



SOUTHERN TIER
AUBURN-GENEVA

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The luncheon committee, planning the menu for 30 persons.

of Genesis'

the group members and the Sacred Heart parishioners "was fantastic," Ms. Gross said.

Mrs. Aloï noted that more volunteers would be welcome, and possibly allow the program to expand to more than two days a week. But she emphasized that she would not be willing to allow the program to get so large that the atmosphere that has been established would be lost. She commented that she considers the warm, cooperative atmosphere to be important for the program's success.

Volunteers, cooperation from Craig Developmental, and donations from local people have kept the program going to date. Recently, Mrs. Aloï noted, "Genesis" received funding from the local Community Chest, and she also has applied for a grant from the

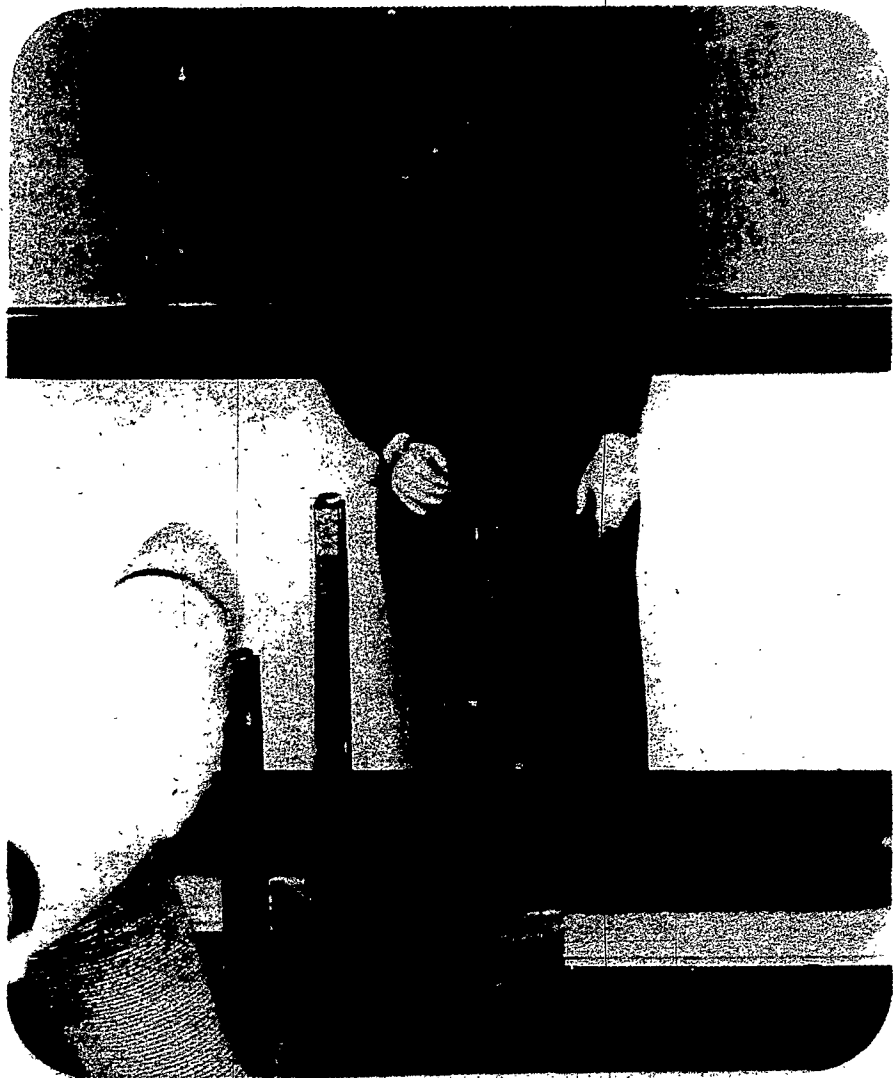
Campaign for Human Development.

The program's greatest need, she said, is transportation. Sometimes persons are unable to attend for lack of transportation, and taking up to 30 persons on a field trip can become difficult. "A bus would be the answer to our dreams," she commented. Meanwhile, volunteers to provide rides are needed. Currently one participant is unable to attend on Tuesdays because she has no ride from Dansville.

A day spent with the Friends of Genesis is a rewarding experience. Mrs. Aloï noted that she thinks they would have more volunteers if people would visit. Father Weider, watching the activity recently, commented that they were "beautiful people." It was obvious that he was referring to volunteer and participant alike.



Lillian trying a hand at macrame for the first time.



Work preparing for addition of ceramics at the center began with assembling the work tables.



A beautiful Spring day provided an invitation for kite flying that couldn't be passed up.