

The Children Who Wait

Artistic Edward

There are more than 1000 children like Edward in our state. Edward is a member of a group we call The Children Who Wait, a child who is considered hard to place by adoption agencies.

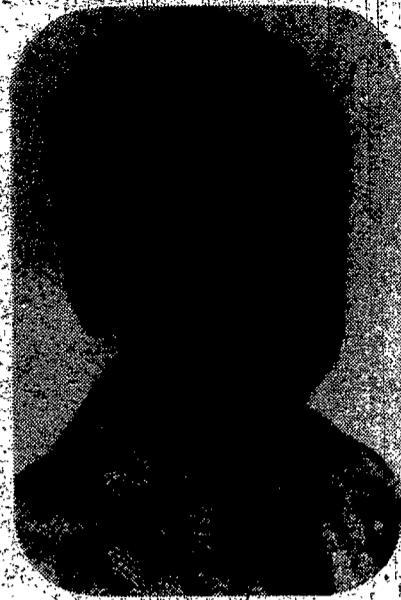
Finding a home for Edward is the job of the Council of Adoptive Parents (CAP). This group issues a photo listing of more than 200 of these children. The CAP Book says:

"Edward is a 9-year-old boy who entered the fourth grade last September.

"He is sensitive and artistic. At the present time, Edward is taking drum lessons and shows a great deal of musical ability. He is a friendly boy who is not at all aggressive.

"Edward is keeping up to his grade level with the assistance of special help in reading and mathematics. He is a very healthy boy, but will need orthodontia."

Children are considered hard to place for a variety of reasons. Some have mental, physical and/or emotional problems. Some are older. The age range for The Children Who Wait runs from infancy through early teens. Some children are from a minority race and some are racially mixed. Some are sibling groups who should not be separated.



EDWARD

The one thing they all have in common is the need for an adoptive family.

In years past there was a great emphasis on placing healthy infants in adoptive homes. Today however, a special drive is underway to find loving and secure homes for children like Edward.

Persons considering adoption of The Children Who Wait should know of the dramatic change in adoptive patterns in recent years.

by the time the smell of scorch reached my nostrils the tomatoes were browner than either nature or the Italian originators of the dish ever intended them to be.

Having no garbage disposal to rid us of the evidence, I simply opened the back door and flung the offending mixture into the snow narrowly missing my parents and Charley the salesman whom they'd brought home for potluck.

My sister, even at seven, had more of a flair for cooking than I ever demonstrated, then or later.

One afternoon she called my mother at the store to ask efficiently: "Mom, what is cream of tar-tar?" She was making an angelfood cake, 12 eggwhites already separated neatly (well, pretty neatly) from their yolks awaiting the next ingredient if she could just ascertain what it was.

I was reminded of this family story by the angelfood cake which I baked yesterday from a mix and which sits forlornly on the counter now with one tiny sliver gone from its circumference.

It did not, as they say in show-biz parlance, play in Peoria. Having purchased a spring form pan for 25 cents at a garage sale this fall, I was curious to see how it would work. It worked fine, the cake coming out light, high and fluffy. The head of the house, a gentleman to the core, sampled it without comment. The rest of the crew, seeing that it was neither chocolate, frosted, nor accompanied by ice cream, sniffed imperiously and reached for the bananas.

And somewhere out in the backyard a flock of starlings, a lone blue jay and one yellow-shafted flicker are about to enjoy Sunday dessert.

Today both couples with large families and singles are taking these children into their homes.

Children are being placed across religious and racial lines. Financial subsidies are available to ease the burden of adoption. The basic requirement is a loving, caring environment that can meet the needs of the children.

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 Edward THE CAP BOOK should be contacted at 436-5070.

PATIENTS, NOTE

Ithaca — An item appearing in Immaculate Conception's Sunday bulletin, "Going to the Hospital" explains that because of an Health, Education and Welfare Agency ruling hospital admissions offices may no longer ask patients about their religious affiliation. This is causing problems since the priests have no sure way of knowing which patients are Catholic.

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ALL IN THE FAMILY

Sarah Child

When I was 10 and my sister 7 my father went into business for himself. My mother, in those first tentative years, left her house every day but Sunday and Monday to help him out.

It was then that my sister and I learned to cook, sometimes guided by instructions left by my mother, sometimes proceeding without benefit of anything other than a cookbook and our own often adventurous imaginations.

I was one of those who felt anything worth doing was worth doing with a book in one hand, leaving one eye for the stove and one for the exploits of Nancy Drew or Judy Bolton or whatever other girl detective I was pursuing in print.

One of my first memories of a cooking disaster brought about in just such a fashion was the time I was stirring spaghetti sauce, an easy enough effort if given sufficient time. Trouble was I'd read past the starting time for its preparation and to make up for it I'd turned the heat to high, stirring with one hand, holding the novel with the other. Unfortunately the book proved far more exciting than the sauce and

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