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Wood-burning stove damages exposed skin

United Press International
CHICAGO — The energy crisis may indirectly be giving people brown-spotted skin, the American Academy of Dermatology says.

Dr. Robert W. Goltz, AAD president and head of dermatology at the University of Minnesota, said the intense heat of the wood-burning stove, which has been making a comeback in the United States since the energy crunch began, can permanently discolor exposed skin.

He said the skin mutations disappeared in the United States when central heating was introduced, but are still common in countries, such as England, where many people burn wood and coal to heat their homes.

High temperature and infra-red rays cause the brownish blotches, which in some cases may be permanent, Goltz said.

He said the discoloration is far more serious than the skin-reddening caused by sunlight or fire-light. Some medical experts have found the mutations produced by the stove's heat to be pre-cancerous, he said.

Goltz said families can protect themselves by keeping exposed skin areas a safe distance from direct heat.



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ART EXHIBIT: Trilogy Part I — THE EIGHT, from the collection of J. W. Runyon '35, will be on exhibit until Dec. 9 on the first floor of the Library. Docents are available 12:30-1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday for guided tours.

AGGIE CHRISTMAS CARD SALES: The Class of '80 will be selling Christmas cards in the MSC and at the MSC Box Office in Rudder Tower through Dec. 14. A package of 10 is \$2.50, and there are two designs to choose from.

CRAFTS & ARTS: MSC Arts & Crafts will sponsor a Fair from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Rudder Fountain.

EUROPE CLUB: Will meet at 8 p.m. at Mr. Gatti's. Yearbook pictures will be taken at 8:15 p.m. in Zachry.

IRANIAN STUDENTS: The Immigration and Naturalization Service will meet with Iranian students from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the International Center, Room 251, Bizzell Hall. Students should bring the following items: passport, Form I-94, evidence of current address (bills, for example), a letter stating they are in good standing with the University (which can be obtained from the International Office), and a letter showing how many hours they are taking this semester (obtained from the registrar's office).

PANHANDLE HOMETOWN CLUB: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 139, MSC. Spring officers will be elected.

PHI DELTA GAMMA: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. at 413 Brookside Dr., Bryan to celebrate Founders Day. Dr. Ethel Tsutsui will show slides of Japan and a brief enactment of the beginning and history of Phi Delta Gamma will be presented.

STUDENT Y: Will hold a Share Group at 9 p.m. in the Mediation Room, All Faiths Chapel.

Electronic games, toys ring up sales

United Press International
NEW YORK — More than 100 electronic games and toys will be on the market during the 1979 Christmas season, compared to about 45 such items last year, say toy industry sources. Sales of electronic games totaled about \$40 million in 1977, their first year on the market. Industry sources believe the volume will reach \$500 million by 1980.

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HILLEL FOUNDATION: Rabbi Kessler will discuss "The Decline of The Jewish Community" at 8 p.m. in Room 350, MSC.

PRE-THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 211, Academic Bldg. All interested students are urged to attend.

YOUNG AMERICANS FOR FREEDOM: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 206, MSC. The film "The Salt Syndrome" by the American Security Council will be shown.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS: Chrome mobiles of sports, seagulls and boats will be sold by the Badminton Club from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Dec. 8 on the first floor, MSC. Gifts are \$10 and under.

Thursday

"THE WIZARD OF OZ": Judy Garland stars in a fairy tale about a young girl's journey "over the rainbow." Will be shown at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. in Rudder Theater. Admission — \$1.25.

BLACK ENGINEERS: Will meet to discuss "High School Interim" at 7:30 p.m. in Room 103, Zachry.

MSC CAMERA: Will meet 7:30-8:30 p.m. in Room 137-A, MSC. Spring programs will be decided.

SKI CLUB: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 601, Rudder. The meeting is especially for those going on the Christmas Steamboat Trip.

DEADLINE: Thursday is the last day for entering the Racquetball Club Singles Tournament. Sign up in Room 221, MSC.

E.E. STUDENT WIVES: Will meet at 8 p.m. in the home of J.P. Painter. Members are asked to bring greenery for centerpiece.

FENCING CLUB: Will meet at 7 p.m. in Room 256, G. Rollie White Hall with University of Texas and a beginner's class tournament will be discussed.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: The Retired Senior Volunteer Program will sponsor caroling and a party for RSVP volunteers. Caroling will begin at 2 p.m. at Bryan Hospital and at 2:45 p.m. at St. Joseph Hospital. The party will begin at 3:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room, First Federal Savings and Loan, 2900 Texas Ave.

SMITH COUNTY HOMETOWN CLUB: Will meet at 8 p.m. in the MSC Lounge. Aggeland pictures will be taken.

METHODIST STUDENT MOVEMENT: Will meet at 7 p.m. in Room 607, Rudder. Spring activities will be discussed.

CAMPUS CRUSADE: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 204, Harrington.

BASKETBALL: The men's team will take on Texas Lutheran at 7 p.m. in G. Rollie White.

Friday

BASEMENT COFFEEHOUSE: James Durst will perform in the Basement Coffeehouse at 8 p.m. Tickets available in MSC Box Office and at the door. Admission — \$2.

WATER SKI: Will have a winter party at 7:30 at Nelson's house. Maps for directions available in the Recreation cubicle in Room 221, MSC.

SINGLES RACQUETBALL: Begins its tournament at 6 p.m. in Deware Fieldhouse. Tournament will continue through Sunday.

BOOKFAIR: Will be held noon to 5 p.m. on the MSC Mall. Sponsored by the Arts Committee in conjunction with Texas Circuit and Cedarhouse Press.

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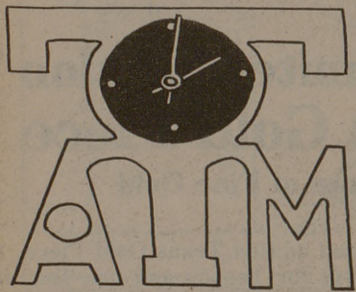
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