

Here comes the jolly old gent

to the sky in anticipation of haaring the bells ring and the sound of Santa Claus imploring his reindeer. "On Dancer, on Prancer," he yells as his magic sleigh Christmas shopping excursions and preparation acitivies at the Farmington Community Center.

spruces up for the holidays

learned his art from Rickey the Clown in classes in the center.

CURRY WILL bring some of his clown friends with him to help with his magic show and help tots take a crack at a pinata.

Small fry will have their lunch and picture taken with Santa, then be invited to shop at a children-only gift shop, which is a new feature of the center's holiday party for youngsters this year.

Seatings will be at 11 a.m. and again at 1 p.m.

After lunch, children can take in the matinee of "A Christmas Pie," either at 1:30 or 3 p.m. The musical puts about 50 youths on stage.

Meanwhile, the center's staff will have the winter line-up of classes, workshops and special events compiled in the next brochure. It will be ready to reach the residents along with their last batch of Christmas cards.

So the cycle continues. The new year begins for the center on Jan. 4, when next term's registration opens.



Mary Lachman tells Santa what she would like for Christmas. Farmington area children will have an

opportunity to eat lunch with Santa at the Farmington Community Center on Dec. 9.