

Check canned foods before eating

Nancy Harvey Steorts, special assistant for consumer affairs to the secretary of agriculture, urged consumers recently to check home canned items carefully before using them. This is a measure which should ordinarily be taken by all home canners, but especially this year, she said, when an estimated 6 million Americans tried home gardening; and many of them home canning, for the first time.

According to Mrs. Steorts, when using home canned items one should

examine each jar closely. A bulge or leak means that the seal is broken and the food has spoiled. When opening the jar, spurting liquid, a bad odor or mold indicates spoilage. Food that appears too soft or mushy may be spoiled. Don't use such food and be sure to destroy it so animals or people do not inadvertently eat it. Even if all looks well, warned Mrs. Steorts, never taste home-canned foods right out of the jar. Bring vegetables to a rolling boil, then cover and boil for at least 10 minutes. Boil

meats and poultry covered for 30 minutes. Heating usually makes any odor of spoilage more evident.

Mrs. Steorts also reminded consumers that during the holiday season many foods can be contaminated through careless handling. Single copies of the leaflets, "Holiday Meals: Make Them Safe," "Christmas Dinner: Serve It Safely," are available free on request from the Extension Service, Division of Information, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

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Ready to start his rounds

Santa Claus pays an early visit to Kathleen Allen while he's getting ready to start his rounds of Farmington area homes on Saturday, Dec. 13. Residents who would like to have Santa pay a visit in their home sometime dur-

ing the 12 nights before Christmas may make the necessary arrangements through the Farmington Community Center. A donation is asked to benefit the center.

Club Circuit

GROVES-WALKER LEGION POST and its auxiliary will hold a joint meeting Thursday, Dec. 4, at 8 p.m., at 3175 Grand River in Farmington. Betty Daxley, president of the 18th District will pay her official visit at this meeting.

CATHOLIC STUDY CLUB, of Metropolitan Detroit, will hold a business meeting Monday, Dec. 8, at 1 p.m. in the Federation of Women's Clubs of Detroit, 15800 Fenkell, Detroit. President Mrs. Wilson J. Cottrell, of Royal Oak, will introduce past presidents of the club, and current presidents of member clubs who will be honored guests for the day. The program, called "Fashions of Yesteryear 1860-1920" has been arranged by Mrs. Ralph Young.

SENIOR CITIZENS DROP-IN CENTER is open every Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in Masonic Temple on Grand River and Farmington roads. Guests are asked to bring a sandwich for lunch. Coffee and dessert are furnished.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, Three Flags Chapter, will meet Monday, Dec. 8, at noon in the home of Mrs. Merle Eastin, 973 Castlebar Drive, Rochester. Topic for the day will be "The History of Weaving — Busy Hands Show God's Love," and will be presented by Mrs. Lawrence Matthews.

FARMINGTON MUSICALS members have sent invitations to all past members to join them in celebrating their 10th anniversary with a concert of organ and choral music. The event will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, in Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 Farmington Road.

FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS of Metropolitan Detroit will hold an "Old Fashion Holiday Party" and gift exchange beginning at noon Thursday, Dec. 11, in Federation Club House, 15800 Fenkell, Detroit. Mrs. Nathaniel Banks will chair the program, "Christmas Music and Song."

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB meets for a Christmas luncheon at noon Thursday, Dec. 11, in Mayflower Meeting House, Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Music will be furnished by Bentley High School's 20-voice ensemble under the direction of Jerry Smith, and Donna Hackney will talk on the subject "Crushed and Hurting and Who Cares?"

Mrs. Hackney is a former teacher, a resident of Southfield and a former chairman of Christian Women's Club.

Baby sitting services are available for the afternoon in United Assembly of God, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail.

Reservations for the party should be in by Monday, Dec. 8. Contact Jackie Crowe, 522-1520.

The club is without membership. Meetings are open to all church women in all surrounding areas.

FARMINGTON NEIGHBORS CLUB holds its annual Christmas Tea in conjunction with a musical program beginning at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, in the Farmington Community Center. The event is open to guests, but reservations are requested through Helen Brinzea, 478-0025.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Box 60, Southfield, 48075, and must arrive on the Monday prior to Thursday publication.

Gallery sets holiday hours

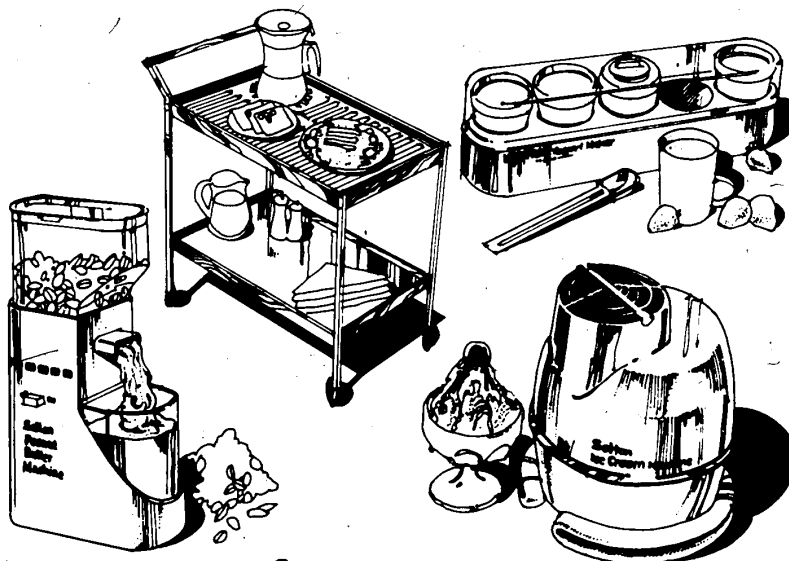
Farmington's first cooperative art gallery, The Garret, will be open for shopping and browsing during the Christmas season.

Hours as announced by business manager Alice Nichols are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and Friday evenings, 6-8 p.m.

The gallery is on the north side of Grand River, just east of Farmington Road.

Nine area artists organized the gallery to showcase their art and provide studio space for six of them. The artists themselves renovated the second floor rooms of the old building, the main one of which has a changing display of their paintings in a wide price range and varied styles and media from watercolors and oils to acrylics and collages.

Those represented in the gallery are: Edee Joppick, Nancy Reiss, Barbara Turney, Jerrine Halzburg, Dorothy Clark, Wanda Northen, Alice Nichols, Marjorie Chelstorp and Herbert Joppick.



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