

Mr. Coggins

## No More News Ski Club Finishes Season

The drawing for the free ski trip held March 1 - - 3, was made, with Randy Larson winning. Randy turned down the chance for a free ski weekend, and it was necessary to make a second drawing. Rob Burg won the trip, therefore, and was Ski Club's honorary "free-loader" for that weekend.

The drawing was made from a beer pitcher, to set the scene for an official ceremony -- ski club style!!

The POLEMIC staff would like to take this opportunity to "CONGRATU-LATE" both guys on their big win.

## Economy Driving Tips Offered

By Jim Peasley

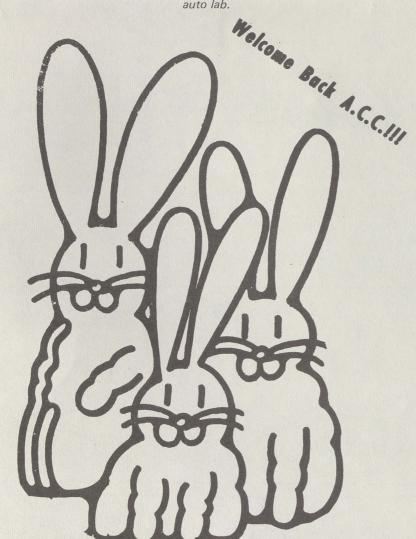
Energy crisis is a term widely applied today. Especially when it hits close to a person's pocketbook, as in the case of buying gasoline. Recent surges in the prices of gasoline have forced most people to change their driving habits in an attempt to save money and increase their mileage per gallon.

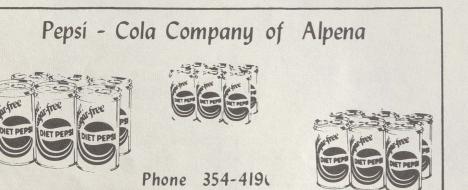
Mr. Ed Coggins, head of the ACC auto lab, says that there is more to it than just a tuned engine and light foot. Proper maintenance of the chassis components will add a substantial increase in milage per gallon yielded.

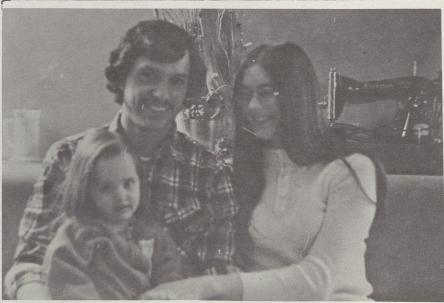
Vital checks include:

- 1. Correct tire pressure. An underinflated tire creates more friction and forces the engine to work harder to turn the wheels.
- 2. Wheel alignment. Wheels that are improperly aligned and out of balance will cause excessive vibration and "drag". This tends to slow the car down and also wears out tires faster.
- 3. Breaks. Defective self-adjusters or overly adjusted brakes can cause brake shoes to ride on the drum when they are not supposed to. Which means that you are being slowed down when you don't want to be.
- 4. Wheel bearings. If not packed with grease properly the friction can cause excessive slowdown. The same is true if the bearings are too tight or worn unevenly.

If anyone has any questions regarding any information listed here, contact the auto lab.







Gary, Barb, and Odette Lawrence.

## BEHIND THE SCENES

By Sandy Mahar

For Mr. Allbritten it was probably a big relief when A.C.C. asked Gary Lawrence to help him out. With already being Director of Housing and Student Activities it would have been a great responsibility having to manage the dorm students also. And so it was in August of 1973 that Gary accepted the position of Head Resident Director at the dormitory.

Originally from Pontiac, this was the first time Gary had ever been in this position. He started classes here in January of 1972 and is taking a few classes each semester this vear.

Along with his family, Gary resides at the dorm and is presently living in two regular dorms. Due to the fire at the dorm, they temporarily are not able to occupy the directors apartment which is usually available.

As for his particular responsibilities, Gary's are really the same as a resident advisor, except that he is head over all of the R.A.'s. Gary attends all the R.A. meetings and helps manage all the same problems they encounter with dorm students.

Handling problems from the students are really much easier for Gary with all the help he receives from the R.A.s. The problems usually go through them first before coming to Gary. He then mainly carries the problems through by taking them to Mr. Allbritten or to the Dean. Also it has been a tremendous help to him by having the same staff of R.A.'s all year long. In previous years there was a constant turn over of R.A.'s and this made things rather difficult.

Gary's regular salary-paying job is being the Veterans Coodinator at the college. The position as Head Resident Director is an extra job, the advantage being that he gets his dorm fees paid for.

Next year Gary plans to attend either Michigan State University or the University of Michigan, preferably Michigan State, where he will continue his studies in the program of secondary education.

Gary feels, though, that being a Resident Director such as this, is a very good exper-

ience for those interested in social work, counseling, and teaching. It gives you the opportunity to constantly meet new people and the chance to be in contact with them in all kinds of situations. It also gives you a chance to see how people react to you, yourself.

By Valinda Glomski

"There are no problems with the students. The girls come and visit me," is what Barb Lawrence had to say about the students at Wilson Dorm.

When Barb's husband, Gary, took the position as Resident Dorm Director, she was told she had no responsibilities. So, she sits and sews and watches their little girl Odette during the day. Even though she has no responsibilities, Barb sometimes covers for the R.A.'s on the weekends if the girls are not there. And, once in a while, she attends meetings with the R.A.'s.

Barb would have liked to have taken classes, but they could not get a babysitter to watch Odette while she attended. She would have gotten into Business Classes, she said.

She has enjoyed being here, and comments that it is an experience. But she is ready to leave. Barb wants to live in married housing. She feels it will be better for Odette with more people that have children with whom Odette can keep company. Barb says she thinks she would enjoy it more than living as director of the dorms.

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IF YOU EXPECT perfection from people, your whole life is a series of disappointments, grumblings and complaints. If, on the contrary, you pitch your expectations low, taking folks as the inefficient creatures which they are, you are frequently surprised by having them perform better than you had hoped.

BRUCE BARTON

## THUNDER BOWL LANES

OPEN BOWLING DAILY

CUE ROOM

ADOBE ROOM

ENTERTAINMENT

5 NIGHTS A WEEK

