

Children Who Wait

They Need Special Parents

Another phrase used to describe the Children Who Wait is "hard to place." This is an accurate term because these are special children in search of special parents.

The reasons they are hard to place vary — some are from minority races or are mixed racially. Some are mentally, physically and/or emotionally handicapped. Some are siblings who should be kept together. Some are hard to place simply because they are older — the children range from pre-school through early teens.

Among those waiting is Scott. The Council of Adoptive Parents (CAP) says of him:

"Scott is a blond, blue-eyed, 4 year old who has Down's Syndrome. He is very small for his age and has Mongoloid features such as low set ears and slanting eyes. Scott has a growth problem. Cretinism has been ruled out and Vitamin B6 has been recommended to activate his pituitary gland.

"Scott shows signs of mental retardation. He cannot walk alone and prefers to sit most of the time. He can get around by holding on to furniture. His language is limited to a few monosyllables. Scott has to be fed with a spoon as he cannot hold one. He eats only puree, chopped meats and baby food. He is not toilet trained.



"It is reported he has a pleasant disposition."

Scott is one of more than 1,000 children registered with the New York State Adoption exchange who are waiting for adoptive placement.

In addition, Scott and more than 200 other children are listed in THE CAP BOOK, a photo listing service of CAP.

Adoptive patterns have changed in recent years. Once there were many healthy infants available for adoption. Today, however, a great emphasis is

being placed on finding homes for children agencies once considered hard to place.

Once adoptions were done by childless couples. Today, families with six and more children are adopting. Even singles are becoming adoptive parents.

Children are being placed across racial and religious lines, and to ease the financial burden of adoption, financial subsidies are available.

What is being sought are loving, caring, adoptive homes that can meet the needs of the child.

For general information about adoption, the following agencies should be contacted:

Catholic Family Center, 546-7220; Monroe County Department of Social Services, 442-4000; Northaven, Inc., 266-4330; the Council of Adoptive Parents (CAP), 288-7989.

For further information about Scott, THE CAP BOOK should be contacted at 436-5070.

Craft Show Set At Good Shepherd

Amateurs and artisans will display their wares at the Good Shepherd Rosary Society craft show Friday, Nov. 7. The show will run from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. in the school gymnasium, 3264 E. Henrietta Road. Snacks and baked goods will be on sale throughout, and there will be free child care service until 3:30 p.m.

Decorative accessories offered for sale will include straw wreaths with holiday and bicentennial

themes. Barbara Hoffman will show how they were made in classroom sessions scheduled for 12:30, 2:30 and 6:45 p.m. Betty Foster will give tote painting demonstrations from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m., and Jim Connors of Radio Station WROC will "spotlight" the exhibits from 7 until 9 p.m. Others on the program are David Davis, glass blower, and Eric Ericson, who will do charcoal portraits.

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St. Lawrence Notes 15 Years

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan concelebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving last Sunday for the parishioners of St. Lawrence Church, on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the first Mass in their Church. Concelebrating with the bishop were Fathers Edward Shamon, founding pastor, now pastor of St. Aloysius, Auburn, and Father John Murphy, pastor.

A reception in the parish hall followed the Mass.

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT

The Rochester Mental Health Center is seeking volunteers to work in their alcoholism Division. The CONTACT program involves weekly telephone calls, to alcoholics participating in the program. The volunteers are not expected to be counselors, but friends, someone to talk to. Gloris Anderson, coordinator, notes that the program "can" be an important tool in helping an individual recover from alcoholism." Interested persons should contact her at the Rochester Mental Health Center, 544-5220.

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