# Program fills human needs

Sixty-three year old Dolly Herren knocks on the door of the modest row house at North Hill Farms. She is greeted by a frail \$2-year-old woman with snow white hair and an aluminum cane. Mrs. Herren envelopes the tiny lady in a hearty hug.

As Catherine Joyce pulls away from Mrs. Herren's embrace, she asks in a booming voice. How do I bok my the state of t (Retired Senior Volunteer Program), University Year for Action and the

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program boasts 14.157 volunteers. There are 49 foster grandparents in Oakland County. The two-year-old senior companion program lists 1,914 volunteers serving nation-wide. Forty senior companions serve in Oakland and Livingsion counties.

Eligibility requirements for senior companions and foster grandparents are the same. Volunteers must be at least 61 and in reasonably good because the same. Volunteers must be at least 61 and in reasonably good expendicular linearing the same of t

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"MRS. JOYCE. That's my baby.
She's a dear," beams Mrs. Herren.
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"Aren't we both!" Mrs. Joyce replies.

Through the daily visits and frequent phone calls, the women have become close friends. Mrs. Joyce calls her friend "my guardian angel. I never knew how nice it was to have somebody come and see you. Whenever she goes, she brings sunshine with her."

Senior companions also are assigned to group settings. At the Grove-

crest Convalescent Center, most of the 37 residents are gathered in the bright multi-purpose room playing bings. Six blue-smocked senior com-paniens are helping the players locate B2 or G4 on their cards. FOSTER GRANDPARENTS serve

at seven host settings in the Pontia c area, including day care centers, a juve, including day care bomes for neglected and abused chil-dren, and homes for the mentally re-

dren and bonnes for the mentally re-turded Mary Teague is the manager of the Antibech Day Care Center where 80 children and nine fower grandparents gather every day. Mrs. Teague "It's marvelous" Mrs. Teague system of the property of the con-ing like grandparents are only in gilled grandparents are only in the grandparents give them a great deal of love.

The grandparents are enthusiastic about the program and the outside ac-tivities that go along with it. Last sum-

mer the entire group went it. Last summer the entire group went on an over-night trip to Toronto, Ontario.

Georgia Fillipin, 66, clasps her hands together as she recalls the ad-venture. "It was the beautifulest thing that ever happeneed. Oh, it was so sweet!"

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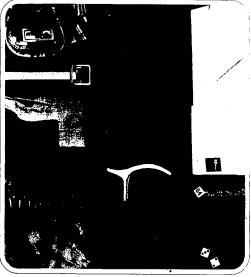
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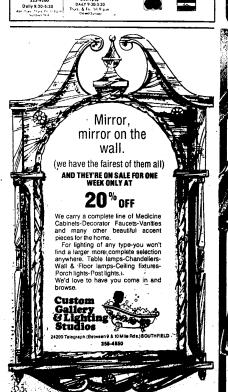
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