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Staff photos by Randy Borst



The fearless exploits of Brandon Dixon, 4, on the unassuming slopes in front of the Farmington Board of Education offices should be enough to inspire older and less hopeful hearts.

Under the tutelage of his father, Bill, young Brandon is learning what it feels like to have the silver slopes sparkle before you, the winter wind caress your face and the sweet feeling of mastering Mother Nature. It was during such a lesson between father and son that Brandon, exhilarated by the experience attempted a little sideways skiing.

Undaunted, he was helped to his feet, laughing and continued to slide down Farmington's bunny slope. Now, Brandon's only problem is mastering the long walk up the hill without sliding backwards.

The elder Dixon offers a little fatherly assistance in these cases by slinging his son over one shoulder and carrying him up the hill. After all, every resort has a ski lift.



THE INSIDE * ANGLE

By LOUISE OKRUTSKY

'TIS THE SEASON to be generous and Farmington City Council members had their generosity in fine form the other night when each volunteered his chance at sitting on the Farmington Beautification Committee to Alton Bennett. Shouted one seasoned council watcher to Bennett: "It'll probably do something for you."

THAT JOLLY OLD ELF (no, no, not you Willoughby) needs some helpers to man the hot line to the North Pole set up in cooperation with the Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department. Helpers can ask for Mr. Claus at 474-8115. Boys and girls who want to chat with the jolly old elf from the North Pole can dial 476-TOYS from 4-6 p.m., Dec. 17-21.

AND THEN THERE are the precocious types who call the Santa line and request Farah Fawcett Majors for Christmas. Look, she won't go out with anyone who has to be in by 9 p.m.)

TEMPLE KO AMI, 5055 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield will celebrate a sabbath and Hanukkah potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m., Dec. 14, the first day of the eight-day-long celebration. There will be a family service at 7:45 p.m. The children of the religious under the direction of Vivian Stulman will offer several songs and the Temple Choir under the direction of Nathalie M. Conrad will render the liturgical music. Grade one students will present a short Hanukkah play.

MADONNA COLLEGE on Schoolcraft in Livonia is offering a five weekend seminar from Jan. 11-April 12. Friday sessions will be from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The seminar will train volunteers to assist the aging and is designed also to help persons understand their own aging parents. Credits received for volunteer work can be applied toward a bachelor or associates degree in gerontology. Partial tuition waivers of \$88 will be awarded to all persons so the entire fee for the program will be \$87. Applications are now being accepted. Interested persons can contact Sr. Colleen Morris, Madonna College, Gerontology Department, 38600 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Michigan, 48150. Phone, 591-5094. Madonna College is on the corner of Schoolcraft and Levan.

THE CHOIRS of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market, Farmington Hills is offering two special services during the week of Dec. 16. At 10:45 a.m., Dec. 16 the children's choir will present "A Night for Dancing," a cantata for soloists and chorus about a young shepherd boy's journey to Bethlehem with his animal friends to

visit the new-born Christ. At 7:30 p.m., Dec. 19, the adult choir will present "A Star Shall Come Forth" featuring special anthems, narration and the singing of carols by the congregation. The service will tell the Christmas story.

THE ROYAL Oak Salvation Army Community Center is having its annual handicapped Christmas Party in the gym at 7 p.m., Dec. 11. Once again, the Salvation Army will provide the entertainment. "Crazy George" and his zany ability at basketball tricks will entertain. Santa will be there with gifts (of course) and there will be a meal for all. There will be an additional special guest, too. For further information and reservations, call Barry Hornbeck, community service director for the S.A. at 585-5600. The Royal Oak center is at 3015 North Main.

AGAIN THIS YEAR there's a Salvation Army bell-ringer at the Downtown Farmington Center in front of Scott's.

COMMUNITY LIVING Center residents are invited to a holiday party at the downtown Sheraton-Cadillac on Dec. 19. The gala is sponsored by the Special Education Association and its founder Helen Gottfried of Southfield.

ANGLES IS ASTOUNDED by the progress the Gundlach family has made on the old Irish home which they moved earlier this year to Stawassaw from its old resting place next to T.J. Marx, et al. An Angles salute to their hard work: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

ANGLES IS RESIGNED to a month of nothing but holiday news. For those persons who want to do something in the holiday mood IA lists a few possibilities:

THE INTERNATIONAL Institute in Detroit will feature Christmas around the world, yuletide traditions in other countries until Dec. 31.

THE ANNUAL Christmas carnival at Cobo Hall will run until Dec. 23. There are 35 exhibits, many of them animated. Snowball throwing skill tests and Santa's Castle will be open to visitors.

THE CRANBROOK Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills presents "Holiday Skies and the Christmas Star" on weekends and Wednesday evenings this month.

UPSTATE AND OUTSTATE: There's always the Copper Country Sled Dog Race, Dec. 29-30 at Atlantic Mine, south of Houghton (everything's south of Houghton.)

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