

24 Area Youngsters Receive Care From Torch Drive

Institutional care was provided for 24 area youngsters—three from Redford Township and 21 from Livonia—during the past year by Torch Drive services.

The "orphange" of Oliver Twist's tale is a thing of the past, according to social workers. More and more emphasis is placed on solving the problems of growing children in their own homes or, if that is not possible, in foster homes. Adoption take care of youngsters who have lost their natural parents.

An increasing amount of therapy is done with parents and families. Skilled counselors work toward preserving, rehabilitating the family. This means clearing up problems

Marine Recruiters Reopen Office in Memorial Building

Local Marine Recruiters Cpl. Edgy Erickson and Sgt. Bill McGinn stated Monday that the recruiting office in Plymouth has been reopened. Cpl. Erickson and Sgt. McGinn will be on hand to interview local young men and women who would like information about service as a United States Marine.

The office is located in the Veterans Memorial Building, 173 N. Main Street next to Plymouth Senior High School. The hours are from 9 to 5, Monday through Friday, and 8 to noon on Saturdays.

which otherwise might make it necessary to place a child in an institution.

Despite these efforts, more than 1,700 children are in Torch-Drive-supported institutions.

Certain individual children require institutionalization as therapy. Others face environments for which it is impossible for social workers to cope. There are 15 institutions for children on the United Communities Services list of Torch Drive agencies. Each meets a special need. Duplication of services has been eliminated through mergers aimed at best meeting the needs of the community.

Royal Children's Home in Royal Oak, provides physical and spiritual care for 32 boys and girls from 6 to 11 years of age and of normal intelligence. Group care and boarding home programs are provided for children who must be away from their parents while caseworkers work toward reunifying their families wherever possible.

Boys' Republic in Farmington, nationally famous since 1907, is a residential treatment center for 75 delinquent and emotionally disturbed boys 12½ to 15½ years of age. Its counseling and psychotherapy, special education, well-rounded recreational activities for boys as well as a group therapy program for parents and a follow-up program for boys released after

an average stay of a year and a half.

Delta Home for Girls provides a residence for as many as 14 girls from 13 to 17 years

of age who need guidance, counseling, and training to overcome behavior and personality difficulties.

Don Bosco Hall is operated by the Xavarian Brothers for

the care, education, training and rehabilitation of 50 young men from 14 to 17 with a problem, regardless of race or creed. It

serves dependent, incorrigible, neglected, and delinquent boys coming to the attention of the various juvenile courts in the metropolitan area.

Mary Hulbert House of the Girls Protective League, at 533 E. Grand Blvd., is a "half-way house" for young adult females from 17 through 25 who have been discharged patients from Lafayette Clinic, and who are employed by day but need a

supervised living arrangement during their transition to more independent living.

Sheruth House, operated by the Jewish Family and Children's Service, is a group home for emotionally disturbed adolescent girls.

The League of Catholic Women's Barst House provides living accommodations for 24 girls with personality problems that cannot be solved in their homes. It offers psychotherapy on an individual basis along with medical care. Girls attend local schools in the community.

Lutheran School for the Deaf is a highly specialized residential elementary school for deaf and hard-of-hearing children. It accommodates 110, including aphasia-deaf children.

The pre-adoption cottage of Methodist Children's Home Society cares for new-born

Infants until adoptive parents can be found.

St. Francis Home for Boys provides total care for 264 dependent and neglected boys who cannot live in their own homes and will profit by group experience.

The Salvation Army's Edwin Denby Children's Home cares for up to 50 girls from 5 to 15 or boys from 5 to 8 from broken homes and wards of the court.

Vista Maria School is a residential school for 189 teenage girls who present behavior problems but with a presentment for treatment.

Williams House provides residential foster home care for girls from 12 to 17 years of age who need group living experience and caseworker services. They attend public schools, are helped by tutoring and trained in homemaking.



PLYMOUTH'S Junior Baseball players had a ball at the annual trophy presentation and feed at the Plymouth Elks Club. The affair is sponsored by the

Powells and this shows the youngsters milling around the hot dog stand during the early part of the afternoon. More than 250 attended.

Wonderland to Celebrate It's Fifth Anniversary

Plans for what was termed the most elaborate anniversary celebration staged by a

Detroit-area shopping center were revealed this week by Ernie Epps, promotion director for Wonderland, Livonia's 57-store center at Plymouth Road and Middlebelt.

The celebration will begin early in October and continue for two weeks.

Biggest attraction of the Birthday event will be Wonderland's second annual presentation of "Motors and Music," a lively salute to the auto industry. The show, featuring some of America's best-known professional talent, is co-sponsored by the Ford Motor Company and its

Livonia dealer, Bill Brown Sales.

Wonderland, Michigan's third-largest regional shopping center has served the northwest Wayne County suburban area since October, 1959. To mark its fifth year, the center will give away more than 100 prizes, including a 1965 Ford Mustang and a color television set.

Acclaimed by thousands who saw it last year, "Motors and Music" will feature the "Ford Galaxy of Stars."

"This year's show will be totally different than the 1963 production and we are confident it will be a real crowd pleaser," Epps said. "The Ford galaxy of stars include many famous en-

tertainers who have appeared on TV and in leading hotels throughout the country."

Local musical groups and other amateur entertainers will compete in separate contests for cash prizes and a chance to win a three-week vacation in Europe, Epps reported. "Auditions will start this week in the Wonderland Civic room," he continued.

"High school-age youngsters who are interested in competing in these contests must register not later than October 25."

For the first time, Wonderland will exhibit the complete line of Ford products for 1965. In addition, several experimental "cars of tomorrow" will be on display during the anniversary event.

Wonderland Center was developed and is owned by Henry S. Alber and Abe Green, widely known Detroit builders and investors.

toward a Novice license.

Creative Drama: Children from seventh through twelfth grade, with corrective exercises assisting in the development of poise and control through the study of grace, ease of movement, and self-assurance.

Introduction to Study Skills: For students in grades seven and eight who wish to improve their study habits. Class will include development of note taking skills, outlining, approaches to text book and lesson study.

Advanced Study Skills: This course is geared for the ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade students who wish to improve and accelerate their rate of reading and includes locating, evaluating, and organizing materials for the development of conscientious study habits.

Group Instruction in Piano: Learning to play the piano in a group has proven to be an effective and economical way of mastering fundamentals. Class is divided into beginners for students with no piano background, and advanced for students with some experience. Materials are extra.

Judo: Learn the basic application of Judo principals and throwing techniques as applied to self-defense and actual Judo competition. Children are placed in classes according to age and size. For students "nine through fifteen years of age."

Art: An Art Workshop is offered during the Fall and Winter terms in cooperation with the Detroit Institute of Arts for youngsters from the first grade through the twelfth. Call TE 1-3666 for any further information—please ask for the Education Department.

Junior Great Books: A program of reading and discussing great literature and for children in grades five through twelve. Students will meet once each month for 1½ hours, and will be guided in their discussions by moderators trained in the Socratic method of questioning. The paper bound set of Junior Great Books is necessary.

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