

Egyptian Lass Prefers School With All Girls

By LARRY EVOE
City Editor

Samia Selaha can't quite get used to the idea of going to school with boys.

Samia, whose full name is Samia Hamed Khalil Selaha, is an American Field Service exchange student from Cairo, Egypt, who is presently attending Bloomfield Hills High School.

A senior at Bloomfield Hills High School, Samia is living with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Collins Hyde, 963 S. Reading, Bloomfield Township. She has been in this country for about six weeks.

The dark-eyed, 16-year-old has already completed her high school education in Egypt and is looking forward to entering the University of Cairo medical school next fall.

THE REASON Samia finds it unusual going to school with boys is simply that she never has attended a coeducational school before.

Samia says she is not criticizing the U. S. system of coeducation but she would prefer going to school with just girls.

Understanding and speaking English has been almost no problem for Samia because her first contact with the language was six years in a preparatory school in Cairo.

An avid reader of romantic novels, she has her favorite subject at Bloomfield Hills is English.

She is also taking courses in American history, biology, home-making and psychology.

She has gone to several football games with her AFS sister, Marguerite Hyde, 17, but admits she doesn't understand the game. In Egypt, she said, soccer is a favorite spectator sport.

SAMIA BELIEVES there is a better understanding between students and their teachers in America than in Egypt.

"I do have more spare time for fun and hobbies here, too," she smiled.

Along with reading, Samia's hobbies include swimming, crocheting and writing to pen pals in various foreign countries.

Marguerite says Samia hasn't talked her into running yet, but the pair have taken several long walks through the rolling hills near the Hyde home.

Although she isn't homesick anymore, Samia still writes several letters a week, especially to her 14-year-old sister, Siam.

SAMIA'S father works for the Egyptian Foreign Service and is presently stationed at the United Arab Republic Embassy in London, England.

Hyde is the regional manager of Magazine, a steel industry trade journal.

Even though spare time is at a premium in Egypt, teen-agers do talk about the same things their counterparts in the United States do.

"We went to clubs, sporting events and watched television whenever we had a chance," she said.

One thing teens do in the U. S. that is never seen in Egypt is drive before you are allowed to drive a car," she said.

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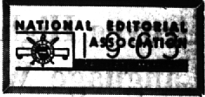
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Open House Planned by B'ham Schools

Education Week Events Scheduled

"Education Strengthens the Nation" is the theme of American Education Week, Nov. 10-16.

The Birmingham Public Schools today extended a special invitation to all residents to visit their neighborhood schools.

Almost all of the schools plan to hold open houses or to provide some opportunity for visitation. Special announcements to parents will describe the type of program to be held at their local school.

Birmingham joins with schools throughout the nation in the 43rd annual observance of this event. The purpose is to encourage every citizen to become aware of his school's accomplishments and needs.

AEW is sponsored nationally by the PTA, the U. S. Office of Education, the National Education Association and the American Legion.

THE GENERAL theme, "Education Strengthens the Nation," is specifically related to seven daily topics: Nov. 10, "Values and Character"; Nov. 11, "Learning Opportunities for All"; Nov. 12, "Quality Teaching"; Nov. 13, "Balanced Curriculum"; Nov. 14, "Community Resources"; Nov. 15, "Financial Support"; Nov. 16, "Goals for the Future."

Seasholm High School is planning special tours of the building on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Those interested are requested to notify the school by Friday.

THE FOLLOWING is a schedule of open houses or related events announced by each school:

ADAMS, open house, Nov. 13, 8 p.m.; BALDWIN, tour of school by principal, Nov. 11, 10 a.m.; BEVELLY, open house, Nov. 11 and 13, 8 p.m.

BLOOMFIELD VILLAGE, open house, Nov. 14, 8 p.m.; FRANKLIN, PTA meeting and book fair, Nov. 18, 8 p.m.; GREENFIELD, school exhibits, Nov. 10-15.

IRVING, open house, Nov. 12, 13 and 14, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.; pancake supper and open house, Nov. 20, 6:30 p.m.; MEADOWS, open house, Nov. 11, 8 p.m.; MIDVALE, PTA meeting, Nov. 13, 8 p.m.; Speaker: Dr. John Blackhall Smith, president of EMBROKE, open house, Nov. 11, 8 p.m.

PIERCE, PTA meeting, Nov. 13, 8 p.m.; QUARTON, open house, Nov. 14, 8 p.m.; TORRY, father's night—open house, Nov. 12, 7:30 p.m. (See OPEN HOUSE, 6-A)



Apple Cider Time in Franklin

Scores of area residents (and Detroiters, too) braved cool, but sunny weather Sunday in what may be their last visit to the Franklin Cider Mill this year. As the temperatures drop, the apple juice will stop flowing at the mill, which has seen attendance records broken during an unusually warm October.

COUNTERS SCHOOL BOARD ACTION

Beverly Fights Assessment Policy

By KAY SMITH
Special Writer

BEVERLY HILLS—A policy statement by the Birmingham Board of Education that it will not voluntarily participate in an special assessment district levied by the village met with counter action at the regular meeting Monday.

The council voted to inform State Sen. Farrell Roberts and State Rep. Ray Baker that they support the Michigan Municipal League's resolution calling for mandatory participation of school districts in assessments levied by other jurisdictions.

The action came following a letter signed by John B. Smith, superintendent of schools for the Birmingham district, stating the new policy.

SMITH'S LETTER, dated Oct. 23, specifically stated that the board will not pay the village assessment of \$13,520 for use of the 14 Mile Road sewer, nor the levy of \$1,224.47 for the Twelve Town Relief fund.

Councilman John Magee, in making the motion to support mandatory participation by school districts, stated that he is an active member of the board of trustees for the Episcopal Student Foundation in Ann Arbor.

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This and That

by George R. Averill

Incentive Needed For Man's Progress

Eliminate the incentive of some form of personal reward from the existence of ambition, born of the primitive state of the semicivilized man.

On the other hand, a man who never knew the environment of opportunity and hope for personal reward for his labors, remains where he was—ambitious from the beginning. The same holds true for a nation.

Give this latter man and nation the tools of the production of goods and services and, without the existence of ambition, born of hope of personal reward for his efforts, the tools will rust away on the landscape of barren mentality.

SUCH TOOLS are valueless, unless in the hands of a man or a nation that is given "... life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

And that word PURSUIT is all important, for only in the area of ambition and hope for reward will the effort of the individual be productive of necessary results; i.e., the march of backward nations toward at least the vestibule of the House of Freedom and Opportunity.

We who live in areas where the various deciduous trees and shrubs annually assume in grand picturesqueness of an outdoor art gallery—where the master hand of Nature splatters reds and scarlets and yellows and oranges and golds and russets and purples and just about every part of the color spectrum, we who dwell amidst such dazzling beauty are, indeed, blessed. Keep autumn in your mind's eye as you gaze at the crowning tribute to His handiwork.

Debbie Reynolds recently refused to do a nude bathing scene for the movie version of "The Unsinkable Molly Brown." Atta girl Debbie! In the language of the street: "Keep your shirt on!" Continue to make your children proud of their mother—plus millions of your fellow-Americans.

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A New Kind Of Halloween 'Trick' Shown

By NITA HARD
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Great Books Seeks Program Leaders

The junior great books program is in need of new leaders in order to reach more students in the Birmingham school system.

There will be an eight week training program offered during Jan. and Feb., 1964. Restrictions must be made by Nov. 15.

THE JUNIOR great books program has been started by six volunteers in the Franklin Elementary School and Groves High School this year.

Because of the lack of trained leaders in the program students from the new Berkshire Junior High have been turned away.

Volunteers should contact Mrs. P. H. DeLonge, Mrs. T. R. Kelter or Mrs. D. W. Beier.

Rector's Talk Slated By Franklin Forum

FRANKLIN—The Franklin Forum sponsored by the Friends of the Franklin Library, will present the second program of its 1963-64 series at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Franklin Community Center.

Dr. Robert T. Hatt, director of the Cranbrook Institute of Science, will speak on "The Biological Basis of Man's Behavior."

Dr. Hatt, who is currently on leave from his position as rector of Trinity Episcopal Church in Farmington, will speak on "The Role of Religion in a Changing Society."

A social hour will follow the program with refreshments served by Mrs. Fred Ziegel and her committee. Tickets will be available at the door.

The 33-year-old, young minister was appointed to Trinity Episcopal church in Farmington last January. Born in Detroit but educated in the public schools, he graduated with an A.B. degree in philosophy from the University of Michigan and attended the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, Mass. Here he received, cum laude, a bachelor of divinity degree and the Adams prize for excellence in preaching in 1955.

HE ALSO attended the ale University school of Alcohol Studies in 1957. Mr. Pelham was ordained a deacon by Bishop Richard S. Emrich at St. Paul's Cathedral in Detroit and later a priest at St. Paul's Cathedral in Saginaw.

Prior to his appointment in Farmington, he served as assistant minister at St. Paul's church in Detroit; assistant minister of Marine church in Detroit; and after being assistant director of Christian Social Relations for the diocese of Michigan he became the director.

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