

Sister Kenny Club Will Organize Here on June 22

Formal adoption of a constitution and election of officers will signal the start of activities for the Sister Kenny Anniversary club of Birmingham at a meeting in the Community House Monday, June 22, at 8:15 p.m.

The local group, pioneer in a state-wide movement, has devoted four meetings to preliminary organization plans since the Dr. Ethel Alston testimonial dinner last April.

Because the Birmingham constitution is to serve as a model for other communities in the state, a great deal of attention was given its details. It has now been approved by the local membership as well as by the Sister Elizabeth Kenny Foundation.

RESPONSIBLE for work on the constitution and organizational details was a committee of Birmingham residents composed of Earle W. Parellis, Jr., Donald E. Jordan and Harry B. Perkins.

All who appear at next Monday's meeting will be invited to enroll as charter members. A nominating slate of seven officers and directors has been drawn up and additional nominations will be permitted from the floor.

After the election, committees will be appointed to draw up plans for fall activities which begin with a meeting scheduled for Sept. 14.

A PUBLIC affair is planned for November, when organizations throughout the country will honor Sister Kenny.

The meeting is open to any Birmingham or Bloomfield Hills resident interested in the work of the Foundation or the treatment center at Pontiac.

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THE YOUNG LADY flying through the air with the greatest of ease is Sandy Swaney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell A. Swaney of 805 Redding road. Miss Swaney is one of a team of three feminine water ski experts on tour with the Tommy Bartlett water show which will appear this summer in Wisconsin, Illinois, Virginia and Michigan, and starting in Milwaukee June 20-21. Other members of the trip are Winnie Roosen of St. Thomas, Canada, who swam the English Channel in 1951, and Laurie Ann Hohl of Holland, Mich.

Accident Report Shows New Highs

Michigan's 1952 traffic accident report just released by the State Police reveals new all-time highs for the record book.

For the sixth consecutive year, the total number of licensed drivers, motor vehicles registered and miles traveled set new peaks. The injury toll was a new high for the fifth consecutive year.

There were 1,727 persons killed and 49,119 injured in 190,829 accidents. The daily average for the year was 4.7 deaths and 134 injured in 459 accidents.

The death toll was the fifth largest, but combined with the injuries gave the state a new high

casualty toll for the fourth consecutive year and exceeded 50,000 for the second successive year. The highest death toll was in 1937, with 2,174.

DEATHS INCREASED 87, or five per cent, over 1,640 in 1951. Injuries increased 692, or one per cent, over 48,418, which was the previous high. Accidents dropped 16,178, or 11 per cent, under the 1951 all-time top of 176,567.

On a percentage basis, total casualties closely paralleled increases in drivers, motor vehicles and miles traveled.

There were 96,713 more licensed drivers in 1952, a three per cent increase, bringing the total to 3,162,100. Registered vehicles increased 26,182, or one per cent to 2,586,834. Based on the 1950 census, one vehicle was registered for every 2.5

persons in the state. Total travel was slightly under 24 billion miles, an increase of two per cent over 23 and one-half billion miles in 1951. The death rate based on persons killed per 100 million miles of travel was likewise greater, 7.21 over 6.98. The death rate of 10.5 in 1937 was the highest.

RURAL AREAS accounted for 71 per cent of the deaths, 40 per cent of the injuries and 18 per cent of the accidents. This was the largest percentage of the overall toll ever recorded in these areas. Urban areas continued to hold the line and showed a six per cent reduction in deaths.

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Hubbard To Head Washington Trip

The annual Washington trip taken by Birmingham High school students at Easter time will not be sponsored by the school district's board of education next year.

Eugene A. Hubbard, 1121 Pierce, Birmingham High school instructor, has agreed to assume the responsibility and control of the trip in the future.

Board members agreed that the students involved in the trip have multiplied with the growing enrollment at the school and approved Hubbard's request for a one year trial.

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