



A family outing to a television station can help your children sort out their high-tech world. (Photo by Pat Bordman)



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What is real?

Superman sees through walls. Popeye eats spinach and performs feats of daring and strength. Mork pops out of an egg and wins the beautiful girl. The Fonz solves adolescent problems in 30 minutes.

Young children have a hard time defining reality. They often confuse the real with the fanciful.

And the young child's innocence in believing that anything is possible fits right in with the image presented by the "tube," where fact and fiction are often combined.

Yet, we know that one of the important functions of the growing mind is to learn to distinguish between what is possible, what is probable, what is real, what is not. Banning television watching is not the answer.

Computers, calculators and other electronic wizardry are a part of our children's world. As adults, our job may be to help them sort out their high-tech world, help them to put it

into perspective. A family visit to a television station may be just the outing to assist in this endeavor.

You and your children can be part of the audience for the Taylor Made Show seen live at 12:30 p.m. daily. The afternoon talk show offers a wide range of guests and discussion topics.

EVEN A FIVE-year-old would benefit from this visit, as the show is only 30 minutes long. It can dispel thoughts that TV people come in a six-inch variety, live inside the magic TV box and can appear and disappear at the watcher's will.

The older child will be intrigued by the mechanics of producing a show. If host Gene Taylor knows you're coming, he will try to spend some time with you after the show.

Tickets, which are free, may be obtained in advance by calling 222-0435. Be sure to check the content of the

show for the day you plan to attend. Some shows might have topics that are either boring to young children, or that the family might find sensitive.

Gene Taylor invites questions from the audience. It would be fun for your child to see you participate in the show by asking a question of the guest.

BE CAREFUL to point out to your children the size of the set, the cameras and the camera people. One camera person for the Taylor Made show is a woman, as is the stage manager and the producer.

Television is an endeavor that takes many kinds of people working together. Also notice that the news set is directly behind the Taylor Made set.

The studio lights are hot, so wear cool clothes.

Park free behind the Channel 4 building on Lafayette in downtown Detroit.

volunteers

The Oakland County Volunteer Bureau, a program of the Volunteer Action Center of United Community Services, has weekly listings of volunteer opportunities. Further information about these and other volunteer needs at over 200 agencies may be obtained by calling the bureau at 945-7272. Any non-profit organization needing volunteer assistance may also call the bureau.

PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATOR: The 48th District Court in Birmingham has openings for presentence investigators. Volunteers for this position must be at least 25 years old.

Duties include interviewing defendants to gain information to be used by the judge in passing on the case. The time commitment is a minimum of five hours per week for one year.

CITIZEN ADVOCATE: Warm, supportive, capable, mature, accepting of those who are different, a self starter.

If these traits describe you and you are between 18 and 65 years old with your own transportation, you may want to look into a citizen advocate position with the Association for Retarded Citizens, Oakland County.

Volunteers are needed county-wide to develop friendships with retarded people, helping them develop daily living skills through a weekly visits. Training and ongoing support is provided.

OFFICE HELPER: If you are at least 14 years old and would like to gain experience with a variety of office machines and procedures this may be just your opportunity.

Office Helpers to assist with collecting, stapling, ditto, address machine operating, stuffing envelopes and working a mail machine are needed by the Jewish Community Center, West Bloomfield Township. The time commitment is one-half day per week for at least one month.

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