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REUNIONS CAN BE GREAT!

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On July 1, 1987, Landis Cottage hosted, "A Return to Landis Day". An invitation was extended to clients who have left Landis to reside in Group Homes. Those in attendance were Jewelle Austin, Regina DiMartino, Judy Platt, Amelia Pudiak, and Sarada Smith. Absent but also invited were Vicky Dickman, Susan Long and Carol Lord.

Mr. Smith, Superintendent, Mrs. Irby, Asst. Superintendent In Charge of Residential Services, and Jackie Loatman-Brown, Unit Director of Section V, also stopped by to say hello.

Spareribs, fried chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, coke, cantaloupe, watermelon and fruit punch were enjoyed by all.



Regina DiMartino and Sarada Smith who reside in the Post Road Group Home.

SUPERINTENDENT'S NEWS & VIEWS

DINNER DANCE

A festive time was had by all who attended the Fourth Annual Parents and Friends Association Dinner Dance which was held on August 2, 1987 at Resorts International Hotel and Casino.

Assemblywoman Dolores Cooper was present to lend her support. She spoke about the marvelous time a number of VDC clients had experienced on an evening out at the Tropicana Hotel and Casino and of her intention to promote a similar experience during the current month. An entertaining rendition of musical selections was provided by Gabe Perillo, Tenor and Deborah Truxal, Soprano following Assemblywoman Cooper's remarks.

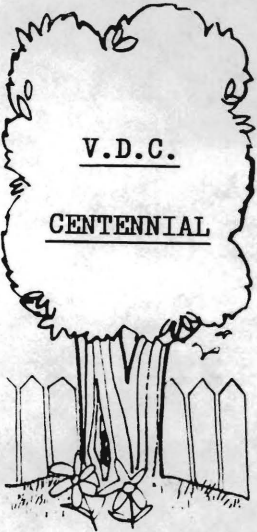
The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a plaque to Eva and Rudolph Gutman in honor of their years of devoted support to the VDC. They originated the idea for the dinner dances in an effort to encourage community support for the VDC, and they have contributed their time and efforts each year to the continuation of this worthwhile project. Mr. Gutman presently serves as fund raising chairman for PAFA, and his efforts in this capacity have resulted in the raising of \$15,000 to \$16,000 annually. Mr. Gutman noted in accepting the award that VDC "is a fine place" in which he "has a stake." The Gutman's daughter, Helen, has been a VDC client for the past twenty-two years. The award presentation was followed by an evening of dancing to the music of the Paul Mann Orchestra by the two hundred and fifty people in attendance.

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The year 1988 will mark the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the VDC and The American Institute-The Training School. Cooperative plans are underway for a joint VDC-Training School Centennial Celebration. A conference is planned which will be sponsored by both agencies to examine the changing role of institutions during the past one hundred years, and the projection of new institutional roles for the future. Efforts are being made to attract professionals of national prominence to speak at the conference.

A number of other activities to commemorate our one hundredth anniversary are also in the planning stages. Artifacts and photographs have been collected for a historical display, and a pamphlet which outlines the history of the VDC will be published. Our elderly clients should be encouraged to share their memories for inclusion in the pamphlet. Anyone with information about the history of the VDC, such as an interesting story or anecdote, is asked to bring this to the attention of Charlotte O'Neill or Robert Smith.

Suggestions for Centennial Celebration events are also welcome. We are looking forward to a memorable celebration year to honor achievements of the past and to set a tone for the expected accomplishments of the future.



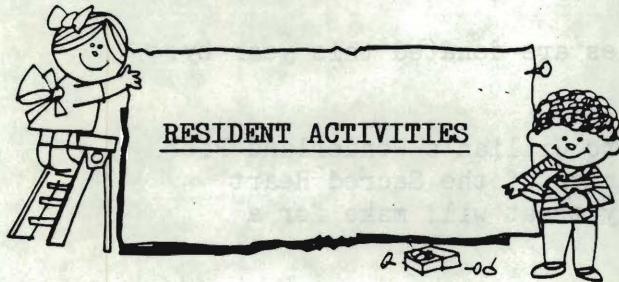
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CENTRAL RECREATION DEPARTMENT - E/C

By Retta Burch

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

1987 International Summer Games at Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana. Leave VDC 7/29 and return 8/8. Joyce Sample, West Cottage client competed in the Pentathlon which includes: High Jump, Running Long Jump, Shot Put, 100 Meter Run, 400 Meter Run.



Opening Ceremonies were aired on television 8/3/87, ABC-TV, Channel 6, from 9:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Competition and Highlights were aired 8/15/87, ABC-TV, Channel 6 from 4:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. (Wide World of Sports).

Vito Ingerto, our Athletic Director, accompanied Joyce and served as the New Jersey Special Olympics Softball Team Coach.

SUMMER PROGRAM

The Central Recreation Department Summer Program officially began on 7/6/87, three Senior Lifeguards and two Recreation Aides joined the staff.

Our swimming pool is open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the afternoon and evening and on Friday and Saturday morning and afternoons. Our clients have enjoyed "cooling off" in our pool!

The Glide-A-Ride is manned by our summer assistants and is scheduled daily. Our clients have enjoyed their rides around campus.

Chuck Wagon Cottage Picnics are held weekly with our Central staff members cooking everyone's favorite - hot dogs and hamburgers!

The addition of a CUSTARD MACHINE, compliments of the Vineland Developmental Center Employees' Association, has been enjoyed by our clients at various activities. A cottage custard treat is prepared weekly with each cottage receiving a treat!

Buena Vista Camp Day was held on 7/29/87 coordinated by the West Campus and Capps Day Camp Day will be held on 9/16/87 coordinated by the East Campus Central Recreation Departments.

COED DANCES

July 23rd, August 20th and September 24th, are dates set aside for the Woodbine Developmental Center clients to spend the evening as our guests for a coed dance. A local DJ assists to set the scene with refreshments for all in attendance.

OFF CAMPUS TRIPS

Saturday, August 1st - clients traveled to the Garden State Race Track in Cherry Hill

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to attend the State Fair. Tickets for admission and rides are donated this year by: George A Hamid, Jr., President of the State Fair.

Friday, August 21st - clients will travel to Ocean City to Gillian's Wonderland Pier to enjoy a "Day At The Seashore" sponsored by: Missionaries of the Sacred Heart located on shore Road in Linwood. Lunch, rides and candy treat will make for a "fun filled" day for our ladies.

Sunday, September 20th - clients will travel to Cowtown Rodeo to enjoy an afternoon performance donated by: All-Time Grotto Ways and Means Committee from Northfield, NJ.

ON CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, September 9th - The Air Force Band is scheduled to perform in our Auditorium at 1:30 P.M.

Sunday Services are held weekly 2:15 P.M. in the Multi-Purpose Building Chapel and are conducted by Reverend S. McKenzie and Reverend E. Carden.

Movies are shown every weekend - morning and afternoon in the Activity Room.

Refreshment Socials are held weekly, following Sunday Services and the movies.

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NORTH COTTAGE REMEMBERS by Rosemarie Peek

The employees of North Cottage contributed funds for the American Cancer Society in memory of Mary Ambelas, who resided in North Cottage for many years until her demise on 6/19/87.

HI-LITES

North Cottage celebrated "Open House" festivities with a cottage Bar-B-Que. The feast was a complete cottage staff effort. Staff members provided special dishes of their own and others helped prepare ribs and fried chicken.

The food was plenty and truly mouthwatering. The day was enjoyed by all.

Later, in North was an "Arts and Crafts" sale. Flower arrangements constructed of popsicle sticks, pipe cleaners and silk flowers were available for purchase. Sale items were made by North Clients during Zoning Activities.

The floral arrangements were a success and sold out quickly!

Zoning can be fun and productive.



RESIDENT ACTIVITIES - cont. from p. 4NEWS FLASH!!

Section III Ladies and Woodbine Gentlemen have an evening of "formal fun" in the Moose Hall....Stevie Hall and the Funky Fresh Crew provided the music....Buffet provided by the members of the Moose....Attire Wow!

Guests Robert Smith, Superintendent; Whelma Irby, Asst. Superintendent; Roz Goodman, U.D.; Marita Saunders, AUD.

Special Event Soloist Joyce DeMary, North Cottage....enough said!

No Way. Read On. The coordinator of this event, Sandy Dillon, HCTS, has summed this up for you in a manner you will long remember.....



GILES COTTAGE HAS A FORMAL BLAST
"Poetically Speaking"....

AN ODE TO A SPRING FANTASY

Though June the 4th;
 Was dark and grey.
 The weather did not;
 Mar the day.
 The date was set;
 Far in advance.
 Unit three;
 Was going to dance.
 The men of Woodbine
 Were notified
 That their presence
 Was bonafide.
 A call was made
 To the Moose Hall
 Informing them
 Of our planned Ball.
 The clients attire
 Was our next quest
 The idea here
 They'd look their best.
 Semi-Formal
 Was the dress
 All looked nice
 As you might guess.

The hall adorned
 In pink and white
 What a very
 Pretty sight.
 The buffet table
 Set to appease
 Taste buds of all
 It sure did tease.
 The men and ladies
 Cleaned their plates
 Their appetites
 Hard to sate.
 Now with the meal
 Out of the way
 The dancing starts
 To end the day.
 The songs were played
 A lot by number
 Tiring all
 Nearing slumber.
 After such a
 Busy day
 There's only one thing
 Left to say.

Good times were had
 By one and all
 Plans may be made
 Again this Fall.

Sandy Dillon,
HCTS, Giles



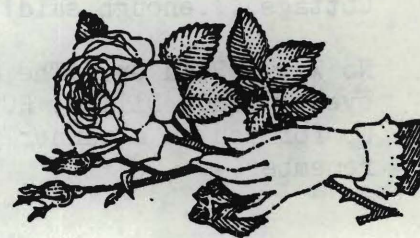
RESIDENT ACTIVITIES - Cont. from p. 5SFEA HAPPENINGS

By Lynette Smith and Charlotte Lahn

On Wednesday, June 17, 1987, 15 of our students attended the second annual prom at the Woodbine Developmental Center. The ladies looked their loveliest thanks to the extra efforts put forth by the beauticians and sewing room staff. Our seamstresses altered each gown to accent the students' potentialities. With fresh hairstyles, compliments of the beauticians, and make-up skillfully applied by the SFEA staff, our princesses were ready to meet their Prince Charmings. After meeting their dates at the door, they were escorted to a turkey dinner. Upon completion of the meal, the dancing began to the theme of "These Are The Times To Remember." We are sure that everyone will!

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On Thursday, June 18, 1987, 12 of our students graduated from the SFEA program. The graduates looked very attractive in their new outfits purchased by the Clothing Consultants for the occasion. Diplomas and corsages were handed out by Mrs. Harriet Levin, Supervisor of Education, and Mrs. Bianchi, Assistant Superintendent. Some of the students performed a handbell selection under the direction of Ms. Domenico, Music Teacher. Beth Williams, a student, provided entertainment by playing "He's Got The Whole World In His Hands" on the piano. Finally, staff and students concluded the graduation ceremonies by joining together to sing "That's What Friends Are For" against a backdrop of slides taken throughout the school year. Following the ceremony; students, staff, parents, and guests, enjoyed refreshments supplied by our food service department. Many of our graduates have been included in vocational programming. Best wishes to our graduates!

GRADUATING CLASS OF 1987

Vendetta Brown	Patricia Crismond	Debra Stomierosky	Lavoris Thornton
Elizabeth Correa	Donna Leake	Rosemary Tighe	Billie Jo Weller
Corrine Cowen	Maria Silva	Taunya Thigpen	Lisa Windfelder

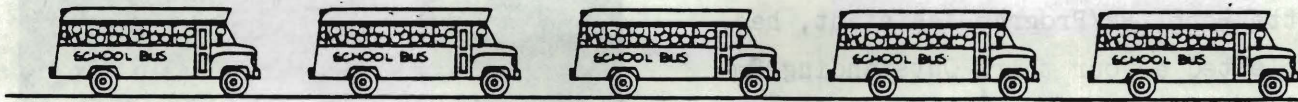
We are planning on having an exciting summer at The Learning Center with an innovative program coordinated by Mrs. Susan Gainfort, Teacher I. This year, each classroom has elected to be responsible for a theme week culminating in a special activity day which will involve the entire school in their respective themes. The classrooms have selected the following themes:

Mary Ann Domenico-Clowns
Denise Conaway-Country Western
Diane Livingston-Balloons
Cynthia Brooks-Water Activities
Lynette Smith-Sports
Carrie Sharpe-Beach
Susan Gainfort-Hawaii

In addition, each classroom was allocated \$100 for special activities for the students in their room. The students are enjoying varied activities which have included trips to the Philadelphia Zoo, lunches at restaurants and matinees, picnics, and parties. We are also enjoying our usual summer activities of bus and van rides, pool parties, and bar-b-ques.

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DAY AT BUENA VISTA CAMPING WORLD

By Connie Ortega

On Wednesday, July 29, 1987, the VDC spent a lovely day at Buena Vista Camping World. The day started out with many buses picking up 450 clients and staff from both campuses. When the clients arrived at Buena, they were greeted with a beautifully sunny, but moderately warm, day.

The clients enjoyed many activities. They participated in nature walks and ball activities before lunch. Then came a wonderful lunch consisting of hot dogs, hamburgers, macaroni salad, coleslaw, potato salad, a broccoli and tomato salad, and soda, followed by watermelon and ice cream. Soda and popcorn flowed during the whole day. After lunch, the clients were thrilled with boating, swimming, a waterslide, and tram rides.

The clients and staff were blended as one, enjoying the day and each other. A day of togetherness like this, with so many clients and employees coming together for the sole purpose of enjoying themselves, is a day well spent. My sincere thanks to all the employees for making it a successful day.

PAFA/TC

By Mary L. Doughty



The PAFA Training Center clients have had an enjoyable summer. Besides working on contracts to earn money and learning skills needed for community living, all the clients went to Ocean City for a day. Clients and staff went out for lunch, walked on the boardwalk and some ventured into the ocean.

On August 12th, the Second Annual PAFA Training Center Picnic was held at West Campus. Clients, their families and the Training Center staff enjoyed a day of swimming at the pool, eating and participating in various games. The Training Center staff did the food with the help of the clients. A thank you to Mrs. Ortega and her staff for allowing us to use the recreation facilities for the day. A special thanks to the lifeguards on duty at the pool. These people made it possible for our ladies to swim before and after lunch.

Clients and staff kept busy doing crafts which have become an excellent part of the program. Ongoing orders for displayed items help keep the program self-supporting. This is another means through which the clients are able to earn money.



OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Charlotte Popp, RN/Program Assistant, has been selected as our third Outstanding Employee of the Quarter for 1987. Ms. Popp was presented with a framed achievement certificate and a VDC T-shirt by Mr. Robert Smith, Superintendent and Mrs. Charlotte O'Neill, Outstanding Employee Committee Chairperson on July 1, 1987. Ms. Popp has demonstrated a continued interest in the welfare of the clients, and has consistently upheld high standards of performance for both herself and her staff. Congratulations, Charlotte! Enjoy your reserved parking space!



Mr. Smith, Ms. Popp and O'Neill

WEDDING BELLS RANG RECENTLY FOR:

April (Swart) Fowler, Vocation E/C
Benicia (Desotomayer) Collaza, B-Wing
Miriam (Sanchez) Cortez, ICF/MR-E/C
Donna (Coleman) Lopez, Jones
Shirley (Jackson) Davis, Education W/C
Debbie Jackson-Frye, Kimble
Jerry Hall, ADM. Annex
Amy (Ferguson) Grantham, Post Rd.Grp.Home
Delores (Ellison) Ryan, Cross
Pamela (Frantz) Padlo, Hospital Pharmacy

BEST WISHES FOR RETIREMENT TO:

Emma Hyett, Pond, 24½ yrs.
Carl Dannenberger, Hskpg., 7 yrs.
Betty Jeanne Sherwood, Fd.Serv.W/C,
14 yrs.
Mildred Clark, Pond, 8 yrs.
Helen C. Moore, Harper, 17 yrs.

**BIRTH CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

Brendan Dunn (boy) Food Service
Marvin Pierce (boy) Housekeeping W/C
Alfred Rimann (girl) Housekeeping E/C
Joyce Rimann (girl) Landis
Laura Rains (girl) Lee
Dorothy Acklin (boy) Brewster Grp. Home
Sandra Price (girl and boy) West
Linda Durham (boy) Hospital "A" Wing
Bill Pont (girl) Hospital Respiratory Therapy

SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO:

Ruth Bey, West Cottage, on the loss of her father
Ethlynde Cocking, Reeves Cottage, on the loss of her brother
Patricia Folwell, Escort Serv.W/C, on the loss of her brother
Irene Graham, Cross Cottage, on the loss of her brother
Clara Palmer, Ireland Cottage, on the loss of her son
Barbara Williams, Cross Cottage, on the loss of her mother
Bessie Guidos, Clinic W/C, on the loss of her mother
Lillie P. Brown, Jones Cottage, on the loss of her stepfather

EMPLOYEE NEWS - Cont. from p. 8Condolences To: Cont.

Lydia Jane Carden, Brewster Rd.Grp.Home,
on the loss of her father

Virginia Chase, ADM W/C, on the loss of
her brother

Reginia Ellis, Sykes Cottage, on the
loss of her sister

Sarah Ellis, Allen Cottage, on the loss
of her father

Anna Stamps, Jones Cottage, on the loss
of her mother

Mattie Hines, Grisco Cottage, on the
loss of her sister

Alene Huggins, Allen Cottage, on the
loss of her brother

Ruth Marish, Vocation W/C, on the loss
of her mother

Jimmie Ruth Parker, Emerlee Cottage, on
the loss of her sister

Hafeeza Ramdhaine, Bassett Cottage,
on the loss of her father

Lindola D. Spriggs, Arbor Ave.Grp.Home,
on the loss of her father

Jane Clark, ADM E/C, on the loss of her
father

Jean DiCriscio, Arbor Ave.Grp.Home, on the
loss of her son

Alice Hartz, Hospital "A" Wing, on the
loss of her husband

Miguelina Rivera, Jones Cottage, on the
loss of her father

Joe Ann Reamer, Kimble Cottage, on the loss
of her father

Laura Robinson, ADM Housekeeping, on the
loss of her brother

Alexandria Serad, Hospital "B" Wing, on
the loss of her sister

Betty Williams, Jones Cottage, on the loss
of her father

Diane Morris, Residential Services W/C,
on the loss of her mother

Marilyn Drye, Jones Cottage, on the loss
of her brother

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations are extended to Charlotte Lahn, Teaching Assistant with the SFEA Department, for receiving the State Nursing Scholarship. Mrs. Lahn has been an employee of the Vineland Developmental Center for the past 22 years, working in Resident Living and Recreation prior to SFEA. We wish her a successful future in her pursuit of a nursing career.

Congratulations!

Dotty Wilson, HPC, recently received her B.S. degree in Professional Arts Health Care Administration from St. Joseph's University.

Balancing a career, family and college wasn't easy, but if you know Dotty, all three were done well.

WEST CAMPUS JUNE OPEN HOUSE 1987

By Connie Ortega

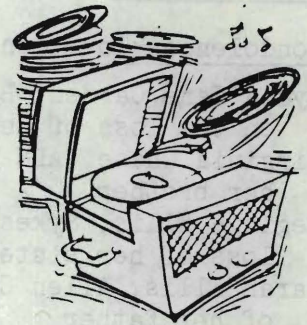
June Open House at West Campus was a huge success. The day started with a threat of storm but ended up hot and humid. All the activities were moved into the TLC Gym, but no one seemed to notice. The DJ played, the clients, guests, and staff danced, 164 clients were given a picnic-style lunch, Ronald McDonald, The Hamburglar, and Grimace

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attended, the clowns were colorful, helium balloons were flying, and everyone was having a ball! A total of 220 clients and 120 family members and guests attended.

The Open House features were well received. The Foster Grandparents Cake Sale organized by Ms. Joan Achey was a hit as always, and everything went quickly. The Arts 'n' Crafts Sale organized by Ms. Pat Toth in the Vocational Department was a sellout. The picnic-style lunch went "smooth as silk" with the assistance of Mr. Fred Blaine and his Food Service Staff. Recreation had the hot dogs cooked on the Chow Wagon by their famous chefs, Mrs. Christine Baker and Mrs. Ella Byrd, and Mr. Blaine and Staff set up the pork and beans, macaroni salad, coleslaw, and watermelon, and served cafeteria style.



Most of the day's activities were held in the TLC Gym which was beautifully decorated in red, white, and blue by Ms. Carole Braida and Ms. Mari Anne Kidd. The clients who needed assistance were transported to and from the activities by Ms. Cheryl Hyson, Mrs. Rosa Holden, Mrs. Gwen Malone, and Ms. Debbie Byrne, who graciously agreed to drive the vehicles. All the staff and guests who attended helped make the day an enjoyable afternoon for the clients. This kind of pulling together makes all the behind-the-scenes work worthwhile. A thank-you to everyone. **Connie.**

C. Knighton, R. Anderson, R. Holden, B. Welden

DIRECT CARE STAFF

By Connie Ortega



June 10, 1987 was declared "Direct Care Staff Day" by the Direct Care Staff at the Vineland Developmental Center, and for years to come it will be so. The idea started out as a joking comment between a couple of Ireland employees, Rosa Holden and Becky Welden, and a few other staff members. Then the idea became a reality.

With Rosa and Becky leading the way, the campaign for a special day just for Direct Care Staff was underway. Orders were taken for T-shirts, money was collected, and the team spirit started spreading campus-wide. Everyone from Direct Care Staff to the Superintendent was buying T-shirts, because we all

know the Direct Care Staff are without question the backbone of Vineland Developmental Center. Each Cottage did something for its staff--everything from giving each employee roses to buying its employees lunches.

It is a wonderful feeling to see this kind of spontaneous team spirit spark among so many employees and see management give total support to its employees. A Direct Care Staff Day is long overdue. Sincere congratulation to Mrs. Rosa Holden and Ms. Becky Welden for taking the time and effort to make it happen.



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NORTH COTTAGE HONORS THEIR DIRECT CARE STAFF

By Laura Pizzo

On June 10, 1987 North Cottage, supervisory and subordinate staff celebrated Direct Care Day by honoring the institution's key employees within their cottage.

Each Direct Care employee received a lovely corsage for the day. Later while attending a surprise get-together with co-workers, and enjoying delicious refreshments, they were honored by words of praise made by each shift supervisor and HCTS. Each Direct Care Worker was commended for their continued fine efforts and cooperation and they were reminded of just how valuable they are to the Vineland Developmental Center.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

EAST CAMPUS EMPLOYEES FROM LEE COTTAGE JOIN THE FUN OF "DIRECT CARE STAFF DAY"



Nereda Rodriguez, Annie Williams, Loretta Adams



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HOSPITALCATARACT EXTRACTION WITH LENS IMPLANTATION

By Steven L. Rodis, M.D., Ph.D.

A cataract is the natural lens in the eye which has become cloudy or opaque. It is a normal occurrence in the body and occurs in almost everyone if they live long enough. There is a great variation in the time of development and it is associated with some conditions which also involve mental retardation, such as Down's Syndrome.

Cataracts are removed by a surgical procedure (not a laser) in which the cataract and a part of the capsule surrounding the cataract is removed. The back part of the capsule is left intact. Since the lens of the eye does a very large part of the focusing, after removal, everything is out of focus. In order to see it is necessary to do something to put things back in focus. The oldest method was the

"cataract" glasses which are thick and difficult to get used to. These normally do not work well with our clients, since they will not keep them on. Contact lenses also correct the situation, but they are not appropriate for most of the clients. The lens implant make the most sense and is the method of choice in this country.

The lens implant is made of polymethylmethacrylate (plexiglas) and is produced in different powers, much like glasses. After the cataract is removed, this implant is placed in the eye to replace the focusing power removed with the cataract. The operation is done using the operating microscope and the cataract is removed using a suction technique with the SITE (suction infusion tissue extraction) machine developed at Wills Eye Hospital. The entire procedure takes less than 30 minutes.

Within a few weeks, the patient sees well even without glasses. Since in most of the clients, we are unable to evaluate the level of decreased vision, cataracts are not usually removed until they cause a "white" pupil indicating advanced cataract changes. The patients are usually kept in the hospital for three to four days and then returned to their cottage. They are placed on drops which are decreased with each post-operative visit. After three months, they are seen and glasses fitted if necessary. These glasses are the normal thin glasses not "cataract" glasses.

FOSTER GRANDPARENTS

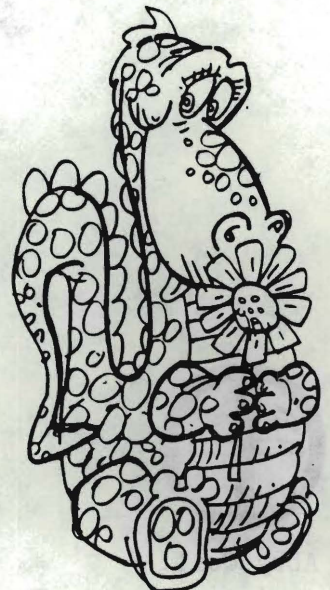
By Joan Achey

Summer has been very busy for the foster grandparents.

Twelve East Campus grannies and 12 clients visited the Philadelphia Zoo, Saturday, June 27th. Everyone enjoyed seeing the animals and having lunch outdoors at the Zoo.

Twenty-six West Campus grannies and clients enjoyed an afternoon bus ride July 14th. The ride and treat of ice cream and juice was enjoyed by all on that warm summer day.

All grandparents and clients attended our program picnic during July also. On July 22nd the West Campus grannies and clients, along with our grannies and clients from the Cumberland County Day Training Center, had their picnic. Due to the extremely hot



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weather, we moved the affair into the TLC Gymnasium. Just as we were serving lunch, the entire West Campus experienced a power outage which kept us in the dark for 2 hours! Many Thanks to the staff from Recreation, SFEA, and Housekeeping, who came into the gym and offered to help serve lunch to the grannies and their clients. Their help "saved the day"!

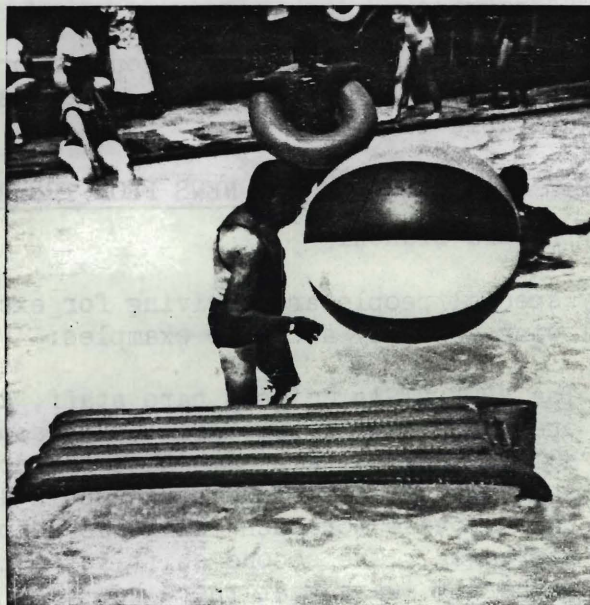
The East Campus grannies and clients had their picnic on July 30th. The weather cooperated, the power stayed on, and everyone had a great time!

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

By Paul Miller

SUMMER FUN BY RKO

RKO Children's Christmas Fund of New York City has provided a donation of summer recreational clothing and "camping" accessories including beach balls, inflatable floats and rafts which make ideal equipment for fun in our pools at East and West campuses. The RKO "Christmas in July" donation is one of two made annually to our Center by the Fund. Another major donation is made in December for distribution to our clients for Christmas. The current donation contained fashionable sports clothing, games and toys appropriate for use indoors as well as those for the pools. The clothing is being distributed from the clothing center by the Clothing Consultants. Volunteer Services has distributed the remainder of the items through the donation room to cottage personnel for the enjoyment of the clients.



Clients enjoying inflatable toys donated by RKO Children's Fund in the East Campus Pool.

NEWS FROM THE ASST. SUPERINTENDENT EAST

By Whelma Irby

Summer 1987 - "Beating the Heat"

As the winter winds push us to and fro, we will again forget about the hot summer days and the steps employed to generate some comfort for our clients.

Outside temperatures that register at 96 generally can be recorded at 100 plus in most of our non-ICF cottages. Because of this, every effort is made to provide the clients and the staff with the means to cool off.

Sprinklers are made available, the pool and many outside activities along with increases in liquid refreshments are provided.

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Air conditioners have been installed in areas that have the electrical currents to support them and steps are in the process to renovate to accommodate our total needs.

Yet, the summer hot days are once again with us and seemingly we cannot find a cool spot. However, I am encouraged when I tour the grounds and find client groups enjoying the shaded areas around the cottages, and running in and out of the water from the sprinklers. Self-help zones are being shifted to the pool area and many clients are learning to dry themselves under most pleasant circumstances.

Before we realize it, winter snow storms will be our problems again and if you are like me, then you too will be wishing for the summer and all of the fun times that come with the warm weather.

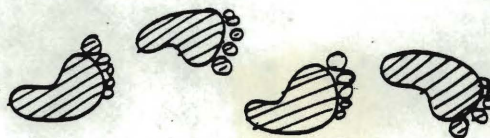
Many thanks to all of you for your efforts and sacrifices on behalf of our clients and I am certain that with renovation, these summertime heat problems will yield and/or decrease to tolerable levels.

NEWS FROM THE ASST. SUPERINTENDENT WEST

By Virginia Bianchi

Many special people are striving for excellence in client programming and care. The following are only a couple examples:

1. The HPC, CTS's, direct care staff, and professionals have been coordinating the operations and programming in Grisco Cottage since the retirement of Helen Moore, HCTS. They all are commended for doing an excellent job. The well planned programming is serious business in Grisco. There are working alternative plans that provide for such things as school or vocational cancellations or staffing shortages. The second shift is so involved in active treatment, that a visitor is hardly aware that there has been a change of shift. The goal of ongoing training is obvious. Thank you Grisco staff and associates.
2. Lynn Garner, Delores Bickings, and Barbara Ascoli, our West Campus Clothing Consultants, have been busy researching with vendors for stylish and serviceable clothes. These industrious ladies recently completed their own original design and had it produced by one of their vendors. The pretty two-piece outfit pulls on without hindrance of buttons or zippers. The fabric lays nicely, is breathable, and wrinkle resistant. HCTS's and others are impressed with the outfit, and are looking forward to seeing more of the same.
3. The CTS Training Seminar and Skills Update ran weekly from May 19 to July 7, 1987. Feedback from this course, taught by professionals, management, and Personnel staff, has prompted plans for similar programs in the future. Application of the training is seen in the increased professionalism among CTS's. Special Thanks go to all those who conducted classes.
4. Billy is our newest and youngest volunteer. He visits Fisher Cottage ladies twice a week. Dottie, Johanna, Chris, Pat, Marie, and others really enjoy his visits and have adopted him as their special friend. Thanks Billy!



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THE GUTMANS HONORED



Mr. & Mrs. R. Gutman

Association as the fund raising chairman and begins his work on this event at least eight months in advance. Mr. and Mrs. Gutman currently reside in Ventnor. Rudy is a retired watchmaker and jeweler, but a rocking chair is not in the picture for this active couple. One only needs to meet the Gutmans to feel the warmth and sincerity which they advocate for persons with developmental disabilities.

A plaque honoring the couple was presented to them by Dr. William Gutman of Linwood and his family.

Congratulations to the Gutmans on the success of The Dinner Dance. May your efforts on behalf of our clients never cease.

Sunday, August 2nd, was the Parents and Friends Association Fourth Annual dinner dance to benefit the clients at our center. The Cotillion Ballroom of Resorts International Hotel Casino was beautifully decorated and resounded to the music of the Paul Mann Orchestra with soloists Gabe Perillo, tenor and Deborah Truzal, soprano. As usual, Mr. Rudy Gutman and his lovely wife Eva, had worked tirelessly to provide a beautiful affair which generates funds in excess of \$15,000. This year's profits will be used to purchase a specially equipped van with an automatic lift for wheelchairs.

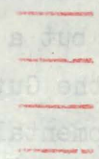
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