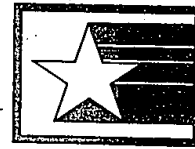


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Big night out

What's happening to celebrate New Year's Eve



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GOSH, IT ISN'T even Christmas yet, but it's time to start thinking about New Year's Eve. If you want to celebrate, whether in grand or simple style, it would be smart to make plans — and reservations, if needed — now.

You can go for dinner to a favorite restaurant, where the food may be anything from continental to Italian. A special menu may be served on New Year's Eve, and there's likely to be party favors, champagne and even dancing.

For all-out celebrating, the major hotels and inns have a variety of packages available, some at hefty prices.

But these often include dinner, dancing, drinks, an overnight stay and brunch the next morning. You can enjoy New Year's Eve lavishly, yet not have to worry about driving right home after a night of imbibing. You can stay up late, toddle off to bed without leaving the premises and sleep late.

Nightclubs and other clubs open to the public are scenes of merriment year-round, but the last day of the year is always something extra-special. There are parties galore, in settings that are colorful and lively.

Showgoers may prefer to combine an evening at the theater, along with some celebratory touches. Various theaters are offering party packages or performances to ring in the new year.

So, to help you decide, here are just a few of the places that want to make your evening fun-filled.

DINING OUT

Jacques, 30100 Telegraph, Bingham Farms. Dinner with a special New Year's Eve menu, from \$17.95 per person. Party hats, favors and complimentary champagne at midnight. Open at 5

p.m. For reservations, call 642-1373.

Jovan Restaurant and Piano Bar, 30100 Telegraph (next to Jacques), Bingham Farms. Dinner from menu served 5-8 p.m. New Year's Eve seating at 10 p.m. with seven-course meal, live music, dancing, bottle of champagne, \$49.95 per person. Reservations at 642-2430.

The Aristocrat, 4343 Orchard Lake Road, Pine Lake. New Year's Eve buffet with international and American food. First seating at 6:30 p.m. (\$39.95 per person); second seating at 8:30 p.m. (\$39.95 per person), and third seating at 10:30 p.m. (\$43 per person). Fourth seating at 11:30 p.m. includes continental breakfast only (\$22 per person). Last two seatings include party favors and champagne at midnight. Entertainment, dancing and large-screen television also featured. Reservations at 851-5540.

The Karas House, 23632 Plymouth Road, Redford. More than 25 hors d'oeuvres, cheese table, dinner featuring prime rib, champagne at midnight, pizza at 1 a.m., for \$60 per couple. Party goes from 8 p.m. to 3 a.m., with dancing to two bands, Prelude and Potpourri. Bring your own bottle, setups and beer provided. For reservations, call 592-4900.

Stoyan's Inn, 36017 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Complete dinner at \$35 per person. Party from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. with music for dancing by Dennis Rome. For reservations, call 261-5500.

Mike Kelly's Landing, 14000 Middlebell, Livonia. Inaugural celebration from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. with fresh seafood and prime rib buffet, open bar, party favors, and entertainment by the Connection dance band, plus Shawn

Riley with "musical antics." For reservations, call 422-4022.

Le Bordeaux, 30325 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Open bar, dinner featuring French and Italian cuisine, and breakfast, at \$60 per person. Party begins at 10 p.m. Early diners served till 9:30 p.m. Reservations at 421-7370.

Rigoletto's Italian Restaurant, 39305 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Dinner including a glass of champagne, with most menu items priced from \$12.25 to \$13.75. Entertainment and dancing. For reservations, call 464-2272.

Mama Mia, 27770 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Eight entrees served in new dining room at New Year's Eve party with DJ from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. Dinner, dancing and party favors for \$32.50 per couple. Reservations at 421-1000.

HOTEL CELEBRATIONS

Northfield Hilton, 5500 Crooks at I-75, Troy. Four party packages. Party 1: Grand Ballroom Gala at \$59 per couple. Party 2: "Sweet" Room Accommodations available only combined with Ballroom Party 1, for total of \$198. Party 3: Hurley's 1985 Gala New Year's at \$50 per couple. Party 4: Wicker Works ala Carte Dinner, with seating at 6 and 9 p.m. For more information and reservations call 879-2100.

Kingsley Inn, 1475 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Party choices: New Year's Eve Gala with 13-piece big band and black tie (optional) ball, special dinner menu, in the ballroom; no cover charge. Dinner in restaurant from 4:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. with special menu and piano stylings by Charlie Dublin. Singing in lounge and piano bar with pianists/vocalists Sue Woodman and Bob Keller. Overnight lodgings available, including one champagne split, at \$35

per person, double occupancy. For more information, and reservations, call 644-1400.

Holiday Inn of Southfield, 26555 Telegraph. New Year's Eve Gala includes Sassy's Dinner Buffet, dancing in Sassy's at 9 p.m., complimentary champagne toast at midnight, overnight accommodations for two, at \$125 per couple. For reservations, call 353-7700.

Michigan Inn, 16400 J.L. Hudson Drive, Southfield. Package I: Ballroom party with live entertainment, hot hors d'oeuvres, party favors, \$15 per person. Package II: In Bistro M, for \$20.95 per person. Package III: Dinner in the Benchmark, with special menu, \$17.95-\$27.95. Red Parrot Lounge: Champagne toast, hats and noisemakers, \$15 per person. "Stay Over Night" accommodations available. Further information and reservations, at 359-6500.

Ramada Hotel, 2825 Telegraph, Southfield. Hors d'oeuvres and full-course dinner with tenderloin of beef or lobster stuffed with shrimp, served in the Cache; four drinks per person; champagne toast at midnight; dancing until 2:30 a.m. In the Quest; heated pool and sauna open till 4 a.m.; room with champagne, cheese and fruit basket; continental breakfast till noon New Year's Day; late checkout at 3 p.m. \$185 per couple, \$115 per couple without dinner. For reservations call 355-2929.

Holiday Inn, 38123 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Cocktails and Chef's Appetizer Platter at 7 p.m., dinner in Maxwell's and the ballroom at 8 p.m., dancing to Secrets in Maxwell's and Lifeline in the Ballroom from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., champagne toast at midnight.

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Band announces audition dates

The voluntary American Concert Band is holding midseason auditions, Saturday morning rehearsals and Sunday afternoon concerts at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts. Interested musicians are being asked

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