

MALLS & MAINSTREETS

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ment Authority has published a downtown business and service directory that is free and available at most Plymouth businesses. The handbook contains a listing of all businesses by category and includes phone numbers, locations and a synopsis of products and services offered.

Gymboree Shop

A Gymboree children's clothing store has opened near center court in Laurel Park Place in Livonia. The clothing is primarily 100 percent cotton active wear, featuring "growth cuffs" on pants and sleeves. There is also a Gymboree store in Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi.

Salute to Livonia

The recent Livonia Mall Celebrity Auction raised \$22,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The auction lasted until midnight, but it was well worth it, according to mall manager Jeanne Hildebrand.

"We were up \$5,000 over last year," she said. Hildebrand and auction organizer Bill Checks, the mall's marketing director, appeared on the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon to present the check.

Fragrance debuts

Jacobson's has expanded its Hermes Collection with the Hermes line of fragrances. For women, *Coleche*, *Amazone* and *Parfum d'Hermes* is now available. For men, *Equipe* and *Bel Ami*, and for men and women *Eau de Cologne Hermes*. The line includes body products for women and after-shave lotions for men.

The store will also carry the new Valentino fragrance *Vendetta*, a floral oriental, and *Vendetta Pour Homme*, a woody scent.

Kids get a break

Hudson's has announced a

partnership with Christians United in Business Endeavors (C.U.B.E.) for a program called Genesis Ventures.

GV will create 100 jobs for disadvantaged youth 16-21 years old, after training them in computer lab and creative design to package gifts including T-shirts, hats, greeting cards and food baskets.

Fresh fruit packages ordered from Hudson's Marketplaces during the holidays, will be put together and delivered by GV employees. Cosmetic and fragrance baskets will also be assembled by this group. Customers will note special labels on the packages that indicate GV participation.

Neiman's Holiday Book

This year's Neiman Marcus Christmas Catalog is out with unusual gifts in all price ranges. People with discriminating tastes will want to order the authentic handcrafted Egyptian Fantasy Tent, measuring 13 square feet for \$3,300. Or, the electric GTP a battery-powered sports coupe that cruises at up to 80 mph and travels up to 100 miles on each electric charge for \$77,000.

Less costly mementos of affection can be ordered from the "\$25 and Under" pages. Contact Neiman Marcus at the Somerset Collection in Troy for details on how to obtain the catalog.

Selling Detroit

Retail Marketing Services Inc. is offering a free service to retailers considering a move into Detroit market. It's a half-hour overview of the demographics, economics, retailing and infrastructure of southeast Michigan. Company president Charles Gifford said the most recent participant was Frank Dozzi, president of Home Quarters, who afterward decided to open 10 new stores in metro Detroit by 1994.

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books was read today, "Sam's Sandwich."

Jane Witkowski, 5, of Plymouth hopped up and down in front of Fergus until he acknowledged her with a hug. Fergus then lent his tail to several children who wanted to sit on it for a picture. Members of the mall staff passed out laminated book marks to attendees.

The WNIC staff receives no fi-

nancial compensation for their book interpretations, but gets lots of hugs and wide eyes of appreciation.

"This is the age of instant gratification with television and the electronic games craze," reasoned Harper. "But, reading is the oldest form of entertainment and it's important that a love of books and the written word remains a part of our culture. I remember

the first Dr. Seuss book that an aunt bought for me. Gosh, that book took me into endless areas of my imagination."

"Besides," Harper added, "this job doesn't take too much time. I just have to pre-read the stories so I don't get stuck on any hard words."

Storybook Sundays last about a half-hour and newcomers are always welcome. Parents with re-

ceipts from mall stores totaling more than \$50 can pick up a free foam seat for their favorite member of the audience. The kids sit on the seats, then get them autographed by WNIC personalities after the show.

Storybook Sundays has caught on with teachers, too. Fergus has promised several preschool and Headstart classrooms that he will visit bringing his favorite books.

Camp Oakland graduates first boot camp

The first squad to complete training at the Camp Oakland Boot Camp, Michigan's first for adolescent males, graduated Aug. 29.

The eight graduates, aged 16 to 17 years, began their boot camp odyssey in February, referred by

the juvenile divisions of their local probate courts for violations that might have been felonies if they'd been 18 or older.

The military-style daily regimen includes a 5:30 a.m. reveille, two one-hour callisthenic and drill sessions, plus work crew, group

therapy and 0.5 day of schooling. The trainees wear camouflage uniforms and observe rules of military conduct.

Camp Oakland will follow each graduate's progress through an aftercare program. A community service worker will stay in touch

with each boy and his family for at least six months.

Based in Oxford, Camp Oakland Youth Programs is a private, non-profit corporation providing residential or day student care and counseling for 138 boys and girls.

A Private View

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Related Offerings
GALLERY TALK on Sunday, September 26 at 3 p.m.; free with museum admission.

CLASS ON STILL-LIFE PAINTING on Saturdays, October 2-16 at 12:30 p.m.; call 833-1426 for information.

Recommended Admission
\$4 general public; \$1 children, members free (pay what you wish, but you must pay something).

Museum Hours
Wednesday-Friday 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; weekends 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
Closed Mondays, Tuesdays and "holidays." The Detroit Institute of Arts, 5100 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48202, (313) 833-7900.

The exhibition was organized by the DIA and the Yale University Art Gallery. In Detroit, exhibition funding was made possible by the state of Michigan, the city of Detroit and the DIA Founders Society.

John Singer Sargent: *Young Girl Wearing a White Mullin Blouse*, between 1882 and 1885; oil on canvas.



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just a few girls are chosen from a field of 500 applicants," Ridenaur said. "At Sears everyone is welcome. Every girl deserves a chance to look her best."

The five classes will be 10-11:30 a.m. for \$89. A second session may be added. Interested young women may register by calling 646-6250.

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