Class size is limited so sign up early. Bring to the workshop: a plastic foam egg carton and a container for water.

The program is co-sponsored by the Hicksville Library and the Poets & Writers Inc. through funds which it has received from the Literature Program.

The film "Careful He Might Hear You" will be shown at the

Hicksville Public Library on Friday, December 11 at 8 p.m.

This brilliantly acted and exquisitely photographed film won eight Australian Film Awards, including Best Picture, Best Director, and Best Actress. A six year old boy, Nicholas Giedhill, becomes a pawn in a bitter custody battle between two of his late mother's sisters. One aunt (Robyn Nevin) is poor, sweet and plebian. The other (Wendy Hughes) is beautiful, aristocratic, and sexually repressed. Adapted from Summer Locke Elliott's award winning novel. "The most beautiful, touching and eerily haunting Australian film since 'Breaker Morant.' Carl Schultz has done a brilliant job indeed, it's a majestic American debut that establishes him as a major director of power and sensitivity."

Rated PG, 116 minutes. Free

and all are welcome.

On Thursday, December 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the Hicksville Public Library, Mark Dworkin CSW will speak about what is a psychotherapist and how to choose one that is right for you. A question and answer period will follow. This program is free and all are welcome.

State of New York, Department of Motor Vehicles "Operation Outreach" will be at the Hicksville Public Library, Friday, December 18, 10-12 noon to renew driver's licenses. You may renew driver's licenses up to 6 months in advance, and issue non-driver I.D.'s.

Please pre-register for both driver's licenses or non-driver I.D. at the library beginning Monday, December 7. A limit of 60 applications will be processed, so register early.

You may renew your driver's license up to 6 months in advance.

Example: If your driver's license is due to expire December, 1987 through May, 1988, you may renew it in December 1987.

For renewing driver's licenses you should bring two proofs of identity, one of which can be a current license. Drivers under 25 must also bring proof of date-of-birth, other than their current license. For non-driver I.D. you need proof of exact date-of-birth and 1 proof of identity.

Acceptable proofs for driver's renewal and non-driver I.D. are:

Proofs of identity are: Credit card, Medicare or Medicaid card, employment photo I.D. card or passport. College I.D. or cancelled check.

Proofs of date of birth: Passport, Birth Certificate, Citizenship papers, Insurance policy in effect more than 3 years, Service discharge.

Looking for a career? Need help with your resume? Schedule a meeting with the Career Counselor at the Hicksville Public Library. Tuesday and Saturday hours are available. Call for an appointment now: 931-1417.

Hicksville Youth Council Holds Party Dec. 18

On Friday, December 18, from 7:30 p.m. - 11 p.m., the Hicksville Youth Council will be having a holiday party for the teenagers of Hicksville. The party will be held at the Hicksville Elks Lodge, located at 80 East Barclay Street.

The holiday party is free but permission slips are required. Permission slips can be picked up at the Youth Council, 181 West Old Country Road or give us a call at 822-KIDS and we will gladly mail one out to you. The deadline for permission slips is December 14.

A disc-jockey will provide hours of entertainment. There will also be food, games, dancing, and gifts raffled off. So come down to the Youth Council and pick up a permission slip or give us a call! Let's get into the holiday spirit together.

The Hicksville Youth Council is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving Hicksville youth and the community. For more information call Beth. Hope to see you there!



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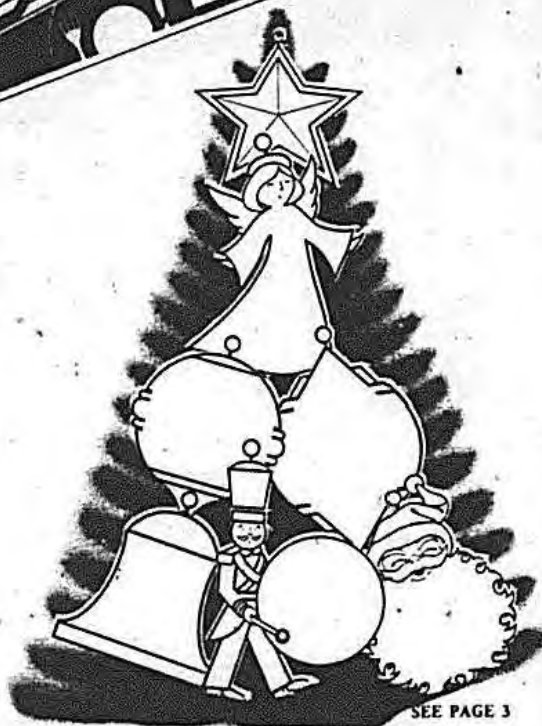
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**For Some Extra
 Christmas Flavor
 Chop Your Own Tree**



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THE QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What do you think are the prospects of Reagan and Gorbachev arriving at an arms limitation treaty that will gain the approval of both governments?



Most Input Callers Do Not Want Tax To Reduce Deficit

Most Input callers do not believe that a tax increase should be the chief means of reducing the federal deficit in answer to this question: "What should the government do to reduce the federal deficit? To that end, would you be willing to pay more taxes?" Here are some of the answers:

NEED CONFIDENCE

Undoubtedly we will pay more taxes, but whether it will be to the end of reducing the federal deficit or just plunking more money down for already overfunded social programs is the real question. Every time our legislators come to us and tell us about paying more taxes, the money is used up for other things than were promised. Such things as road construction, deteriorating bridges, etc., are all brought to the public to vote more funds but a year after the gullible taxpayers okay these things, the money has gone in ten other directions. We need a more trustworthy government before we can say anything. K.L.

DEFENSE CUTS

The deficit can be reduced by cutting down on so-called defense spending. It has been well documented that not all money earmarked for the defense of the country is really needed. Much goes for overpriced equipment that is making some rich at the expense of already overburdened taxpayers. J.W.

POLITICAL GAME

As with most things in Washington, the political game comes first. There could be sizable cuts in spending made and there could be a small increase in taxes of the higher incomes but the Democrats want things to be bad before the next Presidential election so that they can come in and save the country. Since they control Congress, they have the right cards. The Republicans will not consider more taxes because that is bad for the election hopes too, so we are not going to have any movement in deficit reduction until after the Presidential election. Then, no matter which side gets elected, we will have a tax increase. G.H.

STAY WITHIN BUDGET

I read an article in the N.Y. Times today in which it is stated that Illinois got one-third of all the Federal money earmarked for interstate highway repairs in the last two years, a statistic that its officials attribute to the state's old roads and its ability to "work the system." In this case, it may be true that the Federal money would be needed and well spent. But, many other requests spearheaded by lobbyists with ability to "work the system" but without pressing need for such funds are processed each year by congressional representatives whose main purpose is to be reelected. And, there are many such "lobbies" including organized labor and even senior citizen organizations whose self-interest is paramount over the strains their requirements would place on the total national economic well-being. Labor, in particular, is constantly in the forefront of new legislation intended to increase their strength. In order to reduce the federal deficit, one of the first things to be done should be to instill some sense of actual need and logic into legislation brought about by lobby pressure on elected representatives. Immediately, we would be concentrating on actual and proven needs. I hate to see the creation of more bureaucracies but there has got to be more control of spending based upon its proven merits and much less of the reciprocal back-scratching which is involved in bills fostered within the House and Senate. I would also want to see the enactment of a one-line Presidential veto to eliminate the incidental passage of add-on laws which deserve full consideration on their own merits. Obviously, we've got to bite the bullet as a nation and toward that end we have got to learn to stay within our budget like any family or corporation must. As far as I am concerned particularly as a retiree, I feel that I am overtaxed. However, if serious steps were taken along the lines I have indicated, I see no alternative to greater participation by the taxpayers toward a stated objective. P.G.S.

WATCH POLITICIANS

The public should watch carefully. If the present politicians are not able to come to grips with the problem, we should throw them out on the next election. If candidates are in debates, this should be a primary question—otherwise, we will get the usual rhetoric and a great orator or magician in office. M.Y.

FAIR METHOD

Being able to manage one's budget wisely and not going into serious debt can be difficult for individuals as well as countries. I think one way to reduce the federal deficit would be to eliminate unnecessary spending. For example, funds presently allocated for the defense department are far too much, I feel. Another possible measure would be to increase taxes. I would be willing to pay more taxes if everyone is taxed fairly. It is hoped that the course of action the government decides on is one that will have a positive outcome for future economic success. C.P.

LOTTERY ANSWER

In answer to the question of what the country should do to reduce the national debt: Initiate a quarterly, four times a year lottery, at a dollar a ticket, sold at U.S. Post Offices, setting aside 50 percent for debt reduction, 40 percent for prizes and 10 percent for administrative costs. Savings on administrative costs at year-end would go toward debt reduction as well. Individual prizes should be no higher than \$25,000 and no lower than \$1,000, absolutely tax free so as to assure any possible winners that it would be a reasonable opportunity to get out of personal debt or start a nest egg for retirement expenses, etc. If a lottery is not feasible, then have the President or Congress authorize the appointment of a federal commission to study problems and make suggestions for solving this problem. Suggestions should involve every citizen and institution to be sure the contribution is based on a reasonably fair equitable basis. T.P.

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Discovery!

For Some Extra Christmas Flavor Chop Your Own Tree

By Gloria Roberts

With less than a month remaining before Christmas Day, the holiday countdown begins.

Selecting a live Christmas tree can prove to be a tedious task that consumes more time than many of us have to spare during the frantic rush to prepare ourselves for that special day of the year.

A few simple, sensible precautions should be taken to insure the safety of our family when selecting a tree. Whether it be pine, spruce, balsam, or one of the other well known varieties, the most important consideration should be the freshness of the tree. If its needles are a dull grayish green color, have lost their elasticity and no longer ooze fragrant pitch when crushed, move on to another, it's a fire hazard. Shake out the trees which have been wrapped with string or netting. It will not only help you check for falling needles, but the shape will become apparent. Falling needles are a sure sign of a dry tree.

Looks too scrawny? Branches can be inserted by drilling small holes in the stem. One bad side? You could consider setting it up in a corner. When you have made your selection and taken your tree home, keep it outdoors or in a cool place away from the sun and wind, and place it in a bucket of water.

When bringing the tree inside and before setting it up, make a fresh cut across the trunk to help the plant's vascular system absorb water, which sometimes can be as much as a quart a day. The water reservoir should be checked daily to make sure it doesn't become stagnant. Compare your tree to a giant flower - the longer it is out of water, the quicker it will wilt.

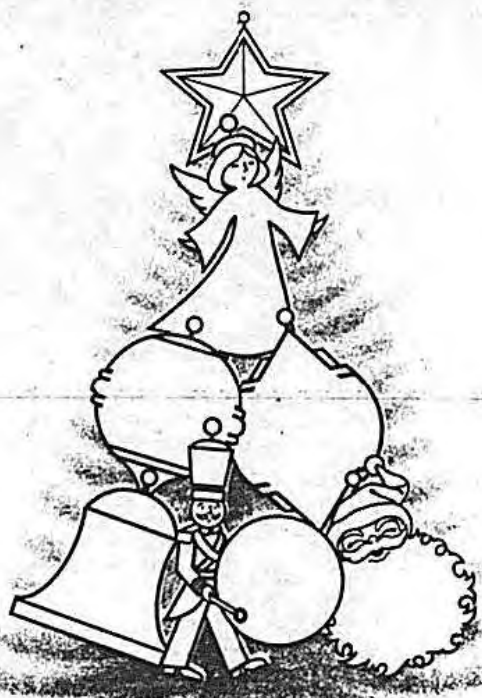
An important "don't" to remember is keeping the tree away from a heat source such as a fireplace, wood stove, or radiator. Fireproof decorations are an important consideration and lights and wiring should be checked before putting them up. Lights should not be left on during the night or when the tree is unattended, and of course, never - never - use candles as your lighting source.

Are you an adventurer who prefers to return to nature? There are tree farms in Suffolk County where the outdoorsmen can select and cut their own and for the ecologist balled and burlapped trees are available, or you can really work up a sweat by digging your own.

Dart's Tree Farm is located on Main Bayview Road, in Southold, and Tilden Lane Farm at 48 Wyckoff Street, Greenlawn. There are also many farms located upstate New York.

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We have been going to Marmite for a number of years now and want to heartily recommend it to all your readers. G.F.

Q. When dining out I have often seen women wearing their coats to the table, then depositing them on back of their chairs. However, I have never seen a man do the same thing with his overcoat. Is there really a difference in etiquette for men and women in regard to checking coats?

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Monday night we dined at The Orchid Chinese Restaurant on Franklin Avenue in Garden City. We were delighted with this restaurant and heartily endorse it.

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It was by far the best Chinese food that we have ever tasted. The menu was unique and deliciously different. We chose two of the Jumbo Shrimp entrees which were superb. Looking over the interesting menu it was difficult to make a choice. Our remedy will be to make a return visit very soon. Incidentally they are open for lunch as well as dinner. We are pleased to have such a fine restaurant at practically our back door. E.E.

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B.R.

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Q. I thought it was standard fare to get at least two vegetables with an entree but last week at the (name omitted) restaurant we were charged extra for vegetables. Is this right?

A. A number of restaurants have changed to charging extra for vegetables, particularly fresh ones, but the safest way is to look at the menu and ask the waiter. Sometimes there are extra vegetables and they are the ones that are given an added charge. But there are some restaurants that charge for every item individually.

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A. I agree with you that it is more attractive to pick wine glasses up by the stem. In the case of white wine, it also keeps the wine cool for a longer time!

Q. I am a busy professional woman who finds it difficult to entertain at home. My working hours as an attorney are long and tiring. I really don't feel like coping with guests on the weekend. Would it be all right to repay my social obligations by inviting people to dine out?

A. Certainly that would be proper. Social obligations do not have to be repaid on a strictly tit-for-tat basis. Your friends would enjoy a delicious dinner in a relaxed restaurant atmosphere more than an at-home meal served by a hostess they sense is harried and exhausted.

Q. Recently I attended an elegant wedding and I noticed that the champagne was served in a tulip shaped glass rather than the traditional broad brimmed type. Is this something new?

A. It is a fairly new idea. The theory now is that a tulip shaped glass preserves the effervescence (bubbles) of champagne longer than a wide brimmed glass.

Q. If two women dine out together, and neither is the guest of the other, what is the best way for them to pay the bill?

A. The best way I know is by asking the waiter to bring separate checks, and why this is not done more often I cannot understand. The second best plan is having one woman pay the check, then settling the bill afterwards with her companion.

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Every time we dine there we say it couldn't be better, and, would you believe it! E.H.

GREAT PLACE

We are always looking for a local restaurant that serves good food with friendly atmosphere and service. We tried the new C.K. Oliver's on Hillside Avenue in Williston Park and our search was ended. The menu has a nice variety of entrees and many interesting fish dishes. The blackened fish was a real treat. I recommend this new dining stop to your readers. J.B.

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By Verne Palmer

Solving the leftover turkey problem

"WHAT? TURKEY AGAIN?"

Hate leftovers? Chances are you grew up in a family in which the remains of the holiday feast were simply reheated and served over, and over, and — well, you get the idea.

The way to learn to love those leftovers is to recycle them in forms your family will never recognize. Then they're no longer a burden to be waded through lest guilt hang heavy over your head, but a storehouse of dishes well on the way toward preparation.

Far from dreading the sight of those half-filled bowls, you'll learn to treasure every morsel.

The remains of the holiday roast — be it turkey, ham, lamb, beef or pork — can be turned into hearty chowders, stir-frys, stews, main-dish pies, salads and so forth.

Yams and sweet potatoes can be paired with new meats and topped off with an exotic sauce or mashed and turned into a souffle.

Mashed potatoes can be turned into patties and fried crisp and golden brown, added to home-baked breads or made into a pie crust for meat or vegetable fillings.

Cranberries can be chopped and stirred into muffins, breads and fruit salads or added to sauces, relishes or chutney.

Even dressing can take on a lively new existence when made into patties and fried, stuffed into muffin cups and baked or added to turkey and vegetable pita sandwiches.

A sampling of recipes for some of the above follows:

GARDEN PATCH TURKEY STEW WITH DUMPLINGS

- 3 cups cubed, cooked turkey
- 1 medium onion, sliced
- 2 ribs celery, sliced
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 2 cups coarsely chopped cabbage
- 1 (16-ounce) can tomatoes, undrained, chopped
- 1 (15-ounce) can kidney beans, undrained
- 2 (13 1/2 ounce) cans chicken broth
- 1 cup water
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons marjoram leaves
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups buttermilk baking mix
- 1/2 cup milk

In Dutch oven or large saucepan, saute onion and celery in butter until crisp-tender. Add turkey, cabbage, tomatoes, beans, broth, water, sugar, marjoram and salt. Cover and simmer 25 minutes or until cabbage is tender.

Stir together baking mix and milk until soft dough forms. Drop by spoonfuls onto boiling stew to make 12 dumplings. Cover and simmer 15 minutes. Serve in bowls.

Yields 12 cups.

TURKEY POPOVER PIE

- 1 cup diced cooked turkey
- 1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 (10-ounce) package frozen chopped spinach, cooked, lightly drained
- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/2 cup shredded, sharp cheddar cheese
- 1 medium tomato, chopped

Preheat oven to 375 F. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese into buttered 10-inch quiche dish or pie plate. Combine eggs, flour and milk, beat until smooth. Pour into quiche dish.

Combine turkey, spinach, cream cheese, pecans, salt and nutmeg. Carefully spoon over egg mixture leaving 1-inch border around edge. Sprinkle cheddar cheese and tomato over spinach mixture. Bake in oven 50 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and let stand 10 minutes. Cut into wedges and serve.

Yields 6 servings.

TURKEY AND CHILI PIE

- 2 cups cubed, cooked turkey
- 1 cup cubed, cooked ham
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup sliced almonds
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 (4-ounce) can (1/4 cup) diced green chilies, drained
- 3 ounces cream cheese
- 1 (8-ounce) can refrigerated crescent dinner rolls
- 1 egg beaten

Heat oven to 350 F. In medium saucepan, combine turkey, ham, onion, almonds, cayenne pepper, chilies and cream cheese. Thoroughly heat, stirring occasionally.

Separate dough into 8 triangles. Place dough in ungreased 9- or 8-inch pie pan in a spoke fashion

with narrow tips overlapping rim of pan about 1/2 inch. Press dough over sides and bottom of pan to form crust. Spoon turkey mixture evenly over dough. Bring tips of dough over filling to center; do not overlap. Brush with beaten egg.

Bake in 350 F oven 25 to 35 minutes, or until deep, golden brown.

Yields 6 servings.

Note: Pie filling is spicy hot. For a less spicy filling omit cayenne pepper.

TURKEY FRAME SOUP

- 1 meaty turkey frame
- 3 quarts (12 cups) water
- 1 onion, quartered
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 (16-ounce) can tomatoes, cut up, not drained
- 1 tablespoon instant chicken bouillon granules
- 1 1/2 teaspoons dried oregano, crushed
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme, crushed
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 4 cups fresh vegetables (any combination of uncooked sliced celery, sliced carrot, chopped onion, chopped rutabaga, sliced mushrooms, chopped broccoli and cauliflower)
- 1 1/4 cups uncooked medium noodles

Break turkey frame or cut in half with kitchen shears; place in large Dutch oven with water, onion and salt. Bring to boil; reduce heat. Cover; simmer 1 1/2 hours.

Remove turkey frame; when cool enough to handle, cut off meat and coarsely chop. Discard bones. Strain broth; discard solids.

Return broth to Dutch oven. Stir in cut-up turkey meat, tomatoes and juices, bouillon granules, oregano, thyme and pepper. Stir in fresh vegetables. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Cover; simmer 45 minutes.

Stir in uncooked noodles; simmer uncovered, 8 to 10 minutes or until noodles are done. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Makes 10 servings.

Recipe from "Better Homes and Gardens New Cookbook."

CALIFORNIA CURRY

- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup peeled, chopped apple
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 tablespoon curry powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 (10 1/2-ounce) can condensed chicken broth
- 3 cups cooked turkey, cubed
- 3 ripe avocados, peeled, cut in half
- Raisins, peanuts, coconut

Saute onion and apple in butter; blend in curry powder, salt and flour. Gradually add chicken broth; bring to boil. Cook until thickened. Add turkey; simmer 5 minutes. To serve, top each avocado half with curry mixture and garnish with raisins, peanuts and coconut. Serve with rice, if desired.

Yields 6 servings.

TURKEY CORDON BLEU CASSEROLE

- 4 cups cooked turkey chunks
- 1 cup shredded Swiss cheese
- 2 cups cooked turkey ham OR ham chunks
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1 1/4 cups half-and-half
- 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1 tablespoon dill weed
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- Crunchy Crumble Topping (recipe follows)

Layer turkey, cheese and ham in 9x13-inch pan. Saute onion in butter; stir in flour and blend in half-and-half. Add mustard and seasonings. Bring to boil, stirring until thickened. Pour over ham and top with Crunchy Crumble Topping. Bake at 350 F for 30 minutes.

Yields 6 to 8 servings.

Crunchy Crumble Topping: Combine 2 1/2 cups coarse bread crumbs, 1/2 cup each shredded Swiss cheese and chopped walnuts, 1/2 cup melted butter and 1/2 teaspoon dill weed.

TURKEY SPROUT SALAD

- 1 (8-ounce) package medium egg noodles
- 2 cups cooked turkey, cubed
- 1 (15-ounce) can bean sprouts, drained, OR 1 cup fresh bean sprouts
- 1 (8-ounce) can mushrooms, drained, OR 1 cup fresh sliced mushrooms
- 3 hard cooked eggs, diced
- 1/2 cup sliced red bell pepper
- 1/2 cup cashews
- 1/2 cup roasted sunflower kernels
- 1/2 cup sliced celery
- 1/2 cup green onion, finely chopped
- Italian dressing

Cook noodles according to package directions. Drain and cool in cold water, drain again. Combine with other ingredients; chill. Serve with Italian dressing.

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Cooking Corner

By Kitty Morse



Cook it fast — under pressure

Life in the '80s is fast-paced and full of pressure. But now the busy home cook can funnel that pressure into cooking with some great results.

The old-fashioned pressure cooker is back in vogue.

Modern, health-conscious cooks are rapidly discovering the pressure cooker truths that Grandma knew and appreciated.

A pressure cooker tenderizes cheaper cuts of meat and improves their flavor. It retains vitamins and natural flavors and colors, which are lost to evaporation in other forms of cooking. It is neat — using just one, easy-to-clean pot. And it is economical, saving on your gas and electric bill and your time.

"Pressure cooking will save you up to 300 hours of conventional cooking time a year," said Jean Laughlin, a cooking class instructor at a gourmet cookshop.

"Cooking in a pressure cooker takes two-thirds less time than a conventional oven or stove top," said Laughlin. "A whole chicken, which takes 45 minutes or more in the oven, cooks in 10-15 minutes in a pressure cooker. Lentil soup can be made in 15 minutes."

"Salt-conscious cooks find that foods cooked in a pressure cooker need significantly less added salt, since natural flavors and juices are retained."

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the field. Mirro and Presto are the top distributors of pressure cookers.

The newest cooker on the block is the Cuisinart quiet pressure cooker. "As long as the pot is not filled past the three-quarter mark with ingredients and the cook follows directions carefully there is no way this cooker can explode," Laughlin said.

Air in the body of the stainless steel Cuisinart pot is released through the valve as soon as the pot is closed and begins heating up. This allows for quick pressure build-up. The quicker the pressure builds up, the faster the food cooks, according to Cuisinart representatives.

Instead of the conventional jiggle top on other pressure cookers, Cuisinart has installed a red rod in the middle of the black module on the cover. When this indicator rod rises past two rings, the heat is lowered, and the appropriate pressure is maintained with no noise, Laughlin explained.

The valve of the cooker cannot fly off, it is a permanent fixture, much like the handle of a pot, so the fearful can relax.

Cuisinart pressure cookers range in price from \$150 to \$180. The top-of-the-line Presto is about \$50. Presto cookers come in stainless steel and aluminum models.

Laughlin acknowledged that aluminum pressure cookers impart an unpleasant taste to some foods. "They were originally made of aluminum and some still are because aluminum is a good conductor of heat," Laughlin said. However, she noted some people are concerned about health issues connected with aluminum.

Stainless steel does not affect the flavor of food — a fact to be considered when canning delicate fruits. "Using the pressure cooker for canning also can be economical in the long run," explained Laughlin. "Jars of canned food put the shelf require nothing but space, but when you put food in the freezer you are paying the high cost of electricity to store the items."

Another unique advantage that even the microwave can't offer is pointed out by Jane Todd in "The Lamlyn Pressure Cookbook." She notes many foods, such as cabbage and liver, have an unpleasant aroma that can permeate the whole house. In a pressure cooker, both the steam and the cooking smells are sealed in until the end of the cooking time. The new interest in pressure cooking promises to re-introduce people to many natural flavors that they have been missing in overly processed foods.

"You might find pressure cooking results in a different taste because the process locks in flavors that are not used to tasting," said

Laughlin. "The reason is that these flavors are normally lost in conventional cooking."

Follow these basic tips for best results with pressure cooking:

- Read the instruction booklet thoroughly. Different manufacturers offer different recommendations and techniques, as well as recipes.

- Do not overfill the cooker. Laughlin's guideline is to never fill the cooker more than three-quarters full. It depends on the size of the cooker, and the instruction booklet.

- Do not use oil in the cooker. Use water, broth or wine.

- Never boil the cooker dry. A pressure cooker always needs liquid.

- Replace sealing rings according to instruction booklet.

- Use a tamer or heat diffuser under the cooker when making split pea or any dried bean soup.

- When cooking brown rice, fill the cooker with 2 cups of water, and set a bowl of rice and water in the bottom of the cooker. Cook 10 to 15 minutes.

The following recipes are samples of traditional dishes that can be prepared more quickly and with more flavor using a pressure cooker.

COQ AU VIN

3 pounds chicken, cut into serving pieces

Flour

3 tablespoons cooking oil

6 ounces smoked ham, diced

2 cloves of garlic, minced

¼ teaspoon thyme

2 tablespoons parsley flakes

2 bay leaves

1½ cups sliced mushrooms

¼ teaspoon pepper

1 cup dry red wine

1 (16-ounce) can of small white onions

Dredge chicken in flour. Heat cooker, add oil and brown chicken. Combine remaining ingredients, except onions and place in cooker. Close cover securely. Place pressure regulator on vent pipe and set timer for 15 minutes after pressure regulator begins to rock. Adjust heat so regulator rocks slowly the length of the cooking time. Cool cooker under cool water at once. Add onions and simmer in open cooker to heat. If desired, thicken sauce with cornstarch.

Serves 6.

LENTIL SOUP

2 cups of lentils, rinsed (Organic lentils are also good)

4½ cups of hot water with 4 vegetable bouillon cubes dissolved

1 (10½-ounce) can beef or chicken broth

1 large onion, cut into stew-size pieces

8-10 carrots, cut into large chunks

1 teaspoon coriander

4-5 bay leaves

2 sticks of celery, cut into large chunks

A tamer (heat diffuser) is necessary when making lentil or split pea soup with a pressure cooker. Tamers are flat and round with little holes and long handle (you

may be able to hunt one up in a Goodwill store), and prevent dried pea and bean soups from burning on bottom of the cooker. Put it directly on the burner and then place the pot on top of the tamer. Put all the ingredients in pot, close lid securely and when desired pressure is reached, cook 15 minutes under pressure.

Serves 4-5.

CHICKEN SOUP AND CHICKEN

2 pounds chicken cut into serving pieces or whole

5 cups water

3-4 carrots, cut in half

1 onion, cut into quarters

2 pieces of celery, cut in half

Poultry seasoning

Dash of salt

Wash chicken thoroughly and remove lungs from whole chicken. Put poultry seasoning inside chicken or rub a little on cut-up pieces. Put all ingredients on top of rack in pot. Close lid securely. When pressure is reached, cook 20 minutes.

Serves 4.

ORANGE CANDIED YAMS

3 yams, peeled and cut in halves lengthwise

1 cup orange juice

1 teaspoon grated orange rind

¼ cup brown sugar

2 tablespoons butter

Put ingredients in cooker and close cover securely. Cook for 8 minutes once desired pressure is reached. After yams have cooked, remove and simmer sauce until thickened, then pour over yams.

Serves 3-4.

GERMAN POTATO SALAD

6 slices of bacon, cooked and diced

4 potatoes, diced

1 onion, thinly sliced

2-3 tablespoons sugar

2 teaspoons salt

¼ teaspoon pepper

1 teaspoon mustard

½ cup vinegar

¼ cup water

2 tablespoons parsley (put on salad after cooked)

Put potatoes and onion in cooker. In small bowl combine sugar, salt, pepper, mustard, vinegar, water and then pour over potatoes and onions. Put bacon in and close cover securely. Cook for 5 minutes after pressure is reached.

Serves 4.

Note: For regular potato salad just cook potatoes in cooker, let them cool and proceed with your favorite recipe.





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WILLISTON PARK - WANTED Mornings 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Mature responsible woman, prepare 2 child for school (ages 10 and 6), laundry and household chores. Call evenings 248-0113. wd2

DENTAL ASSISTANT P/T for high quality Williston Park office. Experience necessary. 741-6202. wd1

LEGAL SECRETARY PART Time. Established Law Firm Mineola, Garden City Area. Experience not necessary. Will train. Good salary commensurate with experience. Good shorthand and typing a must. 747-1141. god1

MEDICAL OFFICE SYOSSET area. P/T office duties. No experience necessary. 15-18 hours weekly/flexible. Salary negotiable. Call between 9-2. Mrs. Lari. 364-3238. htdn

MATURE WOMAN TO BABYSIT 2 preschoolers in my Williston Park home, Monday through Friday, full time. References. 538-3585. wd4

SECTY IMMEDIATE FULL time position with busy law office in Mineola. For self motivated individual with excellent skills. Salary commensurate with experience. Call 248-2110. god1

RETIREE, PART TIME, 20-25 Hours per week. Munder's Hardware, 316 Hillside Ave., Williston Park. 746-1075. wtdn

Help Wanted

HOUSEWIVES, RETIREEs, Senior Citizens-part time, two days, light shop work in Hicksville newspaper plant. Approximately 16-20 hours per week. Steady work. Call 931-0012. htd4

OFFICE WORKER NEEDED full time, Printing plant, specifications, will train, errands, etc. Willing worker/personable, driver's license required. Call S. Patterson, 746-2350 BOE. wd1

PERSONS WANTED TO COVER meetings in Great Neck, Garden City, New Hyde Park, Williston Park, Syosset and Bethpage for local weekly newspapers on stipend assignment basis. Call Mrs. Pakaluk at 931-0012 for more information. htd4

MATURE RESPONSIBLE woman to care for an adorable 5 month old in my home. 2 days per week. Non smoker, own transportation. Call Pat, eve, 565-3159. god4

WORKING COUPLE NEEDS Woman to shop and cook tasty and nutritious meals 3 days per week for seven hours. Very light cleaning and errands. Excellent salary. Call 921-6988 or 921-6879 (machine). htd3

WANTED MATURE PERSON to babysit 2 well behaved children in Muttontown, Syosset area. Friday nights and various alternate days. Call after 3. 921-2627. htd1

INSURANCE AGENCY IN Williston Park looking for full time clerk/typist, non smoker preferred. Call Deborah/Angela 294-7540. wd1

HAIIRDRESSER, SHAMPOO Person wanted. Garden City area. Good Salary, educational program. Busy full service salon. Pleasant environment. Call 486-1868. god1

Help Wanted

SALES REPRESENTATIVE in Great Neck peninsula area. Should have some selling experience. Self starter who can devote at least 20 hours per week to the job. Hours somewhat flexible. Salary plus commission. Mrs. Pakaluk. 931-0012. htd4

PERSON WITH KNOWLEDGE Of shorthand and typing to work 10 to 15 hours per week in Garden City office. Send name and phone to Box LS, Garden City News, 821 Franklin Ave. Garden City, N.Y. 11530. htd4

WAITRESS - EXPERIENCED - Days or Nights. Apply Noon to 7 p.m. Riddies, 533 Old Country Road, Westbury. 997-8666. htd4

CHILDCARE: SEEKING mature woman to care for 10 month old in my New Hyde Park home. Non smoker, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call Pat daytime 212 960-6179. wd1

PART TIME OFFICE HELP Monday thru Friday, flexible hours, computer experience a plus, but willing to train, references welcome, non smoker. Call or apply in person: Braum Brush Co., 43 Albertson Ave., Albertson, N.Y. 741-6000. wd1

CARPENTERS HELPER Western Nassau, alterations, windows, doors, Drivers License, hand tools, year round. 248-6628 after 6 p.m. htd1

CHILD CARE/HOUSEKEEPER wanted, live in or out. Mon. thru Fri. for 4 year old and newborn. Jan. start P/T working morning. Excellent references and English necessary. Please call 294-0637, leave message. htd4

YOUTH OUTREACH COORDINATOR. Provide crisis intervention, short term counseling, supervised drop-in center. Minimum 2 years experience with youth. BA/BSW Resume including salary requirements to OBEN-YC, 1 Pine Hollow Road, Oyster Bay, N.Y. 11771. htd1

CLEANING LADY TUESDAYS 9:30 - 2:30. Must be experienced and reliable 248-6356. god4

PT/FT ORTHODONTIC DENTAL Asst. Good wages; happy office. Garden City. Call days, 742-4110; eves (718) 352-4216. god2

LEGAL SECRETARY. FULL Time. Established Law Firm. Mineola, Garden City Area. Experience not necessary. Will train. Good salary commensurate with experience. Good shorthand and typing a must. 747-1141. god1

Help Wanted

TELEPHONE SOLICITOR P/T Work at home, make own hours. Experience not necessary but pleasant telephone personality a plus. Immediate. Call 931-0012. htd4

DENTAL ASSISTANT FOR periodontal surgery in Garden City practice. Warm friendly atmosphere - P/T only - flexible hours - no experience necessary. Will train. Please call 747-1266. god1

NATION'S LARGEST PRO- fessional home cleaning service seeks maids. Earn \$7 to \$10 per hour, needs car, we train. Call 746-0183 or apply 191 Jericho Tpke. Mineola, NY 11501. wd4

REAL ESTATE SALES AGENT expanding our Real Estate office serving this area for 72 years has two openings. Call R. Valentine for details and confidential interviews. The Valentine Agency 746-7200. wj2

ENGLISH SPEAKING WOMAN to live in. House easy to maintain. One Child - girl in 5th grade. Weekends off. 11-5 call 676-7695; after 6 call 747-6433. References necessary. god4

CHILD CARE NEEDED FOR MY 10 yr. old son; 2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. school days, flexible. My G.C. home. Excellent pay. Ideal for senior student or returnee. 248-4159 after 6 p.m. god4

P/T PERMANENT RETIREE welcome. Must have car, clean license, do errands. Light maintenance. 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call 294-0040. god1

REAL ESTATE SALES PEOPLE Needed. Garden City office seeks motivated self starters. Generous commission splits and professional training available. For confidential interview contact: Kathleen Whelan, Fennessy Realty, 116 Seventh St. 746-6245. god1

BABY SITTER IN MY G.C. Home - 5 days - must have car - \$5. per hr. 741-7543. god1

CLERK TYPIST FULL TIME Aviation Co. seeking individual to assist Accounting Dept. as well as work with Communications Dept. Willing to train right person. Light typing, must be responsible and reliable. Hours 12-8 p.m. flexible. 542-6900, Excellent company benefits. god1

GARDEN CITY FAMILY looking for woman/student interested in babysitting 1-2 days per week. Flexible hours, excellent pay, references please. Call 747-1041 after 5 p.m. god3

Help Wanted

INFANT CARE - GENTLE & Caring, responsible, non smoker. Mon. to Fri. 10-5 p.m. Garden City home. 485-3900. god2

CHILD CARE - TO SUPERVISE Two well behaved girls, ages 11 & 7 after school in my Garden City home. Mon. through Fri., 3 through 6 p.m. Must have car. Call after 6 p.m. 248-6584. god2

NEEDED, EXPERIENCED Person to give intravenous injection to Garden City resident three evenings a week under supervision of Doctor. 294-7767 or 747-7257. god2

CHILDCARE: WARM LOVING woman to care for teacher's 2 children in my East Williston home. Non smoker, driver's license required, references. Call 746-7650. wd1

WAITER/WAITRESSES - Experienced preferred. Good tips and working conditions, part time or full time, weekdays or weekends. Williston Town House 746-2539. wd2

REAL ESTATE SALES HELP wanted. A golden opportunity for outstanding success with one of Long Islands top companies. 7 locations. Work locally. We have a need for experienced people to start immediately, or we will train self motivated beginners to high commission. Full training program. We have a schedule to meet the requirements of parents with school age children. US 1 Laffey - 747-7170. Nights 248-5675. htd1

CHILD CARE NEEDED FOR 11 month old girl in my Garden City home. 2-3 afternoons per week. Own transportation. Call 248-5932. god2

WAITRESS/WAITER WANTED Full Time/Part Time, Flexible hours, experience preferred. Call 354-9261 for appointment. wd2

Situations Wanted

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE IN my New Hyde Park home. Part time, full time or overnight. Excellent references. Call 352-0428. wd1

MOTHER OF 3 YEAR OLD GIRL Forming small playgroup of 2 to 4 year old girls including reading, crafts and teaching time. Full time, days. Williston Park. 741-7758. wd2

HOUSECLEANER AVAILABLE Mon & Wed. Experience, references. Call 997-2475, after 6 p.m. god4

Situations Wanted

GARDEN CITY STUDENT - Will address, stuff, seal & stamp your Christmas cards at her home. Neat & accurate handwriting. \$10 per 100 cards. First come, first serve. Call Miss Carol 747-4861. gcD2

DAYWORKER - NOW HAS Tues. & Thurs. mornings open. Honest, hard working, reliable, meticulous and thorough. Own transportation. Non smoker; excellent G.C. & other references. Call Kathy 328-8286. gcD2

33 YR. OLD BABYSITTER WITH Car and References available. Garden City area. Fri - Sat. - Sunday nights. Call Jackie, 489-1099. gcD4

EXPERIENCED NURSES AIDE/ Companion looking for live in position. Hardworking, honest. Garden City preferred. Call 753-2094. gcD2

DAY WORKER AVAILABLE. Experienced, references, own transportation. Call 538-0808. gcD2

DUTCH LADY LOOKING FOR Housecleaning Wed. and Sat. (Own transportation Call 781-3957) gcD2

HOUSE/PET SITTER: YOUNG professional woman will care for your home and/or pets. Garden City resident. Please call Michelle at: 248-0857. gcD3

LOVING MOTHER WILL CARE For your child in my Williston Park home. Call 747-2183. wd2

HOUSEWORKER: IRISH GIRL Floral Park, Mineola, New Hyde Park, Garden City, Elmont. Mature and efficient. Own transportation, no live-in. \$10 per hour. Call Terri, 746-2904 between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. wd4

HOUSEKEEPER - METI- culous, reliable. Own transportation. References available. No child care 379-7527. gcD1

MALE NURSES AIDE WITH Experience - sleep in. 5 days or weekends. References upon request. Call 486-1257. gcD1

BABY SITTER - FLEXIBLE AM Or PM hours. Over 2 1/2 yrs. old. SE Section of G.C. References available. 741-3156. gcD1

CERTIFIED NURSES AIDE - Live-in. 5 day per week, take care of elderly. Non smoker. References. 378-4675. gcD1

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE BY Garden City resident in my home - 5 days per week. school age children - 747-4293, after 3 p.m. gcD1

HOUSECLEANER AVAILABLE - Any day, references, experience. Call 292-9360. gcD1

ATTENTION VACATIONERS would you like to go away and know that your pet dog or cat is well taken care of? Mature woman who loves animals will give your pet lots of TLC. Fenced in yard. 352-9113. gcJ4

Situations Wanted

RELIABLE WOMAN WILL Clean your G.C. Home. Own transportation. Mon. thru Fri. Call 565-2403. gcD1

EXPERIENCED HOME Health Aide seeks weekend job. References. (718) 738-0224 after 7:30 p.m. gcD1

HOUSEKEEPER AVAILABLE Tuesday only ... Full time. References available. Call 741-0453. gcD4

RESPONSIBLE JULLIARD senior available to house sit, babysit, plant or pet sit while you vacation this winter or do your holiday shopping. Garden City resident. Own transportation. Non-smoker and excellent references. Call Kimberly 747-3457. gcD4

COMPANION SLEEP OUT Monday to Friday. Experience, references. Call (718) 953-9272. gcD4

HOUSECLEANER AVAILABLE References, experience. Please call 565-4317. gcD4

PLAYGROUP NOW FORMING for toddlers 2-3 years. Meet 1 1/2 hrs. per week. Garden City resident...747-3604. gcD2

CHILD CARE IN MY FLORAL Park home by caring and responsible mother. Infant to 2 years. Please call 488-7326. gcD4

HOUSECLEANING TUESDAYS All day. Experienced. Own transportation. Good References. Call after 3 p.m. 333-6291. gcD4

Real Estate For Sale

EAST WILLISTON: CENTER hall Colonial in top condition. 3 BRs. 1 1/2 baths, spectacular huge kitchen, LR/fpl, DR, patio, fin. basement, large airy rooms, 2 car attached garage, low taxes. Reduced drastically for quick sale by owner. \$415K. 746-6648 or 248-6136. gcD1

G.C./HEMP CATHEDRAL Gardens, large one BR co-op, new EIK, terrace, maintenance 79% deductible. \$75,000 or rent \$800. Owner, 481-6786. gcD4

GARDEN CITY ESTATES Tudor, 3/4 BRs, 3 1/2 new baths, LR/fpl, DR, den, new EIK, screen porch, 2 car garage, fin. bsmt. with outside entrance, low taxes, \$595,000. Make offer to broker/atty. 437-8825. gcD4

OWNER RELOCATING - Stewart Manor. Wideline Cape in a park like setting. LR, new c-4; DR, 3 bedrooms; 2 modern baths; fin. bsmt. with outside entrance; garage; low taxes. Overized lot, many extras. Asking \$295,000. Principals. 354-5684. gcD1

EXCLUSIVE PARKWOLD AREA in Valley Stream. 9 room Colonial; 5 BR, 3 1/2 baths, LR/FP, formal DR, Kitchen with dining area; 2 car; much, much more \$425,000. Newman Realty, 341 Hempstead Ave., Malverne - 599-2800. gcD1

Real Estate For Sale

SOUTHOLD WATERFRONT - Newly renovated 4 BR, 2 1/2 bath Cape with 100 ft. on Jockey Creek. New eat-in kitchen with sliding doors onto deck overlooking water. LR with fireplace and picture window with water view. New carpet throughout house. New dormer and new dock. Owner will finance. \$375,000. Principals only. Call 765-9296. gcD1

GARDEN CITY COUNTRY Ranch, 4 bedrooms, 1 down, 3 up; 2 1/2 baths; LR/fpl; DR; large country kitchen; screened porch; large fam. rm; patio; over 1/2 acre; 2 car garage. Possible M/D. Closing flexible. \$540,000. Principals only. 747-0334. gcD2

SOUTHOLD - OPEN BAY Front home customized throughout with privacy, boating and many extras. \$750,000 by Owner. 765-1857. gcD1

WATERFRONT: SECLUDED area of Southold. Ranch on wooded lot, 90 ft. on navigable creek, view of bay and Shelter Island, 3 BRs, 2 baths, Cathedral ceiling LR, skylight, deck, see through fireplace. \$325,000. Owner 765-1465. gcD2

GARDEN CITY BUILD YOUR own dream house, 1/2 acre lot, prime area. 516-338-9436. gcD2

GARDEN CITY REDUCED FOR quick sale. 3 BR Colonial in western section. 4 BR Colonial, northeast section. Both under \$300's. Owner will help with financing. Call 437-8825. gcD2

GARDEN CITY 7TH STREET one BR co-op, 2nd floor, garage with automatic opener, prime location, walk to RR and shopping. By owner. Call between 6-8 p.m. 248-6512. gcD2

WILLISTON PARK, HERRICKS S.D. Brick, 3-4 BRs, 3 baths (2 new), new eik, formal DR, Florida room, new furnace and hot water. \$299,000. Principals 294-7447. wd2

CUTCHOGUE - RECENTLY reduced for quick sale, 3 BRs, 2 bath ranch. Walk to town & beach. \$159,900. Southold - Live comfortably year round in this 3 BR, 2 bath ranch with EIK, DR, LR/FPL, garage. Move-in condition. \$179,900. East Marlin - Lovely two story single family home. LR/FPL, formal DR, EIK, enclosed porch, 3 BRs, 1 1/2 baths. Walk to bay beach. \$186,500. Marlin King Realty, 734-5657. gcD1

FREEPORT SOUTH - DUTCH Colonial. Potential professional; 3 BRs, LR/FPL, DR, 2 small dens, bsmt., garage. Large parcel. Convenient to shops, waterfront. LIRR 40 minutes to NYC. Reduced. Asking \$177,000. 741-4799 eve. & weekends, days 228-5771/5. gcD4

NYC MADISON AVE. MURRAY Hill - Co-op studio, pre-war elevator bldg., doorman. \$115,000. B. Bamberg, R.E. 742-0933. gcD1

Real Estate For Sale

SOUTHOLD - JUST REDUCED! 10 yr. old Ranch, 2+ BRs, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement, deeded water rights. Private community, suitable Mother/Daughter. Well maintained and landscaped. Asking \$187,000. Southold Exclusives Just reduced, protected creek to open bay - 5 yr. old, 3 level Contemporary on 1 1/2 acres. 3 BRs, 2 1/2 baths, LR/DR/fpl, fam. room with wood stove, large inground pool, storm shutters, many extras. Fantastic view. Owners anxious. Asking \$419,000. Southold Town: Vacant waterfront lots, 1/2 acre to 4 acres in size. Asking \$178,000 to \$500,000. Also vacant building lots, 1/2 acre to 2.8 acres. Asking \$80,000 up. Some wooded. Excellent buys. Call for more information. Baker Real Estate, 765-2310. gcD1

NORTH FORK SOUTHOLD New custom Ranch, 3 BRs, 2 baths, 30' great room with vaulted ceiling, skylights, fireplace, large EIK with bay window and skylight. Whirlpool tub, stall shower in master bath, oversized 2 car garage, separate laundry room, 30' deck. Unique split bedroom plan, many extras, on beautifully wooded 1/2 acre in Southold's finest area. \$285,000. Please call owner, 765-3095 gcD1

SOUTHOLD - JUST REDUCED! 10 yr. old Ranch, 2+ BRs, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement, deeded water rights. Private community, suitable Mother/Daughter. Well maintained and landscaped. Asking \$187,000. Southold Exclusives Just reduced, protected creek to open bay - 5 yr. old, 3 level Contemporary on 1 1/2 acres. 3 BRs, 2 1/2 baths, LR/DR/fpl, fam. room with wood stove, large inground pool, storm shutters, many extras. Fantastic view. Owners anxious. Asking \$419,000. Southold Town: Vacant waterfront lots, 1/2 acre to 4 acres in size. Asking \$178,000 to \$500,000. Also vacant building lots, 1/2 acre to 2.8 acres. Asking \$80,000 up. Some wooded. Excellent buys. Call for more information. Southold Area - Several waterfront homes just reduced for quick sale. Call for appt. & information. Baker Real Estate, 765-2310. gcD1

GARDEN CITY: BEAUTIFUL Dutch Colonial in prime central area. 6 BRs, 5 1/2 baths, modern EIK, malds room, formal DR, LR/fpl, den/fpl, beautiful floors, finished basement with bar, sprinkler system, detached garage, patio, 125x150 lot. Move in mint condition. Principals only \$925,000. Office 294-0884 M-F, 9-5, home 741-6150. gcD4

HERITAGE VILLAGE Southbury, Ct., Large 3 BR condo, lovely setting, outstanding features, must be seen. Owner, phone before 10 a.m., after 6 p.m. 203-264-9272. gcD4

AQUABOGUE EXCLUSIVE Contemporary with soaring ceilings in living room and foyer; family room with FP; formal DR; fantastic European style EIK; ceramic tile and oak floors; 3 BRs; 2 1/2 luxurious baths; central A/C. The best of everything \$395,000. Marlyn Lang Realty, 734-6472 or 734-6690. gcD1

Real Estate For Sale

GREAT NECK - LIST YOUR house with us and start packing! **Gutterman Real Estate** 591 Middle Neck Rd., Great Neck, NY 487-1177 hj4

GARDEN CITY ESTATES \$389,000. Custom 4/5 bedrooms. "Prime North of Stewart." \$500,000 plus area. Fireplace, formal dining. Estate forces sale. **B-E-R-K - Exclusive.** Brokers Welcome 354-7775. gcD1

GARDEN CITY - YOU DESERVE the best! Heart of the Estates Tudor; 3-4 BRs, 3 1/2 new baths, LR/FPL, lge. DR, new EIK, den, screened porch, finished bsmt. 2 car gar., alarm, etc. \$595,000. Make offers to broker 437-8825. gcD1

GARDEN CITY RAISED RANCH vinyl siding; spacious rooms; suitable mother/daughter. 4 BRs, 3 baths, LR, DR, EIK, den, screened porch, finished bsmt. Owner asking \$385,000. 775-5974 gcD4

MINEOLA-HORTON HOUSE One bedrm. co-op; fully renovated; large rooms. Walk in closets; A/C. Near all. Must sell. \$123,000. Owner, 741-0647 or 248-0059. gcJ4

GARDEN CITY - ESTATES Center hall Colonial; 5 bedrooms; 2 1/2 modern baths; formal DR; EIK; LR/fpl, family room; fin. bsmt. Mint. Low taxes. Walk to LIRR. \$469,990. Owners, 248-0026. gcD4

SOUTHOLD E. SOUNDFRONT Contemporary villa - superb design, 4 BRs, 2 LRs with FPs, custom pool surrounded by slate terrace overlooking beach & dramatic coastline; 3 sty. tower with outdoor lounge, elegant interiors, exquisite details. Exclusive \$1,250,000. Hahn Realty 477-0551. gcD1

NW EAST HAMPTON NEW 2 sty. contemporary; 4 BRs; 2 baths; 5 appliances; vaulted ceilings and skylights; large deck area. All on 1.3 acres. Call eves. 585-7164. \$250,000. gcD2

GARDEN CITY CO-OP "Stewart Home" - large 1 BR; low maintenance. \$172,500. (718) 347-4678. gcD4

GLEN OAKS VILLAGE 1 BR co-op, most desirable, upper, end court, immaculate, new wall to wall throughout. \$89,500 by owner. Call 747-7737. wd4

NEW HYDE PARK BRICK ranch. Overized lot, 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths, porch, full basement, gas heat, 3 min. to RR. No brokers. \$290,000. 352-7446. hd4

WILLISTON PARK FANTASTIC Value. 2 Baths, 2 BRs, Herricks, Fieldstone wideline, formal DR, LR with F/P, 60x100 lot. Exclusive, Low \$230's. Rummel Real Estate 746-5320. wd1

MINEOLA MINT COLONIAL Reduced \$209,000. EIK, formal DR, 4 BRs, Bay window. Must sell, owner purchased another! H.A. Smith & De Groot 248-1468. wd1

Real Estate For Sale

WOODLAND JEWEL
Secluded Contemporary with pool on 3+ dividable acres. Very close to beautiful beach. Excellent investment. Reduced to \$350,000. Shelter Island Realty, 749-1014. gcd2

EAST WILLISTON - A GEM!
By Original owner. C/H Colonial, LR with F/P, formal DR, large elk, large family room, 3-4 BRs, 2 1/2 baths, 1/4 acre, Wheatley S.D. \$439,000. Principals only. 742-2875. wd1

WALTON, N.Y. - NEAR DELHI
University, Delaware County, 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 bath house on Rt. #10, situated on 10 acres with brook, LR; e-i-kit; two fireplaces; fin. bsmt. with pool table & bar. Three separate apts. all currently rented. Det. 4 car garage. Ideal for second home or Bed & Breakfast. 3 hrs. from Garden City. \$250,000. By owner. 877-2844. gcd2

G.C. VIC. CATHEDRAL
Gardens, School Dist. #27, mint 4 BR Colonial, 2 1/2 baths, LR/fpl, large DR, den, EIK, fin. bsmt, central A/C, 2 car. \$335K. Principals only. Eves & weekends 489-0297. gcd2

EAST WILLISTON C/H
Colonial in top condition. 3 BRs, 1 1/2 baths, spectacular huge kitchen, LR with F/P, DR with built-ins, den, patio, large airy rooms, 2 car attached garage, low taxes, reduced drastically for quick sale. By owner \$415,000. Call 746-6648 or 248-6138. wd1

GARDEN CITY COUNTRY
Ranch - 4 bedrooms, private suite on 1st fl., expanded 2nd fl., 2 1/2 baths, L.R. fireplace, formal DR, large kitchen, screened porch, large family rm., patio 100 x 150, 2 car garage. Possible mother/daughter; walk to station. Closing flexible. \$540,000. Principals only - 747-0334. gcd3

GARDEN CITY MUST SELL
Charming Colonial, wrap around porch, excellent condition. 6 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, LR/fpl, formal DR, extra large new kitchen/family room. Four zone new heating. Low taxes. Asking \$549,000/747-0365 gcd2

GARDEN CITY ESTATES
Center hall Split. Move-in condition. 3 BRs, 2 baths, EIK, den, garage, 65x125, \$3,200 taxes. \$360,000. 248-6876. hdl

WILLISTON PARK LEGAL 2
Family. Our best buy and maybe yours also! 3 rooms over 6 on 60x100 plot. Herricks S.D. Asking \$278,000. Owner anxious, make offer. H.A. Smith & De Groot 248-1468. wn4

SOUTHOLD OPEN BAY FRONT
Home. Drastically reduced, owner's anxious. In immaculate condition. 3 BR, 2 baths, oversized oak eat-in-kitchen, formal DR, LR with FP, family room and study; 2 car garage with 100 ft. on the bay. A view from every room with privacy & boating. Reduced from \$895,000 to \$685,000. By owner 765-1857. gcd3

Real Estate For Sale

GARDEN CITY ESTATES AREA
large center hall Colonial, A-1 condition. Traditional moldings, alcoves, arches, oak floors, 2 fpl., maintenance free exterior, gorgeous plantings, wide, quiet street. Possible prof. office w/outside entrance. Reduced \$550K Owner 741-6244. gcd3

ALBERTSON - DOWNS
Wheatley Schools. Great price \$379,990. Absolutely mint, 4 BR home featuring large airy rooms, 2 1/2 baths, huge formal DR, 2 car. Won't last!! H.A. Smith & De Groot 248-1468. wd1

EXCLUSIVELY OURS
Bargains Galore. Hempstead Cathedral Gardens. Imagine a 7% \$300,000 mortgage, no closing cost! no legal fees, no commission on this fabulous 7 BR brick Williamsburg Colonial, Spanish tile roof, 5 1/2 baths, palladium windows, 2 fpls, solarium, 5 zone heat, 2 car, 100x150 landscaped fenced plot. Reduced, \$695,000; 4 BR Colonial, 1 1/2 baths, cory fpl, den, 2 car, 70x128 parklike plot for the gardening aficionado, \$279,000; 4 BR slate roof Tudor, 1 1/2 baths, breakfast room, 2 car garage, \$234,990; Hempstead Country Club Estates, 5 BR slate roof, center hall Colonial, 3 1/2 baths, sunken LR, sunken DR, 2 fpls, 7000 sq. ft. of landscaped property. Walk RR, \$269,000. 4 BR brick Colonial, 3 baths, 23 ft. LR with fpl, overlooking golf course, \$259,000; 3 BR spacious stone/cedar C/H Colonial, 1 1/2 baths, breakfast room, fpl, den, patio, 2 car, walk-up attic, all this plus slate roof, walk RR, only \$249,000; 3 BR Tudor, 1 1/2 baths, 2 car, 60x120, \$199,000; 3 BR Colonial, 1 1/2 baths, modern kitchen with breakfast room, fpl, den, walk RR, \$175,000; Ingraham Estates, 3 BR brick Colonial, 1 1/2 baths, fpl, EIK, Florida room, \$192,500; 3 BR brick Colonial, 1 1/2 baths, fpl, screened porch, fin. bsmt., \$185,000; 3 BR brick Colonial, 2 baths, new EIK, near Hofstra, \$175,000; 2 BR Colonial, 1 1/2 baths, fin. bsmt., low taxes, \$168,000; 4 BR brick Tudor, 3 baths, fpl, 2 car, need TLC, \$165,000; Unimale, 3/3 BR Cape, 2 baths, fpl, den, underground sprinklers, all new inside and out plus possible building plot, \$269,900, Elaine Nolan 485-7054 or 292-9749 wd1

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Help me in my present and
urgent petition, in return I
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all problems, who light all roads,
so that I can obtain my goals. You
who give me the divine gift to
forgive and forget all evils against
me and that in all instances of my
life you are with me. I want in this
short prayer to thank you for all
things and to confirm once again
that I never want to be separated
from you ever in spite of all
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with you in eternal glory. Thank
you for your mercy towards me
and mine. Say for 3 consecutive
days after which the favor
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miracles pray for us. St. Jude
helper of the hopeless pray for us.
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Houston	957.2
Phoenix	880.8
Atlanta	862.5
Philadelphia	857.2
San Diego	850.2
Dallas	849.8
Boston	814.0

SOURCE: National Planning Association



Here's How

By Gene Gary

Q: Although I am still a teenager, I read your column quite regularly and find it very interesting. I figure all the information you provide will help me when the time comes for me to own my own home. I have a question and would appreciate a reply with your expertise.

My father has told me that here in the East my teenage friends and I could make good money after school cleaning leaves and debris out of gutters because most people don't have 40-foot ladders, so even renting the equipment would be worthwhile.

I'm willing to work hard and am certainly anxious to make a little extra money, but I wonder how important it is to have one's gutters cleaned. Seems to me that the water will either seep through the leaves eventually and go down the spout or slip harmlessly over the edge.

Dad tells me differently. He says clogged gutters can cause all sorts of structural damage to a house when it rains, even affecting the basement. If he's right, there should be money in the gutter-cleaning business. But I am not sure he is right. Maybe he just wants to see me get out and work and be ambitious.

Because you are an expert on proper care of a house I would value your opinion on this matter. — B.J.

A: Your dad is right. Clogged gutters and plugged downspouts can cause major structural damage to your house. Rainwater that is not collected and channeled away from your house is destructive. Water wears away the paint on the siding, seeps into the walls and around windows and starts wood to rotting.

On the ground it erodes soil and plantings and causes foundation and basement dampness. Runoff that freezes in the soil near your house can destroy basement walls. Standing water and debris make gutters sag and leak and eventually will send sheets of water down along your walls to the foundation. An annual inspection is recommended to ward off serious problems.

Here are a couple of tips you can use in your new endeavor if you decide to proceed:

- Clear away all twigs, leaves and organic debris that have accumulated in the gutters and downspouts. Wear heavy gloves and scoop out the debris with your hands. If you find any dirt caked to the bottom of the gutter, use a putty knife to scrape it loose.

- To clean a clogged downspout, push a garden hose down into the first bend and have your helper turn on the faucet. The weight and pressure of the water will free most small clogs. If the water

backs up, force more of the hose into the downspout. The end of the hose will act as a ramrod, and the pressure of the water will flush the debris as it is knocked loose. If all else fails, take the downspout apart in sections and clean it on the ground.

- You should also inspect the gutters for sagging, which will hinder the flow of water to the downspout. A minimum of 1/4 inch for every foot of run toward the downspout is required.

- Also inspect for small rust holes or other damage. The smaller holes can be repaired with roofing cement, spread over an area at least twice as large as the hole. Clean the surface first with a putty knife and wire brush, wiping away all dust and debris with a soft cloth. Larger holes will require patching with a piece of aluminum flashing, set in place with roofing cement and sealed around the edges.

Although you may not want to get into repairs, it still is a good idea to inspect the gutters and report suspect areas to your clients if you decide to go ahead with the gutter-cleaning business.

I would certainly welcome this type of service in my neighborhood. Good luck.

A: Yes, 41 percent; no, 53 percent.

Q: I'd like to read you four possible provisions of the catastrophic health care insurance. Tell me which is most important.

A: Providing for unlimited hospital stays, 23 percent; for long-term nursing home care, 40 percent; for prescription drugs above \$600, 8 percent; for complete home care costs, 24 percent.

Q: In funding medical costs for people unable to pay their own medical costs, should the federal government pay the costs, or should the federal government just pay premiums to a private insurer?

A: Government pay costs, 38 percent; government pay private insurance premiums, 50 percent.

Q: On whether government should have complete responsibility for elderly health services, or should we maintain a strong private medical insurance system?

A: Government responsibility, 38 percent; private health/insurer system, 57 percent.

Q: Do you currently have Medicare supplemental insurance coverage?

A: Yes, 73 percent; no, 26 percent.

Q: Are you a member of AARP — (The American Association of Retired Persons)?

A: Yes, 61 percent, no, 38 percent.

"If this bill is approved in the conference committee, I am urging senior citizens to write to President Reagan, immediately urging his veto."

The address for such letter(s) is: The Honorable Ronald Reagan, President of the United States, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20500.

THE SURVEY RESULTS:

Q: Would you be willing to pay more in taxes in order to have Medicare pay for some or all of your prescription medication?



TWEEN 12 & 20

By Robert Wallace, Ed.D.

Dr. Wallace: I am 17 and my boyfriend is 19. He is a real nice guy and he proved it. I needed \$100 (I won't tell you why) and Mitch said he would get it for me and "not to worry."

Well, he came up with the money, but he robbed a fast-food restaurant to get it. Now he is in big trouble because someone knew his car and contacted the police. My boyfriend wore a ski mask but still got caught. Oh, yes, I forgot to mention that he did show a gun but he didn't use it.

My parents think that my boyfriend is a bum and that I should drop him, but I do love Mitch very much and, besides, how could I drop a guy who did all of this just for me? Your opinion please. — Julie.

Julie: Regardless of the motive, Mitch committed a violent crime and if he is found guilty he will be out of action for a while. It could be years.

My opinion? Dump the guy. He is a loser.

Dr. Wallace: I am 13 and would like to get my Social Security card. I'm not planning on getting a job just yet but I think it would be neat to have my card.

My dad said I couldn't get one until I am 16 or get a job, but I know that's not true because my best friend is 12 and he has a Social Security card and he doesn't have a job.

How can I get mine? — Robert

Robert: A Social Security card can be given to any

qualified person regardless of age. Some infants get their cards shortly after birth.

You can apply for a card by mail (ask for form SS-5) or in person at any Social Security office. Many schools now have the necessary forms.

Dr. Wallace: I'm a 15-year-old girl who desperately needs your advice. I like Jimmy but Jimmy doesn't know it. Another girl at school likes Jimmy and Jimmy is aware of that fact. Yet he is not going with her.

Should I try to get this boy for myself or should I just keep my big mouth shut because the "other girl" is a friend. Please hurry. My love life is at stake. — Debbie, Portsmouth, Ohio

Debbie: Usually keeping one's big mouth shut is a desirable trait in all civilized human beings, but not when one's love life is at stake. Go for Jimmy — with gusto!

Dr. Wallace: Sometimes when I'm running late in the morning and I don't have time to brush my teeth, I do what my granny says: I eat an apple.

Granny says that apples are nature's toothbrush. My mom says that Granny (My dad's mom) is full of applesauce. Mom says that apples are a nutritious food but that they do nothing to clean teeth. Who is correct? I really hope it's Granny. — Chuck.

Chuck: According to Dr. Elaine Steubner, chief of oral surgery at St. Joseph Hospital in Chicago, an apple is a natural toothbrush. Steubner states that every time you take a bite of an apple it cleans from the top of the tooth to the gum, and she advocates munching more apples.

But eating apples alone is not the solution for clean, healthy teeth. Frequent brushing and flossing and eating apples can help eliminate tooth decay and gum disease.

Dr. Wallace: Many older teens own automobiles and like everyone else, their cars get stolen. My father works for Shell Oil Co. and they have put out a booklet on how not to have your car stolen. I found it interesting (I own a car and would just die if someone stole it) and would like to share a few tips with my fellow teens. Besides locking the door:

- Roll the windows up tight.

- Store spare keys in your wallet, not in the car. A professional thief knows all the hiding places.

- Replace standard door lock buttons with the slim, tapered kind. They're almost impossible to pull up with a coat hanger.

- In the driveway, park your car with the nose toward the street, so anyone tampering with the engine can be seen more easily.

- No matter how quick the errand, never leave your car running. Not even in the driveway. Many amateur thieves hang out at convenience stores just waiting for an unattended car with the engine running.

- Install different locks for door, ignition and trunk. Then a thief who gets your door key still won't have the ignition key. And a lot attendant who sees your ignition key can't use it on the trunk.

Rule of thumb: Make it time-consuming to steal your car, and the thief will probably try his luck on someone else's car. — Lana.



Mainly for Seniors

By Leonard J. Hansen

cost of the prescription drug benefits, and the lack of coverage of intermediate and custodial nursing home care, oppose the legislation strongly.

The new and added taxation affects widows and widowers with adjusted gross incomes of only \$6,001 annually and can affect couples with an added taxation — over and above regular income taxes — of up to \$1,600 per year. The tax would be assessed, collected and enforced by the federal Internal Revenue Service.

Representations by Congress in passing the legislation, and even by the American Association of Retired Persons in its endorsement of the legislation, have mislabeled the new, specific taxation as only a supplement in Medicare premium cost of almost half of senior citizen recipients.

The Wirthlin survey used a scientifically chosen base of 600 senior citizens nationwide for in-depth interviews. The base is accepted statistically, with a variance factor of a plus or minus 4 percent.

THE SURVEY RESULTS:

Q: Would you be willing to pay more in taxes in order to have Medicare pay for some or all of your prescription medication?

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Most senior citizens in the United States oppose the provisions and costs of the congressionally approved catastrophic care legislation. The legislation hits adults, age 65-plus, with unprecedented new taxes and increases in the cost of Medicare premiums, while increasing some existing coverage and adding very little in new areas of coverage.

The details of a new, national survey of senior citizens was announced in a news conference at the National Press Club (Monday, Nov. 2, 1987). The poll was conducted by the nationally respected Wirthlin Group and commissioned by the National Alliance of Senior Citizens.

Legislation, identified as "catastrophic care," was passed separately in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, and at the time of the press conference, was forwarded to a special conference committee. If the legislation is confirmed by the committee it would go to the president for signature or veto in mid to late December 1987.

The national poll, though, shows that senior citizens, once learning of the specific new taxation, the

After Work Gourmet

By Melanie Barnard
and Brooke Dojay



We think that this is the hungriest time of the year. Theoretically, this is because the body needs to take in more calories to generate heat as the weather turns cold. True enough, but we think there is a lot more to it than that.

Springtime again seems to bring on the righteous lightness of dining. Unquestionably, a platter of fresh asparagus is a delight, but there is also the matter of that swimsuit thing looming again in the far-too-near future.

But now is the season of purely simple, unadorned and uncluttered good food. This is the season of Sloppy Joes and Macaroni Salad, the stuff of childhood weekday suppers and school cafeterias. It is satisfying food that demands no sophistication or pretension. Big smiling requests for seconds are all the comments needed.

Our version of Sloppy Joe in no way diminishes the classic, but adds a contemporary touch with herbs and spices suggestive of a sweet/hot Caribbean cuisine that is currently quite the rage. We think it is just plain good and that

we should have paid more attention to Caribbean cooks a long time ago.

Our accompanying Macaroni Salad is a far cry from any "boughten" version and is made in about as much time as it takes to queue up at the deli counter. To save on clean-up, we tried cooking the vegetables in the same pot with the pasta and found that it works like a charm. Just be sure not to add them too soon so that everything will be properly cooked at the same time.

For greatest time economy in making this hearty and satisfying meal, first put the pasta water on to boil, then make the Sloppy "Joe" and finish the salad while the meat cooks. An ice cream bar is the proper dessert.

By the way, both recipes are generous enough for the seconds that we feel sure you will be glad to have.

CARIBBEAN SLOPPY JOE

- 1½ pounds lean ground chuck
- 1 medium onion
- 1 large Cubanelle (frying) pepper
- 2 cloves garlic
- 2 tablespoons chili powder
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon dried oregano
- ½ teaspoon ground cumin
- ¼ teaspoon red (cayenne) pepper
- ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon allspice
- Pinch cloves
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 bay leaf, broken
- 2 cups canned, crushed tomatoes in puree

- ¼ cup red wine
- ¼ cup raisins, optional
- 4-6 large seeded sandwich buns or French rolls

In large skillet, break up ground beef with fork and cook 3-5 minutes over medium heat until it begins to lose red color. Meanwhile, chop onion and Cubanelle pepper. Add to ground beef and cook 3 minutes until vegetables are just softened. Spoon or drain off excess fat.

Mince garlic and add to skillet along with chili powder. Cook, stirring for 1 minute. Add salt, oregano, cumin, red pepper, cinnamon, allspice, cloves, Worcestershire sauce and bay leaf and stir well. Stir in tomatoes and wine and bring just to boil. Lower heat and simmer, partially covered, for 15 minutes. Add optional raisins and simmer 5-10 minutes more. Discard bay leaf.

Taste and adjust seasoning. Serve spooned into buns or French rolls.

Yield: 4 servings.

Preparation and cooking time: 35 minutes.

MACARONI SALAD WITH FALL VEGETABLES

- 1 medium bunch broccolini (about 1 pound)
- 2 medium carrots
- 2 teaspoons salt, divided
- 6 ounces (1½ cups) uncooked elbow macaroni
- 1½ tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1½ teaspoons Dijon mustard
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- ¼ cup sliced, good quality, pitted black olives
- ¼ cup thinly sliced scallions including some of green part
- Romaine lettuce leaves

Bring large pot of water to boil for pasta. Meanwhile, trim broccolini into florets. (Reserve stalks for another use, such as soup.) Cut carrots into ¼- to ½-inch-thick slices.

When water is boiling rapidly, add 1½ teaspoons salt and macaroni. Boil about 7 minutes then add carrots to pot. Boil about 2 minutes, then add broccolini. Boil about 1-2 minutes until vegetables are crisp-tender and pasta is al dente. Drain in colander and run under cold water to stop cooking and set color in vegetables.

In large serving bowl, whisk together vinegar, mustard, pepper, remaining ½ teaspoon salt and oil until well blended. Add olives, scallions and pasta mixture to bowl and toss gently but thoroughly to blend.

Serve warm or cool spooned into romaine lettuce leaves.

Yield: 4 servings.

Preparation and cooking time: 20 minutes

microwave magic



By Desiree Vives

Although no one knows for certain when the almond was first cultivated, we do know that the nut was well-established in ancient Greece many centuries before Christ where it was, among other things, a symbol of fertility. Around 200 years before the Christian era, Romans returning from Greece brought the crunchy nuts with them, and these "Greek" nuts, as they were known, eventually became popular throughout the Roman Empire — even as far north as England.

I adore almonds as a snack: raw from the shell, roasted and smoked, mixed with other nuts or in a trail mix. Jordan almonds and chocolate-coated almonds never fail to tempt me when I'm out at the movies, and a chocolate bar with roasted almonds is well-nigh irresistible, as far as I'm concerned.

Because almonds combine delicious flavor and crunchy texture with sound nutritional qualities, it only makes sense to find ways to incorporate them into your favorite recipes. Besides, they add a certain elegance to any culinary creation. Slivered almonds look divine sprinkled over baked fish fillets or buttered herbed green beans. Add chopped almonds to

pie crusts, bread or cookie dough, or toss whole almonds into a tossed green salad or your favorite stir-fry dish.

To roast ¼ cup whole or slivered blanched almonds in your microwave, toss with just enough oil to coat lightly. Spread in an even layer in a shallow microwave-safe dish. Microwave, uncovered, on HIGH (100 percent power) setting five to eight minutes, stirring every two minutes, until nuts are golden.

Recipes in this column are tested in 625- to 700-watt microwave ovens.

CHINESE ALMOND CHICKEN

- ¼ cup soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 2 teaspoons freshly grated ginger root
- 2½ pounds skinless chicken breasts, cut into strips
- 2 (6-ounce) packages frozen pea pods
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 medium clove garlic, minced
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup blanched slivered almonds

Preparation time: 10 minutes

Cooking Time: 7 to 11 minutes (plus 3 minutes standing time)

Oven Setting: HIGH (100 percent power)

Combine soy sauce, cornstarch and ginger in 10-inch microwave browning skillet. Microwave, uncovered, 1 minute; stir. Add chick-

en, cover, and microwave 5 minutes, stirring every 2 minutes.

Stir in all remaining ingredients except almonds. Cover and microwave 6 to 10 minutes longer, or until chicken is no longer pink and pea pods are crisp-tender, stirring every 3 minutes. Stir in almonds and let stand 3 minutes before serving. Serve over hot cooked rice.

Serves 6.

CHEDDAR CORN ALMONDINE

- 1 (12-ounce) can whole-kernel corn, drained
- ¼ cup diced celery
- 1 tablespoon minced onion
- ¼ teaspoon each curry powder and pepper
- 1 large ripe tomato, chopped
- ¼ cup slivered almonds
- ¼ cup shredded mild cheddar cheese

Preparation Time: 5 to 10 minutes

Cooking Time: 3 to 5 minutes (plus 3 minutes standing time)

Oven Setting: HIGH (100 percent power)

In 1-quart microwave-safe casserole combine corn, celery, onion, curry powder and pepper. Cover and microwave 2 minutes; stir.

Sprinkle tomato and nuts evenly over top. Cover and microwave 1 to 3 minutes longer, or until heated through. Sprinkle evenly with cheese. Cover and let stand 3 minutes before serving, to melt cheese.

Serves 4.

QUICK CHOCOLATE ALMOND PIE

- 1 (3½-ounce) bar milk chocolate with almonds
- 15 large marshmallows
- ¼ cup whole milk
- 1 cup heavy cream
- ¼ teaspoon vanilla
- 1 (9-inch) graham cracker pie crust
- ¼ cup chopped toasted almonds
- 2 tablespoons shaved chocolate.

Preparation Time: 5 to 10 minutes

Cooking Time: 2 to 3 minutes (plus several hours to chill)

Oven Setting: HIGH

Break chocolate into small pieces, chopping almonds coarsely. Combine in 1-quart microwave-safe casserole with marshmallows and milk. Microwave, uncovered, 2 to 3 minutes, stirring every 30 seconds. Remove from oven and stir until smooth, then let stand until cool.

Whip cream with vanilla until soft peaks form. Fold into chocolate mixture, then turn into prepared pie crust. Garnish with almonds and shaved chocolate. Chill several hours before serving.

Serves 6.

Prefinished wood flooring provides new options



PARQUET FLOOR — The current variety of new wood flooring choices, such as this no-wax bleached parquet from Bruce Hardwood, works well with popular contemporary and Southwestern interiors.

Decor Score



Q: We have a new home under construction and need to make a major flooring decision.

My husband wants oak parquet but I think it looks too dark and traditional for our contemporary home and furnishings. What do you think? — P.B.

A: I think you are both in luck. Here is at least one new home decision that needn't be a battle, thanks to current choices in hardwood flooring. You can have your parquet and contemporary interiors, too. If you select one of the new light finish oak parquets now available.

Either a bleached white or a sand shade might work with your furnishings. These ready-to-install oak tiles are already finished with a durable urethane coating that requires no waxing. What could be easier?

Now that's settled and you can move on to whether the spare room is going to be a sewing room or a fly-tying center.

Q: My living room is very long but narrow (24 by 12 feet). What would be an attractive but "homey" way of arranging my furniture to camouflage this unusually shaped room? — D.C.

A: Your challenge is to make your living room feel and function as though it had better proportions by visually stretching its width and shortening its length. Happily, there are ways to arrange furniture that will minimize the room's

defects and contribute to that sense of coziness you seek.

Your best tactic is to divide the room into more than one furniture grouping. You might have a conversational seating group at one end of the room and a piano, game table, desk, reading area or another seating grouping at the other. Breaking up the rectangular space this way into two square areas is especially effective if you have two area rugs to define each grouping.

In addition, arranging rugs and furniture on the diagonal is an excellent device for dissolving the long, narrow lines of the room. Long, low pieces of furniture facing each other on the long walls with chairs or tables at right angles will help widen the room visually if you can't make a diagonal arrangement work. Place large, tall focal pieces of furniture on the end walls to cut the room's length.

Here are some tricks besides furniture arranging that you might want to employ.

- Paint or paper the end walls an eye-catching color or pattern that will serve to draw them closer to each other.

- Paper the long walls in a wide vertical stripe that will make them appear shorter.

- Change the floor level by building a platform at one end of the room.

- To avoid hernias, before you start moving furniture around, get some graph paper and experiment on paper with various arrangements.

Backyard Gardener



Each winter, as the new seed catalogs roll in, I seem to discover a new pansy that I feel compelled to try. And the home-seeded plants have never disappointed me. They're easy to grow, early and long in bloom, enduring awful weather, always eager to face the world with gentle upturned faces.

Last year our great pansy encounter came in the form of Thompson & Morgan's King of the Blacks, a pure satiny black pansy that bloomed from spring to late summer on neatly mounded, picture-perfect little bushes. This year I grew to accompany and contrast with King of the Blacks, the beautiful Imperial Pink Shades pansy.

Imperial Park blooms in an ever-changing-variation of colors from bright plum pink through shell pink and white as the flowers open and then gradually mature. This pansy offered something truly different and eye-catching in our garden this year. The plants began blooming in June from a February indoor sowing. In mild winter climates pansies can also be seeded in July for transplanting in September and an early spring flowering.

Pansy seed is usually among the first batch of seeds that I sow in the new years toward the end of January or early in February. I pre-chill the seed in the fridge for a few days prior to sowing it, to help break its period of dormancy, and I cover the seeded container to exclude light during the 10 days to two weeks it takes for the seed to germinate. At this point, the container is kept in a warm

spot around 70 F. But when the first sprouts appear the container is uncovered and moved to a cool site, ideally no warmer than 50 F for growing the seedlings into transplanting size.

Another recent hit among the more popular annual flowers and a stunning bundle of tumbling color in our garden every year since its introduction in 1983, is trailing lobelia Color Cascade Mix. We grow this lobelia in hanging baskets and in a large wooden box set on a high pile of rocks surrounding a large cedar tree.

Set quite thickly into these containers, the plant cascades forth in a highly condensed kaleidoscope of white, purple, mauve and lilac, medium blue, light blue and carmine blooms. The flower colors intensify as summer draws to a close and the basket and planter remain outstandingly decorative until the first hard frost wilts the plants.

Our family has become rather hooked also during the past two summers on the bright tangerine orange, daisylike flowers of the elegant gazania Mini Star Tangerine. This variety is both an All-America Selections and a European Fluorescent award winner, and we've been very impressed with it since receiving trial seeds in 1984.

Mini Star Tangerine is ideal for warmer, sunny places. It grows in a parading rosette form with attractive narrow foliage to about 8 inches in height.

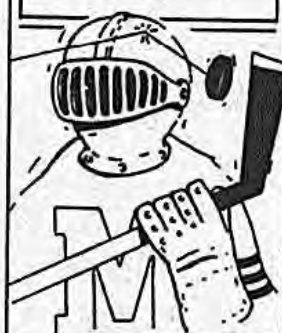
BENCHWARMER'S SPORTS TRIVA

Q Known as the Flying Finn, this man dominated distance running during the '20s.



A The inimitable Pavo Harjo won nine Olympic medals between 1920 and 1928.

Q Who is credited with wearing hockey's first face mask?



A Clint Benedict, who scored goal for the Montreal Maroons, wore a mask during the 1925-1926 season.

ANTIQUE OR JUNQUE



By James G. McCallam

Your slant-front desk is a Queen Anne

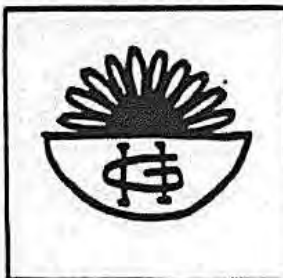


Q: What can you tell me about this slant-front desk as to vintage and value? It appears to be made of walnut.

A: This Queen Anne-style desk was made around the turn of the century and appears to be of very fine quality.

A dealer would probably ask \$500 or \$600 in good condition.

Q: I found this mark on my mother's old doll. Can you tell me anything about it? Does the doll have any value as a collectible? It's in fairly good condition.



A: This is the mark used by Gebrüder (brothers) Heubach in Koppelsdorf, Germany. The company was in business from 1820 to 1925.

They made dolls, figurines and piano babies, all of which are highly collectible. Prices vary depending on age and condition from about \$200 to more than \$1,000.

Q: What can you tell me about the blue-and-white china called Willow?

A: Willow ware was first made in England in the 18th century. It is based on an old Chinese design consisting of a willow tree, two pagodas, a rail fence, two birds and a three-arch bridge with three people crossing.

It has been made by many companies and currently is being made in the United States, England and Japan. The marks to look for are Allerton, Ridgway, Royal Doulton, Laughlin and Sebring.

Q: What can you tell me about Hummel bells? I've seen some at antique shows occasionally but I have no idea what they are worth.

A: There is not much activity in the market for Hummel annual bells. The prices are irregular, not comparable to Hummel figurines, for example. Some sales show them selling for as little as \$25, which is less than half the issue price.

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The World's Most Beautiful Grandchildren



James Michael Cossavella, a happy six month old! The proud parents, Barbara and Bill Cossavella, formerly of Alburtson, now reside in Levittown. Also proud are grandparents Joann and Fred Cossavella of Alburtson and Helen and Michael Weston of Sayville and paternal great grandmother Mary La Vignera, 83 years young residing in Garden City.

GRANDPARENTS - Send in your grandchildren's photos and enter our "World's Most Beautiful Grandchildren" contest.

JUNIOR EDITION



Aunt Tilly's Corner

We are beginning a new month this week. It will be December, named after the Latin word for "ten" since December was at one time the tenth month of the year under the old Julian calendar.

It is also the time of the year when most people are preparing for the holidays. They are busily writing shopping lists, then going off to the stores to find those special presents for family and friends.

I still have not made up my mind whether I actually enjoy holiday shopping. Sometimes I think it is just too tiresome, but then again it is fun to see all the bright store lights and hear those cheery songs! So maybe I do like it after all...

Your friend,

Aunt Tilly

P.S. This week's coloring contest winners are Laura Schoen and Kathleen Galway. You'll both be hearing from me soon.

RULES

BOYS AND GIRLS

Here is your chance to win One Dollar (\$1.00) - to spend or to save.

Here's all you have to do:

1. Contest is open to children 4 to 12 years of age.
2. Entries must be received by Friday, December 11, 1987.

3. Paint, watercolors and crayons must be used on the above.

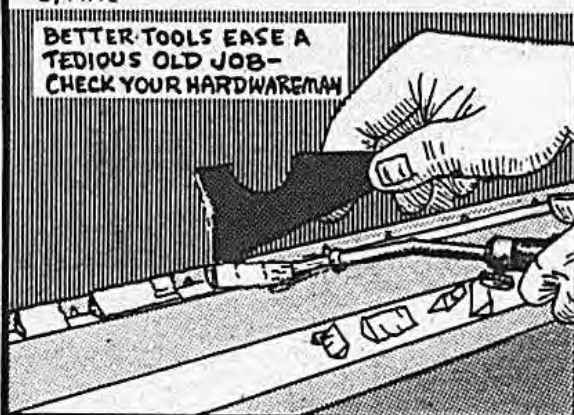
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Points on Pets

By R.G. Fjore, D.V.M.

Q: Is antifreeze poisonous for dogs and cats? If so, what are the signs and what are the treatments?

My husband usually leaves antifreeze in the garage after winterizing the car each fall. I always worry that our pets will get into it.

A: Poisoning caused by the consumption of permanent antifreeze mixtures is common in dogs and cats during the fall, winter and spring months when automobile radiators are being drained and antifreeze containers are left open and accessible. Most permanent antifreeze mixtures contain ethylene or diethylene glycol as the principal ingredient. Many dogs and cats apparently like the sweet taste of glycols.

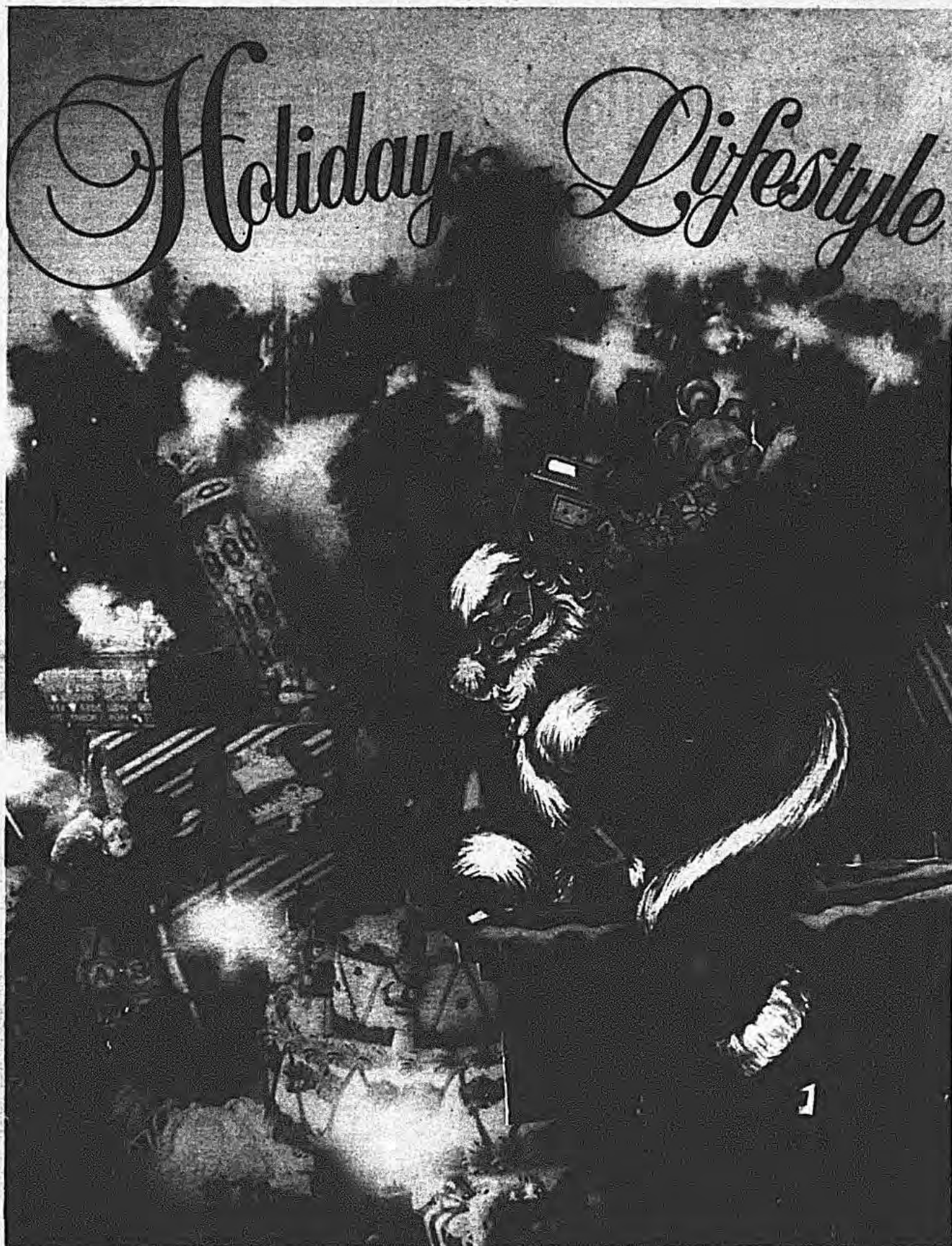
The initial signs seen after ingesting antifreeze usually include trembling or involuntary muscle movements. This is usually followed by vomiting, incoordination, depression, redness of the mucous membranes of the mouth, coma and death. Blood may be seen in the urine of antifreeze-poisoned animals. Affected dogs and cats may survive two or three days after the initial signs of poisoning

appear. Most animals poisoned by antifreeze have severe kidney damage. The signs of antifreeze poisoning are very similar to the signs seen with arsenic, garbage and strychnine poisonings.

Dogs and cats ingesting lethal amounts of ethylene glycol respond to treatment in direct relation to the promptness with which treatment is started. In general, dogs will recover from twice the lethal dose if treatment is started within 12 hours following ingestion. Cats usually respond to treatment for three times the lethal dose if therapy is started within eight hours following ingestion.

The lethal dose for a 20-pound dog is approximately 1 cup and for a 7-pound cat is approximately 1 ounce. Recovery usually takes several days. Because it is difficult to make the diagnosis unless the animal was observed drinking the antifreeze, treatment is often not started soon enough to be effective.

The best way to prevent ethylene glycol poisoning of pets is to store antifreeze only in closed containers and to discard used antifreeze carefully.



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Happy Holidays



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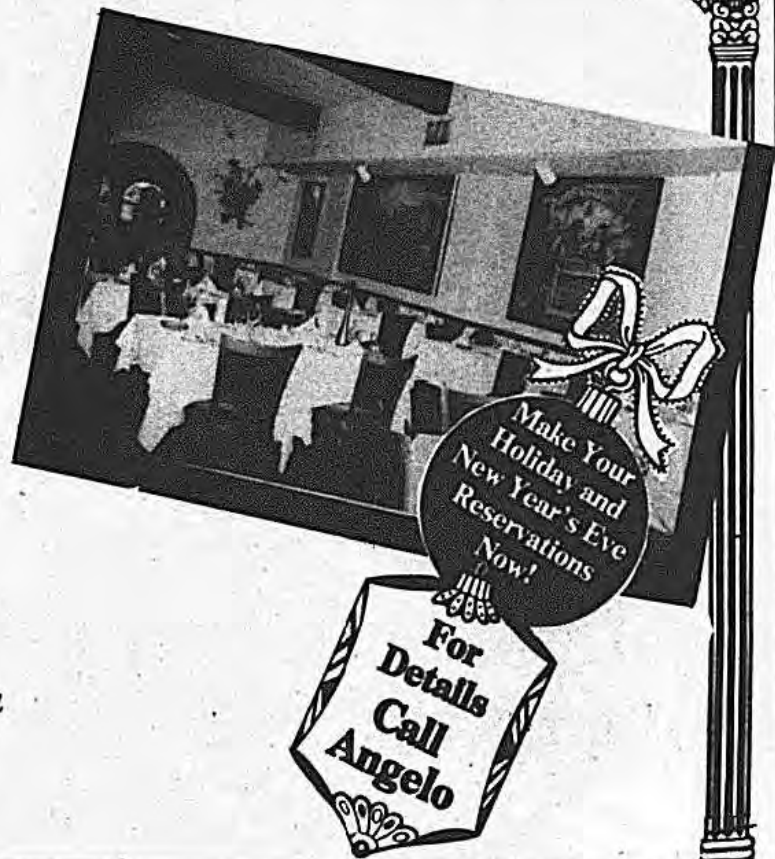
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By Janet Gordon

Christmas means tradition.

And the Norman Rockwell depiction of family and friends gathered together at the dining room table for Christmas dinner is neither outdated nor old-fashioned.

The family sit-down Christmas dinner definitely is back in vogue.

In recent studies surveying households that entertain at least once a year, a minimum of 31 percent entertain at Christmastime, according to Hallmark Cards Inc.

Of those entertaining at Christmastime, more than half host sit-down dinners in which adults, children and teenagers are present, and most of the invited guests are relatives or close friends.

People's lives may be hectic, but they still want an old-fashioned Christmas, with old-fashioned hospitality. Whether it's a sit-down dinner for between four and 16 people, or an informal get-together or buffet, holiday entertaining need not be a headache.

Being a gracious host isn't difficult if you follow these holiday entertaining guidelines. Plan today to make holiday time together the most gratifying for guests — and you.

If you want to entertain, decide what kind of party is right for you. How many guests will you have and where should you throw it? Should it be an open house, an old-fashioned tree-trimming party, or cognac cocktails?

If you work, you may want to consider a grazing party, serving an assortment of prepared finger foods from your local gourmet shop or deli.

Hollow out large red and green bell peppers to make interesting containers for dips and relishes. Ready-to-eat pickled relishes, crabapples and gherkins also make good finger food.

Martha Stewart, author of books about entertaining, advises keeping holiday parties simple and romantic.

Forget champagne fountains and flambe desserts, and concentrate instead on fragrant mulled cider poured in old-fashioned mugs. Fill a decorative basket with ornaments and invite holiday guests to select an ornament and hang it on the tree.

It's the day before the party, and you have stage fright. Planning ahead will keep you out of a jam. Make lists for everything that needs to be done. Delegate the cookie baking to your 15-year old, and ask your spouse to help you set up a timetable for cooking and cleaning chores, casting him in the central role.

"If it can't be made ahead, it doesn't belong on your holiday menu," advises Francois Dionot, director of L'Academie de Cuisine.

Serve holiday stews and ragouts that are easy to reheat and can be kept warm in a Crockpot. Keep decorations simple, too, avoiding all but the easiest red and green

holiday frou-frou

Keep in mind that everyone brings out holiday fashion finery for attending parties, so messy foods should be kept off the menu. Cliff Pepper, a talented Manhattan caterer, recommends these hors d'oeuvres for non-drinking delights:

- A slice of pickled watermelon rind, a piece of smoked chicken and a tiny melon ball on a skewer.

- Add cheddar cheese and chopped pickled jalapeno pepper to your biscuit dough, and use an extra-small cutter to make bite-size biscuits.

- Serve a slice of apple spread with pate and garnished with a tiny gherkin sliced like a fan.

Hire a bartender if you're expecting more than 50 guests. Mix lighter drinks as the evening progresses. Serve drinks with 1½ ounces of alcohol to start and reduce by ½ ounce per hour. Today, keeping an eye on how much your guests drink is part of being a good host.

Diana Amsterdam, author of "The I Love Being Single" book and greeting cards, has some advice for the host who wants her guests to make new friends.

"Tell your guests before the party about eligible single people who will be there. Also, advise a single friend you know well if they should bring a date or not."

Amsterdam suggests that the party guest dilute the anxiety factor of attending a party by meeting friends before the party and walking into the party all together.

Holiday entertaining gets tricky when you host not only the party, but also unexpected overnight guests.

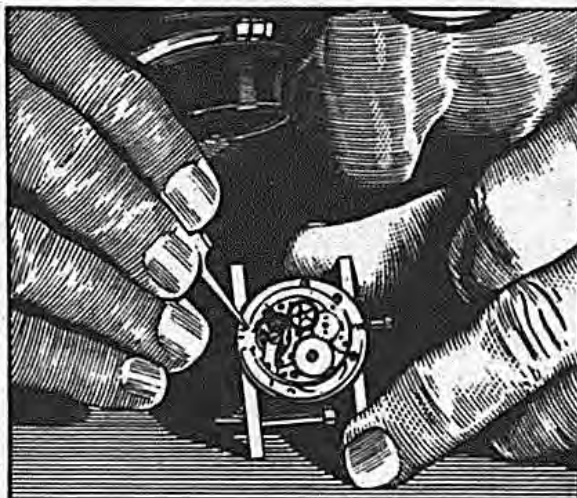
It's a good idea to keep your guest room and bath well-stocked during the holidays, adding some toiletries in a red-and-green basket, and a festive holiday quilt. Provide enough hangers and empty drawers so even the unexpected guest won't have to live out of a suitcase.

A box of holiday chocolates in the guest room is an inviting touch as well.

What's really new in home entertaining this year for the holidays is theme events. Try an English afternoon high tea, complete with tea sandwiches, scones, tarts and fruitcake. Or how about A-Night-Before-Christmas dinner buffet of sugarplums, Christmas coffeecakes, desserts and appetizers?

And for New Year's Eve, how about a Midnight Madness Buffet? Set out every form of timepiece in the house — watches, clocks, hourglasses — and set them all to ring at midnight. Serve pasta and chill dishes (do it potluck and you'll save wear and tear).

With these tips in mind, holiday entertaining will ring in the new year right.



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COOKS' CADEAUX — Nutcrackers, cookbooks and kitchen goodies for the culinary artist's stocking.

How to please the cuisine artist on your list

By Karen Caldwell

Ah, the advantages of having friends who love food. You're invited to sip wine and savor trendy little treats. Or sample homemade peanut butter ice cream. And you get detailed reviews of all the restaurants in town.

You also know what to give them: cookbooks, unusual foods, or culinary accessories. But you want your gifts to be new and exciting. And, above all, appropriate.

We've tailored the gift suggestions that follow to three garden varieties of food-o-phile. Many of the items can be found in supermarkets, liquor stores, bookshops and department stores. Others inhabit specialty shops that cater exclusively to cooks.

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These people are proud of their sophisticated palates. At their last soiree you sampled six different kinds of caviar. Whatever's "in" with food is soon "in" their mouths — as well as their conversation.

Here are grand gifts for gourmands.

- Quality quaffables. You can't go wrong with a pound of vacuum-packed Jamaica Blue Mountain Coffee. Or a California sparkling wine (such as Chandon's coppery-colored Blanc de Noir).

- Cuisine scenes. Cookbooks with regional recipes are so hot they sizzle. Select something on Southwest cooking. Or "The Dairy Hollow House Cookbook," by Crescent Dragonwagon (Macmillan). This unusual volume introduces "Nouveau-zarks cuisine" — fare from the Ozarks with a French influence.

- Oeno-reads. New books worth "pouring" over include: "Alex Bessaloff's New Signet Book of Wine" (New American Library), and "Burgundy, The Country, The Wines, The People," by Eunice Fried (Harper and Row).

- Best bargains for the discerning set. If you give them their first champagne stopper, they'll toast you forever. Or tie a ribbon around a bar of Swiss bittersweet chocolate (such as Caillier's Cre-mant).

DOWN-TO-EARTH ENTERTAINERS

Stop by anytime. You'll find them in the kitchen, reading recipes and roasting rare coffee beans. M-m-m, there's Indonesian egg bread in the oven and strawberry-mango jam simmering on the stove. "Here, sample some," they say happily.

- High-fatutin' foods. Wrap up a few imported English marmalades (like those by Cartwright & Butler), a bottle of pure vanilla extract or fill a tin with fancy popcorn kernels.

- Read 'em and eat. These'll keep 'em cooking: "Gifts of Food" by Susan Costner (Consumer's Union Edition); "The Great Ameri-

can Food Library" by Irena Chalmers (Harper & Row); "The Joys of Entertaining" by Beverly Church and Bethany Bultman (Abbeville Press); "Farmer's Market Cookbook" by Richard Sax with Sandra Gluck (Harper & Row).

- Frozen Julia. Did you know that Julia Child is now on video? It's ideal for the cook who'd like to freeze Child mid-sentence or zero in on how she woks a chicken. For more information, contact Conde Nast, P.O. Box 10850, Des Moines, IA 50336, or call 1-800-222-2990.

- Crowd cookery. For the cook who needs heavy-duty equipment to keep up with the happy, hungry hordes, Waring has a new line of professional-quality appliances. Among them are commercial-grade blenders, juice extractors and drink mixers.

- Inexpensive but ideal. Fill a glass coffee mug with red and green jelly beans (unusual flavors, of course — like Irish mint or pomegranate). Or present them with a potted herb. Rosemary, for example, has a piney scent and goes great in soups and stews.

- Nutcrackers. Whether antique or new, these soldiery tools can break walnuts or just decorate a windowsill.

GOURMETS-ON-THE-GO

Bless their hearts. Their hobby is cooking — if they could only find the time. They're on intimate terms with every salad bar in town. These will keep them eating as they run:

- Micro-colors. Now there's a tiny "Half-Pint" microwave oven by Sharp. It comes in five sensational colors, so your harried friends can have color-coordinated microwave ovens wherever they go.

- Quick liqueur. Exotic liqueurs make great gifts, as well as speedy desserts (poured over ice or vanilla ice cream). Kahlua, a coffee liqueur, offers a free recipe book (write to Kahlua, Dept. H, P.O. Box 230, Los Angeles, CA 90078-0230.) New Mozart Chocolate Liqueur is a chocolate lover's dream come true in festive gold wrapper.

- Book Bites. Two terrific new time-savers are "The Compleat I Hate to Cook Book," by Peg Bracken (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich), and "Mastering Microwave Cookery," by Marcia Cone and Thelma Snyder (Simon & Schuster).

- Fast-Food Enhancers (and inexpensive edibles). Give a leftover enlivener: a jar of fancy mustard. To add some zing to quick salads give a tin of extra virgin olive oil or a bottle of herb-flavored vinegar.

Finally, if price is no problem, forget the shopping, wrapping and worry that "they might already have one." Give your kitchen wizard friends a gift certificate of a dinner for two at a restaurant they've yet to try.

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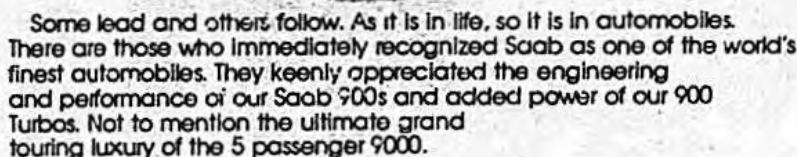
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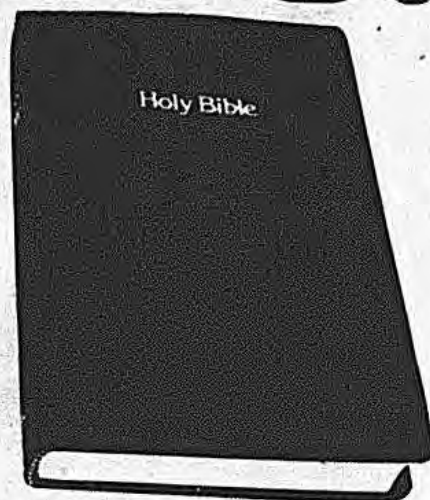
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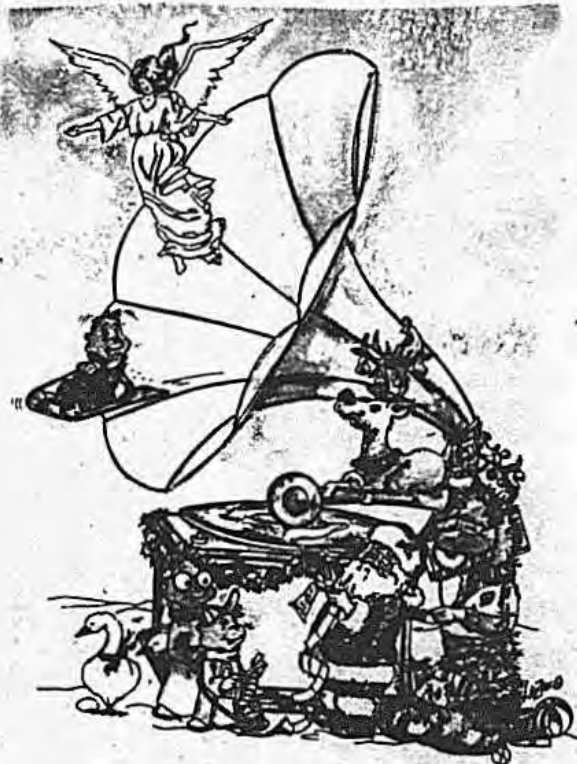
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His eyeballs were hid by some cold dark shades

When Pop dug his action he knew this cat was made.

A king-sized cigarette hung from his chops.

I'm the be-bop Santa from the cool North Pole

- And I've been down since the days of old.

Other madcap ventures that caught on over the years include "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer" (Elmo and Patsy); and "The Chipmunk Song" ("Christmas, Don't Be Late"), an out-of-the-blue winner in 1958 for Ross Bagdasarian, who took the name David Seville. He spent three months speeding up and mixing tapes until he got the right blend of high-pitched voices to pass off as three chipmunks singing. His creations became Theodore, Simon and Alvin, named for three Liberty Records executives.

Few songs, however, have captured the image of the season better than "The Christmas Song." With lyrics like this, it had to be written by someone snuggling close to a fireplace:

Chestnuts roasting on an open fire,

Jack Frost nipping at your nose,
Yuletide carols being sung by a choir

And folks dressed up like Eskimos —

In reality, those lyrics were written on a scorching Southern California day, according to singer/songwriter Mel Torme, who wrote it with Bob Wells.

Recalling the collaboration, he said, "I walk into his (Wells') house. He's not anywhere to be seen, but on his piano is a yellow spiral pad and on it are four lines in light pencil. 'Chestnuts roasting on an open fire; Jack Frost nipping at your nose,' etc. So he comes into view.

"I said, 'What is this?' He said, 'You're going to laugh. I tried an experiment. I woke up because it was so hot I couldn't sleep. I wanted to write about a different season of the year to see if it could cool me off.' I said, 'That's a great idea; and while you're at it, this just might be a song, pal.'"

"So that's the song we worked on that day; and about 40 to 45 minutes later, that song was written."

As with "White Christmas," it has been recorded hundreds of times, including three by Torme himself; but he says his favorite rendition is by Nat "King" Cole.

"That's the record," he said. "There were over 500 records of that song; but Nat Cole's record, for me, is still the greatest."



Test your gift for Christmas tune trivia

Sure, you may know the German words to "Silent Night," but do you know the names of the Singing Dogs on "Jingle Bells?" Neither do we. But we do have the answers for the quiz below. See if you can figure them out, too.

1. In "The 12 Days of Christmas," the nine ladies were:
A. Dancing
B. Leaping
C. Swimming
D. Milking

2. Bing Crosby's version of "White Christmas" is an all-time hit, but the song also was a million seller for:

- A. Freddie Martin
- B. Tommy Dorsey
- C. Vic Damone
- D. Fred Astaire

3. "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" was recorded by:

- A. Bobby Vee
- B. Molly Bee
- C. Brenda Lee
- D. No one

4. "Oh, tidings of comfort and joy" is a refrain in which carol:

- A. "Deck the Halls"
- B. "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"
- C. "We Wish You a Merry Christmas"
- D. "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

5. Complete the 'thought in this million-selling record — "All I Want for Christmas":

- A. Is my two front teeth
- B. Is to spend it with you
- C. Is my tax refund
- D. Is the gift of love

6. Cowboy star Gene Autry cowrote which Christmas song hit:

- A. "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer"
- B. "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town"
- C. "Jingle Bells"
- D. "Here Comes Santa Claus"

7. In "The 12 Days of Christmas," how many birds were given away:

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 23
- D. None

8. Which of the following was not a Christmas record:

- A. "Nuttin' for Christmas"
- B. "Cha-Cha With Me, Santa, Santa"
- C. "I Yust Go Nuts at Christmas"
- D. "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer"

9. Which of these songs was written most recently:

- A. "Jingle Bells"
- B. "Winter Wonderland"
- C. "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"
- D. "I'll Be Home for Christmas"

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10. Authorship of "Away in a Manger" was credited at one time to which of these religious leaders:

- A. Martin Luther
- B. St. Francis of Assisi
- C. Pope Pius X
- D. Charles Wesley

11. "Silver Bells" made its debut in which movie:

- A. "Miracle on 34th Street"
- B. "The Lemon Drop Kid"
- C. "Miracle of the Bells"
- D. "Guys and Dolls"

12. The origin of "Silent Night" is:

- A. English
- B. French
- C. Welsh
- D. German

13. Johnny Marks wrote which of these Christmas songs:

- A. "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer"
- B. "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree"
- C. "A Holly Jolly Christmas"
- D. All of the above

14. "O Come All Ye Faithful" is translated from the Latin:

- A. Semper Fidelis
- B. Adestes Fideles
- C. Veni, Vidi, Vici
- D. Caveat Emptor

15. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote the lyrics to which of these carols:

- A. "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"
- B. "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"
- C. "O Holy Night"
- D. "We Wish You a Merry Christmas"

16. Before Gene Autry recorded "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," the song was turned down by:

- A. Frank Sinatra
- B. Bing Crosby
- C. Dennis Day
- D. Theodore, Simon and Alvin

17. Lyrics have been put to the music of "O, Tannenbaum" to honor which state:

- A. Kentucky
- B. Georgia
- C. Maryland
- D. Pennsylvania

18. "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus" was a hit for which child singer:

- A. Ronnie Howard
- B. Brenda Lee
- C. Jimmy Boyd
- D. Eddie Hodges

19. "White Christmas" was introduced in this Bing Crosby movie:

- A. "Holiday Inn"
- B. "White Christmas"
- C. "Going My Way"
- D. "High Society"

ANSWERS

1. A. They were dancing. Lords were a-leaping, swans a-swimming and maids a-milking.

2. A. Freddie Martin and his band had a million-selling version in 1942, while Frank Sinatra sold a million in 1944.

3. C. Brenda Lee's song topped

the million mark in 1960.

4. B. "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen."

5. A. "My two front teeth" were all Spike Jones and His City Slickers asked Santa for in 1948; but they got, instead, a million-selling record.

6. D. Gene Autry and Oakley Haldeman collaborated on the 1947 hit, "Here Comes Santa Claus."

7. C. There were 23 birds in all — one partridge, two turtle doves, three French hens, four calling birds, six geese and seven swans.

8. B. The others really were Christmas recordings.

9. D. "Til Be Home for Christmas" was a World War II (1943) smash for Bing Crosby. "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" goes back to 1850, "Jingle Bells" to 1859 and "Winter Wonderland" to 1934.

10. A. When published in 1885, James R. Murray credited "Away in a Manger" this way: "Composed by Martin Luther for his children and still sung by German mothers to their little ones." Historians today doubt that, tending to attribute it to Murray.

11. B. "The Lemon Drop Kid," a 1951 film starring Bob Hope in a Damon Runyon role, offered "Silver Bells."

12. D. "Silent Night" was introduced in Germany in 1818 as "Stille Nacht."

13. D. Johnny Marks wrote them all, although the lyrics to "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" were based on Robert L. May's book.

14. B. "Adestes Fideles."

15. A. "I heard the bells on Christmas Day, their old familiar carols play; and wild and sweet, the words repeat of peace on earth, good will to men."

16. B. The king of Christmas songs, Bing Crosby, rejected "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," and Gene Autry will be ever grateful.

17. C. "Maryland, My Maryland" has the same music as "O, Tannenbaum" (Christmas tree in German).

18. C. Jimmy Boyd was 13 in 1952 when his "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus" was a smash.

19. A. "Holiday Inn" marked the debut of "White Christmas." Bing Crosby sang it to Marjorie Reynolds, who later would play William Bendix's wife in TV's "The Life of Riley."

— Compiled by Joe Stein

YULEFACTS

■ First graders who believe in Santa Claus:

79%

■ Parents who think their children are believers:

70%



SOURCE: Cornell University News

Sensible gifts, from books and calendars to records

By Nanette Wiser

Personalizing a gift for a friend or business colleague takes as much time as baking six dozen cookies. But there's no better gift that says you know what someone likes than giving a book, record or calendar.

It may be blustery out there, but the bird lover will snuggle down in the couch with a tabletop compendium of Audubon birds. The trekkie will explore universes beyond Mars with a "Star Trek" four-volume gift set.

Selecting the gift can be as pleasurable as giving it. Bookstores—whether chain or independent—display gift books alongside bookmarks, playing holiday music you can often buy in cassette as well. And there's the pleasure of antiquing—looking through the shops for out-of-print books or vintage records.

As for calendars, there's not a subject that doesn't get a spread these days. From chocolate to Bialosky bears, from horoscopes to word-a-day calendars that sit on your desk, there's a theme to brighten every day of the new year.

Among the selections on our elves' list this year, we've culled the best.

BOOKS

Sports fans, unite. Look over football follies in "The Football Hall of Shame" by Bruce Nash and Allan Zullo. Hang-gliding enthusiasts will enjoy "The Smithsonian

Book of Flight" by Walter J. Boyne. "Corrida (Drawings of Fernando Botero)" is a collection of the artist's bullfighting paintings, a must for Hemingway and bullfight fans. To relive last year's Super Bowl mania, add "Glants: An Unforgettable Season" by Kevin Lamb to your list.

Creative urges must be fed as well. Writer's Digest Books offers a cornucopia of how-to write, photograph and publish books, just right for the fledgling artist. (Write: 1507 Dana Ave., Cincinnati OH 45207 for a list.)

Walk through a gallery at home with these books: "Japanese Style," by Suzanne Slesin looks at Japanese interior design. "Mat-tisse: Rhythm & Line" by Jacqueline and Maurice Guillaud has 275 reproductions. "Portraits" by Helmut Newton includes photos of Warhol, Dali and Jagger.

Bring home the spirit of the holidays with "The Joys of Yiddish" by Leo Rosten, "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, the "American Jewish Yearbook" and "The Complete Book of Bible Quotations."

Mini moguls will want the best of business under their tree this season. Why not add "Land Of Opportunity: The Entrepreneurial Spirit in America," by Donald Lambro or "What They Really Teach You At The Harvard Business School," by Francis J. Kelly and Heather Mayfield. "In Love And In Business: How En-

trepreneurial Couples Are Changing The Rules Of Business and Marriage," by Sharon Nelson includes the couples you love to read about.

SOUND STUFF

Of course, you can make your own cassettes from radio stations that specialize in jazz or blues. But there is a pickle of passable audio cassettes, designed for every taste. *Psychology Today* magazine offers everything from "The Psychology of Fashion" to "Parent Effectiveness Training" tapes. (Write: Department 624, Box 059061, Brooklyn, NY 11205-9061.)

Literature by tape is also a popular gift for the commuter or morning jogger. Donald Sutherland reads "The Red Fox" by Anthony Hyde. F. Murray Abraham brings to life "The Two Mrs. Grenvilles" by Dominick Dunne, and Marguerite Duras' classic, "The Lover," is read by Leslie Caron.

For those who want to learn new skills, why not try out Letitia Baldrige's "Complete Guide to Etiquette?" Or select an audio cassette that teaches Italian or business effectiveness by audio cassette as a gift for your yuppie puppy.

Must-give albums for rock and roll enthusiasts this season include: Mick Jagger's "Primitive Cool"; U2's "The Joshua Tree"; The Cars' "Door To Door"; the soundtrack of "La Bamba"; and

the Beat Farmers' "The Pursuit of Happiness."

Introduce your friends to the gift of jazz, whether the best of Duke Ellington or any of the new albums that are hot on the chart by Wynton Marsalis, Pat Metheny, Spyro Gyra, Neil Larsen, Sarah Vaughan and Tito Puente.

Of course The Best Of genre (Springsteen, Madonna, etc.) make good gifts for those who aren't ardent collectors of a single band.

TIME AFTER TIME

Ballerinas, dolls, bears and cheesecake are just part of the fun of collecting calendars. One person we know gives only calendars, prominently marked with her birthday on every gift. You needn't go that far for your holiday gift-giving.

Select a calendar that matches the person's secret passion, be it bird-watching, golf or fishing. Calendar selections abound at book and stationery stores. Keep an eye out for "Garden Pleasures 88," featuring 24 lush portraits of famous gardens; "American Country Diary," a classically designed, fabric-bound desk diary; "Life's Momentous Occasions"; A 1988 Calendar featuring the illustrations of Mary Engelbreit; and "Herbs," a calendar bursting with hints for recipes, sachets and bouquets.

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Holiday beverages with and without alcohol are back!

By Verne Palmer

One of the nicest things about the holiday season is sharing it with people you care about. You can do that — and keep your already busy schedule on a reasonable plane — by building your party around a festive holiday punch bowl and a few simple finger foods.

Whether you choose to serve a cool and creamy eggnog or a steamy, spiced wassail, the preparations are minimal and the effect on the budget all but unnoticeable. And you'll be continuing a tradition that goes back hundreds of years.

"Wassail," the Old English/Old Norse greeting, "Be in good health," first was used as a toast in medieval times. Because most toasting was done at holiday times, by the 16th century "wassail" had become firmly wedded to the traditional spiced ale served on Twelfth Night, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

Nogs, eggnogs and frothy syllabubs were an equally familiar part of the holiday scene. These thick drinks with their rich cream, beaten egg and spice base were as favored for their health-imparting qualities as their fine flavor.

The custom of holding a holiday open house originated in New York among 18th century Dutch immigrants. The celebrations became so popular that the hosts took to advertising the parties in local newspapers. The practice was chaotic. So enticing was the idea of a free Christmas drink — eggnogs, punches and hot toddies — that roving bands of young men would race from house to house for a free glass of punch or eggnog.

Christmas dinner at Mount Vernon, George Washington's Virginia home, traditionally ended with a lengthy and verbose round of toasts. William Maclay, a senator who dined on occasion at Washington's home wrote: "The president, filling a glass of wine with great formality, drank to the health of every individual name-by-name round the table."

Champagne, long a tradition during the holiday season, was once coveted by 19th century Russian czars and their courts who consumed it daily. In fact, champagne became so popular that Czar Alexander II thought the bubbly stuff was becoming too provincial.

When selecting champagne or sparkling wine for a holiday party, know the differences:

• **Blanc de Blanc:** A wine made only from white wine grapes.

• **Blanc de Noir:** A sparkling white wine made from red grapes; usually has a slightly pink or salmon hue.

• **Brut:** The driest of sparkling wines. Translated from French, brut literally means unadulterated. Hence only a small amount of sugar has been added.

• **Extra Dry:** Confusing at best. Extra dry sparkling wine is much sweeter than a brut.

• **Natural:** Made with little or no sugar. However, a natural captures much of the grapes' natural sugar and can be sweeter than a brut.

• **Method Champenoise:** A method of producing sparkling wines in which the wine is fermented in the bottle. The wine is fermented a second time when a combination of sugar and yeast is introduced. All premium California sparkling wines, ranging in price from \$8 to \$20, are produced by the method champenoise.

For large gatherings, such as holiday open houses, trim-a-tree parties, and Christmas sing-alongs, serve a combination of hot and cold beverages — both tradi-

tional and contemporary. Fruit mixes are big this season and use fresh or frozen fruit when possible.

Wine Wassail Hot and Merry Cranberry Punch, Mulled Mocha Drink and Holiday Wassail Bowl will add to the festivity of the occasion without adding unduly to the alcohol level.

Creamy rich Old English Eggnog, Peppermint Holiday Punch and Tange Misteltoe Punch are chilled alternatives that add to the spirit of the occasion without the use of spirits.

Whichever punch you choose, serve it in a simple bowl garlanded with evergreens and some ribbon or Christmas trimmings for color. Mix the spirits and juices early and chill. Just before serving, add champagne or soft drinks to keep bubbles popping.

Keep cold punches chilled by adding a decorative ice block to the punch bowl. To make, simply arrange some fruit in the bottom of a ring mold. Add 1/2-inch water, punch or fruit juice and freeze until the fruit is secured in place. Then add enough liquid to fill the mold and freeze solid.

Holiday festivities don't depend on drinking alcohol, either. People seem to be drinking less, and now

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PUNCHES WITH POW

Wine Wassail

- 3 cups apple juice
- Two-thirds cup granulated sugar
- Two-thirds cup blanched almonds, slivered
- 1/4 cup seedless raisins
- 2 quarts red wine
- 2 cinnamon sticks and 24 whole cloves, tied in cheesecloth bag
- 6 apples, cored
- 18 tablespoons granulated sugar
- Whole cloves

Preheat oven to 350 F.

Combine apple juice, sugar, almonds and raisins; add to red wine. Put cheesecloth bag with cinnamon sticks and whole cloves in mixture. Heat slowly in large saucepan but do not boil; pour into punch bowl.

Meanwhile, fill center of each apple with 3 tablespoons of sugar; stick with whole cloves. Bake apples, covered until almost tender, about 45 minutes, remove from oven and place in punch bowl. Serve hot.

Makes 24 4-ounce servings.

Cranberry

Breeze Punch

- 1 bottle Stolichnaya vodka
- 1 cup orange juice
- Crushed ice
- 1 dash grenadine
- 4 scoops vanilla ice cream
- 2 liters lemon-lime Slice

Blend Stolichnaya vodka, orange juice, crushed ice, grenadine and ice cream in blender. Pour into large punch bowl. Chill. Add lemon-lime Slice before serving. Garnish with orange slices and whole strawberries.

Makes 25 servings.

Holiday

Wassail Bowl

- 1 quart grapefruit juice
- 2 (12 ounce) bottles ale
- 2 cups apple juice
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 2 3-inch cinnamon sticks
- 6 whole cloves
- 4 whole cardamom
- Two-thirds cup cream sherry

In large saucepan, combine grapefruit juice, ale, apple juice, sugar, nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves and cardamom. Bring to boil, reduce heat, simmer 30 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in sherry.

Pour into heatproof punch bowl; garnish with grapefruit slices and cinnamon sticks. Serve warm.

Makes about 10 cups.

Old English Eggnog

- 4 eggs, separated
- 1 teaspoon rum flavoring
- Dash of salt
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 4 cups milk, scalded
- Heavy cream, whipped
- Nutmeg

Beat egg yolks, flavoring, salt and 2 tablespoons sugar until lemon-colored. Gradually add scalded milk. Pour into punch bowl. Gradually add remaining sugar to egg whites and beat until stiff. Fold into nog. Garnish with whipped cream and nutmeg. Makes 8 1/2-cup portions.

Variation: Hot Almond Eggnog. Substitute 1 teaspoon almond flavoring for rum. Garnish with toasted slivered almonds.

Frothy Syllabub

- 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 2 cups white wine
- 5 tablespoons grated lemon rind
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 3 cups milk
- 2 cups light cream
- 4 egg whites
- Nutmeg

Combine 1 cup sugar, wine, lemon rind and juice. Stir until sugar dissolves. Add to milk and

cream. Beat until frothy. Pour into punch bowl. Gradually add 1/4 cup sugar to egg whites, beating constantly until stiff. Float spoonfuls of puff on punch. Sprinkle with nutmeg.

Makes 16 1/2 cup portions.

Hot And Merry Cranberry

- 1 quart cranberry-apple drink
- 2 cups water
- 1 cup sugar
- 6 sticks cinnamon
- 10 whole cloves
- Peel of 1 lemon, cut in thin strips
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- Apple slices for garnish

Combine cranberry-apple drink, water, sugar, spices and lemon peel in large saucepan. Bring to boil and simmer for 10 minutes.

Place sieve or colander over large bowl or pitcher. Strain cranberry punch through this and set it aside to cool for 15 minutes.

Add lemon juice and stir. Pour punch into punch bowl.

Place apple slices in each punch cup before serving the punch. Servings: 16 punch cups.

Mistletoe Punch

- 1 (6-ounce) can frozen lemonade concentrate, thawed
- 1 (6-ounce) can frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
- 6 cups water
- 1/4 cup grenadine syrup
- 1 quart ginger ale, chilled
- Wafer-thin lemon slices and maraschino cherries for garnish

Combine all ingredients except ginger ale in punch bowl. Just before serving, add some ice cubes and gently stir in ginger ale. Put lemon slice and cherry in each punch cup and serve.

Serving: 30 punch cups.

Holiday Punch

- 1 quart chilled milk
- 1/2 pint heavy cream
- 1 teaspoon peppermint flavoring

1 quart peppermint ice cream
Crushed peppermint candy

Pour milk, cream and flavoring into punch bowl. Add half of ice cream and stir until blended. Float remaining ice cream on punch. Garnish with crushed peppermint candy.

Makes 12 1/2-cup portions.

Malted Mocha Dessert Drink

- 1 quart half-and-half
- 1 cup strong coffee
- 1/4 cup each rum and maple syrup
- 3-inch vanilla bean or 2 teaspoons vanilla flavoring
- Nutmeg
- Cinnamon sticks

Combine half-and-half, coffee, rum and maple syrup with vanilla and beat gently until hot. Pour into individual mugs; top with nutmeg and cinnamon sticks. (Coffee-flavored liqueur or brandy could be substituted for rum.)

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Photo, video tips

Picture this, no pun intended: A happy family is seated around a festive holiday table, waiting for the feast to begin. Everyone, that is, except Dad.

Where is he? Across the room struggling with a brace of hot, heavy movie floodlights, an awkward movie camera and several boxes of movie film that keep falling out of his pockets.

Then, after an effort that could transform even the most benevolent father into a snarling nervous wreck, the film is sent to a distant laboratory. With luck, the film comes back a week later to provide three-minute viewing snip-pets.

So much for the good old days of home movies.

Still, the ghost of Christmas past lives on in millions of frames of Super 8mm and 16mm motion picture film. These frames may bring back memorable events, but they also bring back the frustration of trying to be a one-person movie studio.

Today, home movies have gone electronic. The 8mm film has been replaced by 8mm tape. Instead of three-minute runs, there are tapes that provide an hour or more of entertainment.

And there's no waiting for the film to come back from the lab since the "exposed" tape can be played back immediately through the family television set.

Moreover, Dad no longer serves as the only director because there are moms, sons and daughters who feel equally comfortable with 8mm video technology.

As with movies, 8mm home video starts with a camera — in this case, an electronic marvel that brings "point and shoot" automation to make video recording as easy as using a box camera.

There's no need for extra floodlights, constant checking of focus

or having to change film in the middle of a sequence. With any of today's 8mm camcorders — which are cameras and audio recorders combined in one compact, easy-to-handle package — just load the tape, point the camera at your subjects and press the button.

What's more, the cost of a minute of viewing is a fraction of the cost when 8mm film is used.

Another plus is the fact that 8mm tape is as convenient as other videotape formats. Whatever you do with VHS or Beta, you can do with 8mm, including: record off the air and play 8mm tape through your television set.

Make sure you are familiar with your camcorder before you start shooting your family's holiday festivities. Don't get it the day before you use it. If you want to "video" Christmas, get your camcorder around Thanksgiving. Read the instructions, try all of the buttons and controls and use a cassette for a trial run.

After you're familiar with your equipment, prepare a list of subjects you'd like to record. Think of your "video" as a complete story rather than a series of random scenes.

For example, you could start your holiday coverage by shooting pictures of family members shopping for presents. Then move to the wrapping of gifts, preparation for the holiday feast and the arrival of guests.

And since camcorders are easy to use, don't try to do all the coverage yourself; any member of the family can be trained as a second cameraman so that you can be in the pictures and not remain hidden behind the camera.

Use tact and discretion. Don't force subjects to "act" in front of the camera. One of the advantages of 8mm video is that you can shoot under ordinary room lighting. Utilize this feature to get candid shots of your family.

And remember, the holidays are a time for relaxation and enjoyment. Don't transform your camcorder into a device to annoy unwilling subjects or interfere with normal activities. Video should be a part of the holiday, not the main activity.



That also goes for those who prefer to break out their 35mm camera and take snapshots of holiday festivities. Good picture-taking goes beyond simply posing the family on the couch and getting everyone to say "cheese."

There's no reason to be constantly peeking around corners with the camera glued to your face. Decide on a few specific times when you'll want to be on the alert — times when you know things will be happening. The rest of the time, put your camera away and relax.

Here are some good times to catch people in the spirit, according to *Glamour* magazine.

- People arriving. Go outside to greet people as they arrive. They'll be carrying presents and a mood of anticipation will fill the air.

- Decorating the tree. Don't bother getting a great shot of a decorated tree — it's a technical nightmare. Instead, concentrate on capturing the fun of the decorating process. People will be busy decorating and will be unaware of the camera.

- Opening presents. Let people get in the swing of things before you start shooting. Your pictures will look more lively if you let papers and ribbons pile up a bit. Use a telephoto lens to get a more intimate point of view.

- Dinner table. Encourage people to put their arms around each other. And crouch down to eye level when you take candid shots of one or two people — your pictures will seem more natural than if you tower over them as you shoot.

Remember, the key to good stills and good movies is the same — the more candid the pictures, the better.

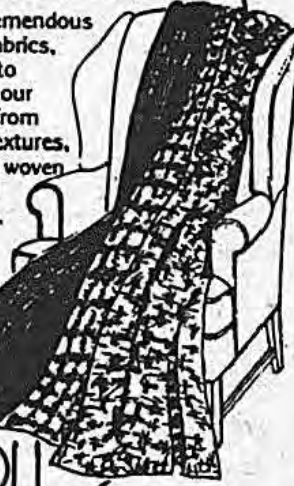
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Ornaments and cards carry messages miles

By Kevin Anderson

A sampler of this year's messages would stretch miles, given that more than 2.2 billion cards will be mailed this Christmas.

Reindeer and Christmas trees may be images of holidays' past, judging from the array of images available from the two greeting card giants, Hallmark and American Greetings, as well as the smaller, eclectic card manufacturers — Recycled Paper Products, Unicef and Paper Moon.

Tapestry cards, laser cards, cards for the bus driver or boss, even cards for your cat to give your dog are among this season's holiday messages.

Harken back to yesterday, to the roots of the Christmas card. In 1843, a London businessman named Henry Cole asked artist John Calcott Horsley to design something to send to his friends and business acquaintances to wish them a Merry Christmas.

Appearing just three years after the English Parliament passed the Postage Act, which made it possible for people to send letters for a penny, Cole's Christmas cards created much excitement.

Within 10 years, Christmas cards were the rage in England. Of the 1,000 original Christmas cards printed, only 12 are known to exist, and two of these are in the Hallmark Historical Collection of more than 40,000 cards.

The custom of sending Christmas cards spread slowly to the United States. For more than 30 years, Christmas cards had to be imported. But in 1875, lithographer Louis Prang began publishing Christmas cards in America. Prang continued manufacturing cards until 1890 when the market was flooded with cheap penny postcards from Germany.

The imported penny postcard was shut down by the World War I blockades. By the time the war had ended, the modern greeting card tradition — and industry — was entrenched in America.

During World War II, Santa and Uncle Sam carrying flags became popular designs. Special cards came out for servicemen. "across the miles" sentiments reflected the reality of the day.

The Cold War years sharpened the demand for more humor in Christmas cards, summoning up funny Santas and silly reindeer. Flower children, peace symbols, doves and designs celebrating the first moon landing came into vogue in the '60s and '70s.

In the early '80s, designs depicted the fitness craze. Santa hung ten on a surfboard, or jogged in running shoes. Other cards spoofed TV shows and commercials.

This year's trends in Christmas cards show a renewed interest in traditional designs (trees, wreaths, red and green, home settings) that are both colorful and elegant. Religious cards are popular, matching bright graphics with short, upbeat prose.

The computer isn't to be ignored, whether in image or in its contribution to design, featuring computer-generated tapestries, laser-cut designs and three-dimensional folds.

Perhaps the biggest transformation is in jolly St. Nick.

Until 1853, Santa was a tall, thin man. Thomas Nast gave Santa his roly-poly girth in the 1860s, adding his many activities in illustration — sliding down the chimney, keeping records of good girls and boys.

Santa's come a long way, baby. He watches the soaps with his reindeer, tells all on the psychiatrist's couch, works at a computer and spins the wheel of fortune on a game show.

Today, the penny postcard has elevated to at least 50 cents a card, and in many cases, \$1. Charities auction off handmade cards by the Hollywood stars during the Christmas season, ringing in thousands of dollars. (Did you know that Jackie Onassis, Henry Fonda, Winston Churchill and Groucho Marx have all had their original artwork reproduced as Christmas cards?)

Some people prefer to make their own greetings, perusing fabric and stationery shops for bits of lace, antique buttons and stickers and gift pens to personalize their greetings.

Collages of the years' events, hand-made paper, and regional stamps (a friend from California always uses a red palm tree on a white postcard for her season's greetings) are just a few of the innovative home 1875 homemade cards that personalize the holiday.

For some, a greeting card just won't do. Today, close friends and families are exchanging collectible or home-made ornaments. Whether selected from an antique store — choosing between fragile Victorian glass angels, or clip-on bird ornaments — or selected from limited edition ornaments available at Christmas and greeting card stores — the choice is endless.

Christmas card etiquette reflects the changes as much as the messages and images on this year's greetings. Not only do we give our babysitter and godfather cards, but we also send cards as much to work associates as friends.

Hallmark cards offers some tips on addressing cards during the holidays:

- Remember some divorcees use their maiden name.
- Personalize your card with a little note, and sign the card, even if your name is imprinted.
- When sending a card to a couple with two different last names, address the card to Mary Smith and John Jones.
- Only you should sign the card for a business associate unless your spouse has met the recipient.

Finally, don't toss your cards away. Create a collage on a bulletin board of the most interesting designs, and use it next year to spirit in the holiday feeling.

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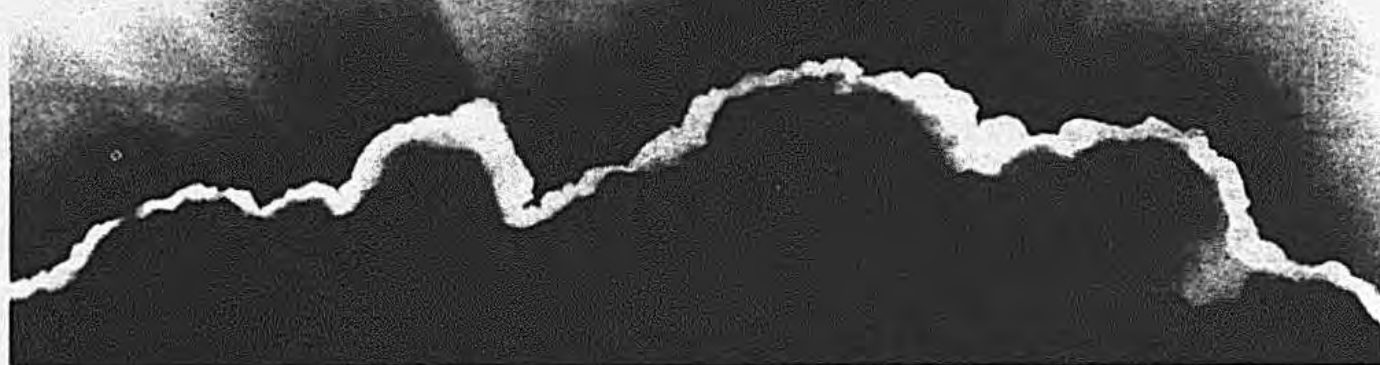
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TANNENBAUM TATTLE

By Patrick Denton

It used to be, in the olden days when I was young, that the selection or cutting of the Christmas tree was left until the last few days before Christmas. These days, however, the tree sale lots often seem to be cleared of their best trees by mid-December as people try to hasten the holiday by gathering decorative greenery early.

Some families, living in convenient access to designated Christmas tree-cutting areas, enjoy making a holiday excursion of cutting the family tree. I suppose many of us enjoy fond childhood memories of hiking through the woods with Dad, eagerly assessing each tree till the perfect one was found.

Up until around three years ago, during which time our youngsters formed umbilical-like lifelines to the telephone cord and rock music, our family very much enjoyed these annual Christmas tree pilgrimages.

But most of us will be looking for cut Christmas trees in either a tree lot or a local nursery or garden center. Most of these outlets will offer a variety of tree types, at a wide price range. Natural Douglas firs, spruce and pines will be among the least expensive. These usually will have been thinnings from reforested areas or from powerline rights-of-way.

Selecting, cutting and preserving your tree

More expensive, but very beautiful, are the plantation trees, which have been grown on tree farms especially for selling as Christmas trees. Most commonly grown on these tree farms is the Douglas fir, along with some Scotch pine.

These trees have been systematically trimmed and sheared for several years, the end result being, a very full, bushy and beautifully shaped tree.

It's most practical and pleasant to select a Christmas tree in the company of at least one other member of the family. Look together for a clean and healthy-looking tree with still-pliable, well-attached needles. If a shaking causes loads of needles to drop, move on. To check the shape of the tree, take turns holding it upright while the other stands back and makes an assessment.

If you don't have the option of hiking to the local Christmas tree nursery, there's a service that will deliver a Christmas tree to your mailbox. The Plantation-Fresh-Direct is in Virginia, and it even offers apartment-size trees (42 to 50 inches). Write: Brookfield Nursery and Tree Plantation, P.O. Box 929, Blacksburg, VA 24060, by Dec. 15.

When you bring your chosen Christmas tree home, take a good inch off the base of the trunk to expose fresh wood for improved water intake and longer freshness



of the tree. A cut made on a slight slant will improve water intake and will prevent the base sitting flat at the bottom of a Christmas tree holder.

Keep the tree in water until it's time to take it indoors. In the house, set the tree in a stand that holds water or use a bucket and rocks or clean gravel to hold the tree upright. To help keep your tree fresh and safe during the holidays, it's wise to purchase some special tree preservative to place in the water. Many Christmas tree outlets will offer one of these products for sale. If you cannot find a commercial preservative, use a pinch of houseplant fertilizer or floral preservative in the water.

Situate the tree as far away from any source of heat as possible, especially avoid sites near a fireplace or wood stove, and try to keep the tree away from baseboards, heaters and hot air vents.

It is not usually necessary to spray the tree with anti-desiccant, but a light daily misting with plain lukewarm water does help the tree retain its freshness. Maintain the water level in the tree container, adding more preservative with each addition of water.

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Keeping mind and body together for the holidays

By Dan Benson

In theory, the holiday season is a time for "good will toward men," "peace on Earth" and "tidings of comfort and joy." But more often, the holiday spirit is liberally spiced with stress, spent credit cards and a carload of non-returnable gag gifts to fill your attic.

Amidst the gift-buying, cookie-baking, tree-decorating, party-going, card-writing bustle and bustle of Christmas, Hanukkah and New Year's, it's easy to wonder why all the fuss and bother.

It is possible, however, to get it all done (within reason) and still enjoy a holiday season that might even convert Ebenezer Scrooge. It only requires a calm approach, planning, and some self-control.

STRESS CONTROL

OK, there's one week left before Christmas and you have 26 dozen cookies to bake, little Johnny needs his shepherd costume for the Christmas pageant in two days, 236 cards need to be addressed yet and you still haven't found a gift for Uncle Herbert who lives four time zones away.

Situation: hopeless

So relax. You may not be able to solve all the urgent needs of the moment, but you can still enjoy your holiday.

The best gift you can give is your own positive attitude. Everything won't ever get done. It's not supposed to get done.

So, take a breath, and consider some of these possibilities:

• **Work smarter, not harder.** Take a break from whatever is causing you pressure and do something that gives you immediate gratification. Address 10 Christmas cards and then go back to the cookie dough. Or, instead of scribbling across that mountain of envelopes in a rush, take the time to write a meaningful note to someone you haven't seen in a long time but miss dearly.

- Remember that you don't have to do everything you may think you should. People most in danger of succumbing to stress during the holidays are those who feel they have to make everybody else happy, have a hard time setting boundaries and saying no.

- **Plan ahead.** Make lists and schedules. Don't overschedule — leave some time open for yourself and your family.

- Shop by catalog. It may be a bit more expensive, but it will save you time.

- Spend a day baking cookies with a friend. You can be partners in giving by sending the tasties to mutual friends.

• Kids feel stress too. For the wee folk in your house, don't begin the Christmas hype until about two weeks before the holidays. Their sense of time is different from adults. They'll want the gifts and goodies right away. Also, don't push Santa Claus on a child's psyche. Large, bearded men in funny outfits sometimes can seem threatening to a child.

- Take time out, alone or with

the family, to watch videos or read holiday stories. The gospel accounts by Matthew and Luke of Jesus' birth are naturals for Christmastime, as is the Hanukkah story in 2 Maccabees, found in the Roman Catholic Bible and the Hebrew Apocrypha.

Other classics sure to get you in the holiday spirit include Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," Henry's short story "Gift of the Magi" and "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement Moore. You can also watch videos ("It's a Wonderful Life," "Scrooge,") or listen to Christmas carols and other traditional favorites (Handel's "Messiah" and "The Nutcracker Suite" by Tchaikovsky).

BUDGET BUSTING

While it's more blessed to give than to receive, it doesn't make much sense to deplete your savings for a cousin who lives in another hemisphere or a co-worker whom you don't really like anyway.

In fact, you'll enjoy the holidays more if you give less and plan more, says Nancy Wallace of the Center for Personal Development in Westminster, Calif. To buy much-appreciated gifts, without getting your credit cards repossessed, try these tips:

- **Make a budget.** How much can you afford?

- **Make a gift list.** Estimate the cost of each gift liberally. *Never* go shopping without your list. The first time you go shopping, only

take your list. No money or credit cards.

- If you don't have much money or already have too many debts, give gifts that require time instead of money.

- Remember, don't try to impress people with the price of your gifts or make up for other things by spending a lot of money. A personal, well-chosen gift often is more meaningful than something flashy or expensive.

LIFE AND LIMB

The worst way for holiday joy to be dampened is for tragedy to strike through a personal injury or a disaster such as a fire. Here are some important holiday tips to help reduce the likelihood of any mishap occurring:

- In your gift selection, avoid toys with sharp edges that can cut, points that can stick, small parts that can be swallowed, cords or strings that can strangle, or electrical toys that can burn.

- Buy a green Christmas tree. Keep the tree base holder filled with water at all times. Keep the tree away from the fireplace or heaters.

- Invest in a small aerosol fire extinguisher to keep near the tree and fireplace for accidental fires. Another in the kitchen is a good idea, too.

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By Katherine Tomlinson

Admit it, ladies, is there anything quite as frustrating as trying to find the perfect gift for the man in your life? Sure, you could buy him the latest Beatles release on CD or another tie, but if you want a gift that's going to make an impression, you have to be a lot more adventurous.

You could even live dangerously and buy him some clothes.

"Men's ideas about casual style have become more sophisticated and have advanced beyond the basic T-shirt and sweatpants look," says a spokesman for Gitanos Men, a men's sportswear manufacturer. "Fashion is something any man will appreciate if you know what to look for."

Follow these tips when you're shopping for Christmas presents for your special man:

- Choose fashions that reflect his casual style. Long-sleeve polo shirts with jeans or unconstructed trousers provide a stylish alternative to sweat-suit dressing.

- Introduce new styles slowly with men whose tastes tend to be conservative. Classics with subtle fashion details are good bets. An example might be a traditional solid flannel shirt updated in a new color.

- Accessories make ideal gifts that are always in the best taste. A long, wool scarf will ward off a Christmas chill with style. Brightly colored socks, handsome gloves or a new hat will remind him of you every time he wears them.

- Sweaters are always good choices for gifts. Recommended are styles such as the Henley-collar sweater, which combines the styling of a sports shirt with the heft and warmth of a sweater; and reversible sweaters that offer two looks for the price of one.

For men who prefer a more individual style, Howard Behar Designs has created an innovative men's accessories collection. Using authentic antique fabric plates from the 1800s through the 1960s, Behar has designed a series of ties, bow ties, cummerbunds, smoking jackets, vests and braces (suspenders).

For an even more customized wardrobe, consider a gift certificate for a tailor-made shirt.

Mortimer Levitt, author of "The Executive Look," says that "most men are insecure about coordinating a business wardrobe, having had little serious advice since Mom picked out their first pair of long pants."

Levitt, founder of the Custom Shop Shirtmakers, has come up with several "executive starter packages" to help men achieve an image appropriate to their chosen careers. Many towns have tailors or custom shirt shops, but if you don't, you can order from Levitt.

One package offers six custom-made shirts, six color-coordinated, handmade silk ties, and an autographed copy of Levitt's book (\$295). A second package, which sells for \$595, includes one hand-

tailored suit, four shirts, four color-coordinated, handmade silk ties, a personal gift from Levitt and an autographed copy of his book. For information on either package, call the Custom Shop Shirtmakers at (212) 223-3600.

If your man is the type who prefers to pick out his own wardrobe, you still have lots of alternatives to dashing into the nearest bookstore and grabbing a sackful of best-sellers.

Why not check out your local cigar shop? Or if he's tried them all, look into Davidoff of Geneva, the international chain. Their first U.S. store provides Davidoff smoking products and luxury gift accessories throughout the nation.

Among their gifts for Christmas is a Marine Grand Luxe attache case that includes a humidor compartment for the executive who prefers to take along his luxury cigars. It is handmade with mahogany veneer and highly polished marine brass ornamentation and fittings. (\$8,100) The case is available in black or claret leather for \$3,210.

For the smoker, Davidoff carries the Davidoff Connoisseur, a luxurious cigar hand-rolled of fine Honduran tobacco. They are \$137.50 for the box of 25. Call 1-800-548-4623 (212-0751-9060).

Watches set the stage for power, so explore the options. Baume & Mercier's International Collection features an 18-carat yellow gold, quartz calendar

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Plaget, which bills itself as the world's most expensive watch, offers the Polo sport collection watch. Made of heavy 18-carat gold, the water-resistant quartz watch has a square or round dial. Some versions come diamond-studded, with prices ranging from \$15,900 to \$99,000.

If your man prefers not to wear symbols of his status, consider an investment in tangible wealth — precious metals.

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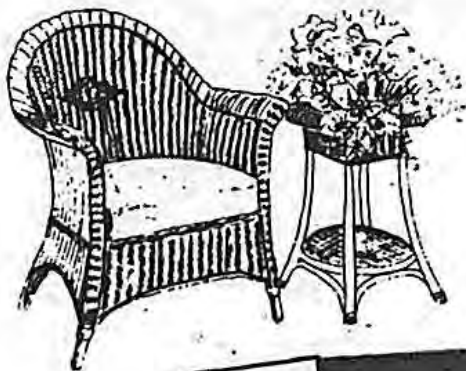
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SMALL IS BEAUTIFUL

By Katherine Tomlinson

When you were little, didn't your mom always tell you that good things come in small packages?

That's still true of the presents packed into a Christmas stocking, with a little planning, you can make the surprises in the stocking the best part of the holiday.

Blank video tapes make good stuffers for the videophile on your list. Or tuck a copy of "Joe Bob Goes To The Drive-In" into the sock. This oversize paperback (\$3.95) collection of film reviews by Joe Bob Briggs (aka John Bloom), is an affectionate look at the drive-in movie, with its sub-categories of blood, beasts and breasts.

You might also put a pair of movie passes into the toes of the stocking, or a homemade coupon promising to pay for a month's worth of cable movies.

Subscription acknowledgements are just the right size for a Christmas stocking; there's a publication for every taste — from *American Film* to *Animation* magazine.

Teens on your list will appreciate items like blank audio tapes and batteries to keep those boom boxes cranked up.

Other small presents suitable for stocking-stuffers are items of hair jewelry — clamps, clips, bows, ribbons and barrettes — as well as soft, twistable curlers, boxes of hairpins and small, lighted makeup mirrors.

Roll up a couple pairs of tube socks and hide in the heel of the

Stocking-stuffers for every age

stocking. Throw in a deck of playing cards or a set of Uno cards.

Other good fillers include small pocket diaries with locks, key rings, tiny Lucite jewelry and earring boxes, pocket puzzles and brain-teasers.

Technoids love toys, and boxes of diskettes can run less than \$10. Tuck a computer printer ribbon in with the dried fruit and peppermint sticks, or an extra power bar in with the chocolate drops. Add a couple of stick-on digital clocks for automobile dashboards and other out-of-the-way places.

Packages of colored push pins and bright plastic ornamental paper clips make thoughtful additions to stockings, as do personalized post-it notes and pads of stationery. Add a couple of felt-tip pens in coordinating colors and you've outfitted a mini-office.

Christmas is for children, and the possibilities are endless. For less than \$10 you can buy fast-food coupons and amusement park passes, as well as coupons for movie matinees. Stickers and novelty stamps with stamp pads are also good choices. Add some novelty erasers and a set of personalized pencils (\$5.98 for 40 from Lillian Vernon catalog. Call 914-633-6300 to order). Bubble solution is a perennial favorite, and kaleidoscopes and whirlygigs make wonderful stocking-stuffers.

Colored chalk, boxes of crayons and rolls of drawing paper are always popular kid items and it



never hurts to add a pair of scissors or a ruler to the stocking.

Give that hard-to-please someone you know a gift of pampering.

Tubes of beeswax and body lotion soothe skin and soul. Round up small luxury items like inflatable bath pillows, a liquid-filled eye mask and small cedar blocks and butterfiles to add a fresh scent to closets.

Collect miniature picture frames and photo albums and fill with a favorite photograph. Buy a set of fancy note cards and include a book of commemorative stamps. Handy practical items like retractable blades, light-up key covers and totes. Auto emergency lights also are thoughtful presents for the person who has everything.

Notions counters and mail-order catalogs are good places to look for stocking-stuffers. Pick up a sweater stone (to remove pilling on sweaters) or a pair of French rose gloves (cotton, with crinkle

rubber coating) from the Vermont Country Store, or tiny bud vases from Lillian Vernon. Specialty catalogs offer everything from kitchen gadgets (hand-held juicers, melon ballers, fancy trivets) to pet items.

Food always makes a good impression, and there are lots of delicacies that fit into stockings. Tea and coffee manufacturers offer sample packages and one-serving size tins of beverages in an almost infinite variety.

You can find delicacies in any grocery deli section, so why not take the opportunity to buy something luxurious for stockings?

Items like pickled asparagus, almond-stuffed olives and special salad dressings make tasty treats. Cooks might appreciate whimsical cookie cutters or other non-essential utensils as part of their Christmas packages.



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SCENTIBLE GIFTS

Potpourris, fragrances and bath delights for men and women

By Debra Lee Baldwin

Chances are you'll find yourself at the fragrance counter of your favorite drug or department store sometime soon.

According to perfume manufacturers, more fragrances are sold during the holidays than the rest of the year combined. The problem is, how do you choose the perfect fragrance from among what seems like a cast of thousands?

If you're buying for yourself, you select your scent as would any important fashion purchase. Do the same for a gift.

Don't buy it without trying it on. Use the testers displayed and apply the fragrance to a pulse point, like your wrist. Allow the heat of your body to warm and accentuate the scent, then sniff.

The "heart" of the fragrance or first impression, differs from the "base notes" that emerge after it blends with your body chemistry. Wait about 10 minutes then see how you like it after it has dried on your skin.

According to Wendy Banks of Liz Clairborne cosmetics, scents are pleasure-giving attention grabbers that set the stage. "They provide an atmosphere in which your clothes are perceived. It alters or enhances the style they set."

"For example, if you wear a cotton knit skirt and matching sweater with great accessories, a comfortable upbeat fragrance will help you communicate that style."

Whether you are buying for yourself or for a special someone, here are some "scensible" tips to keep in mind. According to the stlists at Nina Ricci:

- Spare your nose. Limit your testing to three fragrances per visit to the perfume counter. Otherwise, your nose will lose its ability to distinguish among them.

- Keep a mood in mind. For example: romantic, elegant, sporty or sensual. The scent you choose should complement the wearer's lifestyle, personality, style of clothing and the environment in which it is worn.

- Is it for everyday use, or just for fun? Consider whether you're looking for a signature scent that will become a person's "trademark," or if you're selecting an item as an addition to his or her fragrance wardrobe.

- Consider a layered approach. Layering different forms of the same scent is one of the best ways to maintain an all-day aura of fragrance. Purchase an eau de toilette or an exhilarating body and bath product to match the perfume or cologne you've selected.

- Do your friend a favor. If you're buying a fragrance as a gift, don't automatically select what you'd like to receive. Let the recipient's tastes and preferences guide you.

What perfume products make scents for the people you're buying for? Here are a few suggestions based on how you perceive their personalities, and the mood you want the fragrance to create.

FOREVER FEMININE

- Is she your ideal of femininity? Is her grace and charm classic and timeless? Do you want to make her feel truly cherished? Then give her "a whisper of lace, a touch of whimsy, the scent of flowers and echoes from the past." L'Air du Temps from Nina Ricci.

- Is she complex, independent and well-educated? Is she assertive, self-assured, yet intensely female? Is she disciplined, yet unpredictable, and relentless in the pursuit of excellence? Her fragrance is Chanel No. 19, "for the contemporary woman."

- Does she have style and taste? Does she recognize and appreciate classic luxury, timeless beauty and enduring elegance? Give her a blend of Indian jasmine, violet leaves, sandalwood amber and vanilla. This is Tiffany, an original fragrance from the celebrated New York store.

- Does she live in a hectic world with a workout after work and a diet for dinner? Make her a pleasure gourmet with Guerlain's perfumed body shampoo.

MARVELOUSLY MASCULINE

- Is he sporty, active and a team player? Give him a crisp, fresh and longlasting scent, the very masculine Adidas.

- Is he sometimes pensive and reserved, subtle and tender? Is he a country gentleman or would he love to be one? Give him Bowling Green, the new men's fragrance from Geoffrey Beene.

- Does he like to woo and wow you? Does he love to flirt and flatter and drink champagne until dawn? Give him "an invigorating blend of the world's most sensuous aromas." Night Spice new from Old Spice.

Finally, consider a gift you and your sweetheart both can share. (It also makes a terrific hostess gift, or a treat for your favorite couple): a Vitabath Sampler Basket. A wicker basket holds an assortment of four gels and guest soaps in fresh scents and bright colors.

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CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

From carols to plays, bring the holiday home

By Debra Lee Baldwin

When you hear the words "holiday tradition," what comes to mind? Stuffing spilling from a steaming turkey? The lighting of menorah candles?

"Traditions are formed through meaningful repetition," says Parents magazine. "Even small traditions can take on meaning if they're linked to feelings of joy."

Here are a few suggestions for traditions to enhance your holidays. Each has a history that makes it meaningful.

A-WASSAILING WE WILL GO

For this one, the rule is "The more the merrier!" Invite friends to join your family after dinner one evening before Christmas. Stroll through your neighborhood, stopping to sing "Silent Night," "Deck The Halls," "Joy to the World," etc. Afterward, enjoy warm cider and Christmas cookies.

Toast each other with, "Wass-hell!" This Anglo-Saxon term means "be well." The correct response is, "Drinc-hell!" which means "drink well." In medieval England during the holiday season the poor would go from door to door, begging (in rhyme) for cups of heated ale from the wassail bowls of the wealthy. In time, wassailing also came to mean caroling.

WRITE A WISH LIST

Have your children write letters to St. Nicholas, listing the toys they would like to receive in order of importance. They can draw pictures of the gifts, too. Keep the letters to put in a scrapbook to show them when they're older.

St. Nicholas was a much-loved bishop who lived in part of the Roman Empire during the 4th or 5th century. He was famous for his love of children, for whom he performed miracles of healing. He also was known for giving gifts in secret.

In the early 1800s, Professor Clement C. Moore described St. Nicholas in a poem he wrote to entertain his children, titled "The Night Before Christmas." The poem became so popular that since then Americans have thought of St. Nicholas as "a jolly old elf" with a round belly, a white beard and twinkling eyes.

VISIT TINY TIM, CLARA AND FRITZ

What better way to make your children feel special than to share with them a live performance of Tchaikovsky melodies, complete with feather-light fairies that seem to float across the stage.

First be sure they understand "The Nutcracker" story line: brightly painted wooden nutcrackers that looked like soldiers were popular toys in Russia 150 years ago. Two children, Clara and Fritz, receive one on Christmas Eve. It comes to life and leads dolls and toy soldiers to win a battle against the Mouse King. Afterward, the nutcracker turns into a

CHRISTMAS IQ

(Careful! These are as tricky as a Grinch.)

Questions:

1. What is the gift of the fourth day of Christmas?
2. What is Scrooge's last name?
3. What Christmas tradition do we owe to the Pilgrims?
4. Who began as a 1939 Montgomery Ward Company promotion?
5. What does the "X" in "Xmas" stand for?

Answers:

1. Colly birds (a kind of crow). No point for "calling" birds!
2. Scrooge is Scrooge's last name. His first name is Ebenezer.
3. None. Because of its pagan traditions, celebrating Christmas was outlawed in early Colonial America.
4. Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.
5. The Greek letter Chi, for the first letter in "Christos," according to Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary.

Score:

- 1-2 right, resident of Whoville.
 3-5 right, Grinch-slayer.

handsome prince who takes Clara into an enchanted kingdom where they find the Sugarplum Fairy.

Don't overlook Dickens. Remember the first time you saw Tiny Tim's crutch at the end of the TV movie? And how you cried? No Christmas is complete without "A Christmas Carol." You and your family can either read the story aloud, watch a rerun on TV, rent the movie for your VCR or attend a local production.

Dickens wrote the story during a few months in 1843. It was not immediately successful. But when he read it aloud on speaking tours of the United States, crowds as large as 35,000 came to hear it.

MENORAH REMEMBRANCES

Traditionally, the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah is celebrated by lighting a candle on the many-branched menorah each night. In many families, children receive one gift after each candle-lighting.

Elaine Bierbaum of Georgia became concerned that the eight-day holiday was turning into "an orgy of gift-giving." She makes a tradition of having her children donate one of their new Hanukkah toys to the children's ward at a local hospital.

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SMART TOYS

Holiday toys and games for teachable tots

By Gregg Howard

When you play Santa, what toys will you choose? There are thousands on the market. Some are excellent. Others are just plain silly. How do you tell the difference?

Look for toys that:

- are well-constructed, sturdy and safe;
 - have educational value, or are useful;
 - are tried-and-true classics or are new and innovative;
 - allow the child to be creative;
 - maintain interest for more than a few minutes;
 - and, most importantly, are fun.
- These are pretty stiff guidelines, but not impossible. What follows is a Santa's bagful of ideas. All have been selected with an eye to the above, and on their ability to fulfill the sugarpum dreams of today's children. You will find them in toy departments and specialty shops.

TODDLER TOYS

Plush-with-plus is sure to please your family's youngest consumer — and a non-toxic product from Crayola will make Mom happy, too.

• **Alpha Critters** (from Special Effects). Bright-colored fantasy animals in the shape of alphabet letters. Each 6-inch plush toy has ears, bug-eyes and a nose; many have toes or tails, depending on the shape of the letters.

• **"Pat the Bunny"** book and boxed set. "Pat the Bunny" is the classic Golden touch-and-feel book that invites the child to pet a soft, furry bunny enclosed in its pages. Now you can buy a cuddly, plush bunny, too, boxed with the book for easy wrapping.

• **Crayola Washable Markers**. Finally, a fashionable felt marking pen. You still may not want your toddlers to draw on their clothes, but at least now it's not the laundry disaster it used to be.

• **Shadow**. Meet Cricket and Corky's talking kitten. This 10-inch marvel meows for 30 minutes about pet care and comes with grooming brush, feeding dish and blue ribbon.

• **Big Bird Storymagic** toy and "satellite" toys. Big Bird isn't the only "Sesame Street" character who will orate this Christmas. As their mouths move in sync with their stories, the pupils of Cookie

Monster's eyes rotate, and Oscar the Grouch pops in and out of his trash can. Both work in conjunction with Big Bird. By Ideal.

TOYS THAT TEACH

- **Fisher Price Kitchen**.
- **Aristoplay board game**, "Where in the World?"
- **The Bubble Thing**, by Wham-O.
- **Bushnell Star Machine**.
- **Connor Videosmarts** computer system.
- **Playmates "Corky"** interactive talking doll.
- **Pound Pups Watch Pups**, from Tonka.
- **Crayola Washable Markers**.
- **Playskool Pipeworks**.
- **Playmobil Pirate Ship**.

GRADESCHOOLER GIFTS

Imagine it's Christmas afternoon. What toys will your kids be playing with? How 'bout two weeks later? What follows are a few that they'll love even past Easter.

• **Fun With Food** (Fisher Price). Now kids can crack open pretend eggs that slide sunny-side up into a pan that makes a sizzling sound and "cooks" on a small two-burner stove. Among the innovative items in this new line is a life-size kitchen center on wheels. Some of the phony foods actually change color as they "cook."

• **The Bubble Thing**. Remember the colored plastic bottles of soapy liquid Mom used to buy you at the five-and-dime? And the teacup-size bubbles you made? Now, imagine making iridescent bubbles as big as you are. Bigger. New from Wham-O, The Bubble Thing is a traditional toy taken to the ultimate. Be sure to let the kids play with it, too!

• **Pound Puppy Watch Pups**. The little puppy's collar is a wristwatch. He hugs your child's lower forearm with his extra long Velcro-fastening forepaws. By Tonka.

• **Pirate Ship**. This Playmobil square-rigger is made of sturdy plastic, and comes with five pirates, scaffolding, a crow's nest, a dinghy and a play cannon.

• **Pipeworks**. This is a super-size construction set by Playskool that kids can build anyway they like and then use for climbing and creative play. Pieces of white plastic pipe and bright-colored connecting joints have a safety-lock feature. No tools required. Pipeworks can be used indoors and outdoors.

• **Videosmarts**. Do your kids watch too much television? Here's a good reason for them to watch even more! This portable computer by Connor uses the TV as an active learning toy/tool. It works with a videocassette recorder to teach children about nutrition.

YULEFACTS

• Mothers who prefer cuddly toys to action toys for kids at Christmas:



SOURCE: Fisher-Price Survey

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By Debra Cooper

When is a gift not a gift? When it's a business gift. Take a social custom and transpose it to a business setting and all sorts of problems can crop up.

According to Letitia Baldrige, maven of executive manners, gift-giving, particularly in business, is an art. She devotes an entire chapter of her book, "Complete Guide to Executive Manners," to the ins and outs of present protocol.

Her first piece of advice is to think before you act. Don't send bottles of liquor to every person on your Christmas business list; not everyone drinks.

Don't give someone a new piece of sports equipment you think is tremendous unless you know for a fact that the recipient is an enthusiastic about that sport. Don't try to be funny at another person's expense. Such attempts usually fall flat.

Baldrige points out that the manner in which a gift is made also is extremely important. She suggests that it should be presented in person, if possible, to show that the donor has high regard for the recipient and for the gift.

In the absence of a set company policy toward gifts, it's wise to keep some guidelines in mind. When giving or receiving gifts from business associates, care must be taken to avoid the appearance of impropriety.

This means that executives must be willing to firmly, but diplomatically, refuse a gift if they feel compromised. At many companies there is an informal conflict-of-interest rule that puts a \$25 value on presents to avoid just this possibility.

Baldrige recommends food as a business gift because even when it is expensive, it doesn't smack of bribery. It is a gift that can be shared with others in the office, so your influence will be even more widespread.

Among her suggestions for edible gifts are: baked goods, jams and jellies, fresh fruit, candy, nuts, Beluga caviar, smoked salmon from Scotland, imported pates and gourmet food packages in reusable containers.

Baldrige stresses that research also is a requirement of stylish gift-giving.

When liquor is the gift of choice, this is particularly important. A vodka drinker isn't going to be impressed with a gift of 25-year-old Scotch, no matter how expensive or beautifully wrapped.

Present-giving among employees and between employee and boss are other areas fraught with pitfalls. In general, etiquette does not demand that an employee give a boss a present, even if a boss gives an employee one.

Baldrige says that a newly arrived employee should never give a boss a present, because it looks like apple-polishing. In practical terms, however, if an office has an informal atmosphere and it is general practice to exchange gifts, an employee may feel uncomfortable not participating in the exchange.

One publishing employee solved the problem by baking several kinds of holiday breads, bringing them to work sliced on a platter and writing a card that wished her co-workers a "Merry Christmas."

Another brought Christmas tree ornaments and attached them to Christmas cards, solving the who-

gets-what quemma in an inexpensive manner.

It sounds old-fashioned, but a Christmas cookie exchange at lunch is festive way of inexpensively sharing the holiday with office workers. Company Christmas gifts are another realm altogether. Myron Manufacturing Corp. of America suggests calendars as a business gift that always is appropriate. Datebooks and day runners can be embossed with company logos or executive names; and make handsome thank-you presents.

The Economist Desk Diary, used by both John F. Kennedy and Winston Churchill, makes an ideal gift for the professional. These leather-bound calendars, described by Time as "the epitome of high-toned datebooks" do a lot more than record luncheon appointments.

They come in a variety of sizes and systems and can include everything from maps of the world to wine vintages. The diaries range in price from \$23 to \$75, and may be purchased directly from The Economist by calling 1 (800) 628-0677.

One year People magazine sent solid chocolate replicas of their logo as a Christmas greeting. Other companies send golf balls embossed with company name, paperweights, desk clocks and pen and pencil sets.

Pen and pencil sets make good gifts for most occasions, and having them personalized is a way to add special significance to the gift. "Personalization is an inexpensive, easy way to increase the perceived value of a gift and make it more meaningful to the recipient," says Maureen Sheridan, market research manager for A.T.

Cross Co., marketer of Cross writing instruments and Mark Cross leather goods. She offers these guidelines for personalizing products.

• When engraving a metal product like a pen, the person's name should be spelled out. On leather goods, initials are more appropriate.

• The relationship between the gift giver and the recipient determines whether formal or nicknames are used. For a close friend, "Bill" is acceptable; for a business client, "William" is recommended.

• When presenting gifts at formal occasions, the recipient's full name should be used. Cross suggests script engraving for women and block engraving for men. Spe-

cial dates, slogans and places in block lettering are appropriate for more informal occasions.

Remember, knowing how to say thank you is as important as knowing how to give a gift. While there are times when a gift must be refused because it is too lavish, has obvious sexual overtones, is inappropriate, manners dictate that gracious acceptance is in order when accepting gifts that are meant well. Remember, it's the thought that counts. So do some thinking beforehand to make certain your gift will be accepted in the spirit it was offered.



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Give handmade flavor to purchased gifts

By Kelle Banks Barfield

Short on time doesn't have to mean short on savvy when it comes to gift-giving this Christmas. An easy way to tout your talents is by adding a small personal touch to items you can buy.

Delight avid readers with juicy new novels. When you tuck handmade bookmarks inside, they will thank you with every new chapter they read.

One fast version of a bookmark that boasts a classy look is made with satin or plaid ribbons. Practice weaving and crisscrossing 6-inch strips vertically and 3-inch strips from side to side.

When you are pleased with the design, hold it together with a piece of fusible interfacing pressed to the back. Then attach fabric or wide satin ribbon behind with a zigzag stitch around the sides.

For friends who enjoy faster reading than novels, treat them to a magazine subscription. Announce the gift with the current issue, protected by a sturdy cover you can make for them.

Fold the magazine out to determine proper dimensions for the cover. Then cut a piece of quilted fabric this size and run a strip of ribbon down the center, attached

at the top and bottom. This will secure the magazine when you slip it through the ribbon. Bind the sides with bias tape or a zigzag stitch all the way around.

A festive red or white poinsettia always makes a perfect holiday gift. Present it in a decorated basket and the gift will last long after the flowers are gone.

A simple technique is shaping a large puffy bow from fabric and tying it to a handled basket. Spray the bow with clear varnish to harden it and add sheen. Line the basket with a square of leftover fabric, cut with pinkish sheers.

Or use an artist's touch to paint the basket itself. Seal the reeds with two coats of flat or glossy enamel sprayed inside and out. Then stencil a border around the basket or a large design on one side.

Even easier than stenciling is splatter painting. When the base coats dry, flick bright spots of color off a brush all around the basket. (Hint: Work outside with plenty of newspaper.)

Accent a set of pretty linen napkins with shiny red and green napkin rings. First spray paint red a dozen small metal jingle bells. When they dry, string two or three of these "berries" onto a piece of doubled florist wire. Then twist and shape the wire into a ring.

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1 cup milk
1 egg

Two-thirds cup sugar
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
1/2 (1-pound size) can pumpkin (about 1 cup)
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ginger
1/4 teaspoon allspice
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup whipping cream, whipped

Combine milk, egg, sugar and gelatin in saucepan. Stir over medium heat until gelatin is dissolved, about 4 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in pumpkin, spices and vanilla. Chill until mixture begins to set. Fold in whipped cream. Turn into 4 (¾-cup) molds. Chill about 1 hour or until set. Spoon into stemmed glasses. If desired, garnish with additional whipped cream, a twist of orange peel or sliced oranges. Recipe may be doubled if necessary.

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and pinch firmly together over center of jam. Place on greased baking sheet and bake in 400 F oven for 10 to 12 minutes. Remove immediately to cooling rack. Cool. Sift powdered sugar over top of cookies if desired.

Cookies can be made in your microwave, but not all recipes are adaptable. Bar cookies tend to turn out better than drop cookies because of the way the microwave hits them as they bake. Test one cookie from the first batch as a gauge for the following batches. If it is too hard, shorten the cooking time.

One disadvantage to microwaving cookies is limited space. While two sheets of cookies will fit in a traditional oven, only a dozen or so can be cooked in the microwave.

Remember when microwaving cookies, the ovens vary in wattage power and the recipes may need to be adjusted accordingly.

Try this quick recipe in your microwave:

Easy Nut Balls

1/4 cup butter
1/4 cup margarine
1/4 cup powdered sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 1/4 cups sifted flour
Two-thirds cup almonds,
finely chopped
Powdered sugar

Cream butter, margarine, sugar, salt and vanilla. Stir flour in gradually. Add chopped almonds and mix well.

Shape dough into 1-inch balls. Line bottom of 9x13-inch glass

dish with waxed paper. Place 8 cookies in 2 rows. Leave 2 inches between cookies.

Microwave for 3 1/2 minutes at medium high. Repeat for remaining dough. Coat with powdered sugar while still warm.

MAKE IT EASY ON YOURSELF

For that fresh homemade baked taste without all the fuss, use prepared cookie dough available in the refrigerated section of your supermarket. These can be dressed up in their Christmassy best and no one will be the wiser.

WHAT NOW?

You've baked dozens and dozens of cookies, so what's next? They can be packed in decorative tins, baskets, gift bags and boxes as gifts for family, friends, even the newspaper deliverer. They can be face-savers to have on hand to reciprocate when you receive an unexpected gift from someone.

The holidays are a social season and everyone seems to find time in busy schedules to catch up on visiting longtime friends. When guests drop by, bring out a platter of cookies. And, if you are the guest, greet your hostess with a cookie gift.

Many people are having Christmas cookie parties where each guest brings a batch of cookies made from his or her favorite recipe. The guests then exchange cookies and recipes throughout the evening.

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EDIBLE GIFTS — Cookies, jellies and other gift ideas for every palate.

By Debra Cooper

With today's high prices, we seem to get caught up in the idea of buying a gift that will last.

Edible gifts won't have a long shelf life, but their memory will last long after the batteries in the kids' toys die. Indeed, recipients of sumptuous edible gifts will carry the memory on their palates until next Christmas — when they eagerly will be awaiting more such fare from you.

Even the busiest gift-giver can bring special joy to friends, setting aside a day or two to cook up several batches of one or more homemade treats, then packaging portions in airtight boxes, jars or crocks decorated with festive touches of ribbon or holly. There's nothing quite like the satisfaction of doing it yourself, and nothing shows thoughtfulness and caring quite so well.

Containers for food gifts are especially nice if they are reusable. A ribboned basket, wooden serving plate, lidded jar, decorative bottle, pretty tin — all can be dressed up with ribbons, bells and festive papers to create a lovely gift.

Wrapping is almost as important as the gift, but it doesn't have to be expensive. Try covering coffee cans with fabric. Wallpaper or brown craft paper tied with colored cord make fine wrappings. Plastic wrap used for food gifts is ideal because the food shows through. Just tie with colorful yarn and add a gift card to let the recipient know who took the time to "cook up a little love." Include the recipe for an extra thoughtful touch.

Your local grocery store will

carry all necessary ingredients for your baked gifts. For packaging, try gift shops, flea markets, craft shops, bazaars, department and drug stores, discount houses and boutiques.

FOR SWEET TOOTH

The standard edible Christmas gift consists of cookies and candy. The following recipes are sure to sweeten even the grumpiest Mr. Scrooge on your gift list:

Candy Bar Cookies

Dough. Cream $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter or margarine and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sifted powdered sugar. Add powdered sugar slowly. Add 2 tablespoons evaporated milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 teaspoon salt and mix well. Blend in 2 cups flour. On floured surface, roll out dough to about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch and cut out circles with cookie cutter or glass. Bake on ungreased cookie sheet 12 to 16 minutes in 325 F oven.

Caramel Filling. Combine in double boiler $\frac{1}{2}$ pound (about 30) light caramels and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup evaporated milk. Heat until melted, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat and add $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter or margarine, 1 cup sifted powdered sugar and 1 cup chopped pecans. Mix well. Place atop cookies before mixture cools.

Chocolate Topping. Melt $\frac{1}{4}$ cup semisweet chocolate bits with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup evaporated milk over low heat, stirring regularly. After melted, stir in 1 tablespoon butter or margarine, 1 teaspoon vanilla and one-third cup sifted powdered sugar. Stir until smooth. Spoon on top of caramel filling. Top off cookies with pecan half.

Grandma Dunbar's Vanilla Caramels

- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 cup light corn syrup
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup cream
- 2 teaspoons vanilla

Put all ingredients in a heavy saucepan. Let boil, stirring constantly until a few drops of the mixture in cold water form a firm ball. Remove from heat and pour into buttered 8x8-inch pan. Cut when cool and wrap in waxed paper.

Cappuccino Fudge

- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter
- $1\frac{1}{4}$ cups sugar
- Two-thirds cup evaporated milk
- 1 jar marshmallow creme
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
- 12 ounces semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup nuts
- 1 tablespoon grated orange rind
- 1 tablespoon instant coffee
- 2 tablespoons brandy

Bring butter, sugar, milk, creme and salt to full boil. Boil 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and add remaining ingredients.

Beat with wooden spoon and spread in 7x11-inch foil-lined pan. Chill, cut into squares.

Turtles

- Whole pecans
- 1 cup evaporated milk
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup dark corn syrup
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 (6-ounce) package semisweet chocolate pieces, melted

In small saucepan, heat butter and evaporated milk until butter is melted. In separate 2-quart saucepan, cook sugar, corn syrup and salt over medium heat to firm-ball stage (244 F), stirring often. Slowly stir in hot milk mixture so sugar mixture does not stop boiling. Stirring constantly, cook mixture until candy reaches firm-ball stage again.

Remove pan from heat and stir in vanilla. Cool caramel to room temperature.

On waxed paper, arrange 4 pecans per turtle and place 1 heaping teaspoon of cooled caramel on each. Let cool until firm. Spread melted chocolate on top to cover caramel. Let cool until hardened.

HOLIDAY BREADS

Another baked favorite at Christmas is breads. These can be made in mini loaves for singles or full-size for families.

These recipes are easy-to-prepare and are quick rising. They also can be made early and frozen. To freeze, wrap package tightly in foil, then wrap in plastic wrap. When ready to give as gifts, wrap the loaves in colorful plastic wrap and tie with fancy ribbons.

Pumpkin-Apple Quick Bread

- 2 eggs
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup vegetable oil

- 1 cup cooked, pureed pumpkin (fresh or canned)
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup light brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup frozen pure apple juice concentrate, defrosted
- Grated rind of 1 orange, plus 1 tablespoon orange juice
- 1 cup whole wheat flour
- 1 cup unbleached white flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cinnamon
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon baking soda
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon ground cloves
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup coarsely chopped walnuts or pecans

Preheat oven to 350 F.

In large mixing bowl beat together eggs and oil. Blend in pumpkin, sugar, apple juice concentrate, orange rind and orange juice. Set aside.

Sift together the flours and all remaining ingredients except nuts. Fold gently into pumpkin mixture, stirring until well blended. Fold in nuts.

Turn batter into buttered and floured 8x4x2-inch loaf pan and bake in oven 50-60 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Turn onto wire rack to cool.

Makes 1 loaf.

Holiday Rum Bread

- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter or margarine, at room temperature
- 3 tablespoons light brown sugar
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- $1\frac{1}{4}$ cups milk OR 1 cup milk and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup buttermilk
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup dark rum
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- $1\frac{1}{4}$ cups whole wheat flour
- $1\frac{1}{4}$ cups unbleached white flour
- 1 tablespoon wheat germ
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup coarsely chopped walnuts or pecans
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup raisins or currants

Preheat oven to 375 F.

In large mixing bowl cream together butter and sugar. Add eggs and beat well, then blend in milk, rum and vanilla. Set aside.

In medium mixing bowl combine all remaining ingredients except nuts and raisins or currants. Toss with fork to combine.

Add to liquid ingredients, stirring just enough to moisten, then stir in remaining ingredients.

Turn batter into a buttered and floured 8x4x2-inch loaf pan. Bake in oven 50-60 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Turn loaf onto wire rack to cool.

Makes 1 loaf.

NOT SO SWEET

But enough sugar, let's add some spice to Christmas gifts.

For those on your gift list who are health conscious or dieting (if that's possible during the holidays) the recipes below offer a choice.

They are easy to make up in sufficient quantity, at surprisingly low cost, although they look and taste "gourmet." Each of these goodies owes its distinctive yet delicate flavor and delightful hint of fragrance in large part to 100 percent pure olive oil.

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Olive oil has no cholesterol — an important consideration with so many people on reduced fat diets these days. The bonus is that it's also high in monounsaturates, which carry beneficial high density lipoproteins that actively combat cholesterol formations. These recipes from Filippo Berio Olive Oil Co. are as nutritionally sound as they are delicious.

Herb-Seasoned Dipping Sauce

- 1 cup fresh watercress
- ½ cup Italian parsley
- ½ cup fresh dill
- ½ cup fresh spinach leaves
- ½ cup Italian olive oil
- 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- ½ cup plain yogurt
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper

In a food processor, combine first 4 ingredients. Blend. Add remaining ingredients. Blend well. Makes about 1½ cups sauce. ¼ cup contains 120 calories.

Sensational Marinara Sauce

- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 medium clove garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons Italian olive oil
- 1 (25-ounce) package strained, crushed fresh tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons parsley
- 1 teaspoon basil, crushed
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon sugar

In 3-quart saucepan, sauté onion and garlic in olive oil until onion is tender, stirring often. Add remaining ingredients. Simmer 20 minutes, stirring occasionally, until blended.

Makes about 2½ cups sauce.

HOT OFF THE GRILL

Other non-sweet edible gifts can be churned out on your backyard or indoor barbecue. Try these suggestions from the Barbecue Industry Association.

■ Smoked nuts are the perfect gift for the busy party-giver. In a shallow aluminum foil tray, spread plain or salted peanuts, pecans, almonds or filberts. Add a handful of soaked hickory chips to low coals in covered cooker or water smoker. Place tray of nuts on grid, cover and smoke for about two hours. Store in tightly sealed plastic bags or jars. Package in pretty gift tins or small interesting jars.

■ For those who never have time to cook, smoked turkey breast will see them through many impromptu meals. Smoke several at once, since this is an ideal gift for career couples or singles, the neighbor who is always ready to lend a hand, child's teacher or a favorite aunt or uncle.

■ If you're famous for your barbecues, why not package an assortment of the sauces, marinades and butters that gained you your reputation? Or try some of these:

— Stir a bit of white wine and ginger into apricot or peach preserves as a glaze for chicken or pork.

— Soy sauce, ketchup, crushed garlic, cut-up scallions and dark corn syrup thinned with water turn grilled ribs into a feast.

— A tangy mustard mixed into apple cider and port wine with a bit of brown sugar or honey enhances ham or pork.

EDIBLE GIFTS FROM NON-COOKS

If your gift list includes some with gourmet palates and you have trouble boiling water in your microwave, you still can satisfy their appetites. You'll find a wide array of edible gifts at specialty shops, health-food stores, gourmet shops and the gourmet sections of department stores and supermarkets, as well as through mail-order services. Try some of these treats:

■ Oregon Chocolate Hazelnut Butter costs about \$2 for a 2-ounce jar of ground nuts, chocolate, milk, cocoa and butter and will elevate a simple piece of toast to stardom.

■ Promise her anything but give her pure bittersweet chocolate, cream and liqueurs. San Francisco Joseph Schmidt makes spectacular chocolate truffles flavored with the likes of pecan praline, pistachio, Champagne and Frangelico.

■ He likes potato chips and she loves chocolate. So they're bound to flip over white-chocolate-covered Chips au Chocolate, right?

■ Milton's Hot Fudge, dark, thick and bittersweet, brings out the 10-year-old in the most jaded gourmet.

■ Whimsical hand-painted chocolate sculptures — bittersweet chocolate sleighs and plump, white chocolate Santas — bring delight to young and old.

TEA TIME

To wash down these edibles, join a growing U.S. movement: adopted from Britain's teatime tradition. Tea drinking is gaining ground in this country, according to the Tea Council of the United States.

"In Europe, tea drinking has always been a very special occasion. It has its own customs and rituals, its own ensemble of utensils and accessories," says Isabelle von Boch of Villeroy & Boch, maker of fine china and porcelain tableware.

Herbal or flavored teas, decaffeinated or regular, can be grouped into a gift basket. For a more extravagant present, add a jar or two of honey or jam. They are a natural accompaniment for teas and often are substituted for sugar. If sugar is more to your tea lover's tastes, include a supply of rainbow sugar crystals. It's far more festive than the conventional granulated variety.

A set of decorated canisters for storing the tea bags, sugar and biscuits is a thoughtful idea. Present them filled or empty as your budget permits.

And if you're lucky, the recipients of your edible gifts will ask you to join them in indulging in the delicious fare you have given.



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