

## Back Mountain Business & Professional Assocation

## Open House Dec. 6-7-8

# Use distinctive wrapping to add charm to your gifts

One of America's most beloved holiday traditions is wrapping gifts. Studies show the average household wraps about 37 presents each season. Since that's a bundle in paper, tape, bows and elbow grease, it's always nice if the out-

So what looks are popular for this holiday season? Angels, angels and more angels are one of the fastest-growing trends in package dress-up. Nostalgic themed paper that's warm and casual and reflects simple family values is especially popular in these fast-paced times. Old-fashioned scenes, vinage toys and pine tree-prints are a lew of the looks splayed across

Jolly paper adorned with Win-nie-the-Pooh, Mickey Mouse, Loo-ney Tunes and other bold designs is

also fun for kids and adults.
So how does the average all-

Here are a few more easy ways

dress up Christmas, Hanukkah or Use gift bags. Simplify your

ribbon, bow and name tag and voi-la! The easiest way to dress up a package can also be the most beau-tiful. There are so many attractive gift bags on the market that it's a cinch to make your packages re-semble works of art.

 Add an ornament as a decorative accessory. Tied with ribbon to gifts, ornaments (bell ornament atimental tokens of family celebraached to jingle bell-decorated paer, for example), can become

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need to wrap a small gift, start with a tiny wrapped box, place that in a slightly larger box, wrap that one and so on. Gift recipients always have fun unwrapping such a puzzle, especially when the end reput in the grapher than the start of the start o you have time on your hands and

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thumbs Joe become an artistic holiday wrapping expert?

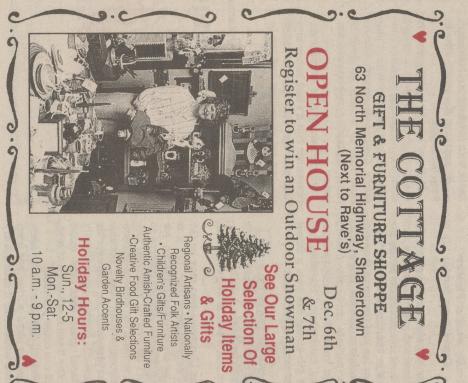
life. Gorgeous, sturdy gift bags are available in every size to fit any gift, especially those bulky or unwieldy. Wrap the gift with fancy tissue paper, adorn with foil

Build a gift tower. Wrap a stack of gifts in coordinating patterns and tie together with ribbon.
 Play the hidden boxes game. If

pecial gift (such as jewelry).
Mix and match. Wrap lids and sult in the smallest box is a really



Holiday theme Winnie-the-Pooh gift bags wrap and wrap will turn up under lots of trees this holiday season.





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"Always respond to a gift enthusiastically and lovingly. No matter how much you hate it, you must receive the gift as what it is: a gift of love. You can always find something to praise about the present—the color, the store, even the wrapping paper. Or simply say, 'How thoughtful. You must have spent a great deal of time picking this out"—Letitia Baldrige. (CNS).

Light It Up

Before hanging old or new lights around the house, take time to inspect each string for cracked or broken sockets, frayed wires and loose bulbs. Discard any damaged strings of lights. (CNS)

Free Tokens
If money's tight, but you still
want to give a welcome gift, volunteer your time. Some ideas:
• Ten free hours of baby-sitting.
• Walk the dog on a regular ba-

Ten days of pet-sitting.
A day of housecleaning — in-

"I always page dad so I'm not late for the game."

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Wash, wax and detail the recipient's car. (CNS)

Roman Roots

Christmas celebrations date all the way back to the ancient Roman celebration of Saturnalia, a wintertime festivity during which people decorated their homes with greenery and exchanged tokens with friends and family (CNS)

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