

Safety check important in buying, selling home

Home safety should be an important consideration both for house hunters and those preparing a home for sale, according to the United Northwestern Realty Association (UNRA).

The 1,400 member organization of realty specialists points out that nearly twice as many fatal or disabling accidents occur in the home as on the job, with research proving most are preventable.

Some of the points worth checking whether in your present or a prospective home include the kitchen, often considered the heart of the home.

Ideally, passage through the kitchen should be away from work areas, such as the sink, stove and counter space, which should be well-lighted and designed to keep lifting and carrying to a minimum.

The kitchen should be well-ventilated with an exhaust system that discharges outside, not to the attic or other unused space as ovens, broilers and roasters should have pilot lights protected with an automatic cut-off in case of flame failure.

The range should not be located under a window with hanging curtains, a frequent cause of fires, and storage space for household chemicals should be out of the reach of children or lockable.

BATHROOMS are another scene of many preventable home accidents, particularly falls, so it is well to have floors with non-slip finishes. Bathtubs also should have textured, nearly flat or non-slip surfaces.

Tub and shower enclosures should be equipped with sturdy and strategically placed grab bars and doors should be made of safety glazing material. Towel bars, soap dishes and other fixtures should be of durable material. Freely installed.

All electrical equipment in the bathroom should be grounded, with fixtures and switches well out of reach of tubs and shower enclosures. A medical chest that can be locked, especially in a home where

small children live, is a definite safety factor.

Falls may be humorous cartoon fare but they also are the leading cause of accidental death in the home. Families should be safeguarded by well-lighted stairways equipped with switches, top and bottom. Naming, carpeting and treads, with non-slip surfaces, should be kept in good repair to avoid tripping.

DEATHS ASSOCIATED with fires take the second largest number of lives in the home and many families now are installing some form of alert system and practicing evacuation procedures.

It's best when every room has at least one door to the outside or a window low and large enough to be used in an emergency exit. However, a fixed fire escape, a rope or chain ladder can provide an escape from upper-floor rooms not adjacent to a roof or outside deck.

There should be doors at the top or bottom of stairways so that each level of the house can be sealed off and doors for closets or between rooms should open from either side. Louvered doors, which permit entry of smoke and flames, also should be "labeled" for bedrooms and stairways.

Overloaded of faulty wiring is a frequent fire cause so it pays to make sure your home has sufficient capacity for new major appliances, that the system is adequately protected by circuit breakers or fuses, and that the rooms have enough wall outlets to avoid "couscous" connections of extension cords.

Outlets should be of the three-hole, grounding type, or should be grounded to that appropriate adapters may be used. All electrical equipment should bear the label of a nationally recognized testing agency such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

The highest honor

Four area residents were among the 400 Masons who received Scottish Rite Fraternity's 32d degree at the end of a two-week reunion recently. Members of the 280th Reunion class included: Robert Tower, 38854 Brittany Hills Drive, Farmington; Junior L. Hill, 23064 Canfield, Farmington Hills; Charles Gatecliff, 25502 Wessex, Farmington; and Sheldon Blair, 23052 Montclair Drive, Farmington. The class was named in honor of the late Louis Asmus, a 33d degree Mason who was president of the Michigan Automobile Club at the time of his death in April 1975.

In The Pocket



By W.W. EDGAR

SUE LYNCH who stunned the women's bowling world several years ago when, as a 19-year-old, she rolled a 602 in the WIBC

singles and 1802 in the all-events, has done it again.

The young Detroit, who does a lot of her bowling at Redford Lanes, put together games of 307, 322 and 320 for a 602 at Denver last weekend to take over the WIBC singles lead. And officials who witnessed her performance were of the opinion that the score might stand up to give her the title.

While Sue doesn't bowl in any of the all-star leagues, she does compete regularly in the Eddie Coy league at Continental Lanes and in the Redford Redwood Senior House league aside from taking her regular turn in the traveling league.

If she is fortunate and her score survives attack over the rest of the WIBC tournament, she will be the youngest Detroit bowler ever to win a national senior title. And she's only 20 years old.

IT MAY BE A LONG time before the peak of excitement at a bowling league will be any greater than the closing night of the Tuesday junior house league at Westland Bowl.

When the final night started, the Crown & Sward team was tied with the Ace Bowling Supply combination—with \$5,000 at stake.

When it was all over the Crown & Sward team wound up with the rich pot of gold as Jay Palak and his crown swept their final games to top the standings.

Jerry Cole Jr. also wrote his name into the record books for the Wayne-Westland Association when he closed the year with 708 for high series. It was the highest series recorded since the association was formed some years ago.

Don Miller won his way into the elite when he had a 284 for high single game for the season.

IN THE LADIES CLASSIC Louise Taylor finally realized her one big ambition when she posted a 226 game in a 600 series. It was her first in double century figures.

Close behind her came Pat Mayles with

a 257 and the Modas Muffler entry had a 284 series.

ONE OF THE OLDEST events of its kind in Michigan, the 24-game marathon is being revived in the Dick Rau tournament in Flint. It opened last weekend with more than 90 entries. Promoters expect a field of more than 150 entrants.

WITH THE WOMEN'S state tournament about at the half-way mark, the Detroit entries still have held on a majority of the top places in actual pin fall.

While the Necci-Elm team of Lansing is out in front with 284 in the five-women division, Elvira Torrey and Kathy Hattip, of the Detroit/Bowlingettes, are leading the doubles with 1191.

With them is Cyra Fackel, the former Detroit bowling queen, who is leading the singles with a 603 and the all-events with 1802.

The Mack To's five topped the team event with a half-pin court of 3802. Jim Wubrowski and 2788. Karen teamed it to top the doubles with 1238, while Ray Nobert won the singles with 705 and Dave Hardy paced the 11-events with 2108. Dave also won the high game award with a 288.

THERE'S WELL, is few finisher any closer than the Classic turned in at Redford last Thursday night when only 19 pins separated the top five bowlers.

Dave Kalczewski showed the way with a 600 and the other four finished in the order: B.C. Nursery with 600, Mal Margosian with 600, George Pragny with 600 and Mel Pritovich with 600.

BOB COOKER was high man in the Garden Lanes Classic with a 677 and it marked one of his best series. At that figure he held an 11-pin edge on Bob Patterson with 666 while Bill Hall landed third with 649. Others in the high double century figures included Larry Brandt with 632, Ron Brennan with 631, and Ron Radey and Bill Montgomery Sr. who tied at 628.

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The tea is open to all persons interested in learning about the auxiliary's work. New Horizons is a non-profit organization offering vocational training and employment opportunity for the physically and mentally handicapped. The auxiliary promotes the interests of New Horizons by raising funds for financial aid, assisting and promoting social programs for the employees, and educating the public in the work and needs of the sheltered workshop.

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