

Getting along

How youth advisor aids parents with problems

By MARTHA MAHAN

"It's rough being a parent and it's rough to be a kid." In today's society, said the caseworker.

"Most of the problems we see are just those of growing up and parent-child relationships."

"But when the child turns against

the schools and the law, it's a different matter. We try to keep the kids out of court."

The speaker was John Pinkerman, 28, who is just rounding out his first two months with the Farmington Youth Assistance program (YA).

"There are isolated cases of a young person with a severe emotional

problem, but for the most part it's growing up and getting along with parents," Pinkerman said.

WORKING WITH YA's general casework committee, Pinkerman strives to help prevent delinquency and neglect through education and promotion of an awareness of their problems.

At the same time he carries a case load as a social worker.

Pinkerman's task is to counsel with parents and children together. The family counseling is voluntary and held to the highest confidentiality, he said.

"There's something new every week," he commented, citing the nearly 400 referrals handled by YA last year. "Often we refer the child and family to other places where they may secure help for a particular need."

Despite his relative youth, Pinkerman has accumulated impressive experience in his field.

Following graduation from Michigan State University's Justin Morrill College, he came to work as director of the Holland voluntary action center. His job was to recruit, train and place both volunteers and professionals working with community groups.

From there he moved to the Ottawa County Probate Court as coordinator of volunteer services.

There he worked on a one-to-one basis with young people who had been hauled into court to try to help them make a successful adjustment to society. He also helped out in family group counseling and trained and supervised volunteers working in those areas.

Most recently he has been with Michigan Volunteers in Correction

which tries to promote the use of volunteers in corrections and to enhance the growth of existing programs. He still works with the group periodically.

Late last year Pinkerman began sharing time as a consultant with the Community Corrections Resource Programs at Ann Arbor.

THE PROGRAM is a non-profit organization which works with local units of government to develop programs for both juvenile and adult offenders.

"Their expertise is jails," Pinkerman said, "including the building of jails and rehabilitation programs."

Pinkerman helped set up a statewide network of volunteers working with adult offenders as they enter jail, during their jail stay and remaining with them as they returned to the community.

Pinkerman called the "absolute, positive key" to the success of Farmington's YA program "the involvement of the school district and the cities—Farmington and Farmington Hills."

"It's not just a verbal act," he said. "They put money and services and materials behind the program. They are very responsive to the needs of the kids and that's our real strength."

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OAKLAND COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
1978 ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

The Oakland County Road Commission gives notice of a public hearing at 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 3, 1973 at the Oakland County Commissioners' Auditorium, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac, Michigan 48064.

Purpose of the hearing is to present the Oakland County Road Commission's Proposed 1978 Oakland County Property and Local Road Construction Program and the funding thereof and provide an opportunity to all interested citizens and agencies to present comments thereon prior to the program's adoption by the Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners.

The program will consist of the following proposed types of improvements (throughout Oakland County):

- (a) Construction in Four Phases \$4,230,000
- (b) Intersection Improvements \$1,540,000
- (c) Two Lane Pavements \$2,040,000
- (d) Bituminous Overlays \$ 910,000
- (e) Miscellaneous items (including storage buildings and special assessments for county local roads) \$2,090,000

The estimated total cost of these improvements is proposed to be funded from the following sources:

- (a) Oakland County Road Commission \$4,380,000
- (b) Federal Funding \$2,000,000
- (c) Cities, Townships and Miscellaneous \$4,620,000

Members of the Oakland County Road Commission staff will make a presentation of the Proposed 1978 Construction Program, and the public will be given the opportunity to ask questions and comment.

Copies of the Proposed 1978 Construction Program and other pertinent information are available and may be obtained by contacting the Oakland County Road Commission, Department of Transportation Planning and Environmental Concerns, 3428 Pontiac Lake Road, Pontiac, Michigan 48064, Phone 888-4088.

Written statements and exhibit in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the public hearing may be submitted to the Transportation Planning and Environmental Concerns Department at the above address any time prior to or up to ten days after the date of the public hearing. Responses to the Public Hearing Proceedings will be prepared by staff and submitted to the Board for final review prior to adoption of a 1978 Oakland County Primary and Local Road Construction Program.

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