

# County Reveals Child Abuse Figures

CANTON — Statistics gathered by St. Lawrence County Child Protective Service, a unit of Children's Services, Department of Social Services, show that child abuse and neglect affects every community in the county.

In 1978, Child Protective Service received referrals on 762 families involving 1,502 children. Of these, 452 families were referred with a suspicion of child abuse or neglect. The number that could not be substantiated was 173.

This means continued caseworker intervention was necessary for 279 families. The remaining 310 families were referred as in need of services—not as neglect or abuse.

These figures only involve those families who were brought to the attention of the Child Protective Service Unit.

Statistics on reported incidents follow. The first figure is the number of abuse-

neglect referrals and the second figure is the number of service referrals: Brasher Falls, 7, 10; Brasie Corners, 1, 0; Erie Hill, 2, 0; Canton, 24, 15; Chase Mills, 5, 6; Colton, 6, 7; Conifer, 1, 0; Crary Mills, 2, 0; Dekalb Jct., 5, 3; Depeyster, 1, 3; Edwards, 3, 8; Fine, 2, 2; Fowler, 0, 1; Gouverneur, 53, 31; Halesboro, 1, 0; Hammond, 5, 8; Hannawa Falls, 3, 1; Harrisville, 3, 6; Helena, 1, 2; Hermon, 7, 11; Heuvelton, 9, 6; Hopkinton, 2, 0; Lawrenceville-North Lawrence, 4, 3; Lisbon, 9, 5; Madrid, 12, 3; Massena, 86, 52; Morley, 1, 0; Morristown, 3, 1; Newton Falls, 2, 0; Nicholville, 1, 0; Norfolk, 17, 5; Norwood, 11, 7; Ogdensburg, 98, 59; Oswegatchie, 5, 1; Oxbow, 1, 0.

Parishville, 7, 0; Pope Mills, 1, 1; Potsdam, 42, 27; Pyrites, 3, 0; Raymondville, 0, 3; Redwood, 7, 0; Rensselaer Falls, 4, 6; Richville, 10, 4; Russell, 5, 2; St. Regis Falls, 1, 1; Star Lake, 5, 8; Waddington, 3, 4; West Stockholm, 2, 0; Winthrop, 11, 9.

Anyone who is aware of a child being mistreated, is asked to call the Child Protective Service at 379-2357 or 379-2356 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the week or the Sheriff's Office at 379-2222 at any other time. They will contact the worker on call. The toll-free number in Albany, 1-800-342-3720, is also available on a 24 hour basis.

As a parent, if anyone finds it difficult to cope with the stresses of child rearing, help is available by calling 379-2357 or 379-2356.

## Phone Operators To 'Brown Bag It'

Potsdam's 49 telephone operators, employees of New York Telephone Co., are seeking a reversal of a phone company decision that would force them to move to other areas of the state or seek employment outside the phone company.

Nancy Creighton, a spokesman for the operators, told the Courier and Freeman last week that a group of the operators plan to attend the brown bag lunch to be held in the civic center on Wednesday.

## Shared Learning Films Continue

POTSDAM — The Shared Learning Program will continue at the AAK Middle School cafeteria with the showing of the fourth film, "Making the Home a Very Special Learning Place."

There will be three presentations of the same program on Monday, at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., and Thursday, March 8th at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. The event is sponsored by the Parents Committee for Shared Learning who want to remind parents that it is not necessary to have attended the past three sessions.

## Recycling Meeting Now At Lewis House

There has been a change in the scheduling of a public meeting planned to focus on trash recycling in the Town of Potsdam.

As it now stands, the meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. March 14 in the Barnwood Room at Lewis House, on the downtown Clarkson College campus.

The meeting had originally been scheduled for the same time and date, but in the town offices. Scheduling was changed due to a conflict of meetings in the town offices, according to Jon Montan Jr., a planner who will attend the meeting.

Montan and the Potsdam Town Board are considering the meeting a "brainstorming session," at which they hope to gather public reaction to a proposal that would bring resource reclamation to Potsdam. The practice, which involves separating different types of trash for recycling, could be a unique development for this area.

Montan is urging attendance by locals, particularly by those who might be interested in or affected by the plans.

## Campus School Sets Drawing For Admission

The Research and Demonstration Center (Campus School) of State University College at Potsdam is preparing its annual drawing for admission to the center.

Parents of children who are ages 3-11 before Dec. 1, 1979, are invited to submit applications for them.

The drawing for admission will be held on March 12 to determine acceptance and admission for the 1979-80 school year.

Children enrolled in the center are placed in multi-aged suites by their age level and each suite is team-taught. Special programs such as art, physical education, music, and French are part of the curriculum.

Additional information is available from the Director's Office at 288-2890. Applications may be picked up at the RADCO office in person or they may be mailed upon request.

## International Dinner To Aid Ganienkeh

The Potsdam Quaker Meeting is sponsoring an international dinner on Friday, March 16, at the Presbyterian Center. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m. A variety of international dishes are being donated by local cooks. The cost is \$3 for adults with special rates for students and families.

The dinner is being given in order to help the traditional Indians of Ganienkeh to finance the training of their own midwives and to establish their own school. Last year's international dinner provided funds to assist the people of Ganienkeh with food for the winter after their move to their new community.

## NiMo Gets Permit For Cofferdam

NORFOLK — The Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation has received a permit to install a temporary cofferdam on the Raquette River in the Town of Norfolk.

The state Department of Environmental Conservation issued the Protection of Waters permit recently, according to Thomas C. Gorthey, local permit agent at DEC regional headquarters in Watertown.

## Immunization Clinic Set

There will be an immunization clinic for pre-school children at the Potsdam Fire Station on March 13 from 9:30-11 a.m.

Triple Vaccine, (diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough), Sabin oral polio vaccine, measles, rubella and mumps vaccine will be given. Mumps vaccine is now mandatory for school entrance.

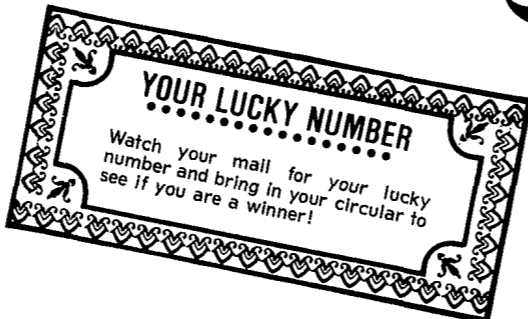
Bring records of child's previous immunizations. Children must be two months of age. The clinic will be conducted by the Public Health Nurses under the supervision of Dr. Marshall Stevenson, health officer.

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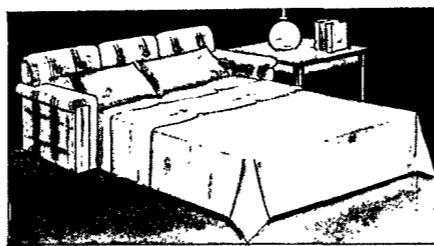
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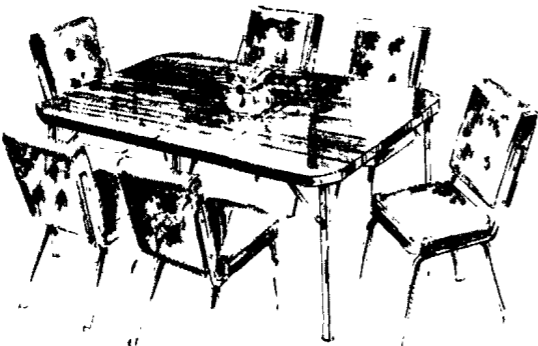
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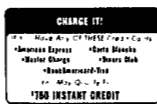
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