

Spotlight on Women



LOVE HAS MANY FACES as Plymouth youths mix with residents of the Plymouth State Home and Training School for a five-week summer day camp program. The children get the special attention of staff workers like Margie Rabinovitch, left, and Becky Vellimure, center, in each busy day of outdoor activities. Part of the day's activities are craft projects like the robot pictured in the center

photo background. It was made from an empty refrigerator box and adorned with leafy hair, a pinecone nose and lots of water colors. The tire swing, right, is a big attraction and youths often double up to get a chance for a long swing. They learn that sharing is a part of caring.

Parents, Kids Like Day Camp

By KATHY MORAN

but they went right home to spread their enthusiasm to their parents.

"My daughter was very impressed with the day camp program," one mother wrote. "Each morning she would watch the clock and worry that she'd be late. I've never known her to be so excited over anything before and hope this program will be continued next year."

"The children have very definitely gotten an awareness of children who are not the same as themselves plus a knowledge that these children need a friend and 'love,'" another mother wrote. "It has bothered R.L. that some of these children are 'forgotten.' This has been a very gratifying experience for us, and I feel that our children may have received more from this two weeks from being with your children than what they gave."

ANOTHER MOTHER wrote that the day camp was an "interesting experience" for her daughter.

"It proved to me that your children should not be separated from mine," she said, adding that if her daughter saw more of the retarded children "she would accept them as handicapped just as she accepts the blind or deaf child."

The remaining mothers and fathers involved in the program said it was an unforgettable experience for both them and their children.

A total of 100 children from the Plymouth community are participating in this year's program but many more applied and couldn't fit in. An orientation session was held for parents prior to the opening of the day camp last



AS IF THEY can see the paint drying, four of the young people wait to take the leaves off their plaster of paris molds. When the leaves were chipped away, a white impression of the leaf was left with a colored background and the children were proud of their creative endeavors.

week in order that parents can relate the program itinerary to their children.

When each child reports to the camp, he is paired up with a child from Plymouth State Home. All the children mingle in the athletic and crafts programs throughout the week but on Friday each child exchanges an inexpensive gift with his assigned playmate.

By Friday, the youths will have made a number of art projects to hang on their "Christmas" tree for the "Christmas in July" party. And officials at the home hope that by Friday, the community youths have an increased awareness of the children in the home - and there is no doubt that the children in the home have had an exciting time.

m. m. memos

(Margaret Miller is on vacation. Today's guest Memo is written by her youngest daughter.)

This Memo is going to be about cars. My dad said that we might get a new one, but it turned out that we didn't so I don't have much to say.

But when me and my mom went shopping, I told her I wanted either a convertible or a station wagon or a Volkswagen.

(Editor's note: She always favored those varieties because they have a "way back.")

But it doesn't work out that way. My mom and dad are like any normal mom and dad. They want cars that are cheap and look like a drunk driver drove it.

(Editor's note, quickly: She says she means our car has a few dents in it. That had better be their means.)

Oh well, we aren't going to get a car. So this is going to be a short Memo.

-Ann Miller

Vegetarian Talk Is Slated

Dr. Alec Burton from Sydney, Australia, will speak on "Fasting and the Vegetarian Way of Life," at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 21.

Sponsored by the National Hygiene Society of Detroit, Dr. Burton will speak in the Northland Concourse

Auditorium near Lot E, Aisle 100 at Northland.

Second Girl

Mr. and Mrs. James (Mike) Love of Chatham Hills, Farmington, announce the birth of a daughter, Jennifer Emily, on May 21. The baby has a two-year-old sister, Lisa.

New Swim Class Set

Registration for the second term of junior swimming at Northwest Branch YWCA, 2540 Grand River, will open Monday, July 26, and classes will begin Tuesday, Aug. 3. The term will run for four weeks, with classes meeting twice a week for a total of eight lessons.

Specialized classes for mothers and pre-schoolers will also be offered.

Recreational use of the pool for men, women and children is also available.

A special businessmen's swim is held Mondays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Swimming for adults only is on Tuesday evenings and family swim nights are every Friday.

Open recreation for men, women and children is available each afternoon at 3:30, and Thursday and Friday at noon.

Schedules of all swimming times may be obtained at the YWCA.

Carol McNeil Wins Army Scholarship

A Garden City student, Carol McNeil, is one of four girls in Michigan chosen this year to participate in the highly competitive Walter Reed Army Institute of Nursing (WRAIN) Program.

Miss McNeil is a June graduate of Garden City East High School.

Selection for the WRAIN program is made by the surgeon general, Department of the Army, based on scholastic records and class standings, results of College Board or American College Tests and other requirements determined by a special selection board. It is open each year to only the most highly qualified and motivated nursing students.

MISS MCNEIL'S selection to the program means that the Army will pay the tuition for two years of study at an accredited college of her choice, while she receives the monthly pay and allowances of a private first class in the U.S. Army, but with no military duties.

In September, Miss McNeil will enter Michigan State University, East Lansing. At the end of the two years at



CAROL MCNEIL

MSU, she will be enrolled in the University of Maryland School of Nursing, where she will have the opportunity to continue her nursing education at the famous Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. On completion of these two years, she will receive her bachelor of science degree and will be commissioned a first lieutenant in the ANC. The announcement of her appointment was made by Captain Diane Caccia, ANC representative for the state. Miss McNeil is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace McNeil of Sheridan St., Garden City.

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