

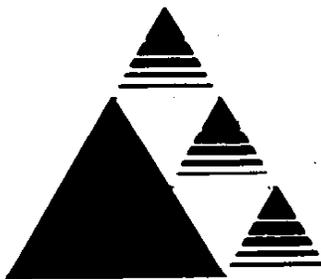
*It's Beginning
To Look
a Lot Like...
A Shopping Center*

Some of your new neighbors will be:

- Great Scott Supermarkets
- Chester Shoes Inc. II
- Deater Davison Kosher Meats
- Dickens' Den Book store
- Haute Couture
- Hadley's, Inc.
- Jan's Hallmark Shop
- Lilly's Children's Store
- Maser Children's Shoes
- Michigan National Bank Oakland
- New York Bagel
- Pickle Barrel Delicatessen
- Senders
- Sentry Drugs
- Smart Set Clothes
- Somerset Cleaners
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**SOME OPENINGS
BEFORE CHRISTMAS!**



**EVERGREEN
PLAZA**
Evergreen Road and 12 Mile Road
in Southfield



Claude Jones Jr. making a holly and mum design

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ing an appearance recently at Jacobson's stores.

"The only trouble, is you'll probably get so caught up in doing arrangements that you'll end up with more berries, branches and leaves in the refrigerator than food," he laughed.

Designs which utilize fruit in them can also cause some strange looks at the grocery store, Jones said.

"I once did an arrangement with only lemons and limes. I must have bought 200 of them at the supermarket and nothing else. I got a lot of strange looks at the checkout counter," he said.

When using fruits in an arrangement, Jones cautioned not to poke the fruit too many times, as it won't stay put after it gets softer.

"Pears are all right to use, but they get awfully mushy. Consider using pomegranates that can be varnished, apples, osage oranges, which are plentiful in Michigan, and the real oranges," Jones suggested. Osage oranges can be gathered in the fall, he said, wrapped in newspaper and stored in a cool place.

During his talk he demonstrated by making arrangements. One was a topiary shape fruit arrangement which he explained was big in William and Mary's time.

Boxwood was used as the base on a form which Jones' company manufactures. It has spikes for securing the fruit.

"The only trouble with boxwood is that it smells like all the cats in the neighborhood have been around lately," Jones said. "Many people are just plain allergic to it."

"Speaking of allergies, most people get very caught up in drying things. Soon, boxes filled with dried goodies fill closets, the attic

and even leaves are stuck between mattresses to flatten them.

"The result if that you find out someone in the family is allergic to it all, and then you're forced to go into business to get it out of the house," he chuckled.

Jones suggested that in doing arrangements, like colors be kept together.

"It looks more pleasing to the eye and won't look spotty. Don't worry about mixing colors. Look at some of the Williamsburg wallpapers and fabrics for mixing the colors effectively," Jones said.

He said that garlands of fruit and flowers were used in the South extensively at Christmas time. They were copied more or less from the carved wood designs of Gibbons, the famous English carver as well as the classic Italian porcelain works of Della Robbia.

"In Galax, Va., they still make garlands and wreaths in the way the colonists did using a straw wreath base. They wind the bases with greens and attach it with No 22 wire. Then the fruit and flowers are put into the arrangement," Jones said.

He suggested several ingredients for interesting wreaths and garlands, including pine cones and seed pods. Among the most attractive seed pods are those of the Magnolia tree, whose leaves are also frequently used.

"When you travel south, it's easy to collect the Magnolia's bounty and southerners are glad to have you pick up what they consider a nuisance, if they aren't floral arrangement devotees," Jones added.

One very helpful suggestion Jones made was about fruit centerpieces.

"Make them on the table upon which they'll be used. They can get too heavy to carry," he said.

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