

Around The Circle In Staman Acres

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Walter and Mary Davis, who reside on Belmont Drive recently drove to Indianapolis to visit Mary's mother, Mrs. Florence Schrupp. This was their first visit to Mary's former home since last October and the result was a very happy reunion.

Two travelers who enjoyed a special and unexpected change in their young lives were Chris and Gretchen Smith. Bill Smith and yours truly took the small fry to Grand Rapids for a visit with Mrs. Leo J. Schloss, a d aunt and uncles and cousins, and while Dad drove back to Farmington on Sunday, Mom and the kids were entrained back on Tuesday. The dinner on the diner, numerous

drinks of water, and one-thousand and one-questions kept the trip far from boring, and a tired three-some stepped off at Plymouth, happy to see Dad again.

Birthday time for March was wound up with celebration for a week apart for two of the Sillosky clan of Rocky Crest Road. Davey was first in line for a family party, special guest being Grandma, Mrs. Michael Sillosky, Sr. When your correspondent talked to Louise, Davey's mother, the youngster was having competition playing with a new truck and it came from a determined and well-known source of competition, the fairer sex. Carolyn, Mary Beth, and Barbara Jean thought the truck was certainly worth a second glance!

Barbara Jean turned one year old this past Wednesday and the tiny missy was aglow with the excitement caused by the beautiful cake topped with dollars, each lit by a tiny candle. Mom was to have mastered a special rag-doll cake but the substitute was a good one; and the party-goers still had Davey's cake to think about, for it was in the shape of a steamship and tasted as good as it looked.

Across the street from the Mory Chaillette home live George and Hazel McKee who stepped out with Rex and Jim Ellis, of Rocky Crest Road. The destination for their Friday, the 22nd, evening was the Fountain Ballroom of the Masonic Temple. The Shriners had their "Fiesta Dance" and it was fiesta time for these Acres as they enjoyed the dancing and fun.

Saturday night found the McKees back in the Fountain Ballroom, not looking for lost gloves or whirling around the dance floor. They were the guests of honor and Russ Blanton, also of Staman Circle Drive. The occasion was the General Motors dinner and a fashion show.

We "snuck down" to the Ellis' basement last Wednesday night and took a peek at the Spares and Squares. These amateur-squarers who have such a ball every few weeks. Virginia Kloppe valiantly tried to master the Jesse Polka square, while Doc Ware was on her feet every time the fiddler played out his tune. The Schupols were there, and the Crosses and Essers (a very enthusiastic couple) and when Bob Williams dropped in "for a minute" he was quickly pressed into joining in for a round or two. There is reason for more, Bev declares, "so call in reservations for a good time to Bol Ellis or Zora Cross."

To make life more convenient (if a bit more complicated), a manufacturer is turning out an automatic, motor-powered sofa that you can convert into a bed in 10 seconds at the touch of a button. If set in motion when somebody's lying on it the fuse blows out!

An explorer says an Eskimo woman is old at 40. An American woman is not so old at 40. In fact, she's not even 40!



WORK ON the new elementary school on Shawnee Road east of Middlebelt Road at the old William Grace School site is being continued despite inclement weather and road restrictions halting the movement of large supply trucks to and from the site. Workmen are shown above completing the chimney unit, for the school. The building is scheduled to be completed and ready for occupancy by this September.

In And Around The Springland Area

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The Springland Civic Association will hold a business meeting on Wednesday, April 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Vairo, 2516 Springfield Drive. The subject of filling the roads in the subdivision will be decided.

Patsy Nestra celebrated her ninth birthday last Saturday by having some friends in for a party. Patsy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nestra of Ridgeway Drive.

The Springland Friendship Club will meet on Thursday, April 11, at the home of Mrs. John Thomas, 3045 Springview Drive. Mrs. Donald McEachin will be co-hostess for the evening.

On March 13 David Warriner was elected to the National Honor Society. David is a Senior at Farmington High School and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Warriner of Eleven Mile Road.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas of Springview Drive returned home last week from a three week vacation spent touring in Florida. They were accompanied by Mr. Thomas.

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Dr. Clair L. Taylor, Superintendent of Public Instruction, adds that school lunch menus will serve only Michigan grown foods one day.

A little too late in the school year, is the only objection heard against full educational participation. Education day is now scheduled for Thursday, May 23, when many rural classrooms are winding up activities before summer vacation.

However, educators agree that students should know the essential facts about their state. By the way, do you know the color of the Michigan flag?

WAS 1956 A LUCKY YEAR? Many persons point with pride to the fact that traffic deaths were down by 269 compared to 1955. But they overlook another fact: the actual number of accidents rose by 1,183.

This means there were 1,183 more chances that people would be killed during 1956 than in 1955. They were not, but was this just luck?

A possible answer may develop this year. Deaths from traffic accidents totaled 2,016 in 1955. Last year they dropped to 1,747. If the number of accidents can again be reduced, safety experts might then feel that people are beginning to drive more carefully.

The highest decrease in deaths last year was achieved in rural areas. There it was down 15 per cent, compared with only a 10 per cent decrease in the cities.

Actually, traffic danger continues to grow due to increases in "exposure factors." An exposure factor is the number of chances or possibilities that exist for accidents.

The number of miles driven in the state is an important exposure factor. So is the number of drivers; the number of cars.

Last year drivers covered some 378 million miles more than in 1955. There was a substantial increase in cars and licensed drivers.

Whether 1956 was a lucky year or not, the important fact is that the death and injury rate is improved.

An even more important fact: The death rate is still so high and the risk is so great that there can be no relaxing in the battle to save lives.

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Boisford Garden Club To Meet Monday, April 8

The Boisford Garden Club will meet Monday, April 8, at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Margaret Mann at 2918 Eight Mile Road.

Co-hostesses for the meeting will be Mrs. Ann Collins, Mrs. Georgia Dennis and Mrs. Laverne Hillis. Several matters of importance are to be discussed and voted upon, officials of the club indicated. All members are urged to attend.

On March 22 a lecture was given by Dr. Grant Sharpe of the University of Michigan on the topic, "Our Great Northwest." Along with his talk he showed colored slides of scenes from Oregon, Washington and Vancouver, Canada. Accompanying him from Ann Arbor were Mrs. Sharpe and James Hale. A late supper was served them by Mrs. Margaret Ward at her home on Jacksonville Street.



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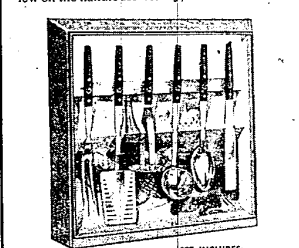
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