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Scholarship Winner



Pat Sherbo, Jr., of Hicksville, President of the Vietnam Veterans of America, Nassau County Chapter #82, congratulates Kelly O'Neill upon being named one of the recipients of the Chapter's 1992-93 College Scholarship Award Program. Melissa's scholarship was one of four awarded to the children of chapter members.

Holiday Cheer



Oyster Bay Town Councilman Leonard B. Symons, center, was on hand to help distribute holiday poinsettias to residents and staff at the Central Nursing Home in Plainview. The plants, which originally brightened the stage and auditorium for the Town's Annual Holiday Concert, were distributed, as they have been every year, to various nursing homes throughout the Town. On hand for the occasion, left to right, were Dorothy Desmond, Mabel McCaffrey and Administrator Martha Sweet.

Community Pride

The Board of Education of the Hicksville Public Schools has appointed a Board of Education Task Force entitled "Focus On Harmony and Community Pride." The task force has been assembled as the result of concerns expressed at the December 16, 1992 Board of Education meeting.

The task force will be comprised of representatives from all aspects of the educational and civic community. It will include members of the Board of Education, school administration, PTA, teachers, students, Chamber of Commerce, Nassau County Police Department, community members and a representative of the clergy.

The task force will meet in mid January to develop a school/community action plan aimed at improving understanding among the rich diversity of people who comprise the Hicksville Community. The group will focus on developing a plan to promote harmony and community pride.

Local Residents Receive Awards

Hicksville residents received awards recently at Winthrop University Hospital's Volunteer Service Awards Ceremony. Kathleen A. Arns was honored for 100 hours of service, and Mary Germain for 500 hours.

Approximately 180 volunteers attended the Senior Volunteer Awards ceremony, representing a total of 65,686 hours of service. The number of volunteer hours has increased 9% over last year.

Admiration and appreciation was extended to the volunteers, who are lovingly known as the heart of the Hospital. Volunteers at Winthrop, in most cases, are the point of first and last contact with patients and also a major contact for families and visitors. "Winthrop volunteers are committed and dedicated," says Carmela Anglim, Winthrop's Director of Volunteers. "They truly represent the 'Good Neighbor Spirit.'"

Anyone who would like more information about volunteering at Winthrop is asked to call 663-2391.

Hospital Offers Alternative To Cesarean

Once a woman has a Cesarean, all subsequent births must be C-sections. That assumption is no longer true, especially at Mid-Island Hospital in Bethpage, where free classes are offered to encourage mothers to attempt a vaginal delivery.

VBAC - Vaginal Birth After Cesarean - classes stress the fact that a vaginal birth is safer because it avoids a major surgical procedure and gives the mother the opportunity to experience the more rewarding natural method of birth, says Carol Cryer, the director of Mid-Island's VBAC program.

To decide if a woman is a VBAC candidate, the physician will take into account the type of incision and reason for C-section. Successful candidates are women whose labor failed to

progress normally; those who had C-sections due to a too small pelvis are not candidates.

Mid-Island VBAC classes review the risks and advantages of natural delivery, and offer natural childbirth instruction.

"When VBAC mothers come to the delivery room, the entire staff is aware of their situation," says Ms. Cryer. "Once in labor, the patient is continuously monitored and assessed."

Classes, directed by a delivery room nurse, are held the first Thursday of the month from 5 to 7 p.m., at Mid-Island Hospital, 4295 Hempstead Turnpike, Bethpage. For further information, call the nursing office at 620-2215. Daddy's and "significant others" are welcome.



Despite a previous Cesarean, new mom Jeanlouise Ahern of North Babylon gave birth naturally this week to Kelly Michelle, at Mid-Island Hospital. Meeting the newcomers are dad Tommy, brother Keith, 6, and Carol Cryer, director of the hospital's Vaginal Birth After Cesarean program.

Plainview Resident Director Auditing

Mr. Lawrence S. Dryer recently joined the Long Island Lighting Company as Director of LILCO's Internal Audit Department. As Director he is responsible for a broad comprehensive program of internal auditing which evaluates the effectiveness of the Company's management control systems.

Before joining LILCO he was an Audit Manager with Coopers & Lybrand. Mr. Dryer is a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the NYS Society of CPAs. In addition, he is an Adjunct Instructor of Accounting and Auditing at NY University.

Mr. Dryer holds a BS in Accounting and Management and

MBA in Finance from NY University.

SAT Courses At Mid-Island Y

College bound students can prepare for their SATs with the Stanley Kaplan review course at the Mid-Island Y Jewish Community Center. There will be a free demonstration at an Open House Wednesday, February 10, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., at the JCC at 45 Manetto Hill Road, Plainview.

The fee of \$365 includes 12 review classes, unlimited review and practice at a test-tape lab, a home study Kappak and practice SATs. JCC member prices are available.

For more information, call Lynda Center at the JCC at 822-3535.

First 1993 Meeting



Congressman-elect Peter King (left) and N.Y.S. Assemblyman Fred Parola (right) join Theodore Roosevelt Republican Club President Buddy Mazzara at the Bethpage organizations recent annual Holiday Party. Buddy announced that the Club's first meeting of 1993 will take place this Monday, January 11, at the American legion Hall located in the LIRR Bethpage station parking lot, starting at 8 p.m.

Retiring Principal



Oyster Bay Town Councilman Thomas L. Clark (right) recently presented a citation to Gerald Klein, who after a long and distinguished tenure as the Principal of the Hicksville Middle School, is retiring. Klein's wife, Dorothy, was also on hand for the occasion.

A Musical Sunday At Library

Brighten your mid-winter doldrums with an afternoon of beautiful music on Sunday, January 17, at 2 p.m., at the Bethpage Library. The Town of Oyster Bay Department of Cultural Affairs and the library are co-sponsoring the duo Giverny, with flutist Carol Chelmer and harpist Elizabeth Panzer. They will present a program that all can enjoy and will offer some discussion of the musical works that involves the audience in the musical experience. Their presentation is fresh and enlightening - don't miss it. Everyone is welcome and admission is free.

The library is located at 47 Powell Avenue, two blocks west of Exit #8 on the Seaford-Oyster Bay Expressway (Route #135), phone 931-3907.

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: NASSAU COUNTY

THE GREEN POINT SAVINGS BANK, PIII. vs. WERNER HENRY BUSCH, et al, Defts. Index #09500/90.

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale dated Dec. 5, 1990, I will sell at public auction on the north front steps of the Nassau County Courthouse, 262 Old Country Rd., Mineola, NY, on Feb. 8, 1993, at 10:30 a.m., prem. k/a 8 North Dr.,

Senior Club Entertained



East Street Orchestra students entertain St. Ignatius Senior Club for the Holidays: String students from the East Street orchestra recently visited the St. Ignatius Senior Citizen Club to share their talents. The students, under the direction of Mr. Claude Masear, played a medley of holiday music. Mr. Masear thrilled the group with his violin rendition of *The Tarantella*. The afternoon was topped off with a visit from Santa and cookies and juice for the children.

Russians Have Arrived



Hicksville Water District's Consulting Engineer Dennis M. Kelleher, P.E. of H2M Associates, Incorporated (left) photographed with Russian Delegation who recently visited the Hicksville Water District's Plant 8.

Mr. Kelleher conducted tour of the new Air Stripper and recently rehabilitated Pump House with new modernized instrument controls at a cost of 1.2 million dollars for these projects.

This Delegation consisted of Administrators and Engineers who are responsible for Public Water supply in their Community.

LEGAL NOTICE

Hicksville, NY, s/k/a Lot No. 2 in Block 368 on a certain map entitled, "Revised Map of Stackler & Frank Homes, Sec. 1, situated at Hicksville, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, NY, surveyed and mapped by William L. Frederick, July 1st, 1948," filed in the Nassau County Clerk's Office on July 7, 1948. Approx. amt. of judgment is \$100,769.85 plus costs and interest. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale.

PETER EICHMANN
 Referee
CULLEN & DYKMAN
 Attys. for Pltf.
 100 Quentin Roosevelt Blvd.
 Garden City, NY

MIT 2649
 4x1/8, 15, 22, 29

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: NASSAU COUNTY. THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LONG ISLAND, Pltf. vs. FRANK V. JONES, et al Defts.

Index #18145/91.

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EDWARD J. MCGOWAN,
 Referee
Birmingham & Mintz,
 Attys. for Pltf.,
 34 Audrey Ave.
 Oyster Bay, NY

MIT 2648
 4X 1/1, 8, 15, 22

Jottings From Yesterday

Another Holiday has passed and resolutions made and broken as in years past. We would put our tree outdoors with suet - seed and other goodies for the birds. I didn't have too many drinks during the holidays but sure made a dent in the cookies, candy & fruit cake with a little ice cream on the side.

I was talking to a young fellow from the Carolinas who reads the Mid-Island Times and then passes it on to friends from L.I. He is a former Hicksville resident. Having bought 2 new tires and seeing the old ones taken in at time of changing. It reminded me of years ago, we used the old larger diameter tires painted for flower beds, a swing from a tree branch or sometimes curled up in them and rolled about, also as bumper guards when pushing a car. The inner tubes were patched and used at the beach, while others sliced the tubes up like large heavy duty rubber bands for toys and many other uses. As every year have you yet dated anything with last years date?

I was just reading a 1931 local paper regarding 2 accidents. One in Wantagh with an Essex coach and a Buick, the other in Hicksville of a Willys Knight and a Chevrolet. At least 2 cars are still produced. But I'll bet they did not crumble up like the tin cans today.

Have a Happy Healthy New Year.

Bill Clark



Toys and artificial tree of the 1920-30's. All items over 60 years old. Candle holders part of the tree. - Bill Clark

Retired Musicians Wanted For Band

Once again, the Town of Oyster Bay Arts Council is inviting retired musicians to apply for openings in a small swing and jazz band called *Nostalgia*.

"For a number of years, small dance and jazz bands, sponsored by the Arts Council, have entertained at parties and dances for seniors, nursing homes, hospitals, veterans groups and at organizations for the handicapped." Town Councilman Douglas J. Hynes said. "Their music has brought a tremen-

dous amount of pleasure to so many people over the years."

Councilman Hynes added that *Nostalgia* meets Wednesday afternoons for rehearsals and is interested in applicants with knowledge of swing and jazz tunes, sight reading and improvisation skills.

Openings are immediately available for piano or keyboard, tenor and alto horn, or clarinet and vibes players. Interested musicians should call Town of Oyster Bay Arts Council at 795-5943 for applications.

Knights' Indoor Flea Market

Rev. Michael J. Hartigan Council #5033, Knights of Columbus, announces an indoor flea market, Sunday, January 17 (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.), at the K. of C. building 517 Central Ave., Bethpage.

The flea market will offer something for everyone. Food and other refreshments will be offered for sale and vendor space is still available. Call 938-5033 for more information.

Raymond O'Connor is chairman.

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Vets Help Vets



Oyster Bay Town Councilman Leonard Kunsig, center, recently attended the holiday party of the Vietnam Veterans of America Nassau County Chapter #82 and presented a citation to Marie Dlugos, chairperson of the chapter's Vets Helping Vets Committee. The citation recognized Dlugos' ongoing commitment to her committee, which provides food, clothing, heating and shelter for needy veterans. Chapter President Pat Sherbo was also on hand for the occasion.



Birthday And Anniversary Club

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



- January 1
Mario Salvo
Donna Sheppard
- January 2
Peter Boyle
Anthony Descalzo
Nicholas Descalzo
Wendy Girnis
Viny LoFaro
Maria Moffett
Evelyn Parial
Jennifer Rapuano
- January 3
Sue Ramundo
Robert Ramundo
Andy Shayer
- January 4
Joanne Breitfeller
Lynne Cerullo
Isabel Malle
Kevin Shortt
- January 5
Stephanie Anderson
Charles M. Chayka
Thomas D'Amelia
Tommy Findlay
- January 6
Laurie Briggs
- January 7
George Auer
Scott Kraemer
Kim Smith

- January 8
Alice Banos
Cathy Bennett
Vincent Edwards
Marie Lewis
- January 9
Richard Budiunich
Dari Breitfeller
Timmy Moffett
David Smith
- January 10
Kelley Hill
Cheryl Schaeffer
- January 11
Chris Murray
David Schnipper
Roslyn Schnipper
Donna Sheppard
- January 12
Jeanine Clark
Ann Trongone
- January 13
Kelly Lobmeier
Kenneth Uhlich
- January 14
Keith Feldman
Dennis Healy
Donald Rapuzzi
Florence Sklarz
- January 15
Jimmy Boyle
Howard Hoffmann
Dan Rodgers
Alice Spinella

- January 16
Christopher Reilly
Sieglunde Smith
Richie Winter
- January 17
Anne Harrison
Alice M. Ofenloch
- January 18
Benjamin Knight
Mitchell Malle
Michael Malle
Bryan Reilly
Athena Scheidet
- January 19
Todd Master
Jennifer Sullivan
- January 20
Diane Cohen
Kim D'Amelia
Hilda Findlay
Kimberly Waters
- January 21
Dolly Angell
Kaitlyn Cerlini
Steven Edwards
Steve Lobmeier
Robyn Sadowski
Dominick Zinni
- January 22
Darlene D'Amelia
Bob Hill
Joseph Hill
Sandy Ross
Linda Uhlich

- January 23
Emily Raftery
Lauren Snadecky
- January 24
Mary Alice Feldman
- January 25
Raymond Erhart
Nicholas Fiore
Glady Ann Jones
Raymond D. Marshall
Danny Thurmbelcher
- January 26
John A. Chepak
Margaret Harris
- January 27
George B. Karman
- January 28
Bobby Findlay
Walter Gaylor, Sr.
Mary Hudson
Eleanor Lambert
- January 29
Corinne Clark
Richard Heidman
Frances McCormack
Felicia Sissons
- January 30
Carmine Barncell
William Grams
Frankie Seier
Rosemary Zuber
- January 31
Kathleen L. Kennedy
Susanne M. Walsh



from This Day forward

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- January 1
Marie & Ray Ganiele
- January 2
David & Isabel Malle, Sr
- January 3
Mary & Anthony Greggo
- January 10
Frank & Lorraine Willard
- January 11
Julia & Nevin Watson
- January 12
Ralph & Ida Antonetti

- January 13
Barbara & Artis Uhlich
- January 14
Mr. & Mrs. Mario Salvo
- January 19
Olga & Arthur Wallender
- January 20
Donna & Arthur Wallender
- January 22
Timothy & Virginia German
- January 24
Sandy & Burt Watson



- January 25
Carmen & Frank Colucci
John & Mary Sarver
Kay & Bob Winter
- January 29
Mike & Claire
- January 30
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Photo by Don Sisk

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Hicksville Welcomes 1993 At K. Of C. Dinner-Dance

By Dick Evers

Sounds of revelry, good fellowship and auld lang syne greeted the New Year at the Hicksville Knights of Columbus Hall, this past Thursday evening. Greeting the year 1993 with a buffet, sit-down dinner and dancing to the music of Joe Ratto was a good cross-section of Hicksville society. Whatever

the worrisome state of the economy and society, this gathering certainly did not reflect preoccupation with gloom and doom. Sponsored by the Joseph Barry Council, the upbeat affair was chaired by Frank DeGaidano, under the leadership of Grand Knight Joseph P. Leo.



Close to New Year's 1993: Richard and Linda Arias and Joseph Barry Council Grand Knight Joseph P. and Mrs. Dorothy Leo.



Bernard and Marie Boschert at the Knights of Columbus New Year's dance.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeGaidano enjoying the music of the fine New Year's Eve dinner-dance of which he was the Chairman.



Ken and Maureen Groves as the New Year 1993 comes in.



Leonard and Margaret Provenzano slow down for lensman Dick Evers. Len has been very active with the Hicksville Elks Club.



Mr. and Mrs. Al McGrane of the Joseph Barry Council and American Legion.



Rosemaris and Donald Curley greeting the New Year.



A merry duo: Tony and Julie Previta. A civic leader of many hats, Mr. Previte is currently a Trustee of the Hicksville Public Library.



Tom and Mary Carton, well-known St. Ignatius Church and School District folks.



Always a queen, Eleanora, and Edward Draycott, Community Council Leaders.



Charles Wagner post American Legionnaires and friends bring in 1993.



John and Hazel Ptacek, Community Council trustees, saluting the New Year.



Commander John and Mrs. Joan Risos of the American Legion Post 431 with Mrs. Anne Evers, co-author of much Hicksville history.



Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Chwalisz of the V.F.W. Post and John and Rose Marchlone greet 1993 with hilarity.



The ladies of the Harmonies Bowling League and some hubbies greet new year 1993 (l-r): Dolores, and Bill Sartor (seated); Anne Evers, and Jack and Doty Stack.



Past-Republican Club leader, Tom and Mrs. Dorothy Galahue and table companion, James Flynn at K. of C. New Year's fete.



Mr. and Mrs. John Geier (right) and friends welcoming 1993.



Greeting the New Year: Mr. Joe and Mrs. Ann Massena of the K. of C. and V.F.W. Post 3211.



Tom and Rhea Reilly enjoying the Knights of Columbus 1993 greeting.



Mrs. Agnes Flynn and Tom Reilly in a New Year's greeting.

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Asst. Principal Retired



Oyster Bay Town Councilman Thomas L. Clark (right) recently presented a citation to Joseph Giambalvo, who after a long and distinguished tenure as the Assistant Principal of the Hicksville Middle School, is retiring. Giambalvo's wife, Marie, was also on hand for the occasion.

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The undersigned Receiver of Taxes for the Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau, State of New York, hereby gives notice that he has received the Tax Roll and Warrant attached hereto, dated December 30, 1992 and the Receiver of Taxes will be in attendance to receive taxes at

80 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET
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beginning Monday, January 4, 1993 and each weekday thereafter from 9:00 A.M. to 4:45 P.M. Saturdays and Sundays and holidays excepted.

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Town of Hempstead-General Purposes	0.897	0.848	0.877	0.785
Town Highway-Repairs and Improvements of Highways	2.828	2.688	2.568	2.521
Town of Hempstead-Part Town (Building, Zoning, etc.)	0.463	0.440	0.421	0.415
Town Building and Board of Zoning Appeals in Inc. Village of Atlantic Beach	0.000			
Nassau County Police	6.297*			
Nassau County Police Headquarters	4.298	4.102	4.450	3.760
Nassau County Fire Protection	0.129	0.123	0.133	0.113
Nassau County Sewer Taxes				
Special District Taxes				

* Classes Not Applicable

PENALTIES

The following scale of penalties is hereby prescribed for neglect to pay County, Town and Highway, and Special District taxes after they become due and payable.

If the first half is not paid on or before February 10, 1993, penalty will be added at the rate of one per centum per month from January 1, 1993, calculated to the end of the month during which payment is made.

Penalty on the second half will be added after August 10, 1993, at the rate of one per centum per month from July 1, 1993, calculated to the end of the month during which payment is made.

DISCOUNTS

If the full year's tax is paid on or before February 10, 1993, discount will be allowed on the second half tax at the rate of one per centum of the second half. No discount allowed on payments made after February 10, 1993.

Taxes are payable in cash, check, or money order. Third party checks will not be accepted. Unofficial checks will be accepted subject to collection and payment made thereon will not become official until collection has been effected.

When requesting tax bills, please state the School District location, Section, Block and Lot numbers in accordance with the Nassau County Tax Map.

After August 31, 1992, the 1993 Tax Roll will be turned over to the County Treasurer and all payments after that date should be made at the Office of County Treasurer, 140 Old Country Road, Mineola, New York 11501.

Robert D. Livingston, Jr.
Receiver of Taxes
Town of Hempstead

Dated December 06, 1992
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From left to right, Laurie Tucker, Development Director, Saint Mary's Children & Family Services, Syosset; Chris and Dave, two young residents of St. Mary's; and Ronald Kadin, President of North Syosset Woodbury Republican Club at presentation of Holiday Toys, December 21, 1992.

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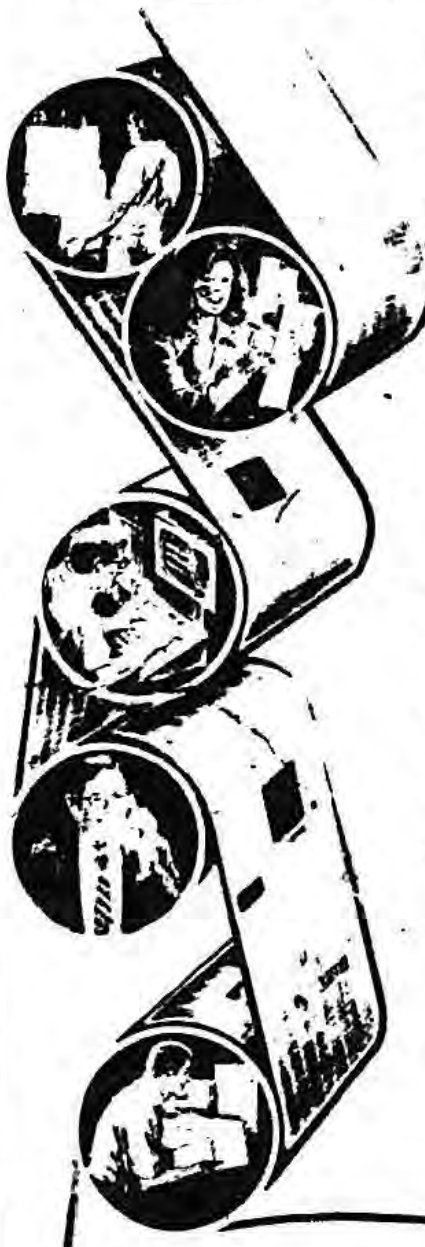
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Vendor space is available and food and refreshments. Something for everyone.

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT NASSAU COUNTY NEW YORK MORTGAGE SERVICING CORPORATION

Pltf. vs. WERNER HENRY BUSCH, et ano Defts. Index #18211/90. Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale dated Feb. 11, 1991, I will sell at public auction at the north front steps of the Nassau County Courthouse, 262 Old Country Rd., Mineola, NY on Jan. 27, 1993 at 9:30 a.m. prem. k/a 8 North Drive Hicksville, NY. Said property located on the southerly side of North Dr., 205.55 ft. from the easterly side of North Dr. as the same curves, 50 ft. wide, which is formed by the center line of Brewster Pl. prolonged easterly measured along the easterly and southerly side of North Dr., RUNNING THENCE SE along the southerly side of South Dr. 60 ft.; THENCE SW 125.44 ft.; THENCE SW 32.01 ft.; THENCE NW 43 ft.; THENCE NE 100 ft. to the southerly side of South Dr., to the point or place of beginning. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale.

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Notice of Application for Authority of ALFRED PARTNERS, L.P., a foreign limited partnership (LP). Appl. for Auth. filed with Secretary of State of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/10/1992, LP organized under laws of Delaware on 1/5/1989. NY office location: Nassau County. SSNY is designated agent of the LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LP served upon him/her as agent to Joel M. Greenblatt, (the registered agent of the LP) at 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Suite 212, Jericho, NY 11753. Principal office of LP: 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Suite 212, Jericho, NY 11753. Name and address of each general partner available from SSNY. Copy of Cert. of LP is on file with Delaware Secy. of State, Div. of Corporations, Townsend Bldg., P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Character/Purpose of LP: any and all lawful activities.

JER 8387
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A special presentation entitled "Gangs and School Violence" will be made at a joint meeting of the Hicksville High School and Middle School PTSA organizations. The meeting will be held Thursday, January 21, at 8 p.m. in the High School. Presentors for the topic will include Lieutenant Reed of the Juvenile Aid Bureau of the Nassau County Police Department and Mr. Raymond McDonough, Dean of Students at Hicksville High School. Following the presentations, the audience will have an opportunity to ask

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BANK
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REED et al Defendant (s).

Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale entered herein and dated October 1, 1992, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction on the north front steps of the Nassau County Courthouse, 262 Old Country Road, Mineola, NY on the 20th day of January, 1993 at 9:30 AM premises BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of 11th Street (Nevada Street), distant 100 feet easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the northerly side of 11th Street with the easterly side of Myara Avenue, being a plot 100 feet by 50 feet by 100 feet by 50 feet, said premises known as 210 Nevada Street, Town of Oyster Bay, Hicksville, New York.

Approximate amount of loan \$51,697.23 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment, Index Number 4619/91.

Dated:
December 17, 1992.

Milton J. Beech,
Referee
Fink Weinberger P.C.
Attorney(s) for
Plaintiff
11 Maritime Avenue
White Plains, NY
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Meeting Subject Gangs, Violence

questions of a select panel including the presentors, a representative of the Nassau County Human Rights Commission, Hicksville High School

Attendance teacher Susan Feyler and High School Principal Richard Hogan.

The presentation has been organized as a response to the impact of teenage gangs in the Mid-Island area, as well as the wave of violence that has swept the nation in recent years. This meeting is one of the many steps that the school district is planning to draw together the community to focus on promoting harmony and understand-

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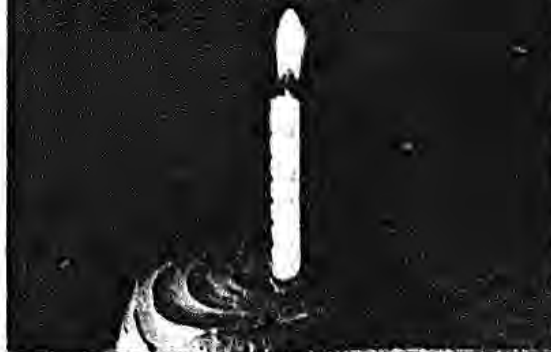
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Have fun with signing - learn the basic manual alphabet, vocabulary for daily living, holiday signs, even signed songs. Grades 4-6. Register from Monday, January 4, 1993.

All programs are open to youngsters who reside in District No. 21 only. For further information, please call 931-3907.

Yugoslavia - Prelude to a Conflict

Settle into your chair at the Bethpage Public Library on Thursday, January 14, at 7:30 p.m. and take a trip to Yugoslavia, a land of contrasts. Peek into little mountain villages nestled under the snow-capped peaks of the Julian Alps. Glimpse the glittering lakes and the faces of the people - shepherds, students and children, both simple and exotic.

You will better understand the country's present civil strife as you learn about its diverse heritage - the mosques, minarets and bazaars of Moslem Bosnia/Herzegovina and the majestic churches of Slovenia. All welcome. Free admission.

Musical Sunday

Brighten your mid-winter doldrums with an afternoon of beautiful music on Sunday, January 17, at 2 p.m., at the Bethpage Library. The Town of Oyster Bay Department of Cultural Affairs and the Library are co-sponsoring the duo Giverny, with flutist Carol Chalmer and harpist Elizabeth Panzer. They will present a program that all can enjoy and

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has been formed as a domestic limited partnership (LP), Certificate filed with secretary of State of New York (SSNY) 12/3/1992, NY office location: Nassau County. SSNY is designated agent upon whom process against the LP may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LP served upon him/her to: Dryer and Traub, 101 Prk Ave., NY, NY 10178, ATT: Roger W. Thomas, Esq. Name and address of each general partner is available from SSNY. Term: until Jan. 1, 2042. Purpose: to own, manage and lease real property. SYO 8643 6X 1/1/93, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2/5

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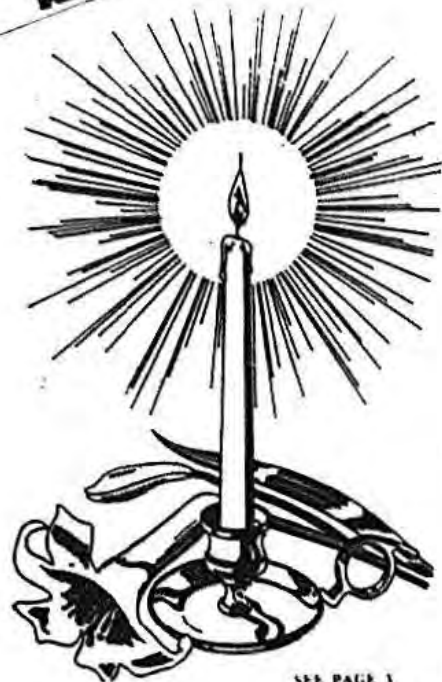
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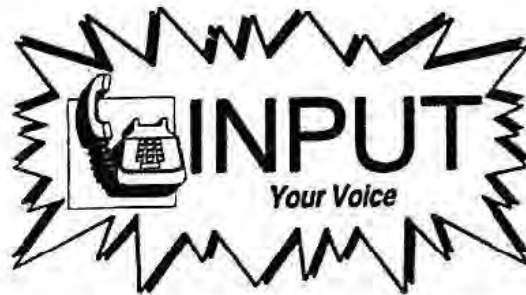


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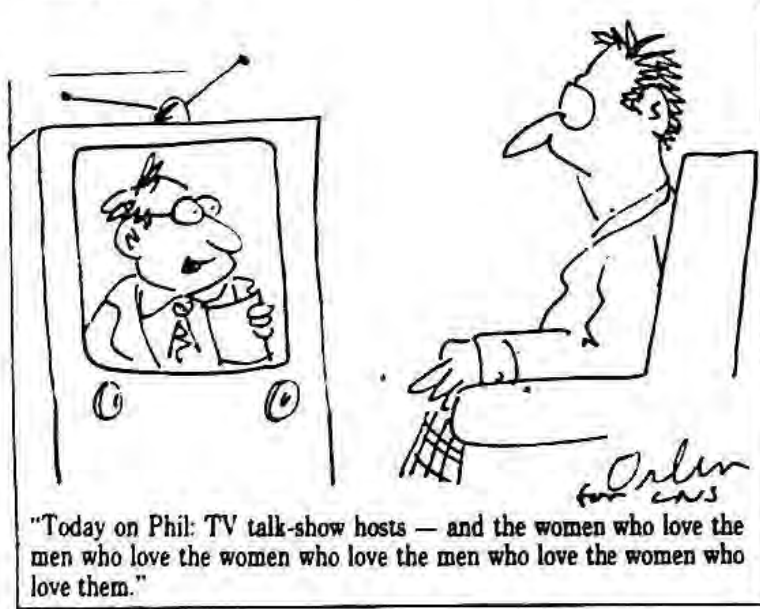


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THE QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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Views on Pardoning

Input Callers are divided on whether Pres. Bush should have given pardons in answer to this question: "Do you think the pardoning of Casper Weinberger and others in the Iran Contra affair was correct? Here are some of the answers:

WEREN'T TRIED

Absolutely not. How could President Bush have pardoned Casper Weinberger and the others without they ever having been tried? What evidence did he have that proved their innocence? We listened week after week to Bush telling us to vote for him and not Clinton because the issue was trust and character. How could we possibly trust a man who pardons Weinberger and crew before sworn testimony is given in a court of law? I believe the President was making sure the evidence did not reach the people or the courts. This is a violation of trust, character and justice. We should investigate this as well as they did President Nixon. A.G. EQUAL UNDER LAW

I am deeply concerned about the message the pardon of Weinberger and the others sends to our young people. It tells them that the law does not apply equally to everyone. If you have friends in high places, even if you are involved in trying to subvert the government, you can get away with it. I think it makes a mockery of our democratic government. N.N

DIFFERENT FROM OTHER COUNTRIES

Perhaps the answer to the question posed is contained in the article in Discovery by Dominick Freda on the American Presidency. We choose to believe that the U.S. is different from every country in the world and we are correct in that belief. We do have many serious problems and some appear beyond solution yet we press on and we prosper as a nation and as a people under law. That law must apply to all with no exception and apply to the rich and poor and weak and powerful to the government and the governed. While there is protection there must also be accountability. The law is a shield and a sword. Under the Bush doctrine it appears a person may commit perjury, cover up and practice deceit under the heading "mere policy difference". In his pardon Bush mentioned previous Presidential pardons but forgot the infamous Ford-Nixon pardon. Ford's defense was "let us put this Watergate problem behind us and let us go forward". I think he meant let us sweep this under the carpet and not seek truth. The cowardly Christmas Eve pardon cannot be undone. With one stroke of the pen he has swept away six years of investigation and effectively pardoned himself. A continued investigation should let the chips fall where they may. E.J.H.

PARTY LINES

While there will be a variety of opinions on the Bush pardons of Weinberger most of the rhetoric follows party lines. The investigation was all but forgotten until the eve of election. Investigator Walsh suddenly brought his charges against Weinberger even though he admits that he does not think Weinberger was involved. Walsh tried on and on to find some top level indictments but each piece of evidence he brought was turned down by courts. Walsh, and the Democratic party he stands for, have a private vendetta against the administration. They have wasted millions of dollars to further their political beliefs. The entire investigation is based on policy differences. Bush under the Constitution, was empowered to give pardons. In fact there is nothing to pardon. Weinberger has not been convicted of anything. All the pardon did was to stop the vindictive harassment of Walsh and his friends against those who were in the administration. With Democrats now coming into power it would be poetic justice if the same impossible "special investigator" position were turned on Clinton. However, for the good of the country I hope it will not happen. Stop politicizing every issue. M.C.

AIMED AT BUSH

While President Bush was constitutionally legal in pardoning Casper Weinberger and five others involved in the Iran-Contra Scandal, in my opinion, history will give president Bush a poor mark in judgement. Considering that Mr. Weinberger had already established his opposition to the Iran-Contra Deal, special Prosecutor Walsh had no real case against him, but was looking for evidence against George Bush who had claimed to be "out of the loop". As for the other five, most of them had already pleaded guilty and were merely sentenced to hundreds of hours of community service. Using patriotism as an excuse for carrying out illegal acts certainly does not wash in my book, nor did they succeed in carrying out their so called patriotic mission. C.K.

HARD TO ANSWER

I really don't believe that anyone could truthfully answer this "Question" because the quid pro quo, the politics and the consequences at stake are much too complicated to risk a confrontation. From my personal point of view, I have never trusted the Iranians and it seems to me that many of those deeply involved shared my sentiments. However, the domino effect of any major decision was more important to be considered than any domestic personal or political consequences. I don't doubt that a very well informed individual here in the States is at this very moment writing a book about the matter and his revelations will fully answer the question at the time of their formal release. However, I doubt very much whether the pardoning could ever be considered "correct". P.G.S.

PAST ISSUES

Last week C.C. began his call with "As long as we remain the most aggressive nation in the world". The dictionary definition is "characterized by or tending toward unprovoked offenses attacks, invasions or the like". Now in the process of an unprovoked offensive against hunger in Somalia, we attacked the needs of Berliners with a massive airlift after World War II and we invaded the rubble in Mexico after a devastating earthquake in Mexico. May I point out to C.C. we are the most charitable nation in the world. J.Q.P.

Discovery!

Pictures From The Past

By Geraldine Schmits

Yes, of course I remember.

GMa had come to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays in December of '63 or '66, and her laughter and shouting had sprinkled the dinner, the Christmas tree and the boxes and presents under it for four days, and the school vacation was sliding away from me. We called her GMa because that's how she signed all the postcards she used to send whenever she took it into her head to go to Las Vegas, California, Florida, wherever. She took the bus, we never knew she was gone until a postcard turned up in the mailbox.

Anyway, when Mom came home for lunch and found GMa and me still in our nightclothes, sitting on the sofa watching television, she looked so surprised, pulled her lips in, under her teeth, then, click, off went the TV, and she went into the kitchen to make lunch. I knew she was mad because she banged things around a lot and she didn't say anything. GMa made up for that though, told Mom that we didn't get up until eleven o'clock, that she was starving because we didn't have any breakfast, and that she had all the cemetery plot numbers with her, always carried them in her tiny little telephone book, just in case.

Mom ate only half of her sandwich. GMa said she really ought to be thinking about getting back to her apartment in Brooklyn. Mom grabbed her coat and scarf and dashed out to the car. The whole block must have heard the roar of the motor when she revved up the car.

That night Dad and Mom had a conference in the kitchen after GMa had gone to bed.

"I've got to take her to the cemetery", Mom said, "she won't go home until I do. It's obvious that's what she wants."

"What about the job?"

"I'll call them tomorrow before we leave. A vacation day. Whatever."

"You'll have to take the Expressway."

"Maybe it won't be so bad on a Tuesday."

"Okay, if that's what you want to do."

It wasn't what Mom wanted to do at all, I could see that, but she surely wasn't going to get any help from Dad, which I suspected was what she was angling for. I got the map of Long Island and Mom and I carefully unpleated the folds and traced the route to Pinelawn. "You'll come with us, of course", Mom said to me.

Mom brought three blankets to wrap around our legs in the car, because it was so cold, and the temperature had gone down to zero degrees the night before. Mom hitched up her blanket to her knees and tucked it under her bottom so it wouldn't get tangled up with the gas pedal and the brake. The sun was really bright though and Mom and I wore our sunglasses. GMa sat in the back and talked a lot.

Mom is really a good driver, except that she never drives on the parkways because, she says, everybody drives much too fast, especially Dad. So she stayed in the right hand lane and drove at a pretty good clip. The trouble with that was that every time she approached an entrance she hesitated the car to let an oncoming car onto the Expressway. That was dumb because the "Yield" sign was obviously for the other car. But Mom doesn't trust anyone. She finally switched to the middle lane. The strain was too much for her, I guess. I did a good job with the map because we found the place easily.

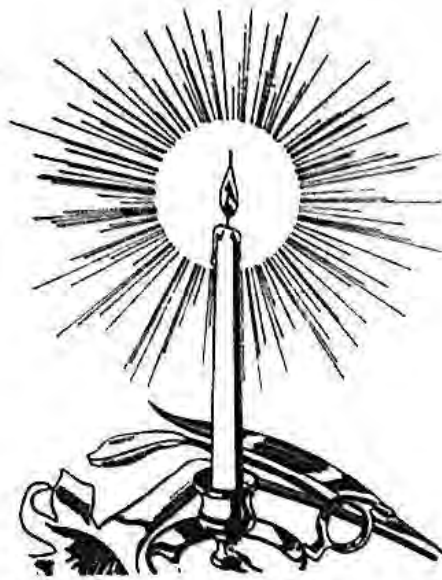
The huge iron gates were open. Mom drove around a circular driveway and parked the car. Inside the circle were all these white blocks of stone, all curved at the top. GMa led us directly to one of the stones at the rim of the circle. A tiny cross had been chiseled into the very top of the stone.

IN MEMORY OF
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GMa gave the camera to Mom and told her to take a picture of me next to the gravestone. GMa took a picture of me and Mom, and then she told me to take a shot of her and Mom and then her alone. GMa poses when you take her picture. She bends from the waist, extends one arm toward whatever is in the picture with her, flowers, children, gravestone, whatever, and bends her head to smile right into the camera. It's the same pose in all the pictures I have of her.

When we finished with that, GMa went across the road to the grey building on the other side.

I said to Mom, "I thought you said your brother's plane



sank, that they never recovered the body."

"Yes. It was off the coast of Florida. These are only memorials - all of these in the circle. Your grandmother also has a memorial tree in the park with a plaque on it. And all those letters - for years - she wrote to every big shot in the Navy. Even now - to the President, no less - she's still doing it." Mom took a deep breath, then let it out. "Hopeless", she said.

GMa was very cheerful when she returned. She had a small American flag which she stuck in the ground to the right of the stone, and an orchid on a shiny black stick. In Loving Memory, which she placed in front. It was so quiet that the click of the camera sounded like a small explosion.

"Now", GMa said, "you two can wait in the car. I know exactly where I want to go." And she walked briskly toward one of the roads leading out from the circle.

Mom started the car to get the heater going. We were both very cold. "I guess we'd better follow her," Mom said, and we did as far as we could, but GMa had taken a path off the road, and Mom died the motor to keep the heater purring. We watched GMa disappear among the stones.

"How she stands this cold weather I'll never know," Mom was furious, and she drove the car back to the circle and around to another road on the other side. Still no trace of GMa, with her white hair and the big black hat. Mom went back to the circle and parked the car. I thought she was going to cry.

"Where is she going?"

Mom dabbed at her eyes and blew her nose. "She has two brothers who are buried here. I guess she's checking up on them. And when she gets back to Brooklyn she'll go to the cemetery there and visit with her mother and her sisters and another brother buried there."

"I guess she must like cemeteries."

We both laughed. Mom turned the heater and the motor off. "Let's find the bathroom", she said, and we went over to the entrance building, where we eventually found GMa.

"Oh, there you are", GMa said, as if she had forgotten all about us. Her cheeks and the tip of her nose were very pink and her eyes were bright.

"You must be frozen", Mom said to her.

"Oh, no", GMa said. "I love this weather. Invigorating. We can go now. I know you want to beat the traffic home."

Mom got us back okay, except for one wrong turn off the Expressway. I sat in the back with GMa. She didn't say much until we were almost home.

"I'm starving", she said. "I'll treat."

Mom pulled in at the fancy neighborhood diner.

I had a hamburger. Mom and GMa ordered flounder and the waitress set down two long oval plates, the surface of each covered by a whole flat fish, browned and scored in triangular patterns, as though they had been cut out and marked by the same huge cookie cutter. The two fish eyes, one on Mom's plate and the other on GMa's, stared at the ceiling.

When GMa finished all the meat on one side of her fish, with the delicate fish bone showing flaky white over another bed of fish meat, she took hold of the head and the tail, flipped the fish over, and ate the meat on the other side. Only the skeleton remained, with the head and tail at opposite ends.

"I'm satisfied", she said. "I can go home now."

Mom took her to our house to get her things and then we drove GMa to the railroad station. Mom kissed GMa on the cheek and GMa kissed me on the nose, her hands pressing into my face. We watched GMa disappear into the blackness of the train, her white head bobbing in back of each window like a sequence of undeveloped film negatives, as the train picked up speed in the opposite direction.

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Q. I do not understand why American restaurants continue to use French wording on their menus. Not long ago I ate in a place where various dishes were described as "a l'Espagnole", "a la Grecque" and "a l'Anglaise." Telling diners that the foods were prepared in the Spanish or Greek or English manner was not very helpful!

A. French cuisine is considered by many people to be the best in the world so it is not surprising that many terms dealing with food preparations are derived from the French!

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Don't be intimidated by French (or Italian, German etc.) expressions in menus. Those terms are not difficult to master and after a time you will begin to see they are a useful "shorthand" for the diner, telling him about methods of food preparation and ingredients.

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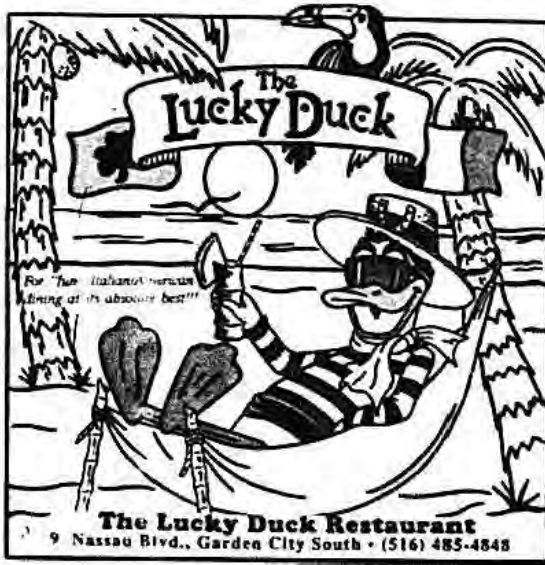
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 W.C. A. You don't do it in anyone's home. You may, however, apply lipstick and a dab of powder at a restaurant table. If you are traveling abroad, applying cosmetics at a restaurant table is often considered gauche. If you are with a party of Americans, on the other hand, you may wish to follow your own custom in the matter. It is wise to be discreet.

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Wine Talk



The year in wine

By Richard Nalley

The halls have been decked, the bells jingled, and 1992 looms large with possibilities and presentiments. Me, I'm still trying to figure out what happened to 1992. It was here just a minute ago.

WORDS ACROSS THE WATER
 It was the year when the great trade embargo didn't happen. A long-running dispute between the United States and the European Community over subsidized soybean products erupted onto the front pages this fall with the news that a 200 percent tax would soon be slapped on European white wine.

It was, smirked a commodity trader friend of mine, the kind of news commodity traders dream of: news that created a mini-run on white wine.

Unfortunately, the stampedie on the package stores was not impressive enough to dent the expensive stockpiles that importers had built up in anticipation of a ruinous tariff.

At any rate, despite grumbling in France, the danger seems to have passed. And there's lots of European white wine for sale out there.

SMILE FACE, PART I
 1992 has been one of the most fortunate years in recent history for lovers of fine wine. In reds the sensational 1990s from California and Burgundy began to come onto the market, as did the equally exciting 1989s from Bordeaux and the Rhone. And superb German Rieslings from 1990 and lovely 1989s from Alsace gave white wine drinkers something special to look for.

HUSH, HUSH
 Jess Jackson, proprietor of Lake County's Kendall-Jackson winery, won in court while shooting himself in the foot.

He answered a lawsuit by former winemaker Jed Steele with a suit of his own, alleging that

Steele was divulging the secret "nine-step process" that went into making K-J's ultrasuccessful Chardonnay.

Jackson called further attention to the mystery Chardonnay by asking the court to bar the public from the sensitive portions of the testimony.

Secret process? For Chardonnay? The jokesters and cynics have had a field day with this one.

SMILE FACE, PART II
 Red wine sales continued to surt the big wave from the '80 Minutes' segment on the French Paradox, first broadcast on CBS in November of 1991 and rebroadcast last summer.

The show discussed research that appears to show that moderate intake of red wine may reduce risk of coronary heart disease (it works for French people, anyway).

A new study, reported in November at the annual American Heart Association conference, finds a positive correlation for white wines in reducing coronary artery disease as well. All in moderation, of course.

OVER & OUT
 The wine world was shocked to hear of the Jan. 15 ouster of Domaine de la Romanee-Conti's co-director, Lalou Bize-Leroy, perhaps Burgundy's most famous citizen.

Following an embarrassingly public squabble that pitted her against her sister, Pauline Roch, and co-director Aubert de Villaine, Bize-Leroy has not set foot on the Domaine property she guided for 18 years.

Bize-Leroy continues to own 25 percent of DRC, however, which produces the world's most expensive portfolio of red wines.

WILL HE STOP AT NOTHING?
 The Wine Spectator reports that former Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega has been implicated in a counterfeit Champagne ring.

Operating out of Cuba, the conspirators produced what amounted to wine coolers, packaged them in Champagne bottles labeled with the insignia of a famous Champagne house, and distributed the bad bubbly through Panama.

MILESTONES

The wine community was saddened in 1992 by the deaths of Sheldon Wasserman, 51, best known as co-author with his former wife, Pauline, of "Italy's Noble Red Wines" (Macmillan); the standard reference on these wines in English, and of Ray Wellington, 29, wine director for the New York Restaurant Group and one of the East Coast's most active promoters of charity wine events.

Both men were personal friends and will be greatly missed.

Andre Tchelistcheff celebrated his 90th birthday surrounded by a sea of his friends. The kind, urbane emigre Russian aristocrat is arguably the most influential winemaker in American history, at Beaujeu Vineyards and elsewhere, and mentor to several generations of California and Washington state winemakers.

HOW MUCH IS THAT CHATEAU IN THE WINDOW?

Two of Bordeaux's most prestigious wine estates went on the block. First Growth Chateau Latour and "Super Second" Growth Chateau Grand-Larose.

Meanwhile, back in California, sales were brisk. Among the slew of wineries changing ownership this year were such well-known properties as Fetzer, William Hill, Jekel Vineyards and Spring Mountain, better known as TV's "Falcon Crest."

Hanns Korneil Champagne Cellars suffered a bank foreclosure, potentially ending the sparkling wine maker's 60-year run in Napa Valley.

FUN EVENT, FINE RESULT

The Napa Valley Wine Auction set a record for an American charity auction — and shattered its own previous year's record — by ringing up \$1 million-plus for its beneficiaries.

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READER RATINGS



Q. In my neighborhood there are quite a few restaurants. All of them do a brisk business and several have even expanded. Is it my imagination, or do people really dine out more frequently than ever before?

A. It is definitely not your imagination. Years ago it was a rare treat for most families to dine in a restaurant. But that was at a time when women had more time to prepare meals, since they did not as a rule work outside the home. Today, the average American eats out several times a week.

Q. Last winter, while attending a private anniversary party in a restaurant, I was served hot mulled wine. It really hit the spot on that chilly January night! Can you tell me exactly what was in this delicious drink?

A. Hot mulled wine is made of red wine flavored usually with lemon, clove and cinnamon. Brandy is often added for extra "zing." The mixture is served piping hot sprinkled with nutmeg.

Q. When dining out I have often seen women wearing their coats to the table, then depositing them on the 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?

A. Yes, a man always checks his coat in a restaurant. But a woman has the option of checking her coat or bringing it to the table.

Q. Recently I was a guest at a club luncheon in a restaurant. Accidentally, I overturned my tomato juice. What was the right thing to do? The waiter didn't see the accident immediately. T.L.

A. A waiter seeing such an accident would immediately change the cloth, or if that was impossible at a long table, would spread a clean napkin over the spilled food. As the waiter did not do this because he was busy elsewhere, at a large luncheon you could have spread a napkin over the spot yourself, without undue discussion of the incident. Everyone occasionally has things like this happen.

Q. How many people does a bottle of champagne serve at dessert time?

A. Normally four. If you're at a wedding-rehearsal dinner or an anniversary party, the toasting might go on for quite a while, so you have to supply twice as much champagne for your guests as you would for a regular dinner party.

If you have questions about etiquette or dining out you may call them into WE 1-8027 and we will find the answer.

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HEALTH WATCH

Late dispatches from the cold war

This is the cold season, but there are ways to help keep a cold from becoming a family affair.

Cold virus defense tactics

- Wash hands often, especially when working with food or in the kitchen. Remember: viruses are spread by the hands and mouth.
- Wash dishes in hot water. Don't dry them with a dish towel.
- Don't share food or drinks from a common platter.
- Keep toothbrushes separated.
- Use disinfectant spray on countertops, doorknobs and telephones.
- Dispose of used tissues.

SOURCE: Men's Health Magazine

KITCHEN HINTS

Make your own syrup.

Top your flapjacks with this substitute:

1. Combine 1 cup white sugar, 1 cup brown sugar and 1 cup water in a saucepan.
2. Boil until sugar dissolves (about 3 minutes).
3. Add 1/2 teaspoon vanilla plus 1 teaspoon maple flavoring, if desired.



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In addition they can make suggestions, compliments or criticisms through the open phone line and messages will be sent through to the restaurant management.

(Guide to Good Dining)

READER RATINGS



Fine Place

My husband and I dined recently with another couple at a restaurant we've seen advertised many times, JB's. It is located at 234 Old Country Road, in Mineola. It was rather busy the night we were there so we waited for our table at the bar. My husband enjoyed the featured beer of the month, Sam Smith's Winter Welcome ale from England. After a pleasant wait at the bar the four of us were seated for dinner. We shared a huge nacho platter, and the best buffalo wings any of us had ever had. For dinner we ordered the barbecued baby back ribs, lobster ravioli in shrimp sauce, pot roast and honey glazed chicken. After our dinner we enjoyed live music at the open mike night. Every aspect of our trip to JB's was wonderful. The restaurant is beautiful and the staff was friendly and our meal was fantastic. K.L.

Q. Recently my fiance and I ate in an expensive restaurant. The food was excellent and so was the service. However, our table was located quite near the door and we felt a terrible draft anytime someone entered or left the premises. We were both extremely annoyed and will certainly never return to that particular restaurant. What is your opinion?

A. You should have told the maitre d' politely but firmly about the problem. He would certainly have shown you to another table if one was available. Even at this late date, you should consider sending a letter to the restaurant owner. I'm sure he wants to please his customers and will take your complaint very seriously. It would make good business sense for him to eliminate the draft!

Q. At what time of day are you supposed to hold a housewarming?

A. Any time of day, from 11 in the morning until 10 at night. Usually, a housewarming is a family affair (unless you are a single person). If you have a family, you would invite families, and your children would co-host the event with you.

You might make the hours on a Saturday or Sunday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 to 6 p.m., 3 to 6 p.m., 4 to 7 p.m. or even 8 to 10 p.m. Some people have an all-day open house, but that is exhausting and usually unmanageable for the hosts.

COOKS' BOOKS



Tuning into lore about beer

By Charles Britton

"Real Beer and Good Eats" by Bruce Aldrich and Dennis Kelly; Knopf, \$22.50.

There's no such thing as a free lunch, the modern dictum runs, but that wasn't always true. Once upon a time, any man who knew the right saloon could pack away a powerful amount of victuals, thrown in for the price of a schooner of mead.

Well, maybe the lunch would set you back an extra dime or a nickel, so the authors of "Real Beer and Good Eats" admit, and sometimes the table might have offered no more than a "couple of slices of stale ham and a hunk of hard cheese."

But other bars were known for impressive buffets, "an avalanche of caviar, cresspea, cheeses, cold meats, anchovies, olives, radishes and salads," according to one contemporary account of the turn-of-the-century Waldorf Astoria in New York.

In a way, this book is something like the erstwhile saloon lunch. It's a varied feast of lore about beer in America, from the immigrant Brannmeister, just arrived from Central Europe, to the latest boutique brewery. And like the old spreads, it consists of items calculated to inspire a powerful thirst.

"Real Beer and Good Eats" is the latest in the Knopf Cooks American series, and it's one of the best, a book so full of interesting reading and amusing illustrations that it will attract many who never step into a kitchen, recipe in hand.

For example, you'll find a thorough account of the California microbrewery movement, starting with the first such operation in America, New Albion in Sonoma, founded in 1977. And there's mention of dozens of amateur brewers, including the Maltese Falcons in Southern California.

The recipes cover food made with beer and dishes that go well with a sendel or two. Among the former is this extraordinary gingerbread, made with stout, a dark, strong and very full bodied variety of ale.

GINGERBREAD STOUT CAKE

¾ cup stout
 Butter and flour for the baking pan
 2½ cups all-purpose flour
 2 teaspoons powdered ginger
 2 teaspoons cinnamon
 ½ teaspoon cloves
 2 teaspoons baking soda
 ½ teaspoon salt
 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened

1¼ cups packed light brown sugar
 2 large eggs
 1 cup molasses
 Powdered sugar

Yields 13-cup Bundt cake.
 A couple of hours before making cake, pour stout into a large measuring cup and allow it to go flat; you will need ¾ cup after the head settles.

Preheat oven to 350 F. Butter and flour 13-cup Bundt or other tube pan. Sift together flour, ginger, cinnamon, cloves, baking soda and salt.

Using hand-beat mixer on high, beat butter and sugar in large bowl until light, about 1 minute. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Beat in molasses. Don't worry if mixture looks curdled.

Lower mixer to medium. Beat in flour mixture, a third at a time, scraping down sides of bowl often. Beat in stout.

Scrape batter into prepared pan, smooth top. Bake until the cake tests done, 50 to 60 minutes. Cool in pan on wire cake rack for 10 minutes, then unmold onto rack. Serve warm or cool, dusted with powdered sugar.

The authors suggest serving stout with the cake. They say that in the old saloon days, some barkeeps offered pies along with the mead.

Beer goes with more foods than does wine. Indeed, a brewski is the drink of choice with anything spicy, like these delectable shrimp from New Orleans.

SHRIMP REMOULADE

4 quarts water
 Salt
 1 pound medium shrimp
 1 cup lemon juice
 1½ cups chopped celery
 1 cup sliced green onions
 ½ cup chopped parsley
 ½ cup chopped pimiento
 ¼ cup Creole or Dijon mustard
 ¼ cup prepared horseradish
 1 cup mayonnaise
 2 tablespoons olive oil
 ½ cup arragon vinegar
 2 tablespoons paprika
 ½ teaspoon red pepper
 Salt, pepper to taste
 Shredded lettuce (optional)
 Yields 4 to 6 servings.

Bring water to a boil with salt. Add shrimp and cook 5 to 7 minutes, until pink and firm. Drain, cool under running water. Peel shrimp; refrigerate until ready to use.

In food processor fitted with metal blade, chop celery, green onions and parsley. Pieces should be about ¼-inch in size. Place vegetables in bowl. Process pimiento to a purée; add mustard, horseradish and mayonnaise. With processor running, gradually add olive oil and vinegar. With processor off, add vegetables, pulsing once or twice to mix. Add seasonings. The sauce may be made ahead and refrigerated for 3 or 4 days.

To serve, arrange 6 or 7 shrimp on a plate, with optional lettuce. Spoon a generous amount of sauce over them. This dish is traditionally served with French bread.

COOKS' BOOKS



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Desiree Vivea

Mexican food — once you've acquired a taste for it (and it doesn't take long), you're hooked for life. Rich guacamole, fiery red chili salsas, crisp tortillas, succulent shredded beef, sweet caramel flan and tender *pan dulce* — I love them all. Unfortunately, it's all too easy to overindulge, and my waistline always shows it.

I once considered moving to England but decided against it, for a number of reasons. Not because good Mexican food is generally unavailable there — but this fact did seem to help me make up my mind to stay on this side of the Atlantic.

Much of the Mexican food available in U.S. restaurants and fast-food chains is extremely high in saturated fat and salt. But if you travel into Mexico, you'll find many dishes are surprisingly low in fat since the traditional cuisine of various regions features many fresh fruits and vegetables — and often more seafood and chicken than beef.

If you love Mexican food like I do, but you want to avoid the sodium and calories associated with many commercially prepared dishes, here are some healthy tips you can follow:

- Instead of serving store-bought corn chips (deep-fried in lard or oil) as appetizers, "zap" corn tortillas in your microwave to soften them (see "Micro-Tip" below) and serve with fresh tomato salsa (*salsa fresca*) for a deliciously low-fat alternative.

- Remove and discard skin when preparing chicken for tacos or enchiladas; you'll save on fat and calories.

- Check the label when you buy canned refried beans — they're often prepared with quite a bit of lard. Some markets carry vegetarian canned refried beans (made with vegetable shortening) — or make your own, so you can control what goes into the pot.

When eating out, remember to ask for regular beans instead of refried — once again, you'll save on fat.

- Many Mexican favorites are loaded with high-calorie cheeses. To cut down on calories, substitute low-fat cottage cheese for part of the cheese called for in a recipe.

Try low-fat plain yogurt in place of sour cream or compromise and try a mixture of half sour cream, half yogurt.

- Love tacos but want to avoid the fat? Steam corn or flour tortillas for tacos instead of frying. Fill with shredded skinless chicken or poached fish instead of fatty beef.

Try Fish Tacos with Guacamole (recipe below). And if you're really dieting, cut down on or eliminate the guacamole. Although a fruit, the avocado is high in fat and calories.

- Set out plenty of fresh low-cal vegetable condiments: shredded lettuce or cabbage, chopped tomatoes and cilantro, red Spanish on-

ions, sliced green onions and zesty radishes.

If you're lucky enough not to be on a post-holiday diet, you can indulge yourself in sinfully sweet and creamy Fiesta Flan, a microwave version of the popular Mexican dessert.

FISH TACOS WITH GUACAMOLE

- 1 large, ripe avocado
 - 1/2 cup sour cream
 - 2 tablespoons chopped green onion
 - 2 tablespoons red chili salsa
 - 1 tablespoon lime juice
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 1/2 cup white wine
 - 1 1/2 tablespoons lime juice
 - 3 whole peppercorns, cracked
 - 1 pound white fish fillets (halibut, rockfish, etc.), each about 1/2 inch thick
 - 8 (6-inch) flour or corn tortillas
 - 2 cups finely shredded iceberg lettuce or cabbage
 - 1 large, ripe tomato, diced
 - Chopped fresh cilantro
 - 2 limes, sliced in quarters
- Yields 4 to 6 servings.
Preparation time: 15 to 20 minutes.

Cooking time: 5 to 8 minutes.
Oven setting: HIGH (100 percent power).

To make guacamole, peel and seed avocado, then mash in a small mixing bowl. Stir in sour cream, green onion, salsa and lime juice. Cover with plastic wrap and set aside.

In an 11x7 inch glass baking dish combine water, wine, lime juice and peppercorns. Place fish fillets in dish, with thickest portions toward outside. Cover with plastic wrap, leaving 1 corner open to vent, and microwave 2 minutes. Turn fish over; microwave 2 to 5 minutes longer, or until fish is almost opaque. Let stand, covered, while preparing tortillas.

Sprinkle each tortilla lightly with water. Stack on microwave-safe plate, cover with wax paper and microwave about 1 minute or until hot.

Drain poached fish and place on a serving plate; break into bite-size chunks. For each taco, fill 1 hot tortilla with fish chunks. Add shredded lettuce or cabbage, a spoonful of guacamole, some diced tomato, and a bit of chopped cilantro. Serve immediately with extra lime wedges, if desired.

MICRO-TIP OF THE WEEK

To warm a few corn or flour tortillas, sprinkle lightly with water, cover loosely with wax paper or wrap in a paper towel. Microwave at HIGH (100 percent power) setting 6 to 7 seconds per tortilla.

To warm a package of a dozen tortillas, pierce plastic wrapping in several places with a fork. Place unopened package in the oven and microwave at HIGH setting about 1 minute.

By Willard Abraham, Ph.D.

Alcohol or not?

Dr. Abraham: Not long ago you had a letter in your column from "an 18-year-old regular male" whose father drank "a beer now and then." His mother doesn't drink at all, and sometimes she says nasty things to his dad when he does that.

On the boy's 18th birthday his dad and he each had a can of beer. His mother objected very much.

That boy felt he was caught in the middle. He said it won't be a regular thing and he doesn't really like beer that much, but he does like the way his father treats him and their chance to have conversations together.

You suggested a few things — that he tell his mother about his liking his father's treatment of him and the enjoyment of their conversations, try to get his mother to join them while she sips a soft drink, and change to her choice once in a while.

Your response seems to accept the use of alcohol by a boy who isn't old enough to legally drink and to indicate that he feels he has to drink with his dad to receive good conversation and treatment.

It is also important to save that mother more heartaches and advise the boy to stay away from alcohol and to have a drink of soda with his mom. — Son

Son: Your points seem to be valid. In fact, your suggestions may make more sense than mine did. Do you other teens feel that they do? Or do you have other thoughts on this matter? Please let me hear from you.

Dr. Abraham: This girl I like does one thing that bothers me, and I don't know what to do about it.

On the desk in her room at home she has a picture of a guy she says is her brother. It doesn't look at all like him, and I told her so. She said it was taken a few years ago, and if I don't believe her, I could ask her mother.

I'm embarrassed to do that, but how can I find out for sure that it is really her brother or maybe someone else? — Curious

Curious: You might mention to her mother that you noticed the picture of her son, and ask when it was taken. Her response and facial expression will probably tell you what you want to know.

If it really is her brother, you can tell her that the only reason you wanted to be sure was because "you like her so much. If you feel strongly that it is someone else, you might want to not bring up the subject again, but to real-

ize that you may have competition. If that is too heavy a burden for you to carry, a conversation with her about a him-or-you choice may be worth having.

Dr. Abraham: I have an English teacher who is really something else. I mean she is terrific, and it isn't often that I think that way about a teacher. In fact, it's practically never.

She encourages us to write about anything we write to every week, reads some of them in class (without mentioning our names), corrects a few things with class members' help, and always ends up saying something nice about what she reads to us.

She is interested in every one of us, never sarcastic or mean, and so nice that you wouldn't believe it.

She has helped me a lot. Lately it was when she suggested to me (with no one else around) that because I use some words over and over I might want to use a "thesaurus" to get more variety into my writing.

I wish other kids would have a teacher like that. She is a peacemaker, and not even specially good-looking. Teacher Happy!

Teacher Happy: Lucky you. Although such teachers may be rare, most of us have known one or more of them. I did, and they also were English teachers, and I can assure you that what you are experiencing will become a happy, long-lasting memory.

Too often it is easier to look for the negative characteristics of teachers. That's too bad, because there are many others who have the knowledge and sensitivity of the teacher you appreciate.

Thank you for your letter, and for all the teachers who might read it.

Dr. Abraham: I'm just a kid, but I can't for the life of me understand why some kids drive around with their car windows open and radios blasting so loud that you can hear them a mile away. It's really terrible, and seems kind of dumb to me.

What's so like about "music" that loud? It's just a lot of loud noise and no music at all.

It is sure one of my pet peeves — Against Noise.

Against Noise: I happen to be on your side, and it's nice to hear from a teen who feels this way. I imagine there are other teens who agree with you.

I wish some of the noise supporters would tell both you and me why they do as they do. Their reasons could be interesting.

Cooking Corner



Pears at their peak

By Linda Susan Dudley

Bartlett is the most abundant type of more than 3,000 varieties of pears. But the Bartlett wasn't always called that. We could be talking about Stair pears because an English schoolmaster named Stair found a yellow pear growing wild and sold it to a nurseryman who named the pear, coincidentally, Stair.

Stair pears were later planted in the Massachusetts Bay Colony in this country. And when that land was passed on to Enoch Bartlett, he named the sweet, yellow pears after himself. (It's a good thing Enoch didn't have a 10-syllable name.)

In Colonial America, pears rivaled apples in popularity. They were used to make wine, hard cider, sauce and preserves.

Today, you're more likely to find a pear eaten out of hand, especially as a lunch-box fruit. In these health-conscious times, pears are consumed especially for their high fiber, which totals 6 grams in a 6-ounce pear. A pear is also high in potassium, low in sodium and has 95 calories.

Pears are one of the few fruits that do not ripen on the tree. So, they're picked, packed, stored and shipped when they are green in color and have not fully ripened.

Some Bartletts have a slight red blush on the skin but this isn't an indication of ripeness or superior quality — it's a result of the skin's exposure to sunlight when on the tree.

Here's how to ripen and store them:

- If Bartlett pears are green and firm, ripen them at room temperature in a loosely closed paper bag.

- A naturally occurring gas known as ethylene is released from the fruit and encourages the ripening process. Check pears daily.

- Fruit is ripe when it has a fresh, fruity aroma and has turned from green to yellow. The average ripening time is two to four days.

- Once pears are ripe, eat them or store in the refrigerator for up to five days.

- To remove skin, use a potato peeler for firm pears; for soft pears, use a stainless steel paring

knife. However, remember when possible to use unpeeled because the skin is a source of some of the dietary fiber.

- To retain color, immediately dip pear slices in a mixture of 1 tablespoon lemon juice and 1 cup cold water. To reduce discoloration that occurs between a sliced pear's skin and flesh, use stainless steel utensils.

Other ingredients that enhance Bartlett pear flavor:

- Spices: cinnamon, allspice, nutmeg, vanilla extract, rum extract, cloves and ginger spices.

- Sweets: chocolate, caramel, butterscotch and brown sugar.

- Other fruit: peaches, plums, nectarines, currants, raspberries, boysenberries, blackberries and strawberries.

- Cheeses: cream cheese, Brie, Camembert, bleu and goat cheese.

If Bartletts catch your fancy, try these recipes created by the pear experts in the test kitchen of California Tree Fruit Agreement, a marketing organization for several state fruit crops.

PEAR MELBA PIE

Raspberry filling:
1 (10-ounce) package frozen red raspberries, thawed
1 envelope plain gelatin
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup boiling water
1 teaspoon lemon juice
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
1 cup fresh raspberries (optional)

Cheese filling:
1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon grated lemon peel
2 tablespoons half-and-half
Additional ingredients:
1 9-inch pie or tart shell, baked
3 fresh Bartlett pears, peeled, cored and sliced

Yields 8 servings.

To prepare raspberry filling, drain raspberries, reserving liquid. Sprinkle gelatin over $\frac{1}{4}$ cup

reserved juice. Stir boiling water into gelatin and add lemon juice, sugar and salt; stir to dissolve. Add remaining syrup, frozen and fresh raspberries. Chill until mixture will mound on spoon.

To prepare cheese filling, combine cheese, lemon peel and half-and-half. Spread cheese filling on baked pastry shell. Arrange pear slices decoratively over filling. Cover with gelatin mixture, mounding raspberries in middle. Chill until set.

PEAR BRUNCH SQUARES

Filling:
4 fresh Bartlett pears, chopped
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tablespoons cornstarch (divided use)
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cinnamon
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup water
 $2\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoons lemon juice
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 tablespoons raisins OR currants
Pastry shell and topping:
2 cups unbleached flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
5 tablespoons sugar (divided use)
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup butter, softened
3 egg yolks
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoons lemon juice
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup ground walnuts

Yields 8 servings.

Toss pears with 2 tablespoons cornstarch. In saucepan, mix sugar, remaining cornstarch, salt and cinnamon. Stir in water, lemon juice and cook, stirring, over medium heat until thickened. Add butter and vanilla extract; stir in currants or raisins. Cool. Add pears to filling mixture.

For pastry shell and topping, mix flour, salt and 3 tablespoons sugar in mixing bowl; cut in butter with pastry blender or beat with mixer until well combined, moist and crumbly. Mix in egg yolks and lemon juice.

Save 1 cup dough for topping; press remainder into bottom and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches up sides of 8-inch square baking pan. Bake in 375 F oven 10 minutes.

Fill with pear filling. For crumbly topping, add remaining 2 tablespoons sugar and walnuts to reserved 1 cup dough; crumble over filling. Bake 25 to 40 minutes longer. Serve slightly warm or chilled.

PEAR CRESCENTS

2 fresh Bartlett pears, pared, cored and diced (2 cups)
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup raisins
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup dates, pitted and chopped
2 tablespoons lemon juice
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup walnuts, finely chopped
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar
2 tablespoons brandy
1 teaspoon grated orange peel
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon ground cinnamon
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon nutmeg
1 can (8 rolls) crescent roll dough
1 large egg, lightly beaten with 1 teaspoon water

Yields 16 rolls.

Simmer pears, raisins, dates and lemon juice together until al-

most all moisture has evaporated. Puree this mixture in food processor or blender; blend or press through coarse sieve. Add all other ingredients except dough and egg. Mixture should be thick. Cool.

Separate 8 crescent shapes. Cut each in half. Distribute filling between triangles. Roll filling inside dough. Bring ends over and tie on top. Brush rolls with beaten egg. Bake in 375 F oven 12 to 15 minutes or until golden-brown.

TRIPLE CHOCOLATE PEAR CAKE

2 fresh Bartlett pears, cored and grated (2 cups)
2 ounces unsweetened chocolate
3 cups flour
 $1\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon cocoa
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups oil
2 cups sugar
4 large eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
1 cup whipping cream, whipped
Pear slices for garnish (optional)

Yields 8 servings.

Butter and flour 10-inch bundt pan.

Place pears in sieve over bowl, squeeze out excess liquid. Chop unsweetened chocolate and place in bowl over hot water to melt.

In mixing bowl, combine flour and remaining dry ingredients. In another bowl, beat oil and sugar on medium speed until well combined. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add vanilla extract and melted chocolate. Beat in dry ingredients, mixing only until they are combined. Stir in pears and chocolate chips.

Pour into prepared pan and bake in 350 F oven 1 hour, 40 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan 15 minutes before unmolding; cool completely on rack.

To assemble: Cut cake in 2 places, making 3 layers. Place bottom layer on serving dish. Spread with $\frac{1}{2}$ whipping cream. Add center layer; spread with $\frac{1}{2}$ whipping cream. Add top of cake and pipe remaining whipping cream decoratively. Arrange pear slices.



By C.Z. Guest

Each holiday season millions of Christmas trees end up destined for the town dump — from holiday treasure to trash literally overnight!

Why waste a tree and especially your tree — a symbol of life, giving and hope — when it can be put to good use?

• Buy a balled or burlapped or a potted tree and plant it after the holidays. Living trees are more expensive than cut ones, but they will be enjoyed for years to come rather than for a few short days.

When ready to plant (prepare a hole before), be careful not to move the tree directly from a warm area into freezing temperatures. First, take it to a sheltered spot for several days so it can adjust to colder temperatures.

• Use a cut tree for a bird feeder. Place it outside and decorate it with suet, bread, orange slices and nuts. Let your imagination run wild. Watch the birds pep up your winter landscape.

• Clip off the boughs and use them to protect tender perennials and shrubs from the stress of icy winter winds.

• Compost your Christmas tree. Remove the needles, chop up the branches and shred the trunk to speed up decomposition. Many cities and towns offer Christmas tree collection and composting services. Check with your local Department of Public Works for details.

SLEEPING GARDENS

During winter months, the garden should be put to bed as you would your child.

Once the ground is frozen, put salt hay or oak leaves on the garden beds to act as an insulator. It keeps the soil from freezing and thawing rapidly due to the fluctuations in temperature. This is especially important for newly planted perennials.

During the winter months, thawing spells, usually in January, do more damage to plants than anything else.

COLD, HARD FACTS

• Snow covers 50 percent of the earth's land in winter — more than 6 million square miles.

• To dig out a 30-foot two-car driveway after a 4-inch snowfall, you'll have to remove 4 tons of snow. No wonder 40 percent of home owners in the northern zones (snow belt) own snowthrowers.

• Snow absorbs nitrates, sulphates and calcium from the atmosphere and releases them into the soil. Worth \$120 per acre in the Midwestern part of the country, snow is known as the "poor man's fertilizer" because of its nitrogen content.

• In avalanches snow can flow as liquid, so skiers beware!

Our Children

By Willard Abraham



Convincing a sister that the family is fine

Q. My children aren't a problem, but my sister is. We have always had a warm relationship, but lately she has been critical of how I am raising my two boys, 8 and 10 years old.

I am a divorced, single mother, work full time on a well-paying job, have close contact with my sons during their after-school hours till I get home and spend as much time as I can with them during weekends and evenings. Obviously meals, laundry, shopping and other daily chores cut into that time.

She feels that I don't spend enough time with them and that my discipline is too loose and erratic. I don't think it is. It is consistent, with the emphasis on preventing problems rather than imposing heavy disciplinary measures. In fact, my expectations are quite high, and my children usually manage to live up to them.

I'm satisfied, and my kids are getting along fine at home, at school and with their numerous friends.

My question to you is this: How can I turn off my sister's remarks and help change her attitudes? I certainly don't want to offend her and will try to avoid that.

A. This sounds like a situation that should not be too difficult to handle. Because you apparently have a basically good relationship with her, it is like "money in the bank." This could be the time to dip into it by telling her (in a way that indicates this is a one-time conversation on this subject) how you feel about her criticism and perhaps include a few comments on how well you and your sons are managing during this busy time in your lives.

You haven't mentioned her family situation. Could there be an element of envy because in reality she recognizes how well you are doing and she may have problems with her own youngsters or other pressures? I'm not suggesting that you delve into such issues, but they may be the reason for her critical remarks to you.

Q. Our 16-year-old son is somewhat (not totally) obstinate about wearing glasses that he needs. He

is nearsighted, and he knows it because his teacher places him right in front so that he can see what she writes on the board.

I know that isn't vanity because he isn't that kind of kid.

What can we do to encourage him, except maybe talking about contact lenses? Our ophthalmologist says that we ought to wait awhile before considering that route.

What do you say?

A. Because he or she is the medical specialist in this area, it is, no doubt, best to follow that advice. However you might ask him about the surgery that has been quite successful in recent years with nearsighted individuals.

You could also check on factors like these that might make life easier for your son, and for you, too:

• Let him select the frames and case he likes even though it isn't your own first choice. The bottom line is that this may be a major factor in his wearing glasses.

• There are colors, styles and even logos now used on glasses and their cases that are teen-oriented and might appeal to him.

• Lightweight, scratch-resistant materials might be more comfortable than past substances. They are sometimes safer and more cost-effective, too.

• Flexible frames and spring hinges could appeal to his practical side because they are bendable and return to their original shape.

• Check on the built-in protection against ultraviolet rays of the sun.

• Safety lenses might be attractive to him, especially if he is physically active.

• Non-corrosive frame materials resist perspiration, paint and sticky foods.

• How they fit is important. Discomfort could discourage his wearing them.

These ideas came from the National Society to Prevent Blindness and Sears Optical.

Your own ophthalmologist should be your resource for checking out suggestions like these, perhaps offering others and providing his or her attitude about the surgical possibility I mentioned earlier.

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Fitness Forum

By Meredith Gresler

Kicking the caffeine habit is a headache

You remember Mrs. Olsen, that nice lady on the coffee commercials? Consider what would happen if gentle Mrs. Olsen gave up coffee on her doctor's advice.

Even if she drank only two cups a day, Mrs. Olsen would not be quite as sweet-tempered without her daily fix. She'd be subject to throbbing headaches and nausea. She might feel ill, as if she had the flu. Not to mention mood swings, depression and anxiety.

So much for the kindly coffee queen.

Experts long have recognized that major-league caffeine addicts may feel out of sorts by quitting cold turkey. But a recent Johns Hopkins University study suggests that even the millions of Americans who consume only one or two cups of coffee, tea or caffeinated soda also may feel sick without their daily fix, if only for a week or two at most.

In fact, some people who took part in the study experienced stay-in-bed symptoms "worse than the flu." And one woman said giving up caffeine made her feel "as awful as getting cancer chemotherapy."

While caffeine remains the last socially acceptable drug, more and more Americans find themselves trying to break the habit. Some are quitting on doctor's orders. Some are cutting back on expenses. And some just like the idea of not being chemically dependent.

But whatever the reason, abruptly quitting can prove painful.

Ron, 55, remembers vividly when he detoxed himself from caffeine about 15 years ago. The retired high school woodworking teacher saw the light while practicing his regular Monday food-and-drink fasting routine, an exercise he did to keep his weight in check.

"I noticed that toward the end of the fasting day I would get a headache, but the next day when I'd eat breakfast and drink coffee, the headache would go away. Then my wife pointed out that every time she refrained from drinking coffee, she would get a headache.

"So I figured, hey, if my body is going to react to the lack of caffeine like this, it is like a drug. My body doesn't need to have this stuff running around in it, so I gave it up that day."

For the next week he suffered a constant, severe headache, followed by a less intense headache the second week. But after that he felt great, knowing he was chemical-free. In fact, he felt so fit that he later ran three marathons.

Kim Kromas, nutritionist and chiropractor, says her patients' reactions to kicking caffeine vary

from mild flulike symptoms to headaches and irritability. Patients experiencing mood swings find this symptom vanishes when they have been off caffeine for about a week, she says.

"Caffeine is a natural diuretic. It constricts the muscles. That's why people can get flulike symptoms when they give it up. Also, toxins get released into the body that can cause different symptoms in some patients," she says.

She also warns that drinking a lot of coffee in the morning can leave you with the afternoon blues.

Doreen Wickens, who teaches several stop-smoking classes each week, says that many of her students routinely quit drinking coffee when they stop smoking.

"They don't take a smoke break anymore, so they don't need to sip coffee while they are smoking. There is no longer a reason to drink three cups of coffee. About one-third of my former smokers quit caffeine altogether, and the rest cut down tremendously."

The ones who quit usually experience headaches and irritability, she says.

But for every typical case, there's always an exception. Just ask Connie, who drank eight to 10 cups of coffee every day, especially in the evening. She did this for 40 years, until one night recently she couldn't get to sleep. Laid awake all night. The next night she had the same experience.

"I thought maybe it was the coffee, so the next night I started drinking decaffeinated and have been drinking it ever since. I never had any reaction whatsoever to quitting," she says.

Coffee wasn't a problem for Bonnie, 31, but when she learned she was pregnant five months ago, she decided that her several fixes a day of caffeine-laced Cokes and ice teas were going to have to stop for the sake of the baby. She quit cold.

"I was really a caffeine lightweight, but still I actually craved it," she recalls.

And even after quitting, she found herself automatically helping herself from the company Coke machine. For her, the habit was the hardest to break. She didn't experience any physical problems.

"Now I just substitute milk, juice or water," she says, "and when my husband and I go out with friends I bring my own beverage."

Fitness Forum

THE HEALTHY GOURMET



By Kit Suedaker

Although the mayor of Nice insists that a Salad Nicoise contains nothing cooked, I discovered in Monaco that this is fantasy more than fact.

World famous Salad Nicoise can be made with almost anything. It usually has cooked potatoes, green beans, anchovies, tuna, onion, garlic, peppers and lettuce all soaked with a vinaigrette.

In fact, I lived on that wonderful Provencal dish when I found it also comes in sandwich form, Pan Bagnat. Frequently I jogged out to a bakery at the crack of dawn and had one for breakfast. I ate it sitting in the sunshine dribbling vinaigrette and tomato juice down my front.

Not only is this low-cal, but it tastes wickedly good. You can make crumbs from the center of the baguette or roll and add that to the mixture for a different consistency. As a change from Nicoise, I learned to love warm Chickpea Salad almost as much.

They are all quick, easy, good for you and delicious — like this Nicoise sandwich.

PAN BAGNAT

4 round, crusty French or Italian rolls

2 garlic cloves

2 large ripe tomatoes, sliced

Freshly ground black pepper

1 small red or white onion, sliced

1 green pepper, seeded and thinly sliced

1 red pepper, seeded and sliced (3½-ounce) can tuna in water, drained

¼ cup low-calorie vinaigrette dressing

8 lettuce leaves, washed and drained

2 tablespoons coarsely chopped basil leaves

Yields 4 servings

Each has about 160 calories, 14 grams fat, 16 milligrams cholesterol and 190 milligrams sodium.

Cut rolls in half crosswise and toast. While rolls are hot, cut garlic cloves and rub into bread. Top bottom half with tomato slices, pepper, onion slices, pepper slices

and ¼ of tuna.

Drizzle about 1 tablespoon salad dressing over this and top with 2 lettuce leaves and basil. Now add top of roll and press down tightly. These sandwiches should be squashed to taste good. You might even weight them down for a few minutes before serving.

SEAFOOD NICOISE SALAD

1 tablespoon low-sodium soy sauce

1 teaspoon garlic powder

Juice of ½ lemon

4 5-ounce swordfish steaks

about ½ to ¾ inches thick

6 cups shredded romaine and

red lettuce or any other colorful combination

1 red onion, sliced

2 ripe tomatoes, halved

1 (10-ounce) package green

beans defrosted or a little

less than a pound of fresh

beans

4 small red potatoes in their

skins steamed and halved

Salad Dressing:

1 shallot, minced

2 tablespoons chopped parsley

1 tablespoon capers rinsed and

drained

2 teaspoons good olive oil

3 tablespoons red wine vinegar

½ cup low-sodium chicken

broth, canned or homemade

Yields 4 servings

Each serving has about 325 calories,

8.6 grams fat, 78 milligrams

cholesterol and 245 milligrams sodium

Combine soy sauce, garlic powder

and lemon juice. Pour over

fish and marinate for 15 minutes.

Put shredded lettuce on 4 plates.

Remove fish from marinade

and broil for 6 minutes. Turn fish,

add onion, tomatoes, beans and

potatoes to broiling pan and continue

cooking for 3 or 4 minutes. Com-

bine drained marinade and salad

dressing ingredients in saucepan

and bring to a boil. Remove from

stove.

Slice fish in 1-inch strips and ar-

range on top of lettuce. Add

broiled vegetables. Pour some

warm salad dressing over each

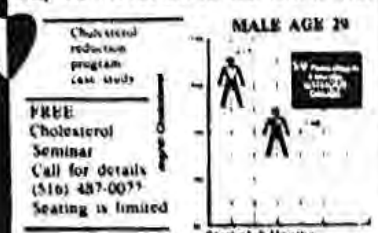
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Here's How

By Gene Gary



Q. We had our roof inspected recently and it required only minor repairs. However, the inspector advised us that the gutter system was in poor condition and needs repairs or replacement. We hate to go to the expense of replacement at this time, if repairs could make them last at least another season or two.

There are a couple of areas where they are sagging, but overall, they do not seem to be in bad shape. Unfortunately, we previously lived in a condo where this type of maintenance was provided. Do you have any suggestions on how I might be able to repair the existing gutters?

A. The damage from sagging gutters eventually makes gutter

replacement necessary, but small rust holes can be repaired and low spots can often be corrected. If you are handy with carpenter tools, you can probably do the repair work.

First, clear away any organic debris such as twigs, leaves, etc., which have accumulated in your gutters (this should be a semi-annual chore — each spring and fall). Wear heavy gloves and scoop out the debris with your hands. Use a putty knife to scrape loose any dirt caked on the bottom of the gutter channels.

To clean a clogged downspout, push a garden hose down into the bend and have a 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 necessary, take the downspout sections apart and clean them on the ground to assure a free flow of water. To determine low spots, run water through the gutter and watch for any areas where it accumulates and pools.

If your gutter has metal brackets, bend the bracket up slightly at the point nearest the low spot in the run. If your gutter is secured by long nails and ferrules (metal cylinders), you may have to remove one or two nails and raise the gutter before renailing it. You need a minimum of ¼-inch drop for every foot of run toward the downspout.

Inspect the gutters for rust holes. Repair the holes by cleaning the surface inside the gutter with a putty knife and wire brush. Wipe away all dust and debris with a soft cloth.

Whether your gutters are made of vinyl, aluminum or galvanized

steel, the repair methods are just about the same. With galvanized gutters, of course, you can solder holes and loose unions between sections. Or, you can patch them with sheet metal secured by roof cement.

For small holes, the patching material of choice is silicone sealant, which comes in tubes that fit a standard caulking gun. Caulk both sides of leaking joints.

There also are repair kits for patching gutters. The most common type has sheets of asphalt-adhesive-backed foil. Apply the patches to a clean and dry surface.

First, cut the patch to appropriate size (considerably larger than the rust hole), peel back the protective paper from the asphalt side, and press the foil in place. Gutters can be completely relined.

A kit is available that includes a roll of PVC liner, end caps, corner inserts, outlets and PVC cement. Be sure the gutters are clean and follow manufacturer's installation directions carefully.

Decor Score

By Rose Bennett Gilbert



A monochromatic medley

Q. I really like country French furniture, but it always seems to be shown with floral fabrics or coy little prints, neither of which is "us." What we'd really like is a monotone color scheme with light, bleached woods and off-white upholstery and curtains.

How would that work with French provincial furniture? I've never seen it done, have you? — M.M.M.

A. Yes, and here's the photo to prove it: a French-flavored room that closely approximates the decorative "recipe" you're eager to cook up.

Although you can't see this room in color, imagine a medley of monotonous: soft white fabrics, an off-white rug with a muted pattern and whitewashed furniture (all from Ethan Allen).

The net effect is sophisticated, comfortable and very soothing, which is always an earmark of well-orchestrated one-color designs. This is unmistakably '90s-style country French. I doubt that you'd ever have come across it in the provinces, but it would certainly be at home in, say, a big-city high rise.

One caveat I always have to mention when we're talking unicolor color schemes like this: Pay special attention to textures. You

need distinct variation in surface finishes to give the eye something to play with.

In this room, for example, the rug is sculptured, the upholstery fabric has a dimensional weave and the cocktail table has a glass top that contrasts gently with the carved wood.

Decorating is like planning a well-balanced meal — texture is one of the basic visual "food groups" you need to satisfy the aesthetic appetite.



Rose Bennett Gilbert is the co-author of "Manhattan Style" and associate editor of *Country Decorating Ideas*.



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PORT WASHINGTON. 6 room apt. Sunny southwestern exposure, corner unit, newly renovated. Washer/Dryer, attic, garage. Walk to train, stores, water. Prestigious area. Beautifully landscaped. \$168K. Motivated owner (days) 625-1352, 944-8210. **gcJ5**

SOUTHOLD EXCLUSIVE 200 foot waterfront inlet to bay, English Cotswold cottage on wooded acre. 4 BRS, 3 baths, extensive decking. Motivated seller asking \$350,000. Greenport - Terrific Potential - Turn of the Century home. Original details, pocket parlor doors, exceptional decorative FPL, large DR plus pantry, 4 BRS plus separate Studio/Cottage. \$129,000. Cutchogue - Spacious 4 BR, 2 bath family Ranch. LR/FPL, FDR, EIK, with family room, FDR, EIK, 18x36 IGP. Reduced to sell at \$175,000. Southold Exclusive - Perfect year round or vacation home. 2 BR, great room/FPL, private waterfront community. Reduced to sell now at \$125,000. Nassau Point - Unique Carriage house, private setting, 3 BRS, totally unusual. Asking \$209,000. Marston King Realty 734-5657. **gcJ2**

SOUTHOLD - 4 BR. remodeled 2 story home with large LR/FPL, 1 1/2 car garage, private beach & marina. Priced to sell at \$215,000. Cutchogue - 3 BR Ranch with 2 car garage & fringe benefits that include 25 apple trees, pool & a 20 foot shed. All for only \$216,000. Southold 2 Family, excellent condition and in walking distance to town. Live in 1 apt and rent the other 2 car garage, manicured property. Reduced to \$179,500. Marilyn Lang Real Estate 734-6472, 734-6690. **gcJ2**

GARDEN CITY LARGE mint split. Family area, near Hemlock Park, beautiful LR/Cathedral ceiling & FPL, DR, large EIK, 3 BRS, 2 baths, large den/family room, finished basement, 2 car, landscaped 70x100. Owner \$354K neg. Offers considered. 747-6386. **gcJ5**

SOUTHOLD - WATERFRONT CUSTOM home features LR, FDR, EIK, family room/FPL, 3 BRS, 2 baths, finished basement, pool, extensive decking, dock. Walk to beach \$369,000. Peconic - Mint Country Chalet. LR/FPL, (cathedral) ceiling, 3 BRS, 2 baths, landscaped for privacy. Walk to beach \$210,000. Mattituck Soundfront Spectacular traditional home on 2 plus landscaped acres features LR/FPL, family room/FPL, FDR, Master BR suite/FPL plus 3 BRS, 2 baths, views from every room. A must see. Reduced to \$799,000. Lewis Realty 765-5810, 734-5533, 298-4600. **gcJ2**

SHELTER ISLAND CONTEMP. 1 acre plus, 3 BRS, 2 full baths, FPL, wrap around deck, CAC, private deeded beach rights, fully furnished. \$275,000. (516) 485-0377. **gcJ5**

Real Estate for Sale

ESTATES RANCH IMMEDIATE Sale. Owner relocating. 4 BRS, 3 new baths, new country kitchen, 2 car, sprinklers, alarms. Price reduced \$429,000. No brokers. days 746-3010. Eves & weekends 741-5477. **gcF2**

GARDEN CITY COUNTRY Life Press area. 3 BR Colonial, 1 1/2 baths, DR, LR/Fpl., Fam. Rm., oak & ceramic custom kitchen, skylit breakfast area, partially finished bsmt., patio, alarm, inground sprinklers, garage. Principals only. No brokers. Reduced \$355,000. 747-3604. **gcJ4**

SOUTHOLD - PRICE BREAK \$30,000 reduction on this new 2 story Saltbox home. FPL, full basement, garage, money saving vinyl siding. Private location near beach & boating. \$149,000. Bookmilller Realty 722-4423. **gcJ2**

CUTCHOGUE/NASSAU POINT AREA Heated inground 20'x40' pool, 2 cabanas, jacuzzi, steam rm., sauna, finished bsmt., 4 BR, 2 1/2 Baths, LR, EIK, 2 car garage, acrelandscaped, deck, \$325K call Bill Kavan 294-0220. **gcJ3**

MASSAPEQUA 4 BR HI RANCH 2 car garage. Mint condition, beautifully landscaped. South of Merrick location. High \$200's. Call for details. Mr. Glasco 775-6035. **gcJ5**

NEW HYDE PARK - HER-RICKS Schools - all brick Ranch, 3 large BRs, 2 full Baths, DR, EIK, CAC, ready to move in, very clean. One car attached garage. \$290,000. Owner. 248-1175. **wJ2**

NAPLES, FLORIDA COMPLETELY refurbished home on one acre. Pool, four car garage, Fpl., many extras. Pine Ridge area. \$319,000. (603) 778-9106 or P.O. Box 954, Exeter, N.H. 03833. **gcJ3**

G.C. CH COLONIAL Spacious, immaculate 4 BR home, 2 1/2 baths renovated FR/Kitchen, 100x120. Walk to RR, Low Tax, FDR, LR/Fpl., attached 2 car, new alarm, sprinkler, much more. \$465 K. Principals only. 248-5850. **gcJ3**

GARDEN CITY CH COLONIAL, centrally located, 4 BRs, 2 1/2 Baths, EIK, Family Room, 2 Car, over 1/2 acre \$300's Mint Maintenance Free Contemp., 4 BRs, 3 1/2 Baths, Modern EIK, Family Room, 2 Car \$400's Spectacular Ranch on 1/2 acre, 4 BRs, 2 1/2 Baths, Fabulous EIK, 1/2 acre, CAC, 2 Car \$500's Center Hall Colonial - Gracious throughout, 3/4 BRs, 3 Baths, Modern EIK w/breakfast room, Family Room, CAC, 2 Car, 1/2 acre \$600's ***Stewart Manor - Young Colonial - 4BRs, 3 Modern Baths & Kitchen, Family Room, Fpl, CAC, Skylights \$190,000 Vera Atamian 354-1994 **gcJan1**

Real Estate for Sale

GARDEN CITY - THEY'VE Been Relocated! This wonderful Garden City family sadly offers for sale their newly rebuilt 4 BR "Upbeat Country Colonial" home in the heart of "Village Kid-Country." Seek loving family who will enjoy the fireplace, share "happy meals" in the all new Oak Eat-In-Kitchen and laugh with joy while playing in the over-sized yard. Walk to supervised playground and primary school. Asking price is \$399,000. To visit this home call Anne Hagen, Stutzmann Realty, 741-1754 or 742-8888. **gcJ2**

GARDEN CITY ESTATES 2,000 sq. ft. + 4 BR, 2 Bth, 1 1/2 story Cape, ultra modern, new systems, alarm, many extras. Reduced to under market for Quick sale. A hot value at \$319,500. 747-7418, principals only. **gcJ5**

MINEOLA/E. WILLISTON Schools. Expanded cape for sale. Move in condition. 4BRs, 2 Baths, carpeted, finished basement, detached garage. 50 x 100. Low taxes. \$229,990. Call owner 748-3141. **wJ5**

GARDEN CITY CO-OP, 2 BR, second floor, center of Village. 2 block to LIRR & all shopping. Refinished floors, new windows. \$116,000 Owner 873-9469. **gcJ2**

E. WILLISTON - BEAUTIFUL Traditional Colonial, on almost 1/2 acre of magnificent property, located in desirable Robbin Hills area, 3 to 4 BRs, 2 1/2 Baths, LR/Fpl, FDR, large EIK, sunny Den, CAC, finished bsmt. Move-in condition. \$740K taxes. Owner anxious. \$499K neg. 294-8357. **wJ2**

Co-Op For Sale

CATHEDRAL GARDENS / GARDEN CITY vicinity, 1 BR, LR, dining area, 1 bath, fully renovated, 2 A/Cs. Asking \$55,000. Owner anxious. 565-0420. **gcJ3**

MANHATTAN APT. 34th & Park Ave. Elegant Park Ave. Contemp. Luxury building, 24 hour elevator and concierge, washer/dryer in building, custom Queen Murphy bed wall unit. Maintenance \$377. Asking \$89,000. Owner (516) 728-0007. **gcJ2**

FLORAL PARK RENOVATED 1 BR Co-Op. Walk to LIRR/bus/stores. 35 minutes to NYC on LIRR. Low maintenance. \$80,000. Owner, 775-7820. **gcJ5**

MINEOLA HORTON HOUSE Co-Op: Front apartment, 1 BR, new kitchen, updated bath, loads of closet space, air conditioning. Parking available on and off premises. Principals only. \$79,900. 741-5210. **gcJ4**

GARDEN CITY - CHERRY VALLEY, 1 BR, 3 blocks from LIRR. 2nd floor, new EIK, new bath. \$85,000. Maint. 80% tax deductible. Owner. 746-0356. Open House Sundays 1-4 p.m. **hJan4**

Co-Op For Sale

GARDEN CITY CHERRY VALLEY. Mint, second floor, 2 BRS, new kitchen, bath, carpet. Private corner, large garden. Will trade for your Garden City home \$115,000. 742-8659. **gcJ5**

GARDEN CITY CHERRY VALLEY Co-Op - Spacious 1 BR, new EIK, prime location. Walk to RR and stores. Maint. 80% deductible. Principals only. 742-6843. \$83,000. Must sell. **gcJ4**

MINEOLA - EXTRA LARGE junior 2 BR w/Euro modern kitchen, garage, parking. Low maintenance, walk RR, \$550 custom buyer's bonus. \$91,500. 742-6229 **gcJ5**

GARDEN CITY - CHERRY VALLEY Co-op. 1 BR, 1st floor, CAC, great condition and prime location. \$69,500 negotiable. 742-7642. **hJan4**

GARDEN CITY, 2 BR, second floor. Best location facing 15th Street. A/C, washer/dryer, wall to wall, attic, garage \$106,000. 294-0269. **gcJ5**

Real Estate For Rent

GARDEN CITY FURNISHED room, separate entrance, private bath, non-smoker. Mature business person, male preferred. References & security. 741-0535. **gcJ4**

WEST HEMPSTEAD PRIME President's area, furnished. Bring the outdoors inside. Newly renovated, attractively furnished 3 RMS, Kitchen, 1 BR, LR w/skylights, deck w/sliding glass doors, overlooking tall pine trees. White wall to wall carpeting, A/C, cable, near Southern State 15 minutes to JFK \$925 includes all. Short term considered. available Feb. 1. 292-0582. **gcJ3**

FLORAL PARK APARTMENT. New 1 BR bsmt apt. All new everything, large, fully carpeted, all new appliances, convenient to all, walk-in-closets, EIK, private entrance, very bright, no stucco or paneling here. Singles only, no pets, no smokers. \$590. 775-4256. **gcJ3**

ROOM FOR RENT in Garden City. Convenient to transportation and shopping. Kitchen privileges available, share bath. Mature, employed person preferred. 747-6589. **gcJ3**

G.C. COTTAGE AVAILABLE for winter rental. Time flexible. Call for details 741-3694 **gcJ2**

FLORAL PARK, 1 BR apt., second floor, outside terrace, garage, newly decorated, near RR mid 5700's. Immediate occupancy. No fee. 437-7245. **gcJ3**

GARDEN CITY HOUSE unfurnished. Tudor/Colonial, 3 BRS up, modern bath, FDR, LR/Fpl, modern EIK w/dishwasher plus maid's room and full bath, finished basement, 1 car. Owner. Immediate. No fee. \$2,100. 354-4779. **gcJ4**

Real Estate For Rent

NEW HYDE PARK - LARGE FURNISHED Room for Rent - 2nd floor, one block north of Hillside, bus and stores. Quiet house. Large cedarlined closet, wall to wall, hot pot, microwave, refrigerator, share bath. Mature working person. No overnighters. \$300 per month, 1/2 security or \$75.00 a wk, 2 weeks security. 742-7975. **wJ3**

GARDEN CITY PARK. Share new house, 2 BRS, 1 bath, kitchen, living room, furniture. Near LIRR and shopping. No pets, mature female only. Prefer no car. Utilities included. Rental \$400 month. 877-9036. **gcJ3**

HOUSE TO SHARE. PRIVATE room & bath, washer/dryer, full use. Mature, working, non-smoking, female only. \$500 per month. Available immediately. 748-5230. **gcJ4**

BELLEROSE 1 BR APT completely renovated. New bathroom, hardwood floors, EIK, good location. Near RR & stores. Move-in condition. \$825. 292-0484, 292-7302. Please leave message. **gcJ4**

GARDEN CITY FURNISHED room for rent, private entrance, non-smoker, share bath, kit. privileges. Near RR. 742-7706. **gcJ3**

STORE FRONT FOR LEASE: Available early 1993, Willis Ave between Fordham & Harvard Sta. Office or retail space. 2100 sq. ft. Contact owner. 748-3141. **wJ5**

MINEOLA/WESTBURY/HEMPSTEAD: Beautiful apts. available now. 2 Studios - \$550 & \$600 a month. 2 BR - \$575 a month. Large 2 BR - \$795 a month. Luxurious 1 BR Co-Op \$850 a month. 2 BR in beautiful area - \$850 a month. Large 3 BR apt. - \$1,100 a month. Royal Int'l. 742-3355. **gcJ5**

ROOMATE WANTED SHARE entire house. Immaculate. Must see. 3 BR ultra modern, new bath, room available with terrace, cable and phone line. Must be clean & neat. Immediate occupancy. BEEP me at 657-4908 (after beep enter phone number followed by pound key) **gcJ5**

FRANKLIN SQUARE NICE, convenient location, second floor, 3 1/4 room apt. full bath, kitchen, DR, large BR, plenty of closets & storage space. No pets, single person preferred. \$650 utilities included. 354-1456. **gcJ5**

GARDEN CITY SOUTH newly renovated 1 BR apt. LR, EIK, dishwasher, includes all many extras. Convenient to all. Non-smoker, no pets, references, no broker. \$650 per month. call 538-5846. **gcJ5**

FLORAL PARK, 2 BR Furnished with solarium, private entrance. Ideal for business couple, near RR and public transportation. \$850 a month. 352-6433. **gcJ5**

Real Estate for Rent

HEMPSTEAD, GARAGE FOR Rent, suitable for auto storage. \$60 a month. 481-4874. *goJ2*

2 BR APARTMENT near everything. Free hot water and heat included. 2nd floor Garden City South, \$850/mo. by owner 489-4704. *hJ1*

MINEOLA - ONE LARGE ROOM, share bath. Private entrance. Available December 19. 248-0596, leave message. *wj2*

BETHPAGE - SPACIOUS STUDIO w/fpl - perfect for single person. Ground level, private entrance, parking, EIK, modern appliances, large bathroom, use of yard, near RR and shopping. \$600 includes all. Sorry, no pets, non-smoker. 433-7291. *hJan4*

GREAT NECK, LARGE HOUSE to share. Professional only. Separate BR. Close to LIRR, market, and shopping. Kit. washer/dryer privileges. Rent \$500 + utilities. 482-5203. Leave message. *hJan4*

GARDEN CITY SOUTH Mint second floor legal apartment. 2 BRs, LR, DR, Kitchen & Bath, freshly painted. No pets, working couple preferred. \$950. Available immediately. 292-3766. *gcJ5*

Vacation Rental

STRATTON MOUNTAIN, VT. trailside Condo. Spectacular views. Walk to lift. All amenities. Convenient to all facilities incl. pool, sports club, village, shoppes. Available for rental. (516) 742-2818, (718) 258-3434. *gcM4*

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MT. SNOW/HAYSTACK. large fully equipped 4 BRs, plus loft, 2 1/2 baths with color TV, VCR, microwave, heated garage. Beautiful views, lots of privacy. Available by the week or weekend. Call 466-8120 *gcM4*

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CARRIBBEAN: A LOVELY vacation on Anguilla in modern private home or garden apartment. Personal welcome; endless beaches; all amenities. By the week; \$600 garden apartment for 2; \$1,200 - \$1,400 for main house. (516)584-8476 evenings. *gcJ4*

MARCO ISLAND, FLORIDA. 2 BR condo, sleeps 6, Fri, Feb 5-Feb 12 \$1,000. Key West, Florida. Efficiency Condo Sat. Feb. 13-Feb. 20 \$800. 248-3656. *gcJ5*

MARCO ISLAND 2 BR, 2 bath Condo on gulf beaches, tennis, pool. South Seas East Midrise. 271-6479. *gcJ5*

Real Estate Wanted

WANTED! SPACE FOR storage of household things anywhere in Nassau County. Could be garage, store, or space in building. Rent negotiable. (718)468-4216. *hJan3*

HOUSE IN GARDEN CITY in \$250K area. No brokers please. Cash. Garden City office number 483-6880. *gcJ5*

PROFESSIONAL COUPLE SEEKS Apartment or house to rent in Garden City. Non-smokers, no pets. (718) 330-0756. *gcJ5*

LONG TIME GARDEN CITY resident, professional single woman, non-smoker, no pets, seeks apartment/house up to \$900 rent. Many references. 432-1324. *gcJ4*

PROFESSIONAL COUPLE WITH child, looking to rent home or 3 BR Apt. in Williston Park or East Williston area. 747-8914. January 1st occupancy preferred. *wj2*

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GREAT DRUMS, TAMA 13 piece chrome "Imperial Star" Zildjian & Paiste cymbals, hi hats, cowbell, quick action pedal, heavy duty hardware, stands. Call Ed 248-9186, 747-4035. Asking \$1,250. *gcJ3*

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For Sale

BAHAMA CRUISE. 6 days 4 nights, underbooked! Mus. sell! \$249/couple. Limited tickets, (407) 767-8100 Ext. 729, M-S 9 am-9 pm. *hJ2*

BROWN RACCOON COAT 3/4 length, medium. Brown mink stole, medium. Both mint condition. Cleaned, appraised at \$500 each. (Certificates). Asking \$250 each. 489-5941 evenings. *gcJ3*

FENDER TWIN REVERB AMP \$350 SOLID, PRACTICE AMPS & some effects, good good price. Call 741-1824. *gcJ2*

VICTORIAN DOLL HOUSE. 6 rooms lovingly made, ready for furniture. Asking \$375. 488-3081. *gcJ2*

UPRIGHT PIANO, FREEZER, furniture, ping pong table, Commodore 64 computer & game, workbench, portable bar, other household & personal items, some antiques. Call for appointment. 741-0783 evenings. *gcJ5*

WALL UNIT - OAK, 7 ft. custom made. Paid \$8,000, sale \$1,600. Excellent condition 486-3611. *wJ4*

8 YEAR OLD COMMODORE 64 Computer system hardly used by bad children, great for beginners. Includes video monitor, disk drive & printer (with starter kit? Make me an offer. 248-5459. *gcJ5*

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OAK PIER UNIT Bedroom set, queen size w/triple dresser & trifold mirror. Chiropractic box spring & mattress very good condition, asking \$900 neg. Call after 6 p.m. 872-3043. *gcJ5*

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QUEEN SIZE WATERBED, 6 drawers, and bedding \$100, computer desk \$50, 2 swivel chairs \$25 each, crib & mattress free. 747-1027. *gcJ3*

PIANO, SPINET CABLE Nelson (Knabe) - Cherry cabinetry, excellent condition with piano bench. \$650. 334-7416. *gcJ5*

MOVING MUST SELL Contemporary dining room set. Table with 2 leaves and pads. Chins closet, asking \$1,800 488-7069 A.M., 352-0423 P.M. *gcJ2*

WALL UNIT - BEAUTIFUL THREE PIECE glass & white, formica with bow corners. Excellent condition 294-6773. *wJ5*

BOYS BEDROOM SET large dresser, 1 small dresser, corner desk and chair, 2 shelf unit, m. Medium wood. Good condition. \$500 or best offer. 579-2406. *wJ5*

For Sale

SMITH CORONA ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER \$50. Maple rocker \$40. Pair of pine ladder back arm chairs, \$40 each. 42" maple pedestal table \$70. New guitar \$50. 741-5840. *gcJ2*

ENGLISH COUNTRY SOFA and love seat, large floral print. Matching valances. Asking \$500. 248-2009. *wJ2*

ONE OF A KIND 5 piece bedroom set. Pale pink, silver trim plus Venetian mirror. Photos available. Call after 2 p.m. 239-1004. *gcJ4*

STERLING SILVER PT 9.25 coffee/tea set, 5 piece, perfect condition \$3,000 488-3250. *gcJ5*

Car For Sale

1978 CADILLAC ELDORADO convertible, white w/new white top. Original dark red leather interior. A classic \$9,500. 741-4799. *gcJ4*

1985 ELDORADO FULLY loaded, clean, navy, high mileage \$1,500 488-8049. *gcJ4*

1991 TAURUS GL CRYSTAL Blue mint sedan, 11K miles, take lease, fully loaded, \$12,300. One owner 741-3158. Leave message. *gcJ2*

1988 900 SAAB SPG. Mint condition, all leather, all power. One owner \$6,300 742-2540. *gcJ2*

'88 FORD MUSTANG LX. 36,500 mileage, excellent condition, 4 cylinder, 5 speed, 2 door, bright red, A.C, tape deck, new tires. Garaged. Original owner. \$4,000 747-8841. *gcJ5*

1984 MERCURY GRAND MARQUEE Two-door, blue, loaded, including A.C, power seat, cruise control, AM/FM, 38,000 miles, PS/PB, new tires. \$3,495 747-0520. *WJ-3*

1988 BMW 528i, dolphin gray, burgundy leather, all power, all options, ABS, immaculate \$10,800. Days (516) 704-3438, eves (516) 775-3896. *gcJ5*

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By Carol Cutler



Joining the new president

Once every four years on Jan. 20 America pauses and watches the inauguration of the newly elected President of the United States.

At the stroke of noon (EST) the chief justice of the Supreme Court begins the swearing-in ceremony with the presidential oath of office.

Excitement is higher than usual this year and anyone who possibly can will turn on a television set to be part of this piece of history.

This year Jan. 20 falls on Wednesday, so most of us will be at work. This means that portable television sets will be very much in demand.

The networks will be covering the preliminary activities preceding the ceremony, as well as the traditional parade down Pennsylvania Avenue after the swearing-in.

The reporters will be identifying many of the famous and important invited guests. They may be famous and important, but they will also be sitting outside on a chilly Jan. 20 in the nation's capital. You will be much more comfortable.

For a large part of the country the brief ceremony and acceptance speeches by the newly elected president and vice president fall during the lunch hour. It seems perfectly logical, then, to plan an in-office luncheon so everyone can watch without losing working time.

It might be prudent, however, to check with the boss or supervisor to make sure there are no objections. Emphasize that there will be no debris left on the premises. That is cardinal rule No. 1.

Have one person organize the joint effort. He or she should put up sign-up sheets stipulating what items are needed. Don't overlook anything more than just food will be required. The most obvious items are paper napkins, paper plates, plastic cups, plastic knives and forks, and trash bags.

Then make another list of food items. As much as possible, make it finger food and non-messy eating items. Sandwiches are the easiest to make and eat. But other finger-food tidbits could be empanadas, well-flavored focaccia, calzone, raw vegetable sticks, cherry tomatoes, and cheese with crackers or crusty bread.

They one-bite tartlets make a popular item, if a bit pesky to make. Fill them with a melted cheese mixture, meat, fish mousse or sautéed vegetables.

Unless there is an office coffee pot already in place, plan on cold beverages only. Anyone who absolutely must have coffee can fill a thermos and bring it along.

On the sign-up sheet list the non-food items that are needed, but for the food section, just title it "Finger Foods" and let colleagues fill in what they intend to contribute.

Keep a careful eye on the list, however. Not everyone's idea of

finger food is the same. After all, artichokes are eaten with fingers, too, and you certainly don't want all that mess around.

Leave a good deal of space at the bottom for clean-up crew. Remember, everything will have to be right back in place, without any evidence of this very special lunch hour.

As the clock moves from east to west across the country, people will be at different points in their activities.

On the West Coast it will be 9 a.m. A breakfast buffet would be the thing to do there. Fruit juices, an assortment of rolls and coffee is a must this time. Hope for an office coffee machine, but if not, have everyone bring his or her own thermos. Some might even prefer tea.

Oh, wherever you happen to be as Bill Clinton says "I do solemnly swear," there is one very important invitation that must be given. The boss.

Here is a recipe that nicely bridges all time zones, from breakfast through lunch.

STUFFED EGGS

6 hard-boiled eggs, peeled
Salt and freshly ground pepper
Pinch of chili powder or cayenne pepper
1 teaspoon prepared mustard
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup well-drained and flaked canned salmon or tuna
Optional garnishes: capers, black olives, chopped pimiento, watercress sprigs

Yields 12 stuffed eggs.

Cut eggs in half lengthwise and with teaspoon, ease yolk out of white shell and let it drop into mixing bowl. Mash yolks with fork or put them through ricer. Add salt, peppers, mustard, and mayonnaise and blend together until smooth.

Stir in salmon or tuna, then fill the egg white shells with mixture, rounding top nicely. Garnish as desired, or simply sprinkle with paprika.

Carol Cutler is the award-winning author of eight cookbooks, including "Catch of the Day."



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By Margaret Wing-Peterson



Finding the best among the fast foods

It's easy to drop into the fast-food outlet to pick up a quick dinner during these busy days. Unfortunately, with the convenience you'll also get loaded with fat and salt unless you choose your meal carefully. Some seafood outlets now have broiled or steamed entrees to give you a minimum of fat.

If you pine for fries, then order only a small portion. Better bets for side orders would be plain baked potatoes (great with the broccoli sans cheese sauce), baked beans, corn on the cob or unadorned green salads. Skip the coleslaw, potato salad, macaroni salad and any other pre-dressed creamy mixtures.

Salad bars can make a nutritious fast meal if you load up on the dark green lettuces, spinach, sprouts and low-fat relishes such as unadorned kidney beans, tomatoes, green peppers, onions and cauliflower.

Instead of blanketing your plate with fatty dressing, spoon the condiment on the side so you can dab a little on your forkful of "vegetables" just for the flavor.

Pizzas are notorious for their fatty persuasions. You'll lessen the calories and salt if you ask for a vegetarian pie, easy-on-the-cheese and topped with mushrooms, onions, green peppers or artichoke hearts.

Of course, you can take advantage of the takeout menus that many supermarkets and delis now serve. They offer plain hot vegetables and salad fixings by the pound. Add your own whole-grain crackers or bread and ice milk or fruit for the meal's end, and you've a meal that is easy on your schedule and your health.

EASY SEAFOOD CREOLE

1 can (16 ounces) tomatoes, broken up
1 medium onion, chopped
1 green bell pepper, chopped
Freshly ground black pepper to taste

Hot pepper sauce to taste
1 bay leaf

1 pound raw shelled shrimp, deveined or raw scallops
Yields 4 servings

Combine tomatoes and their juice, onion, bell pepper, black pepper, hot pepper sauce and bay leaf in microwavable 1 1/2-quart casserole. Cover and microwave at HIGH (100 percent) 8 to 12 minutes or until bell pepper is tender and sauce bubbles.

Stir in shrimp or scallops, cover. Microwave at HIGH 3 to 5 minutes, or until seafood is just opaque, stirring once or twice. Do not overcook. Let stand 3 to 5 minutes. Remove bay leaf. Serve with

rice or pasta, if desired.

Adapted from "Microwaving on a Diet" by Barbara Mathven (Microwave Cooking Library).

NUT MERINGUE COOKIES

1/4 cup egg whites (3 to 4 extra large eggs)
1 teaspoon vinegar
2 teaspoons Frangelico liqueur or almond extract
1/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup toasted, finely chopped hazelnuts (filberts) or almonds
2 tablespoons cornstarch

Yields 24 cookies

Per cookie: 30 calories, 1 gram protein, 3 grams carbohydrate, 1 gram fat, 30 cholesterol, 8 milligrams sodium

Beat egg whites until frothy. Add vinegar, bean whites until soft peaks form. Beat in liqueur or extract. Beat in sugar gradually until meringue is glossy and stiff. Combine nuts with cornstarch. Fold into meringue.

Spoon tablespoons of mixture onto a non-stick baking sheet or parchment paper. Bake 25 to 30 minutes in preheated 200 F oven or until very lightly colored and firm to the touch. Turn off heat, let cool in oven with door slightly ajar. Remove to rack, cool and store in container (not airtight).

From "Deliciously Simple," by Harriet Roth (New American Library)

CURRIED DEVILED

EGGS

8 hard-cooked eggs, peeled
2 tablespoons reduced-calorie mayonnaise
1 1/4 tablespoons unflavored non-fat yogurt
2 teaspoons grated onion
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon curry powder (to taste)
Paprika or finely minced fresh mint

Yields 12 servings

Per serving: 35 calories, 1 gram carbohydrate, 3 grams protein, 2 grams fat, 30 percent calories from fat, 85 milligrams cholesterol, 64 milligrams sodium

Slice eggs in half lengthwise, carefully remove yolks. Discard 8 yolk halves and mash remaining yolks, add mayonnaise, yogurt, onion, mustard and curry and stir well. Pipe with a pastry tube or spoon yolk mixture evenly into egg whites. Sprinkle with paprika or mint.

Adapted from "Cooking Light Cookbook 1991," by Cathy Wexler, R.D., editor (Damon House)

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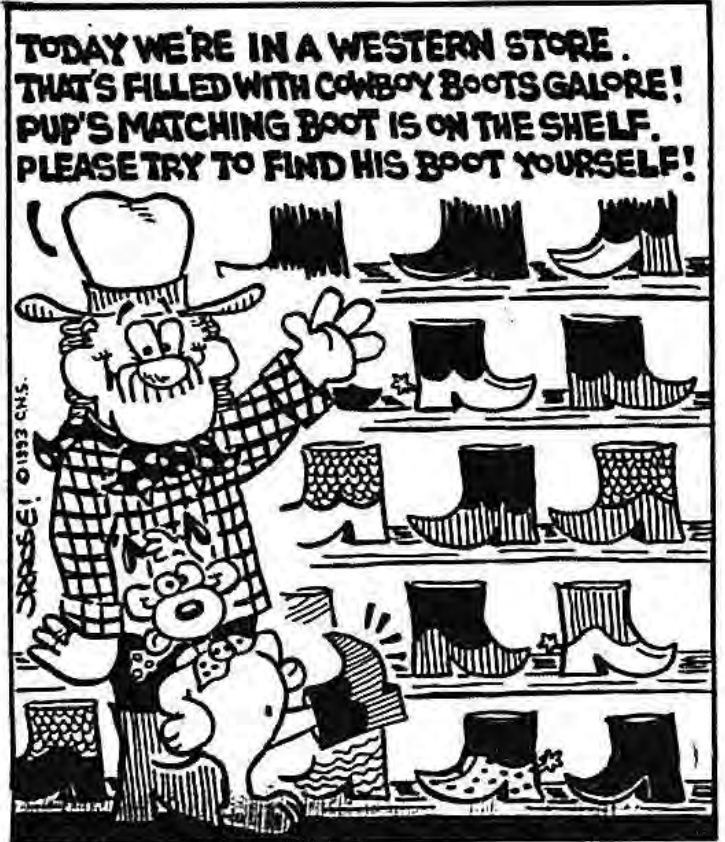
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By James G. McCollam

Windsor rocker is a quality heirloom

Q. This rocking chair was owned by my wife's grandmother. It would therefore be at least 80 to 90 years old — perhaps older. It is very sturdy and in good condition. The inlaid work is very unusual. Would you please give me some information as to its age and value?



A. This is a relatively modern version of a Windsor rocker. It was made about 1900 to 1910 and would probably sell for about \$265 to \$285.

Q. This mark is on the bottom of a 16-inch-tall figure of a woman in an art deco dress and holding a fan in her hand; she is leaning against a pillar.

I would like to know the maker, origin and value.



A. In 1860, E. Eichler established the Duxer porcelain factory in Dux, Bohemia. The mark you provided was in use between 1912 and 1918.

Your figurine would probably sell for \$700 to \$800.

Q. I have four cylindrical frosted glasses. They are 7 inches tall and depict a girl sitting on a rock. They are marked "White Rock."

Are these collectible? If so, what is the value?

A. They are collectible and might sell for about \$10 to \$15 each.

Q. My pitcher and bowl set is marked "T.R. & Co. - England." The pitcher is 13 inches high and the bowl is 16 inches in diameter. They are decorated with sprays of pink flowers.

Can you identify the maker? When were they made, and what are they worth?

A. Your pitcher and bowl set was made in Tunstall, England, by T. Rathbone & Co. in the early 1900s. They would probably sell for \$325 to \$335.

Q. My grandfather had a large collection of bottle openers. I assume they are collectible, but do they have much value?

A. Bottle openers with novelty figures are the most valuable. Here are some typical prices:

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- Elephant, \$35 to \$45
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- Cowboy, \$90 to \$100
- Black Man, \$125 to \$135
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BOOK REVIEW

"Antique Radio Restoration Guide, Second Edition," by David Johnson (published by Wallace-Homestead, an imprint of the Chilton Book Co.).

The author, a former radio engineer, explains how to restore old radios to working order. The book is profusely illustrated with photos, drawings and schematics. In addition, it covers repairing and refinishing wooden and metal cabinets.

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Points on Pets

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

Q. We will be traveling several hundred miles by commercial air transport in the near future. We would like to take our toy fox terrier with us into the regular passenger cabin. She has a small crate that fits easily under most airplane seats. Is it possible for us to "carry on" our dog?

A. Some airlines do allow passengers to carry small dogs into the cabin with them if their containers fit safely under the seats and are leakproof.

Most airlines limit the number of dogs that are permitted to fly in the cabin on any given flight and charge an additional fee for this privilege. You need to check with the personnel of the airlines regarding their policies at the time you purchase your tickets.

Only well-mannered, non-excitable dogs should be taken into the passenger compartment of an airplane. You should assume that the people sitting around you are not necessarily dog lovers.

Therefore, you should be sure that your dog and its crate are immaculately clean so that no unde-

sirable odors will offend anyone. You should allow the dog to relieve itself just before boarding to avoid unpleasant soiling and odors.

Only dogs that are not likely to bark or whimper should be taken into passenger cabins. If you are not sure how your dog will react during flight, you should transport it in its crate several times on the floor of your car to predict its reactions.

If the dog is likely to be nervous during the flight, you should talk to your veterinarian about obtaining some appropriate tranquilizers for the dog. Be sure to give some of these to the dog prior to your planned travel so that you can determine your dog's reaction to the medication. Some tranquilizers are more harmful than helpful.

Placing a familiar blanket and toys in the crate with the dog often has a calming effect. Again, be thoughtful of other passengers and do not place squeak toys or rattles in the crate.

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Aunt Tilly

Your friend,
Aunt Tilly

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

Figuring Social Security taxes

By William M. Acosta

Q. My husband and I are starting to pay our own Social Security federal and state taxes as we are self-employed. When I figure the Social Security, do I send in the amount figured at .0765, or do I multiply that by 2, just as an employer would match? — C.M.

A. The self-employment tax rate for 1992 is 15.3 percent (the same as 1991) on self-employment income up to \$55,500. However, if your net earnings exceed \$55,500, you continue to pay the Medicare portion of the Social Security tax, which is 2.9 percent, up to a maximum of \$130,000.

Q. Where do the moneys go from every dollar that I pay into Social Security? — B.I.

A. Out of every dollar that you and your employer pay in Social Security taxes, 73 cents goes to a trust fund that will pay for your retirement benefits and your family's survivors' benefits; 19 cents goes to a trust fund that will pay for your Medicare benefits when you become disabled or reach age 65, and 8 cents goes into a trust fund that will pay disability benefits to you and your family if you have to stop working because of a serious illness or injury.

Q. I am almost 62 years old, and

I understand I can retire at that age and collect Social Security benefits but that they will be less than if I wait until 65 to retire. How does that work? — M.G.

A. Your benefits are reduced five-ninths of 1 percent for each month you are retired before age 65, up to a maximum of 20 percent for people who retire the month they reach 62.

Q. Where do I report suspected cases of Medicare fraud? — K.P.

A. If you have evidence of or suspect fraud or abuse of the Medicare or Medicaid programs, call your Medicare carrier. The names and addresses of the carriers and areas they serve are listed in the back of "The Medicare Handbook," available from any Social Security Administration office.

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