

Kendallwood Kommments

By EMILY ORR, GR-47499

There's a magician in your future as well as in the present. He is Bob Gregory who is 13 and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Gregory of Kendallwood Dr.

Bob has been interested in the art of magic for a number of years. Our supervisor, Earl Teeple, has given Bob many pointers and Bob visits the camp, or as it is called the "Magic capital, at Colon, Mich. every summer to learn his amazing art. Bob has done shows at birthday parties. He is a student at O.E. Duncel Junior High and is interested in doing more shows. Contact him on 476-3762.

THE WARREN SWAN family of K-111 took advantage of the mid-week special for skiing families. The six of them stayed at the lovely Schuss Mountain which is located just outside of Bellaire.

This whole area is typical of a Swiss skiing village. One can exchange American money into Swiss currency or dine at the table of King Daniel, who is reigning monarch of Schuss. Hofmeister is John Meeske and Fran Carole.

The mid-week special is that children 12 and under ski free and no charge for lodging. Many areas are offering this package to get folks to come north for that white stuff.

Last weekend the Ross Martin family was joined by the R. Lindbergh family for a weekend skiing at Wallon, which is in Boyne country. Jan and Bill Salisbury of Bayberry took their youngsters for a full week skiing to Taitelman in Canada.

MRS. SHIRLEY MADISON was hostess at her home on Poppermu last Thursday for her bridge club. Those present were Dora Cairns, Violet Dobyniak, Gwen Gurski, Polly Kamp, Mary Otaviani, Dulcie Vincent, Bobby Armstrong and Ginny Cook.

"I was a celebration at Metro Airport on Wednesday, Feb. 24 for the John Breznick family of Quail Hollow. Their granddaughter Karen Sue and husband Sgt. Donald Bills flew in from Germany with their daughter Kelley (five months old).

The young couple had been in Europe for 15 months. Also present at the airport reunion were Mrs. Monica Bittner and daughter Kathy, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bills, Jr. and Mrs. Sam Magna and family. After the hugging, kissing and viewing of the new family addition, the group drove to the home of grandmother Bittner for two birthday celebrations and a homecoming party.

THOSE who did not attend the pancake breakfast sponsored by the choir at NFHS on St. Valentine Day missed an affair which should have been filmed.

Cupid was there in person, and he kept the crowd entertained as well as other members of the choir which included Aunt Jemima, Flip Wilson and many others. All through the morning and early afternoon, members of the choir presented a musical program as well as door prizes. Ann told 700 tickets were sold.

While on the subject of valentines, at the dance last Friday at Duncel, Nan Mistele was selected "queen of hearts" while Brad Bease was "king of hearts."

At least two cars of girls from Troop 702 of St. Fabian delivered candy favors they made for the orphans at the Sarah Fisher Home. The treats were given with their morning trays on Feb. 14. The same group of girl scouts will undertake this same project for Easter. They are invited to come and visit the cottages and main building at the Sarah Fisher Home. The resident doctor told the group that this is the best therapy the children have had in a while, so a big "thank you" to all.

Mrs. Marlo Belanger of Quail Hollow was in Ann Arbor recently as a representative for the Community Arts Council. The discussion was the art train and Marlo reports that whistle stops will be made first in Traverse City. Our residents will have to go to Plymouth to view this art show.



GLENN MCGREGOR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard McGregor of Farmington, reached the rank of eagle scout on Feb. 22 at a meeting of Boy Scout Troop 45 sponsored by the First United Methodist Church of Farmington. He is a student at Farmington Senior High. (Evert photo)

Festival Theme Chosen

FARMINGTON Robert Smith, general chairman of the Farmington Founders' Festival, announces that the theme has been selected for the 1971 observance.

The theme for the three-day festival will be "Yesterday's Achievements, Tomorrow's Goals."

Selection of the theme was made at the first meeting of the festival executive committee held last week.

The dates for this year's Founders' Festival are July 28-31, Thursday through Saturday.

Meeting with Smith at the first session were last year's general chairman Vernon E. Lunn, Keith Deacon, Barbara Benys and Jeanne Young.

Executive officers for the festival, besides Smith, are: Deacon, executive vice president; Jim Wibby, treasurer; Hayden Cameron, first vice president; and John H. Bailey, second vice president.

Schools Quit SEMCOG At Worst Time — Yates

By MARTHA MARAN School districts like Farmington and Dearborn, which have pulled out of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) within the past few weeks, "are quitting at the worst time" as regards benefits to themselves, in the opinion of Benton Yates, SEMCOG educational director.

"School districts are going to receive more valuable services in the next few months than ever before," Yates promised. Like any complicated project, "it requires time and work to get things together" and get a program under way.

For ONE thing, SEMCOG is "going to be vitally involved in school finances, from the Lansing point of view as well as locally," he asserted.

This will mean "continuing to keep on top and moving" on the governor's school aid proposals for next year, including his recommended 6.5% limit on salary increases.

Yates is critical of both. He called "deceitful" Milliken's claim that the state would provide \$38 million more in state aid next year, pointing out that \$24 million of that allotment would be set aside to cover the anticipated influx of parochial school students into the public school system. Another \$5 million would be set aside "for other specific purposes," Yates said, leaving only \$10 million for "all the programs in the entire state."

Yates also called the recommended 6.5% salary hike the governor's "theoretical approach" to what teachers and other school personnel would settle for "and it's only his opinion."

SEMCOG probably will support the so-called "Equal Quality" classroom unit plan, Yates said.

Details of the plan, sired by the Michigan Association of School Administrators (MASA), the School Boards Association, and professional school administrators will be publicized generally in the next few weeks," Yates said.

It involves aid based on actual need of various categories of students, such as physically or emotionally handicapped.

SEMCOG also will continue with its regionalized group education program, its census and enrollment projections and its "generally broad regional planning," the educational director added.

Responding to critics, including Farmington school trustees, who complained that the agenda for last month's general membership meeting ignored school matters, Yates pointed to passage of a resolution opposing Gov. Milliken's suggested 2% across-the-board cut in school aid for local districts and community colleges.

The resolution was not a part of the formal agenda, Yates conceded, but was brought forward and acted upon at the request of education bloc members in attendance.

A LETTER reporting the SEMCOG's position was sent to all legislators in its seven county membership area.

Yates didn't claim that SEMCOG's stand alone caused the Senate and House appropriations committees to lessen the proposed cuts for education, but he did insist it helped influence their decision.

On the other hand, even more of SEMCOG's warmest advocates agree that the school bloc has legitimate concerns about results obtained for them by SEMCOG. They even point to the very solitude under securing increased funds for education about which Yates bragged as one of its faults.

"Personally, I'd like to see more attention paid to the taxpayer," remarked State Sen. Carl Pursell (R-Plymouth).

PURSELL INTENSELY desires SEMCOG to continue with schools joined in the partnership. But he would like to see its educational efforts expanded into new areas.

For example, SEMCOG might reexamine Public Act 379, which deals with collective bargaining on the part of teachers and other public employees, with taxpayer interest in mind, Pursell suggested. Or it could take up the problem of educational assessment and how good a job the schools are doing.

"The state undertook an assessment program beginning last year, but it doesn't seem to have worked out too well," Pursell said. "Maybe SEMCOG could devise an assessment program that would be satisfactory. Certainly the people want one."

Area coordination of vocational-technical training is another field open to SEMCOG, Pursell commented.

"Livonia is planning a vocational-technical center, for example, but there has been no effort to coordinate its classes even with those offered at Schoolcraft College. I should think an effort might be made toward coordination of vocational training for the whole area."

SEMCOG MIGHT even go so far as to make a study of the whole concept of basic education, sorting out what a state actually should be obligated to provide from some of the fringe teaching tasks the schools have undertaken.

Pursell sees the voluntary cooperative association of county, city, and township governments and school boards as the only alternative to either a metropolitan authority or state control to meet mounting urban problems.

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FEA Picks Negotiators

FARMINGTON The executive board of the Farmington Education Association (FEA) sole bargaining agent for Farmington teachers, has elected its negotiating team for the forthcoming year.

Representing some 800 Farmington teachers for this bargaining year will be: Robert Neuhauer, past FEA president; Marion Spencer; Marian McCracken; Gene Syversen; William Spencer; and Judith Neithoff.

The teachers' negotiating team is presently gathering information and holding hearings in an effort to develop the contract revisions which will be presented to the Board of Education at the initial meeting of the respective teams, says Roger Allen, FEA executive director.

The board has delayed appointing the school's negotiating team until it is established whether administrative members will be paid for negotiating.

Last year, the board and FEA did not reach agreement on the present one-year contract until Nov. 30.

At Convention

FARMINGTON Dr. Dennis J. Kohn of Farmington has returned home after attending the 88th annual convention of the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association. The three day gathering was keyed on presenting the latest advances in veterinary science to practitioners.

Echols Finishes

FARMINGTON Marine PVT Richard L. Echols Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Echols Sr. of 2076 Ravenscroft Drive, and husband of the former Miss Eileen E. Varga of 32400 Wayburn JI of Farmington, has graduated from basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.

Echols is a 1965 graduate of North Farmington High School.

Visit a House of God

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