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Good cooks know their apples

This is the time for you to plan your 1985 garden.

At this state, you have a pretty good idea of how much time and interest you can give to maintenance, and it isn't a disgrace to close up a flower bed if you have overextended. Reach for quality in your selection of trees, shrubs and small plants. You are the captain of the ship.

You will benefit by going to your local library and taking out some current garden books and magazines for study. Make a list of what you like and be aware of your site in relation to north, south, east and west.

Keep this exploration on a pleasurable level, and you will be more successful. May I suggest that you have a loose leaf folder for the storage of ideas.

Some of you might enjoy the challenge of developing a rock garden as an important accent in your garden. It will take some preparation for the construction on an appropriate site. When you select rocks, avoid those with a tendency to be scaly or soft in composition.

Collection of ivory displayed

The Plymouth Historical Museum is displaying the museum's Davenport Collection of Ivory, which includes buttons, medical items from the early part of the century, and jewelry. The exhibit will remain through Nov. 11.

The museum is at 165 S. Main Street, and is open to the public from 1 to 4 p.m. Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Admission is \$1.



down to
earth
Alice
Burlingame

For an attractive rock garden, set the rocks firmly with their broad bases running horizontally. This will keep the construction will be firm and pleasing to the eye. If you have large round boulders, be sure the largest part is set firmly under ground.

GRITTY topsoil should be firmly placed around and under the rocks to assure stability. Some moss and soil can be used to aid the stability within the planting if water runs away too fast. Avoid overhangs because they will hold back on the benefit of water to lower placed plants.

When you plant a new rock garden, select plants which you know are successfully grown in your area. It would not be a crime to tuck in an experimental plant for trial.

In my own courtyard garden I am starting a new cover, *Janium*. It has a small leaf with a silver sparkle to it. It is an experiment, and I will let you know next spring if I think it's worthy of planting. That is the fun of being a relaxed gardener, trying and sharing.

THIS IS apple season, and the smart buyer is acquainted with the characteristics of the fruit.

Courtyards have snowy white flesh and look nice in salads. Greenish white apples are delicious in pies. Wealthy apples make a beautiful garnish in salads with their skin on. Northern Spies

have bright stripes and make the best apple sauce.

Jonathan, solid deep red and very firm, are our best Michigan apples. McIntosh apples are good in salads. Golden delicious are solid and good in pies and sauce.

This is only a partial guide for you, but you can't get into much trouble with calories if you take an apple out of the refrigerator to refresh you on a busy day.

This is the time of year to be thinking about a trip to Australia and New Zealand if you wish to escape from life's routine. November and December is a perfect time to visit Australia and New Zealand. Although I made my first trip to this area 12 years ago, I have returned once since because when you go there you feel as though you are walking into heaven.

WSU offers brochure workshop

Wayne State University through its non-credit division of the College of Lifelong Learning will offer a one-day workshop on Saturday, Oct. 27, on the "Birth of a Brochure — Conception to Completion."

The workshop will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the WSU Southfield Center, 25410 11 Mile, Southfield.

Leontine K. Cadieux, WSU information officer, will focus on the purposes, writing and uses of brochures. Joanne E. Kinney, art director, Michigan Cred-

THE PEOPLE, the scenery and the magnificent flowers, plus the thousands of lambs in the fields, provide a setting which is difficult to find in any other part of the world. My favorite spot is Christ Church, New Zealand, a beautiful town on a river. These are massive flower gardens around factories (there is a contest for the best).

When I visited gardens at private homes, the hostess always had tea cakes and lots of tea set on a little round table with a beautiful linen cover. They have a garden center where you can contact them relative to home garden visits.

With this brief description, you can see why I am homesick for Australia and New Zealand in the fall. Both countries have such genuine people, beautiful scenery, grazing sheep. I bought a sheepskin which I lugged home on my last trip for the time when I get real old and need a soft bed for my nightly slumber.

So, folks, if you want to enter heaven early, consider buying a ticket to Australia and New Zealand.

Pottery at the show

Potter Millicent Misch is one of 75 craftsmen who will show and sell original one-of-a-kind works from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 in Farmington Community Center. The annual juried show brings together prestigious artisans from throughout the state for early holiday shoppers. Admission at the gate is 50 cents.



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