

AT RIGHT: Ann Gage of Southfield waxes her skis before tackling the cross-country ski trails at Glen Oaks County Park on 13 Mile Road, east of Orchard Lake Road, in Farmington Hills.



Kristie Derwinski (left) and her sister, Jenny, lace on their ice skates before doing Figure 8s on the frozen

pond next to the toboggan hill behind the Farmington Board of Education offices in Farmington.

Outdoor fun

Making the most of winter

FRESH BLANKETS of snow in December invited Farmington-area residents out to enjoy the beginnings of winter.

Whether cross country skiing, building a snowman, ice skating or just

walking in the white fluff, they breathed crisp, cold seasonal air — with many days of below average temperatures.

But nobody seemed to mind.

Winter walks at holiday time brought visual pleasures with neighborhood lights and greenery, and neighbors filled with

good cheer.

And what of the new year?

Throughout the long months of January and February, the slush of March, and spring blossoms and summer vacations, we look forward to the colorful winds of fall.

Then, once again, the cycle comes full circle bringing December's predictably-snowy holiday season.



Finding the snowy hill behind the Farmington Board of Education offices in Farmington to his liking, Jason Cole of Farmington Hills works on his sledding skills.



AT LEFT: Kim Carlson and daughter Melanie of Livonia play in the snow in Farmington, on a hill behind the Farmington Board of Education offices.

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Matt Sperry of Farmington Hills toboggans down the snow-capped hill behind

the Farmington Board of Education offices in Farmington.

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