



UNICEF choice

The array of cards offered this year by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) includes this year a nativity scene by the Italian Renaissance painter Barocci and a card for Hanuka showing a ring of dancers doing the Hora. UNICEF cards may be ordered through Mrs. Charles Kennison, 644-1274, and their sale provides food, medicine, learning and hope for children on four continents.



Snowman

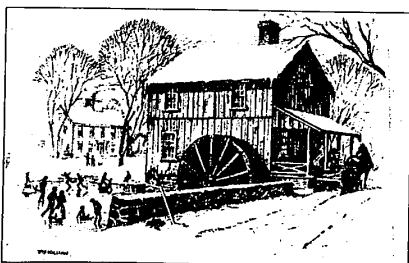
The design that won an art contest sponsored annually by the Foundation for Mentally Ill Children will adorn the card the group is using this year to help children at the Fairlawn Center, Clinton Valley Center. The red and green cards in a green envelope cost \$5 for 25, and orders are being taken by Mrs. P.L. Hubert, 851-8094.

A child's Christmas

Methodist Children's Village in Redford Township will benefit from the cards that use the design done by a young resident. Packages of 15 cards sell for \$3.75, and should be ordered by Dec. 10. Mail checks to the Methodist Children's Home Society, 2654 W. Six Mile, Redford. Postage must be included with orders. It ranges from 85 cents for one package to \$4.20 for 50.



Samples of many of the cards printed here and to be shown later, are available in scrapbooks for public viewing in O&E offices in Birmingham, 1225 Bowers, and Livonia, 36251 Schoolcraft.



Sepia scene

The Metropolitan Society for Crippled Children and Adults offers a winter scene in sepia to support its program of providing therapy for handicapped people who use its center at 17330 Schaefer, Detroit. Call the center, 341-4900, to learn how to order the cards.



Old-fashioned holiday

Bringing home the Christmas tree is depicted on a card that benefits the Michigan Cancer Foundation this year. Priced at \$5 for a box of 25 cards with blue envelopes, it is one of several designs available from the foundation. Order through the unit closest to you, as listed in the telephone book.



Ring of Christmas

Children dancing around a Yule tree is one of 11 designs for cards offered by the American Lung Association of Southeastern Michigan, the "Christmas Seal People." Boxes have 25 cards and envelopes and range from \$4.75 to \$7.50, with imprinting available. Call the association at 961-1697 for a brochure.



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From your house—in charity

Have you started to make out your Christmas gift list?

How about including a brace for a crippled child. Or a Braille book for someone who is blind, or research to help diabetics, or a meal for a hungry youngster through the United Nations Children's Fund.

All of these are possible. Rather than buying commercial Christmas cards, you may want to consider obtaining them from one of the many charitable organizations that do their biggest fundraising in the holiday season.

Samples of 12 cards from 11 organizations are

printed here. The Suburban Life sections of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers will continue to print more cards as the next few weeks lead toward the time for Christmas greetings.

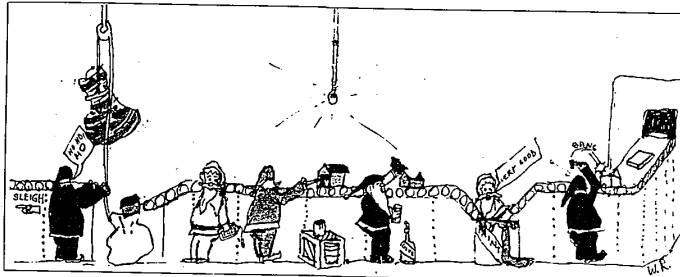
Each card printed carries ordering information. Many of the cards are available with names of the senders imprinted for a slight extra charge.

The newspapers cannot accept orders for the cards. Orders must be placed with the person or organization indicated.

As the holidays draw near and shopping time dwindles, add to your list aid for a cancer patient, support for anti-smoking clinics, or a life of dignity for a retarded person.

Santa's workshop

A 12-year-old artist drew his conception of toy-making at the North Pole, and the result is offered on a card from the Michigan Association for Emotionally Disturbed Children. The cards are \$2.50 for packages of 10 and available from the MAEDC office, 356-2566.



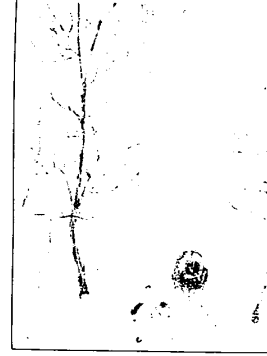
Footprints

Children in the snow carry the theme of the Christ Child Society which offers several cards for personal or business use to help provide care and education for children. This card, costing \$5 for 25 with imprinting available, may be ordered through Mrs. Lewis Boughtman, 117 Arlington, Birmingham.



Warm greetings

Two robins nestled in a mailbox bear the Christmas wishes that would be conveyed by the Nardin Park Braille Transcribers to carry on their work of preparing reading materials for the visually handicapped. Seven other cards are available ranging in price from \$4 to \$6.50. To order call Fran Hoetger, 476-4973, or Bonnie Shriver, 476-6997.



Starry night

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation is offering a charming angel and lamb on a blue card to raise funds for diabetes research. Twenty-five cards complete with blue envelopes cost \$6.50 and may be ordered from the Foundation's Lathrup Village headquarters, 569-6171.

Simple pleasures

Northwest Communities Association for Retarded Citizens is selling 16 different cards, including several designed by retarded artists. Brochures and information about the selection is available from Sandra Brown, 17351 Summer, Redford Township, 531-6192.

