

around Farmington

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HOLY FAMILY PORTRAYAL
Thursday through Saturday, Dec. 22-24: Members of Orchard United Methodist Church portray the Holy Family and shepherds as the story of the birth of Jesus is told in music, words and the tableau surrounding a life-size creche, from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday through Friday and immediately after the 5 p.m. service Saturday, on the church's front lawn, 30450 Farmington Road.

AUDITIONS
Thursday, Dec. 22: TAP (Theatre Arts Productions) holds auditions for "I Do, I Do," "Same Time Next Year," "Fantasticks," "Little Mary Sunshine," "Broadway Slagfight," "Mystery Weekends and Broadway musical revues by appointment only. Actors, singers and dancers can call TAP 683-1827 or 858-4537 for appointments. All positions are paid.

BLOOD DRIVE
Friday, Dec. 23: Annual blood drive sponsored by Farmington School employees, from 1-7 p.m. in Farmington Administrative Annex, 10 Mile Road east of Farmington Road.

CANDLELIGHT SERVICES
Saturday, Dec. 24: Candlelight Services begin at 7:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, corner of New Market and 12 Mile, east of Farmington Road.

DEVOTIONAL WORSHIP
Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 24-25: Devotional worship and candle lighting services begin at 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve and Festival Eucharist service begins at 10:45 a.m. Christmas Day in Hope Lutheran Church, 12 Mile east of Haggerty.

CHRISTMAS IN OUR TOWN
Sunday, Dec. 25: "Christmas in Our Town," communitywide First Church of the Nazarene Christmas worship service at 10:30 a.m. in New Hill Ballroom, on Haggerty Road and Eight Mile, with guest musicians, Handbell Choir, the Sanctuary Choir and special program for children. For preschoolers child care, available in the church, call the church office, 348-7600.

MAGIC AND PIZZA
Tuesday, Dec. 27: Ming the Magnificent performs magic after a pizza lunch, at 11:30 a.m. in Farmington Community Center, Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile. Reservations, at \$5 each, taken by calling the center, 477-8404.

MUSEUM OPEN
Wednesday, Dec. 28: Farmington Historical Museum, dressed for the holidays, open to guests from 1-5 p.m. on Grand River, west of Farmington Road. Donation of \$1 asked at the door. Children under 12 admitted free.

MAGIC AND PIZZA
Thursday, Dec. 28: Boyer and Fitzsimmons mix magic, magic and comedy for their show following a pizza dinner at 6 p.m. in Farmington Community Center, Farmington Road north of 10 Mile. Reservations, at \$5 each, taken by calling the center, 477-8404.

DINNER DANCE
Saturday, Dec. 31: Groves-Walker American Legion Post 346's annual New Year Eve dinner dance begins at 7 p.m. in the post home, 31775 Grand River. Reservations, at \$45 per couple, taken by calling the post, 478-9174 after 2 p.m., and includes open bar and buffet supper after midnight.

NEW YEAR SERVICES
Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1: Eucharist Service begins at 7:30 p.m. New Year's Eve and worship service begins at 10 a.m. New Year's Day in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, corner of 12 Mile and

New Market, east of Farmington Road.

FRESHSTART
Tuesday, Jan. 3: Registration deadline for "Freshstart," program to help smokers quit the habit, which begins at 1:30 p.m. or 7 p.m. Jan. 9 and continues twice a week until Jan. 25 in St. Mary Hospital, 8475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. No charge, but pre-registration is necessary.

made by calling the hospital, 464-4600, ext. 2297.

COMPUTER CLASS
Wednesday, Jan. 4: Apple II GS computer class begins at 7 p.m. and continues for four Wednesdays in Room 103, Clarenceville High School. Fee is \$18. Registrations taken by calling Clarenceville Community Education, 473-8933.140 F9288

Christmas services planned at Hope Church

Devotional worship with special music and candle lighting will mark the celebration of Jesus' birth by members of Hope Lutheran Church on Christmas Eve at 7:30 p.m. and also Christmas morning at 10:45 a.m.

Members of the parish are adding a second Christmas tree to their sanctuary this year. Curismons are Christmas symbols, beautifully made with gold, white and crystal beads, and are hung on ornaments on the two sanctuary trees. A number of women in the parish spent several months earlier this past year making all of the Christmas for their second tree.

Their symbolic meaning will be explained with the use of slide pictures and narration during the Christmas Eve worship. Special music

that evening will be provided by two choirs and instrumentalists, and many of the familiar carols will be sung by the congregation. The service concludes with all worshippers participating in the traditional candle lighting ceremony as they sing the familiar "Silent Night."

A Festival Eucharist Service will be offered Christmas morning at 10:45 a.m. for members and friends of the congregation. This service, too, will include special music by the choir and congregational carol singing.

Hope Lutheran Church is on 12 Mile, east of Haggerty. The Rev. Victor Mesenbring serves as pastor. Members of the community are invited to join members of Hope at both services.

Candlelight services set

This year, two special Candlelight Services are being planned in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, on the corner of New Market and 12 Mile, east of Farmington Road. The times set for the two special services are 7:30 p.m. and 11 p.m.

The festive service will be highlighted with special music selections by the senior choir under the direction of Salvatore Mancuso, organist and choirmaster. Soloist for the 11 p.m. service will be Donald Hart, formerly affiliated with the Windsor Light Opera.

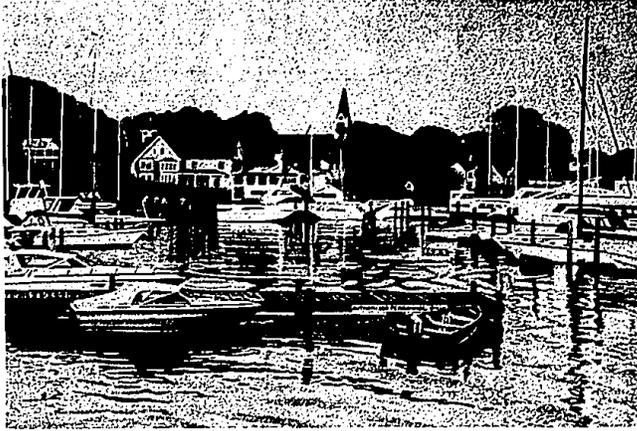
According to the Rev. T. Richard Marcis Sr., pastor of the congregation, there is much symbolic meaning behind such a service.

"Light is not only a symbol of life but of truth, too. The truth," Marcis said, "communicated through this rite is that God, who is the Light of Life, personally manifested the truth of his loving concern by coming to this world on that first Christmas in the Person of Jesus in order to become the world's Saviour and

promised Messiah or Christ, and therefore the source of mankind's hope."

Since Christmas Day this year falls on a Sunday, only one worship service will be conducted on that day at 10 a.m. It will be a "Service of Song" during which many old and familiar Christmas carols and hymns will be sung. Preceding the singing, Marcis will give the congregation a brief background of the composer and what it was that inspired the author of the lyrics.

The calendar year will close with a special Eucharist Service on New Year's Eve at 7:30 p.m. and but one worship service on New Year's Day at 10 a.m.



"View of Mackinac - Early Evening" exemplifies the realistic style of artist Karen Carter, Farmington Community's "Artist on Display."

Seascapes deck center's halls

Farmington Community Center has decked its halls with the artwork of Karen M. Carter, "Artist on Display." Her collection of realist water colors and oil paintings is shown for the month on the center's upper level gallery through the end of January.

Many of Carter's works depict scenes along the shores of Lake Huron. The Detroit-area artist paints nearby all of her watercolors on location at Lake Huron and was chosen the "Official Artist of the Port Huron-Mackinac Yachting Race" in 1989.

"I consider my works realist paintings that capture the true essence of a moment in time," said Carter. "I feel that they have achieved a heightened realism."

The public may see Carter's exhibit when the center is open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays and 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays.

In addition to painting, Carter has taught both adult and youth art classes. Her class "Art Exploration" will be offered for children aged 5-7 and 8-10 years during the communi-

club circuit

WESTSIDE SINGLES' Christmas dance begins at 8:30 p.m. Friday in Roma's of Livonia on Schoolcraft Service Drive, west of Inkster Road. Admission is \$4 at the door for singles over the age of 21. The hotline number is 562-3160.

SATURDAY NIGHT SINGLES will host a New Year's Eve party for all singles in the metro area, at 9 p.m. Dec. 31 in Roma's of Bloomfield, Telegraph Road north of Square Lake Road. Tickets are \$30 with reservations

for these kids and they really enjoy it."

The center is a non-profit, independent organization at 24705 Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile. It offers programming and services that include educational, cultural, and social activities. The telephone number is 477-8404.

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