

Winter fun close to home

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• BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, Dec. 9 and 16: Breakfast with Santa Claus served at 8:30 a.m. and at 10:30 a.m. each day in Novi Hilton, 21111 Haggerty Road. Buffet breakfast. Personal visits with Santa, pictures taken for guests to take home, and a horse and buggy ride included in the cost of \$2.95 for adults and \$3.95 for children. For reservations, call the hotel, 349-4000.

• BREAKFAST IN BETHLEHEM

Saturday, Dec. 9: "Breakfast in Bethlehem" for children up to 12 years old who will eat breakfast with Mary, Joseph, Jesus and the Wise Men and see the story of Christ's birth come to life, at 9 a.m. in Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty Road. Fee is \$2. Reservations are necessary. Made with Sharon Pilat, 349-7600.

• RUMPLESTILSKIN

Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 13-14: "Rumpelstiltskin" produced by The String Puppet Theater and sponsored by Farmington Friends of the Library, at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Farmington Hills Branch Library on 12 Mile Road east of Farmington Road, and at 7 p.m. Thursday in Farmington Branch Library on State and Liberty streets. No charge, but registration is necessary, made by calling the Hills branch at 553-0300, or the Farmington branch at 474-7770.

• OUT OF THIS WORLD

Saturday, Dec. 16: "Out of This World," program for elementary-school Earthlings who will imagine what life would be like on another planet at 11 a.m. or 2:30 p.m. in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 12 Mile Road east of Farmington Road. No charge, but registration is necessary, made by calling the library, 553-0300.

• CAROLING PARTY

Monday, Dec. 18: Caroling Party

If you're over 35, ask your doctor about mammography.



for the entire family begins at 6:15 p.m. in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty streets. Each family is asked to bring their own flashlight and some cookies that will be pooled for all the carolers to sample. Music sheets will be provided. Reservations are requested, made by calling the library, 474-7770.

• LIVING SCIENCE

Monday through Saturday, Dec. 18-23: Hands-on activities for 5-12 year olds 4-6 p.m. or 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. Saturday in Living Science Foundation, Novi Commerce Center, 40400 Grand River, Suite F. Fee is \$20 per session. Children staying over for two sessions on the weekdays will have meal of cheese pizza and beverage. For reservations or information call the foundation, 478-1999.

• CHANUKAH CELEBRATION

Tuesday, Dec. 19: "Chanukah Celebration," a children's party with songs and stories explaining the spirit of Chanukah at 7 p.m. in The Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Hostess for the party is Maureen Schiffman and her puppets. Tickets are \$3 each. Reservations are taken in the center, 477-8404.

• NUTCRACKER BALLET

Wednesday, Dec. 20: The bus leaves Clarencville High School at 12:30 p.m. headed for Ford Auditorium and a performance of the Nutcracker Ballet with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Bus will return at about 5:30 p.m. Package price is \$23. For reservations or information call the Clarencville Community Edu-

cation Office, 473-8933 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

• BIG FOOT

Wednesday, Dec. 27: "Big Foot," program headed by Big Foot Annie, ex-farmer, self-taught Big Foot expert and naturalist who shows slides, leads a guitar sing-a-long, and conducts an outside hunt-hike for Big Foot at 10 a.m. in The Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Fee is \$10. Registrations taken in the center, 477-8404.

• SURVIVAL AT MYSTIC LAKE

Wednesday through Saturday, Dec. 27-30: Winter Survival at Mystic Lake, (about 3 hours from Detroit) for 7-14 year olds sponsored by Living Science Foundation. Youth in residence are provided with live animals, video cameras, microscopes, thermometers, telescopes and a portable planetarium for learning experiences. Fee is \$160. For reservations and information call the foundation, 478-1999.

• SCIENCE SAMPLER

Wednesday through Friday, Dec. 27-29: Holiday Science Sampler for

5-11 year olds from 9 a.m. to noon or 1-4 p.m. each day in Living Science Foundation, 40400 Grand River Suite F, Novi. Fee is \$25 a session. For reservations or information, call the foundation, 478-1999.

• WINTER SURVIVAL CAMP

Thursday, Dec. 28: "Winter Survival Camp," program conducted by the Living Science Foundation, focuses on winter survival tactics, observing winter constellations and planets, exploring tracks and feeders for winter friends. Campers will handle live animals to show how species adapt to winter seasons. Camp runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in The Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile Road. Campers must bring their own sack lunch. Beverage is provided. Fee is \$44. Registrations taken by the center, 477-8404.

• LIVE ON STAGE

Thursday, Dec. 28: "Live On Stage," a Crossroads Production telling the history of song and dance at 7 p.m. in The Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile Road. Dessert is served following the holiday musical. Tickets are \$4 or \$15 for a family. Reservations taken in the center, 477-8404.



RANDY BORDT/staff photographer

Take a tag - buy a gift

Steven and Matthew Paul examine a couple of the first gifts that have been placed under the Christmas trees in Metro Bank of Farmington's three branches, First Federal of Michigan in downtown Farmington, and Farmington and Farmington Hills city halls. Farmington Area Community Women ask passers-by to take a tag from the tree, buy a gift for the child whose name is on the tag, wrap the gift using the tag, and return it under the tree before Dec. 13. Members of the service organization will have the gifts shipped to Oakland Social Services who will have the gifts hand delivered in time for Christmas. There are a total of 160 tags on the six trees.

Chiropractor starts food and gift drive

The Accettura Chiropractic Center at 32055 Grand River is sponsoring its first annual holiday food drive through Dec. 23. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday.

To participate, bring in canned or packaged foods as well as labeled boy/girl and senior citizen \$1 gifts to the office.

The contributions will be delivered to a local program. Everyone is invited to participate. "During this holiday season of giving we hope you will join us in our efforts to provide for those in need," said Dr. Sherry Accettura. For further information call 471-6886.

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