

Grand galas: (Top) Ronald McDonald is embraced by Chris Kuechenmeister (left) and Julie Mied of Troy at a benefit for the Ronald McDonald House.



(Bottom) New Washington University chancellor Mark Wrighton (center) is flanked by Madeline (left) and Norman Foster and Larry and Pam Pepper of Bloomfield Township at a reception for area loyalists.



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The Underwriter's Party was at Judy and Gerald Haynes' physically friendly home in Bloomfield Hills where the fireplace was charmingly aglow with white, pillar candles in various heights. We'll report on the auction packages closer to the event slated for March 1 at Forest Lake Country Club.

• The Norman Fosters recently hosted a reception at their historic Bloomfield home (Nearbrook) to introduce the new chancellor of Washington University to area alumni, parents and friends. Foster chairs the St. Louis, Missouri University Detroit Regional Cabinet. Eighty loyalists including the Ray Hackers and Lawrence Peppers of Bloomfield, the Stanley Rosens of Bingham Farms and Marvin Molasky of Birmingham were on hand. Martin Lerner, Jeffrey Rahmberg and Kim Schatzel are more localites who serve on the regional cabinet.

• Balloons at Bunny Kratchman's Bloomfield Township door nudged a welcome to more than 50 guests at the recent 10th birthday celebration of the Michigan Women's Foundation (MWF). Eccentric-area residents like Mary Lou Butcher, Harriet Ratter, Judith Slotkin, Bobbi Toll, Maggie Allesse, Rita

Boesky and Diane Farber were among the supporters who turned out and raised more than \$7,000 for MWF. Executive director and Birmingham native Peg Talburt pinpointed the foundation's mission: "We find and fund solutions that'll make Michigan women and girls more self-sufficient."

• After several years at the Detroit Athletic Club, Santa's Swing, an annual St. Peter's Home for Boys benefit, is returning to the Eccentric area. Nikki Tu and Desmond Crowley's committee will stage the 15th annual holiday happening at Community House in Birmingham Friday, Dec. 20. Julie Wineman, Greg Thompson and Susan Kursyna are also on the committee.

Plans for the black tie affair, which traditionally attracts young professionals and the home-for-the-holidays post grand crowd, include dancing to the music of the Sun Messengers, hors d'oeuvres and cash bar. For advance tickets (\$45) call Tu at (810) 540-4605 or pay \$50 at the door. It opens at 8:30 p.m. and the music won't stop until 1 a.m.

• Heidi and Michael Stein will host Michigan Cancer Foundation's Circle of Fellows at their

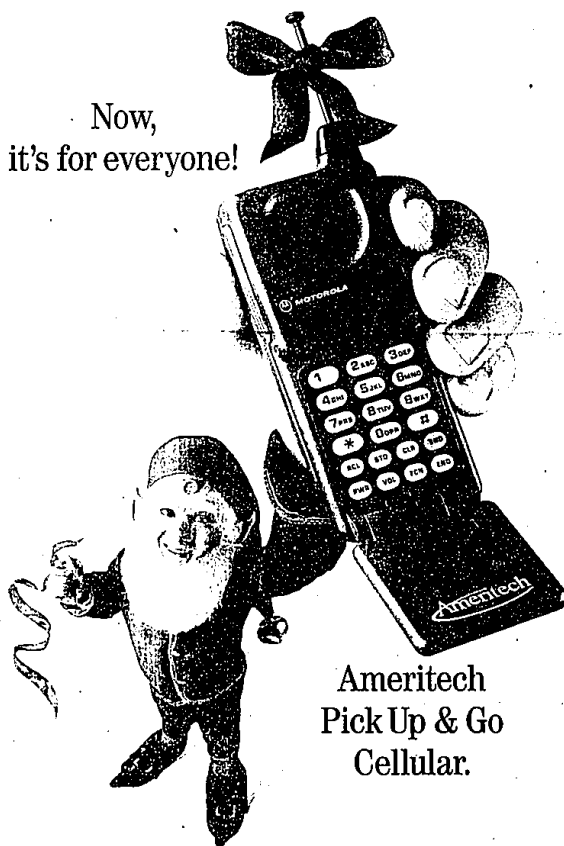
Bloomfield home Wednesday, Dec. 18. The dinner buffet will feature Lebanese delicacies and raise money for the Karmos Cancer Institute. For Fellows membership information, call (313) 833-0715, Ext. 769.

• Grand weather brought happy crowds to Franklin Community Association's Holly Day last Saturday rewarding the efforts of chairman Carol Fisher and her band of dedicated volunteers. Peggy Kerr, Jim Beaudette, Anna Marie Roediger, Lori Grundy, Matt Faulkner, Tom Bright, Norma and John Pope, Shelly and Bill Williams, Sandy Lang, Nancy Kern, Then and Mark Crowley, Gail Barr, Janice Bloom and Russ Frank's Boy Scout Troop are just a few who helped drive Holly Day spirit in the "town that time forgot."

• More than 225 turned out for the recent Ronald McDonald House benefit at the Rooterail Club in Detroit. The evening of laughter featured Rondell Sheridan and raised \$40,000 to support the home away from home for families of hospitalized children.

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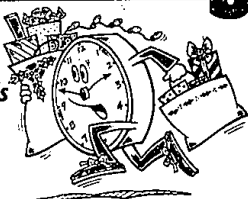
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