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ONE-MAN SHOW

Thursday, Dec. 23 One-man show of the works of artist Jerry Zelenick in the Quiet Room of Farmington Community Library, on Twelve Mile, runs through Dec. 31.

RACQUETBALL

Thursday, Dec. 23: Registrations are being taken for racquetball lessons to be given in either weekday or weekend classes beginning the week of Jan. 10 for beginners and intermediates in Farmington Area Recreation Commission office, in Farmington City Hall, during regular office hours.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC MASS

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 24-26: Christmas Music Mass featuring the youth and adult choirs of St. Fabian Church, under the direction of Marlene Belanger, with music students from area colleges, in the church, 3220 Twelve Mile, Christmas Eve, at 11:15 p.m., on Christmas Day and Dec. 26 at 11 a.m.

STUART LITTLE

Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 28-29: "Stuart Little," a film of the book by E.C. White, author of "Charlotte's Web," for elementary school children only, in Farmington Community Library on Liberty at 2 p.m. Tuesday, and in Farmington Hills Community Library on Twelve Mile at 2 p.m. Wednesday. No charge.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

Friday, Dec. 31: Deadline for cross-country ski lessons registration, sponsored by Farmington Area Recreation Commission, in the commission office, 3155 Eleven Mile, during regular office hours. Classes will begin week of Jan. 12.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKI CLUB

Monday, Jan. 3: The first meeting of the

Farmington Cross Country Ski Club, in Farmington Hills City Hall, 3155 Eleven Mile, 7 p.m. Open to adults, children, families, beginners and experts.

ADULT EDUCATION

Monday through Monday, Jan. 3-10: Registration for the winter term of Farmington Schools Adult Education day and evening classes which are scheduled to begin Jan. 10 taken by calling 477-1300 ext. 26 for evening classes; or 861-5561 for day classes.

GIFTS OF THE MAGI

Wednesday, Jan. 5: "Gifts of the Magi: The Epiphany Story in Music and Art," sponsored by Farmington Musicals at 12:30 p.m. in Farmington Community Library on Twelve Mile coordinates music, painting, sculpture, crafts and literature. Reservations are necessary through Mrs. Louis Noetzel, 624-4740. Baby-sitting services available, at a charge.

CHILDREN: YOURS AND MINE

Wednesday, Jan. 5: Registration deadline for "Children: Yours and Mine," series of lectures and workshops to run Wednesdays, beginning Jan. 12. Adat Shalom Synagogue. Registration information available by calling the synagogue, 861-3100.

A STAR IS BORN

Wednesday, Jan. 5: "A Star is Born," theatre party in Americana Theatre to benefit Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan with afterglow in Raleigh House for patrons and sponsors. Reserved seats only. Tickets available for residents in this area through Sharyn Cornfield, 628-6501.

COMMUNITY CENTER CLASSES

Thursday, Jan. 6: Registration begins for all classes offered during Farmington Community Center's winter term and continues until class loads are full, by calling the center, 477-8404.

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We bought a couple of ponies for a mass with a few dozen others in the church of our church for the Christmas season, and then we had to decide what kind of a dedication we should use.

"Let's say they're in that church for another Christmas together," our No. 2 daughter suggested.

That sounded just fine to me—echoed my own feelings to a T.

We had been afraid this would be the Christmas of the first break in the ranks and I was determined to accept the inevitable with good grace and good cheer.

Our oldest daughter, who had moved several states away to a new job a few months ago, had been watching her university's football team win game after game and was smelling roses and thinking of a Rose Bowl visit.

We knew she'd want to consider using travel time and money for the trip to Pasadena she'd missed for three years, and we didn't see how we could do anything other than encourage her to go west.

Still, even as I told the other girls we would have to accept this and there would have to be a break in the every-one-home-for-Christmas tradition sometime, I hated the thought of that gap in the family on the morning of Dec. 25.

But then came the word that she'd check-

ed plane reservations for both Michigan and Christmas and California at New Year's, and she'd been working a lot of overtime and was sure she could manage both trips.

And that was followed by a letter about the enjoyment of Christmas in her new home, but the main thing is I'm coming HOME three weeks from today.

So my schedule this last week before Christmas includes a trip to the airport. There will be a chance to turn the tree together, and our time-honored customs of Christmas morning will go on as in other years and we'll even manage a Christmas dinner together.

And I know very well there soon will be a Christmas when the break in the circle will happen.

I'm determined to accept the inevitable with good grace and good cheer. Some other year.

YW registrations begin Dec. 28

Registration for all winter activities at the Oakland Branch YWCA will begin Tuesday, Dec. 28, with sign-ups from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7:30 p.m. The YWCA is located at 829 S. Crocker Road, Clawson.


Other dates and times to register are: Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 29 and 30, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. After the new year, registrations will resume as follows: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday Jan. 6, at 10 a.m. to noon.

Classes for adults, youth and pre-schoolers will begin the week of Monday, Jan. 10. Child care is available for pre-schoolers of women who enroll in daytime classes except on Monday mornings.

Pre-schoolers may join Kiddie Klass on Mondays or Tuesdays, tumbling, ballet or a self-discovery class.

Call the YWCA at 435-1100 for brochure or further information.

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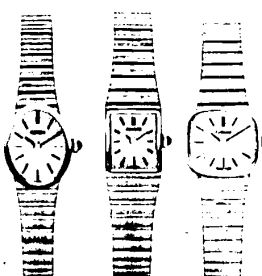
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