

**Livonia Garden Group Sees Nature Pictures**

The April meeting of the Livonia Home Gardeners' Club was held Wednesday, April 8, at 8:00 p.m. in Bentley High School, Hubbard Road at Five Mile.

Mrs. Roger Richard, member S.E. Chapter Michigan Botanical Club, showed colored slides of "Michigan Through the Seasons". This program was of interest to nature lovers, Scouts and Campfire groups.

Refreshments were served.

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**Catholic Youth Plan Dance For April 16**

The Young People's Club of Our Lady of Sorrows Church is sponsoring a dance which will be held at the Campus Ballroom on April 16 at 8:00 p.m.

Tickets for the dance may be secured at Rob's Barber Shop in Farmington or from any C.Y.O. member.

Campus Ballroom is located at Fenkel and Livernols in Detroit.

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**- Obituaries -**

Ira J. Magner

Mr. Ira J. Magner passed away at his home on March 31, 1953, at 20080 Shadydale Avenue, Livonia, after a lingering illness.

He was born July 10, 1889, at Decatur, Indiana, the son of William and Clara Belle Magner. At the age of nine years he moved, with his parents, to Paton, Iowa, where he grew to manhood. He was married to Louverna Pack and for the past twelve years has been employed at the General Motors Diesel Laboratories. He has resided on Shadydale since 1947.

To mourn his passing he leaves his wife, Louverna; three children, Mrs. Princess Wesling of Shelbyville, Missouri; Harold Magner of Waterloo, South Dakota; and Mrs. Mildred McMillin of Detroit; nine grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Byron Smith of Los Angeles, California, and Mrs. M. Murray of Beaver, Iowa; and one brother, Kenneth Magner of Winchester, Indiana, and a host of relatives and friends.

Mr. Magner was a member of the Livonia Methodist Church. Funeral services were held from the Spencer J. Heeney Funeral Home at 1:00 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Cadman Prout of the Livonia Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was in Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia, Michigan.

Mary A. Hall

Mrs. Mary A. Hall died April 4, 1953, at the Novi Convalescent Home following several months' illness. She was born May 8, 1861, in Ireland, the daughter of Darby and Julia Doody.

Mrs. Hall leaves three children, Mrs. Mabel Farmer of Farmington, Mrs. R. G. Williams of Grand Rapids, and Mr. Frank J. Hall of Detroit; one brother, Mr. John Doody of Detroit; nine grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

A Rosary service was recited Monday evening at 8:00 o'clock at the Spencer J. Heeney Funeral Home. Funeral services were held from Our Lady of Sorrows Church at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday.

Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit.

**STIFFER DRIVER EXAMS RECEIVE POLICE SUPPORT**

Proposed revision of driver license examinations for the purpose of making them stiffer is receiving the support of Michigan police officers in general.

At a recent meeting at State Police headquarters in East Lansing, the executive committee of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police endorsed the program and went a step further by offering its assistance to the State Police commissioner to correct any abuses or neglect by police department examiners in conducting examinations.

Previously representatives of the Eastern, Southeastern and Saginaw Valley law enforcement associations endorsed the plan. Three other associations, those of Southwestern and Western Michigan and the Upper Peninsula, are also expected to give their support.

The program was originally presented and approved at a special conference earlier in February and a committee was given the task of working with State Police Commissioner Joseph A. Childs and Secretary of State Owen J. Cleary to put the revision in final form so that it can be placed in effect as soon as possible. Both the commissioner and the secretary of state share responsibility in administering the state driver license law. The meeting was called by them to get the recommendations of representatives of 24 associations and state departments having an interest in the problem.

The revision provides for more comprehensive written examinations for beginners, no temporary permits for beginners until the department of state records have been checked to determine if they have a previous record of mental unfitness, more thorough reporting of mental cases to the department, more rigid eye tests for all applicants, and a two-day school for all license examiners, with disqualification of those who do not attend.

In its offer of assistance in correcting examination abuses, the executive committee of the police chiefs felt the association could be of aid in bringing about full compliance with the prescribed procedures and eliminate short cuts that have occurred wherein applicants were not given complete tests although the examiners so indicated on the applications.

The committee also referred to the association's traffic and safety committee a proposal that a pattern of enforcement be prepared in connection with the law prohibiting the promiscuous and unauthorized use of sirens and red flasher lights. It was pointed out that illegal use of the devices was causing great public confusion and resulting in some failure to yield right-of-way to emergency vehicles because of the belief they were not of the emergency type.

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**Former Residents Feded On Silver Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. James Zimmer of Telegraph Road celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at a party in the Clarencenville/Odd Fellows Hall on March 28.

The affair was arranged for by Mrs. Zimmer's children by a previous marriage. The Zimmer family formerly lived on Haynes Avenue in Farmington.

Approximately 100 guests, including old neighbors from their present location, were present at the party and many gifts were received by the honored couple.

For the occasion Mrs. Zimmer was gowned in a white formal, which was accented with a white corsage.

The memorable evening was closed with a supper that was enjoyed by all with a happy end.

**Antique Show To Raise Funds To Build Church**

An antique show with fifteen dealers participating will be held April 14, 15 and 16 at Steven's Hall, All Saints Episcopal Church, West Pike Street and Williams, Pontiac. Charity Crooks and Mrs. Fred Spahnower of Farmington have reserved booths.

Choice collections of furniture, glass, china, brass, pewter, silver, jewelry, miniature lamps, milk glass, needlework and books will be on display from 11:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m.

The show is sponsored by members of Guild 11 of All Saints. Other local guilds are participating in the sale of tickets, as are guilds from St. Mary's chapel, Lake Orion, St. Andrew's chapel, Drayton Plains and St. Ann's mission, Oakley Park.

Proceeds will be applied toward the church rebuilding fund, a debt incurred after the fire that destroyed All Saints three years ago at Christmas time. Lunch and tea will be served.

**NEW ARRIVAL**

Gary Richard, the new son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard, was born at Pontiac General Hospital on March 24 weighing 8 pounds and 5 ounces. Gary's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Houghton of Eleven Mile and Mrs. Melinda Schulkin of Floral Avenue. His parents live at 21110 Middlebelt Road.

**Middlebelt P.T.A. Plans Benefit Square Dance**

Plans have been completed for the P. T. A. square dance which will be held at the Farmington High School gym on Friday, April 10. The entire proceeds from the dance will be added to the fund for purchasing new Farmington High School band uniforms.

Mrs. Wesley Orr, chairman of the dance, reports that dancing will begin at 8:30 p.m. and end at midnight.

Mr. Lowe, a member of the Michigan Square Dance Association, will serve as caller for the evening of dancing.

Refreshments will be served during the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Ault of Brentwood Avenue had Mr. and Mrs. Leven Reed of South Lyon as dinner guests last Saturday evening.

**NEW ARRIVAL**

A son, Robert Allan, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar S. Mather, Jr., at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital on March 24. Robert checked in at 8 pounds.

Pat Middlewood of Farmington Road has been suffering with measles and his sister, Esther Ann, is believed coming down with them. During Pat's illness his paper route has been cared for by his father, George Middlewood.

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