# Photos reveal old France

The first in a series of four exhibi-tions exploring the art of French photo-grapher Eugene Atget, the "Picasso of photography," runs until Feb. 6 at the Detroit Institute of Arts in the Schwartz Graphic Arts Calleries.

"Old France," more than 120 photo-graphs of the French countryside at the turn of the century is directed by John Szarkowski, head of the photography department of the Museum of Modern Art in New York City.

For this and three subsequent exhibi-tions planned for the next four yeas,

## new voices

min. AND MIS. JON PRAIN of Farmington Hills announce the birth of their son Brian Joseph, born Nov. 17 in Botsford Hospital.

The Infant's revisional area. MR. AND MRS. JON PRAIN of

DOLLIOTO HOSPITAL.

The Infant's maternal grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Winnlewski of Filmt. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Prain of Farmington Hills.

Considered the father of modern realism in photography, Atget captured the authentic character and spirit of this native culture. A commercial photographer, he worked in and around Paris for more than 30 years. At the time of his death, his work was known only to a few archivists and artists.

His life's work of about 10,000 photographs describe the historic character of French life as indicated by its architecture, landscape, traditional labors and vernacular gestures.

Included in the exhibit are 38 views of Paris by the 19th century French photographer Edward-Denis Baldus, a phoneer in documenting the architecture of France. The exhibition shows an aspect of photography in France before Atget.

Other exhibitions of Atget's work planned for the DIA include "The Art of Old Paris," "The Ancient Regime" and "Modern Times."

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# Birds, cookies, books play part in holidays

Last week's column was written to warm you up as you get started toward a happy holiday. A basic ingredient of success would be to plan on sharing this time of year with friends and put saide those "must-dos" which can wait until January.

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If your living room overlooks the back yard you might like the idea of decorating an outside tree near a win-dow. Lights and metallic ropes can give it day and night-line interest. Don't overlook illiling several plastic cups with bird feed which can be snug-gied into the branches to provide you with endless watching as the birds get your address. The tree will remain a welcome shelter from winter winds for the birds until spring.

IF YOU ARE part of the new generation that lives in condos with courtyards, you can devise a total holiday scene with lights, sculptured pieces, holiday trims, etc. You will have a package of beauty that won't drop evergreen needles due to the heat in the house and cherished pieces can be safely displayed because of the controlled space.

space.
There is nothing that tastes better than homemade cookies at holiday

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time. This is the time to bake some of your favorite recipes. You will always be ready to take a packet of goodies to share when you visit friends.

Your columnist enjoys books to the maximum and uses them often to enrich said person's basic horticultural knowledge. So I walked over to Maximus & Co., (formerly Little Professor on Woodward) and delved into books I'm sure would please many holiday recipients.

"My Book of Flowers" by Princess Grace, \$20, has been reduced and is a wonderful table-top book with many lessons for hie reader and a sincere ap-praisal of flower art. "Flowering Plants in the Landscape" by Mildred Mathlas, \$10, Is very worthwhile. "Wonders of Nature" by Claus Frank, \$15, has superb photography and takes

you right along into the bonuses of delving into the book

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HISTORY OF GARDENS, by
Christopher Thacker, \$29.95, would
make a nice 'corporation' gift for a
person wine cnjova gardening. Other
and nature lovers in our community
are: 'Bonsel, Tray Landscapes,' by Jozan Hirota, \$9.50, is a book from Japan
which has an abundance of illustrations
to guide a person who might want to
duplicate a view from the veranda of a
summer home with sand, rock and water. A terrific scene to bring home to
share with guests.

I found "Growing Trees Indoors" by D. J. Hirda, \$7.95, very helpful since your columnist is working on a fig tree in her condo. You can start a seedling. • The Audubon Society has at least four

books, \$11.95 each, which would delight special people: 'Guide To North American Trees,' 'Rocks and Minerals' 'Wildflowers' and others. These books are just the right size to stick in your pocket when you prepare for a stroll through beautiful places.

Another gene of a book is, 'Green Immigrants,' by Claire Haughton, \$5,95. I. am on my second copy as my initial copy walked. It is terrific as it tells the story of the lilac being introduced in the 1500's and later in England. George Washington and Thomas Jefferson coveted them as special. You know what we think of erabgrass — It was grown as an important source of food in China, 2700 B.C. Have fun with this book, folks!

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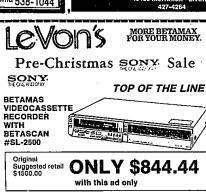
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