

Chief Rex Andrews - Asks Precautionary Driving Measures

Because of the hazardous conditions of streets and roads, caused by the recent storms, plus thawing snow turning to ice with suddenly dropping temperatures, Chief of Police Rex Andrews is urging motorists to take practical precautions against the major hazards of skidding, and obscured vision. Everything possible is being done by the city to improve conditions locally.

"Inadequate traction and poor vision are the primary dangers of driving when snow, sleet and ice prevail," Chief Andrews said. "Under such conditions positive stop-and-go traction provided by tire chains is frequently vital to safety. Chains are also essential to getting through deep snow or over glare ice safely. Windshield wipers, defrosters and good lights help maintain adequate vision, but if the storm is

bad and you can't see clearly, stop until you can."

Other safety rules for winter driving, based on National Safety Council research, follow:

1. Test brakes for simultaneous gripping. Unequalized brakes start skids. Check conditions of lights, windshield wiper, defroster and tire chains.
2. Watch out for children on sleds.
3. Travel at less than moderate speeds on snow or ice covered highways and city streets.
4. The common practice of lowering tire pressure is a fallacy. The resulting increase in traction is slight, and this is more than offset by increased tendency to skid on curves. It also damages tires. Non-skid treads on tires are definitely helpful on dry and wet pavement, but on ice or packed snow they give no more anti-skid protection than smooth tires.
5. Leave plenty of room between you and the car ahead. Necessity

for sudden stops and turns should be avoided. Take curves slowly, even with chains, and don't try to pass cars ahead of you on hills and curves.

6. When packed snow or ice prevail, put on tire chains and drive as carefully as if you didn't have them. Don't overtake and pass other vehicles without the protection of sand or chains. Chains on rear wheels alone reduce stopping distances 40 per cent, and on four wheels considerably more. Keep car in gear and apply brakes before you would in dry weather. "Pump" brakes to keep wheels from locking completely, even with chains.

7. Exercise greater caution generally and open cowl ventilator slightly to force out possible carbon monoxide gas, particularly in older cars. Winter driving can be safe with proper precautions, but if not prepared it is wiser to leave cars home until weather conditions improve.

"Remember: 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.'"

J. J. Dahm, Assistant Scout Executive At Kiwanis Club Meeting

John J. Dahm, Assistant Executive of the North Shore Area Council of Boy Scouts of America, will address the Highland Park-Ravinia Kiwanis club at their regular dinner meeting at Sunset Valley Golf club, Monday evening, at 6:30 p.m. He will speak briefly on the summer camping phase of Scouting and will show the thirty minute colored movies taken during the camping season last summer at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. This camp consists of over 400 acres of land in Northern Wisconsin and is owned and operated by the North Shore Area Council.

Also present as guests of the club will be three Scouts from Troop 324 of Highland Park. These boys will tell some of their experiences while at camp last summer. The Kiwanis club, through its Boys' Work committee, made it possible for a number of Scouts to attend Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan last summer.

Harry Skidmore, Scoutmaster of Troop 324 and also a member of the Kiwanis club, is in charge of the program.

Musical And Tea Held Wednesday For Bundles For Britain

A musicale and tea was given at the home of Mrs. Albert Ramond, Moseley road, Ravinia, on Wednesday, January 29, in aid of "Bundles for Britain," the proceeds to provide hospital beds. Assisting as hostesses were Mrs. Arthur Pain, Mrs. Henry Stein and Mrs. Walter Meierhoff. Miss Marguerite Molander, soprano, and Mr. Daniel Cobb, baritone, presented excerpts from the English comic opera, "Tom Jones," (story founded on Fielding's classic novel), with music by Edward German. Miss Gladys Cunningham was at the piano.

Flowers for the tea table were donated by Erwin Dreiske.

Lincoln School P.T.A. To Meet February 5th

On Wednesday afternoon at 3:15 Lincoln School Parents and Teachers will have the pleasure of hearing Miss Emlyn Millis Duvall. Miss Duvall is the executive director of the Association for Family Living, her subject on Wednesday will be "Facing the Needs of Youth as a Community."

The P.T.A. board of Lincoln school wishes to announce that Mrs. A. J. Sheahan (phone 4227) will be glad to take your subscriptions for magazines or renew the ones you are now receiving. The money made from this project will go to the Lincoln school library.

The Ice Carnival at Lincoln school was held last Wednesday evening. Mr. George Ehrdahl, physical education teacher, was in charge of races and fancy skating prizes were awarded. Mrs. Harry Van Ornum and her committee planned a bonfire and the sale of coffee and hot dogs.

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