

Chippewas' Friend Thanks The Girl Scouts

EDITOR:
May we use the Observer Newspapers to thank the generous people of this area who have contributed to the Chippewa Indians of Mikado, Mich.

A very special thank you goes to Jack McDonald, U.S. representative from the 19th District who donated an American flag. Many thanks also to those who helped to coordinate—Mrs. Jo Smith, Mrs. Diane Bernardi, Mrs. Martha Smith and Walter Reed.

The outstanding spirit of giving and concern about others by the Girl Scouts of troops 246 and 418 has been wonderful. The Jaycees recently had the experience of working with this fine caliber of teenagers. It appears they are saying, "Show us something worthwhile to do; we will get it done."

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Van Camp and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Graye started this as their project over two years ago. A family friend, Dal Touchstone, a Seminole Indian, told them of the desperate needs of the Chippewas and other Indians in Michigan.

There are 56 Chippewas in the Mikado area. Chief White

READERS' FORUM

Letters must be limited to 300 words. Letters must be signed, with the writer's address. Names will be withheld only at the writer's request and for good cause. Please type or write plainly. The editor reserves the right to reject unsuitable letters.

Cloud's wife, Beatrice Albert (her Christian name), is not so much their leader but guides them and helps to hold them together.

These people are proud of their heritage. This they do not tell you, but one feels it in the way they present themselves. The donations delivered have been gratefully accepted.

On Nov. 1 and 29, blankets, clothing, dishes and gifts for each child from the Girl Scouts were delivered. Hopefully, on Dec. 19, the Van Camps will make a special Christmas trip with gifts for the children and any other donations received.

If you care to donate, contact Mrs. Albert Van Camp at 581-8124.

MRS. MARION VAN CAMP Livonia

Old Disease Needs Cure

EDITOR:

This has to do with the disease sickle cell anemia. I've been reading articles, and was just studying the disease in biology at Whitman Junior High School.

I would think that it's about time something is done about this disease discovered 50 years ago. Just think how many people have needlessly died or become invalids because of sickle cell anemia.

Instead of spending billions of dollars flying to the moon, let's spend a little money to save people living on earth.

KIM HERINGTON Livonia

cally in the side yard of the first home?
If you're wondering, take time to tell City Hall.

MRS. ROBERT SWARTZOUTT Garden City

On The Use Of "Radicalib"

EDITOR:

It's obvious that you people are spending too much time behind closed doors on Main Street. Why don't you take some time off and read a few newspapers and magazines to try to keep in touch with the outside world?

Then you might be aware of the fact that Ted Agnew's "radicalib" intentionally equates liberals with radicals (i.e. bomb producers and users). Your unfortunate and surely unintentional use of the term on Wednesday's front page could have been avoided had you taken the time to be "in the know," as you say.

JANET LARENE Plymouth

EDITOR'S NOTE: Vice President Agnew used the term "radicalib" on several senators with liberal voting records but with no history of bombing. At least one of those senators accepted the label. On the basis of that authority, our use of "radicalib" was intentional and thoroughly accurate.

Schoolcraft's Contributions

EDITOR:

Philip Power's recent "Observation Point" column about Schoolcraft College "warmed the cockles of my heart!" You have identified so well what the Board of Trustees recognizes as a continuing problem—the possibility of community colleges becoming little more than a two-year segment of a traditional four-year college program.

Our president-designate, C. Nelson Grote, will bring to the college district an unusual combination of exceptional expertise in the vocational-technical education, great interest in the social studies and a commitment to the performing arts as the mark of a creative society. He is a man of competence and demonstrated leadership.

Schoolcraft College has made many contributions to the college district. With the continued cooperation and assistance of the entire college community, Dr. Grote will be able to promote and encourage diversified objectives of Schoolcraft College curricula. He will be able to do so because of the careful early planning of Emeritus Dean Lois Waterman and Dr. Eric Bradner.

Let me take this opportunity to thank you again for your active and consistent support of Schoolcraft College throughout those years of early growth and development. You have been responsible for maintaining another avenue of communication between the college and its supporters, and for this we are grateful.

JANE K. MOEHLE Chairman Board of Trustees

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