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It's the year of the child

As women had their international year in 1977, 1979 has been designated the International Year of the Child.

The designation was made by the United Nations National Assembly, and the purpose, according to Dr. Robert L. Green, a dean at Michigan State University and one of the state's IYC commissioner, is "to focus closer attention on the status of children around the world."

Susan Brook, representing Gov. William G. Milliken in IYC events around the state, said it is hoped the focusing of attention "will lead to better and more effective child care programs in both the private and public sectors."

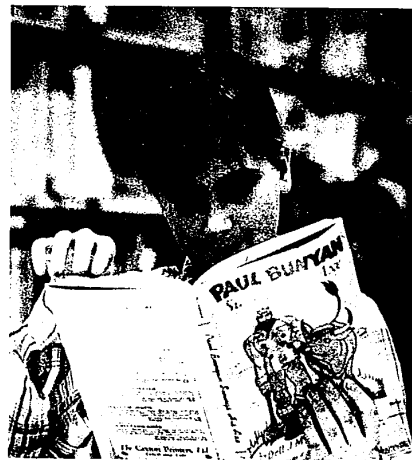
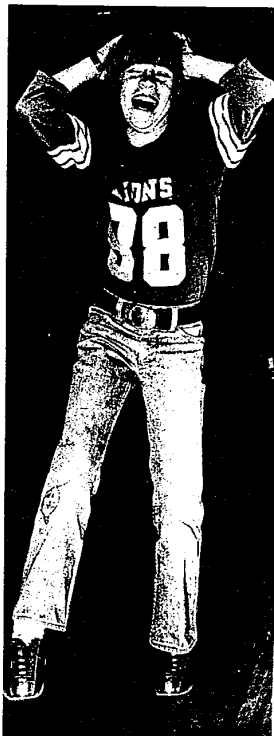
"We want to identify and bring together concerned child care groups and individuals to

share ideas based on common and unique interests, to raise the public's awareness of IYC activities and to set up an IYC information clearinghouse in the state," she added.

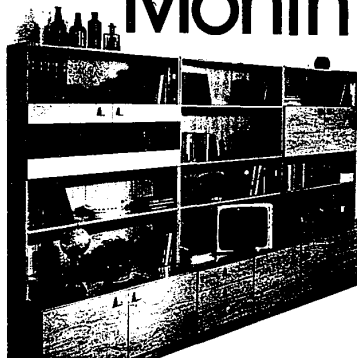
The aim is a laudable one, educators and parents are bound to agree, but for many — including the Observer & Eccentric photographers whose work is represented on this page — the year of the child is every year.

Children, they will be quick to tell you, are the world's most fascinating people, whether they are working or playing, laughing or crying, behaving or misbehaving.

The ones here may well miss the fact that it's the year of the child. They are entirely too busy — being children.



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