

SHOPPING

Read alert



Fashion focus: World-renowned accessory designer Kathrine Baumann has partnered with Micro Vision Optical to design an exclusive line of dazzling reader products that offer flash and flair. The new Kathrine Baumann Beverly Hills reader products are optically distributed through Rem Eyewear and selling exclusively in the Detroit area at Steven Franklin Optics in West Bloomfield. They include shimmering tubes and folding readers ornamented with sparkling Swarovski crystals in an assortment of brilliant, plain and premium colors, and intricate patterns such as stars and stripes and floral and animal prints. The actual readers within the collection are available in corrective strengths of +1.00 through +3.00. Among Baumann's functional art are Swarovski crystal handbag replicas of Dorothy's ruby slippers, the Titanic, the Coca-Cola bottle and Mercedes-Benz. Steven Franklin Optics (248) is in The Boardwalk shopping center at 6891 Orchard Lake Road. Call (248) 855-5810.

Twelve Oaks offers gift ideas for Father's Day

Besides the typical cards and cologne for Father's Day, Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi offers several other gift ideas that will bring a sparkle to Dad's eye.

For the outdoorsy dad, a Camelbak hydration backpack from the Discovery Channel Store is just what is on his wish list. The main compartment is roomy enough to store extra clothes, snacks and first aid kits, while the outer pocket stows smaller items. The backpack also features a built-in water reservoir that holds 2 liters.

If you want to protect Dad from summer critters, try the mosquito eradicator from Brookstone. With these gifts, Dad will be one happy camper.

Give your dad the gift of jewelry with a stunning Citizen Promaster titanium watch from Helzberg Diamonds.

Titanium is the jewelry industry's latest hot metal. This sporty timepiece features a safety clasp for comfortable and secure wear, plus a blue dial

If your dad needs a jump-start on his summer wardrobe, give him a short-sleeved pique polo from Eddie Bauer. This all-purpose polo comes in several colors and is 100 percent cotton. The lock-stitched buttons add extra strength to this great shirt.

Can't get him away from the

This set includes a *Best of*

Sports Illustrated coffee table book and a reprint of the very first issue of *Sports Illustrated* magazine, 27 replica 1954 trading cards and a 26-issue sub-

If your dad loves golf, the Tiger Woods PGA Tour 2002 software from Electronics Boutique would be the perfect gift. The TruSwing technology and neat 3-D appearance will make Dad feel as if he's right on his favorite fairway.

If none of the above satisfies your Father's Day list, make his day with a Twelve Oaks Mall gift certificate. Available in denominations of \$5 up to \$100 per certificate, they can be used at any Twelve Oaks store or

Twelve Oaks Mall is at I-96 and Novi Road. The center features 180 shops and services.

SHOPPING BRIEFS

■ SUMMER SAFETY

Art Van Furniture is teaming up with AAA Michigan and the American Red Cross to bring Summer Safety Awareness to communities.

All Art Van locations will distribute literature on water safety, bike safety and personal safety **Sunday, June 9**. Each child will receive free swim goggles, while supplies last.

■ **CLOTHING DRIVE**
Guys 'N' Gals, 6333 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield, is having a clothing drive for the homeless 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, June 14.

Bring in one pair of used jeans and get a new pair for half the retail price. Bring in additional clothing and such items as toys, small furniture and bedding for a tax-deductible donation.

All donations will be given to the New Bethel Outreach Ministry Shelter in Pontiac, which serves primarily women and

children.

Call (248) 851-1260.
■ CAMP FIRED
 Camp Fired, an art-intensive summer camp divided into eight one-week, 2-1/2-hour sessions,

The camp is open to children

The camp is open to children age 8 years and older. Each session will focus on different artists or time periods in art history translating into ceramic painting, tie-dyeing, mosaic projects and more taught by Novice elementary school art teachers.

For more information, call
You're Fired at (248) 851-5594.
You're Fired is in The Board-
walk shopping center at 6925
Orchard Lake Road, south of

■ **FATHER'S DAY EVENT**
Young people up to 15 years of age

age are invited to draw a picture

of their dad and his favorite furniture on special entry forms at all Art Van Furniture stores, now through Sunday, June 16 (Father's Day).

The pictures will be posted in the store and the child will receive a tape measure to give to Dad on Father's Day.

The forms include a chance for parents/guardians to enter to

One entry per person. Gifts available while supplies last.

■ **QUILTING**
Quilter Cynthia Wilsher will give a demonstration on quilting.

Learn about new and old quilting techniques along with

Call (888) 619-2199 to make reservations for the complimentary presentations.

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