

* MCCA HAPPENINGS

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WELCOME!

JACK YOUNG: THE NEW COMMISSIONER

Governor Al Quie has appointed Jack G. Young as the new Commissioner of Corrections succeeding Ken Schoen. The Minnesota Community Corrections Association wrote to Governor Quie and the twin city newspapers commending the Governor on his decision.

MCCA sees Jack Young as, first of all, a good solid human being; an important element when you are working with people. Secondly, he is experienced and knows that there are no easy answers for human problems. He sees the value of community corrections programs and also knows the need to protect society. Thirdly, he has a good sense of humor and enjoys his work. He is willing to listen and learn as well as teach and educate.

We, as community-based correctional programs around the state of Minnesota, pledge our support and look forward to working with Jack Young.

Jack Young, 52, has been in community-based corrections for twenty years. He was a probation officer in Duluth, a counselor at the Ramsey County School for Boys, the founder and first director of Bremer House, and associate executive director for the Wilder Foundation. He was superintendent of the St. Cloud Reformatory and Warden of Stillwater Prison. He has 29 years experience in Minnesota corrections.

Jack Young has a BA degree in Sociology and a Master's degree in Social Work from the University of Minnesota.

Areas that Jack Young will work closely with are the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission, community corrections, prison industries, Stillwater Prison, the new prison and concerns of law enforcement officers and judges in the corrections process.

Young states it is time to look at the Community Corrections Act and its implementation. He hopes to research its effect and how it can work better.

MCCA has worked with Jack Young through Wilder Foundation and particularly Bremer House. He is, in our impression, the person to put the meat and potatoes on the foundation laid by his successors. He is the right one for the Commissioner of Corrections at this time.

CHARLES (Chuck) MULCRONE, Department of Corrections employee since 1966 and most recently the head of the Fugitive Transportation Division, died of a heart attack on February 7, 1979. Chuck, brother of ex-Minnesota Corrections Board Chairman, Richard Mulcrone, is survived by his wife, a daughter and a son. The MCCA wishes to extend our sympathy to Chuck's family and many friends.

Program Happenings

CORRECTIONAL SERVICE OF MINNESOTA (CSM), 1427 Washington Ave. So., Mpls., has revised the statement of its purpose and objectives. They exist now to: 1) assist in the development of policies which impact on delinquency and crime and which contribute to the overall increase in excellence and quality of the criminal justice system; 2) develop or encourage direct services of a demonstration nature in areas of unmet need within criminal justice and related systems; 3) further research and publication in the field of criminal justice and related fields; 4) provide programs of education for youth and the general public relative to the causes and prevention of delinquency and crime and the responses to delinquency and crime by the criminal justice and related systems; 5) evaluate the effectiveness of policies and programs in criminal justice and related fields; and 6) upgrade the functioning of criminal justice and related personnel.

FREEDOM HOUSE is developing a restaurant to help make their program self-sufficient. Located next to their House, 3020 Lyndale So., Freedom House has already gathered some equipment. On February 11th, Freedom House held an ice fishing contest/fund raiser for the restaurant. Other fund raisers to get the cafe underway are planned. The restaurant should be a good place for us to meet and eat.

THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM is a non-residential out-patient program, that provides Growth Groups, One-to-One Counseling, and additional services to both chemically dependent Adults and Juveniles throughout the metropolitan area. The program also has a special component for persons under the supervision of the courts. It is an open ended program with the minimal length of involvement being 4 to 6 months. This program is operated by Granville House, Inc. and is located in TEAM HOUSE. For further information call Mark Olson at 291-2800.

PROJECT CADRE (Citizens Advocate Development, Recruitment and Evaluation for Developmentally Disabled Persons in the Criminal Justice System) has moved to the Minneapolis Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. effective January of 1979. The new MARC office is located at 2344 Nicollet Ave. So., Mpls., Minnesota 55404. CADRE is a demonstration project funded by HEW through the Minnesota Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities. One of the main objectives of CADRE is to increase the awareness of criminal justice system personnel of the special needs of developmentally disabled citizens and the community resources available to serve these needs. A second component of the grant is to match volunteers one-to-one with developmentally disabled individuals who require assistance in the criminal justice system whether they be witnesses, victims of crimes, or offenders.

Although CADRE is a model for Hennepin County only, CADRE staff are available for outstate inquiries. If you are working with a developmentally disabled person and require some assistance please contact the office. And, if you would like some further information about the project call Charles Green, Director, or Sharen Southard, Project Coordinator at 874-6650.

OMEGON, (formerly PHARM HOUSE), located at 1025 South east 6th Street, Mpls., now serves male and female 12-18 year olds. It is a 6 month residential program dealing primarily with people who have alcohol or other drug dependencies. Contact Jack Mills: 378-0832.

H.I.R.E.D. (Helping Industry Resolve Employment Disabilities) has two new booklets available. "Employing the Ex-Offender: Some Legal Considerations" and "Obtaining a Pardon." Write for copies to Jan Moriarty, H.I.R.E.D., 1009 Nicollet Mall, Mpls., Minnesota 55403.



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Dear Community Corrections Co-Workers:

The MCCA is sponsoring a meeting February 22 and 23 at Bunker Hill, Anoka with 25 stakeholders in community corrections. Two consultants from the Wharton School of Strategic Management in Corrections, the University of Pennsylvania, will facilitate the meeting through a grant for technical assistance from the National Institute of Corrections. Enablers, Inc. has awarded a \$300 grant to cover other expenses. The meeting is designed to provide an opportunity to study a shared direction among the many associations, organizations and systems presently operating in corrections in Minnesota. In the next issue of the HAPPENINGS, we hope to be able to report on the success of the network process.

MCCA participated in the American Lutheran Church Conference on Criminal Justice held recently in Minneapolis. Besides panel participation, three programs provided tours and dialogue. Our thanks go to Alpha House, Freedom House, and Portland House staff & residents.

We have matched our 1978 goal of \$5000 for the St. Paul Foundation. This year they will give us \$5000 more if we can raise \$10,000 on our own. This means for every membership at \$5.00, we receive \$2.50 more from the St. Paul Foundation. Renew your individual, program and special memberships now!

In a recent training session the suggestion was made that there be more communication between the guards of a correctional facility and program intake staff. Whether in a jail or other correctional facility, ask the guard what he or she knows about the attitude and behavior of one of your potential clients. This could also include the arresting officer. Not only would we be getting valuable input, but we might begin working more like a united criminal justice system.

Another suggestion for programs is to have a staff member in court at the time of sentencing of your client to your program. The more we are seen and available, the more the communication can be enhanced.

A procedure for handling possessions left behind by clients is being developed. A working draft was passed out at the Jan. membership meeting. If anyone has ideas for this matter call the MCCA office (871-0221, Ext. 218).

We sent a letter to Governor Al Quie and the papers commending the governor on his appointment of Jack Young as our new Commissioner. We look forward to working with Jack Young in the years to come.

Tom Christian
Director, MCCA



MCCA ELECTIONS/MEETING

MCCA BOARD REELECTED

At the January 31, 1979 general membership meeting the MCCA membership, in a vote of confidence, reelected the present MCCA Board of Directors. The top six people receiving the most votes were elected for two years: JAMES BROWN, Bremer House; RICHARD DRAVES, American Indian Programs; TOM LAWSON, Department of Corrections; GARY MEITZ, The Bakery, Southside Neighborhood Probation; FARRIS BELL, Women Helping Offenders; and DAVID SONNY GAINNEY, House of Icarus. The following five members were elected to one year terms: GAIL JOHNSON, Freedom House; MATT SMREKAR, Drug Unit; HARRY KRAMER, Ramsey County Community Corrections; JIM MARTINSON, Consultant - Alpha House, Peer Counseling Center; and RICHARD WILLIAMS, ReEntry Services. Other people nominated and receiving votes were: MARILYN MARTINSON, Project Elan; DAN CAIN, Eden House; and DICK KAUFMAN, Project ReEntry. If someone has to leave the Board for one reason or another during the year, that person will be replaced by one of the three who received membership votes.

The membership voted to raise the 1980 individual membership dues to ten dollars. Tom Christian stated that individual membership reached 228 for the year 1978.

The membership also reviewed the Group Health Insurance Plan. Four companies are now giving us bids; Crown Insurance, our present plan; Canada Life; Prudential and the Pysick Agency.

Jim Martinson reported on the MCCA plan to submit a study grant on an Industries Program Concept. Hopefully the research will provide MCCA with the information and direction to begin an employment component for programs to use to reduce the per diem, enhance the therapeutic process, and create stable work habits for our clients.

STRESS MANAGEMENT TRAINING

Learning Programs of America is offering a one day training session on Stress Management. The course is designed, by Trainer Ron Fronk, to help you determine what stress is for you. It will provide you with tools/vehicles to help prevent stress/tension from accumulating and it will help diffuse stress/tension that exists. The problems may come from burn out, verbal abuse, threatening behavior, loneliness, pressures from additional paperwork and time requirements. This training session will be: TIME: 8:30 to 4:00 PM, March 23, 1979. PLACE: 2414 Park Avenue, Mpls., MN, Conference Room "B". FEE: MCCA members \$19.50, non-members \$26.00. CALL: 871-0221, Ext. 218 to preregister.

MCCA LIBRARY

CRIMINAL CAREERS OF HABITUAL FELONS

-1978

CLASSIFICATION FOR PAROLE DECISION POLICY

-July, 1978

"Team Probation" - FEDERAL PROBATION

-September, 1978

"Newgate: The First Five Years" -

CRIME AND DELINQUENCY

-January, 1979

ABOLISH PAROLE?

-September, 1978

MYTHS & REALITIES ABOUT CRIME

-1979

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These and many other books are available for MCCA membership use. If you would like to take out a book from the MCCA library just call, stop by and check out the book of your choice.

Committee Reports

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON - KAROLE WILLIAMS
(336-1731)

We would like to thank Jerry Moen formerly with Team House and Faye Sleeper, Friendship House, for their past work on this committee. Taking their place this year are Simeon Wagner, Harbor Light Center and Claudia Byrd, Volunteers of America. We can still use more help on the newsletter. Anyone interested contact Karole or Tom Christian (871-0221, Ext. 218).

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON - NORB GERVES
(331-1087)

A. Issues for the Sentencing Guidelines Commission:

1. Early release from prison for purposes of treatment. What incentive would there be to participate in a treatment program?
2. Should charges which are dropped during a negotiated plea become part of the record? This could be handled as a plea of no contest rather than dropped.
3. We foresee more first time offenders being sent to programs. Where will appropriations be found to pay for these placements?
4. Effect length of sentence will have on judges decision. Possible results may be:
 - a) less use of treatment facilities
 - b) overuse of the workhouse
 - c) elimination of alternatives

B. Possible Legislative Issues:

1. State funding for chemically dependent offenders. The present system classifies clients as chemically dependent or corrections.
2. Coordination of various licensing bodies so programs don't have contradictory requirements.
3. Diversion of Community Corrections Act funds. Too much money has gone to workhouses rather than community programs.
4. New legislation mandating payment for court ordered client placements.

TRAINING COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON - GARY MEITZ
(348-4166)

On January 30th, Tom Christian and Gary Meitz met with a group of corrections trainers from around the State. The meeting was the fourth in a series held at Bunker Hill in Anoka County. It was decided that this group would be attached to MACCAC and pursue mutual interests in training of correctional personnel. Future meetings are being planned and anyone interested in training is welcome to attend. We hope to share ideas statewide.

Our committee is still waiting for a response to the MCCA training proposal now before the sub-committee of the Corrections Act Board of Hennepin County. It is encouraging to see several people have volunteered to serve on the volunteer committee.

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON - JIM BROWN
(222-4471)

We will be meeting Wednesday, February 21st at 1:00 PM, in Conference Room "F", Lutheran Social Service, 2414 Park Ave, Mpls., MN.

All members and interested parties please be present as we will be discussing the working draft of the State Standards for Licensing.

CONTINUUM OF SERVICES

CHAIRPERSON - TOM LAWSON
(296-7019)

This committee is working with Dr. Thomas Schmid and the University of Minnesota on a state-wide corrections directory. See our ad for our directory of Community-Based Correctional Services on page 7.

People

PAT MCMANUS has been appointed to the Secretary (Commissioner) of Corrections position for the State of Kansas. MCCA congratulates Pat on his new appointment and would like to publicly thank him for all his help and encouragement to our Association. For information regarding his mid-March farewell dinner, contact Betty Dittman at 296-3542.

JOHN STEWART has been appointed as a Planner II in the Correctional Facilities Standards Development Unit for the Department of Corrections. His experience includes the Sheriff's Boys Ranch, Operation De Novo, Lino Lakes and parole services.

KATHY CONNOLLY has left the GENESIS II program to pursue her MSW at the University of Minnesota and SUSAN BRADSHAW has joined the GENESIS II Counseling Staff.

DOUGLAS EAGLE is the new director of the American Indian Services, (AIS), as of November 1978. Contact him at 871-2175.

ALAN YELSEY is the new Courts/Corrections Planner for the Metropolitan Council. Presently, Alan is researching program development for LEAA funding in 1980. He can be reached at 291-6535.

JERI THILMONY, an agent for Clay County, has been reassigned to the position of Research Analyst with the Sentencing Guidelines Commission.

The MCCA would like to congratulate ORVILLE PUNG for his excellent job as Interim Commissioner of Corrections of the State of Minnesota in his taking up the slack between the loss of Mr. Schoen and the appointment of Mr. Young.

KAROLE WILLIAMS has moved from the RETREAT/ASKLEPIEION PROGRAM at Lino Lakes to Chemical Dependency Coordinator for PROJECT DE NOVO. Karole can be reached at 336-1731.

CONNIE BUTCHEE is the new Program Coordinator for EDEN DAY PROGRAM. She can be reached at 338-2171.

JAMES DOWNIE is the new Counselor Supervisor for PROJECT DE NOVO.

A reception is being held in honor of JUDGE LINDSAY G. ARTHUR who will be completing his tenure as Judge of the Juvenile Court for the Fourth Judicial District in the State of Minnesota. The reception will be on Friday, March 2, 1979 from 3:00-6:00 PM in the Cardinal Room at the Curtis Hotel, 10th Street & 3rd Avenue South, Mpls. Cost of the reception is \$5.00 per person which includes hors d'oeuvres, tax, gratuity and contribution toward a gift. RSVP by February 16, 1979 to: Judge Arthur Reception Committee, 350 South 5th Street, Room 330, Mpls., MN 55415. The tickets will be available at the door to the Cardinal Room at the time of the reception.

We welcome the following new MCCA members:

Individual Members

MICHAEL C. JENKINS - Blue Earth County
Court Services

MICHAEL L. SMITH - Blue Earth County
Court Services

THOMAS DUNN - Alpha House

THOMAS KANE - Alpha House

BEN HOFSETH, JR. - Volunteers of America

ALAN YELSEY - Metropolitan Council

RAYMOND SKINAWAY - Eden House

KEVIN O'REILLY - Eden House

BROCKMAN SCHUMACHER, SR. - Eden House

BARRY F. DEAN - Student Intern

EDWARD EMANUEL - Eden House

BARBARA REDPATH - Nexus, Inc.

JOHN STEWART - Department of Corrections

KATHY GILBERTSON - Metropolitan Council

ROSEMARY SCHMIDT - Neighborhood Justice
Center

DOUGLAS DUDLEY - Corrections Student

Project NINA

PROJECT NINA TO OPEN IN APRIL '79

A new shelter facility has been planned for the Metropolitan area which will offer short term residence and support for teenage women who wish to leave their involvement in prostitution.

The shelter is designed for a maximum of 10 people in a family-style residence with house staff available around the clock.

Women are offered individual and family counseling, development of career and educational opportunities and planning for future living arrangements. Young women can enter the program voluntarily and will probably stay from 1 to 3 months.

The house will maintain a protection system, which ensures security for the residents, as well as allowing for easy access and exit. This is designed to provide a comfortable, constructive setting that feels safe and secure.

Project NINA is a new program of the Bridge for Runaway Youth. The Bridge has supported temporary shelters and related counseling for run away youth since 1970.

For further information about either program contact: Cathy at 377-8800.

Happenings Continued

ABRAXIS, the Coffee House, is open Friday and Saturday nights from 8 PM to 1 AM through March 10th. After that, ABRAXIS needs a place to relocate. It is a needed resource. If you have any ideas Contact: Matt Smrekar at 333-0235, or Lorenzo Martinez at 338-8093.

DOUGLAS/POPE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COURT SERVICES has divided into separate offices. Gay Urness and John Mchaugh will be working out of the Douglas County Office at the Court House in Alexandria and David Ross will be the new Court Services Officer working at the Pope County Office at the Court House in Glenwood, Minnesota.

THE DIRECTORY OF COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONAL SERVICES is now available through the MCCA office (871-0221, Ext. 218). Printing, mailing etc., costs are \$2.00 per copy. The design of the directory is to go state-wide. If you receive a copy you will be put on a mailing list and update material will be sent to you.

Employment Happenings

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

THERAPIST COUNSELOR - Nexus, Inc.

1 full-time and 2 part-time positions available at Residential Correctional Facility. Duties include providing group and one-to-one therapy for 25-35 male clients. Should have a strong working knowledge of therapeutic modalities and experience working in corrections field. BA and/or equivalent in experience. Positions are available immediately with salary to commensurate with qualifications. Contact the Administrator at NEXUS, INC., 5915 Eden Prairie Road, Minnetonka, MN. Phone: (612)938-0200.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

There is presently an opening for a PARENT-CHILD COORDINATOR at GENESIS II. This full-time position includes coordinating Day Activity Program for pre-school children, instructing parenting classes, and providing family counseling services. Prefer a person with a BA in Child Development or related field, plus two years work experience. Send Resume' to: GENESIS II
1035 E. Franklin Ave.
Mpls., MN 55404

Training/Conference Happenings

ASSERTIVENESS TRAINING, sponsored by the Department of Corrections, is available for all employees in the field of corrections. This workshop will be held February 26, 1979, from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at Arden Hills-MN/DOT - Room 5. The workshop focuses upon skills for communicating ideas, feelings, thoughts, and intentions clearly, directly, and appropriately--The Assertive Style. Participants are provided a means for taking inventory of the ways they typically communicate with others. On the basis of that awareness, new skills are presented by the instructor and practiced by the participants. Through role-plays, and examples, participants gain insight into the relative consequences of communicating non-assertively, aggressively, and assertively and learn the skills for communicating assertively.

Other training opportunities scheduled by the Department of Corrections:

Dealing With The Public March 1,2.
Video Tape Productions March 8
Public Speaking March 19,20.
*Contact Debbie Tranter (612)296-7089.

The 1979 session of the JUVENILE OFFICERS INSTITUTE at the University of Minnesota will run from June 11-July 20, 1979. This program has been offered for the past 23 years and has acquired national recognition for its contribution to the juvenile justice field. It is designed for persons working in the juvenile justice field including law enforcement, juvenile court and corrections personnel. It can be taken for either undergraduate or graduate credit. Write to Richard J. Clendenen, Director, Juvenile Officers Institute - University of Minnesota, 119 TNM, 122 Pleasant Street SE. Minneapolis, MN 55455 or call (612) - 373-2726.

The tentative dates for the MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS (MACPO) CONFERENCE are May 22-24, 1979 to be held at the Arrowwood Inn, Alexandria, Minnesota. Further information can be obtained from: Mike Smith, Secretary of MACPO, Box 608, Courthouse, Mankato, MN 56001. Telephone: (507) 625-3031, Ext. 265.

SHARING OUR LIVES OF SEPARATION - a new service of Correctional Service of Minnesota is now underway. The program is funded through a \$5000 grant from the Dayton Hudson Foundation. It provides an opportunity for women who are adjusting to the stresses of separation caused by their spouses' imprisonment to share their common frustrations in a supportive environment. The women meet regularly to learn more about the correctional system and community resources. Contact Julie Catagnus at (612)339-7227.

The Enablers, Inc. are putting on the following workshops:

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS AN ASSET

Legal responsibilities of a board and how to get your board to be active. Date: May 21, 1979 from 1 to 9 PM. The cost is \$38.00 including dinner. It will be held at the University Club, 420 Summit Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota.

SUPPORT STAFF IN NON-PROFIT AGENCIES

Date: May 28th and April 4th, 1979 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. It will be held at Augsburg Student Center, Augsburg College, Mpls., MN.

GRANTSMANSHIP

Date: April 25 & 26, 1979 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM both days. The cost is \$46.00 which includes lunch both days. It will be held at Augsburg Student Center, Augsburg College, Mpls., MN.

SUPERVISION

How to supervise within an agency.

Date: May 1, 1979 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the University Club, 420 Summit Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota.

For more information about any of the above workshops contact: ENABLERS, INC. 104 W. Franklin, Mpls., MN 55404. Telephone: (612)871-4994.

OPERATION DE NOVO, a non-residential community corrections program, has returned a total of \$52,000 to the community in 1978 in restitution arrangements.

NATIONAL HAPPENINGS

THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CORRECTIONS

(NIC) has announced the 1979 schedule for its National Training Institute on Community Residential Treatment Centers. The schedule features seven regional Training Institutes designed to instruct participants on management and administrative issues in community-based correctional programs. It also provides in-service training manuals and other resources for continuing education and professional development. Each Training Institute will be of five days' duration. The 1979 schedule is as follows: Columbia, SC - March 18-23; Cincinnati, OH - April 29-May 4; Seattle, WA - June 17-22; New York, NY - August 26-31; Denver, CO - September 30-October 5; New Orleans, LA - October 28-November 2. Please address inquiries and applications to: National Training Institute, P.O. Box 18258, Seattle, WA 98118. Tom Christian is the State Director for the International Halfway House Association so he would be more than happy to write a letter of recommendation for anyone interested in attending.

THE NATIONAL ALCOHOLISM FORUM will take place April 27 through May 2, 1979, at the Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington D.C. Family Day is set for April 30. For more information contact Sharon Wegscheider, NCA Program, Twin Town, 1706 University Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104, Phone: (612)645-3661.

THE NEW SELF-HELP ALCOHOLIC TREATMENT METHOD, an intensive training course for health professionals, is being offered by the Rational Behavior Therapy Center - University of Kentucky. The course, which can be taken for credit, gives a comprehensive overview plus specific skill training enabling professionals to practice using the New Self-Help Alcoholic Treatment Method. This five-day course will be given February 19-23, 1979, and there is a tuition fee of \$350.00 for each participant. For more information write: Rational Behavior Therapy Center, 00840-MC N204-A College of Medicine, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40536.

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACKS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE will hold its Sixth Annual Conference March 28-31, 1979, at the Hilton Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. For information call Genoa E. Walker (215/549-1593) or write Ms. Rosalie P. Day - Registration Chairperson, P.O. Box 6515, Philadelphia, PA 19138.

THE CENTER FOR WOMEN POLICY STUDIES, with a grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, has begun a twelve-month study of the employment of women in the correctional field.

While women constitute about 40 percent of the U.S. labor force, less than 25 percent of all publicly employed correctional employees are women. In addition, existing data indicate that these women tend to be concentrated in lower paying jobs and absent from higher paying positions. Forty-four percent of the women who are employed in this field are performing clerical work. Underrepresentation and underutilization of women in corrections cut across socioeconomic, institutional and public policy issues, but they have received little investigative attention. The primary objective of this study, therefore, will be to identify and explore those factors which affect the recruitment, placement and advancement of women in all areas of corrections. To be included within the scope of the study will be employment in jails, reformatories, detention homes, prisons, halfway houses, parole and probation programs, as well as in policy-making agencies. A secondary objective will be to identify existing programs which attempt to either attract women into the field or to open to them the full range of correctional employment.

The members of the research team welcome suggestions and comments from those with an interest in this topic. Communications may be sent to the Center for Women Policy Studies, 2000 P Street Northwest, Suite 508, Washington, D.C. 20036; Phone: (202)872-1770; Attention: Jane Chapman or Betty Minor.

Program Happenings

PROJECT ELAN made a major change in programming during the last quarter of 1978. The residential portion of the ELAN PROGRAM is now a maximum of 1 year. The first 9 months of the residential program is behaviorally oriented, providing an environment which produces growth and development. The final 3 months of the residential program is the woman's re-entry into the community with activities such as work and school and the pursuing of personal interests and goals. At the end of residential treatment the woman moves into the community with a 6 month follow up period before graduation.

Another major change in the program is that during 1979, PROJECT ELAN will be providing parole services to women offenders.

Staffing patterns have undergone changes which we feel are very positive for the program. Staff at PROJECT ELAN represent a multi-disciplinary team of both professionally trained and peer counselors with a variety of backgrounds and skills. All are currently involved in furthering professional growth through education and direct involvement with program consultants. As well, two counselors are working towards licensure in psychology and the director of the children's program is enrolled in the doctoral program at the University of Minnesota.

Marilyn Martinson is the Director of PROJECT ELAN and can be reached at 331-4110.

THE FAMILY COUNSELING AND SUPPORT PROGRAM is a new program being offered by WHO. The 16 week program is designed to help meet the needs of families in resolving old problems often neglected because of chemical dependency and incarceration through the teaching of new communication skills. Families meet in a group, set goals, and gain support from hearing others who have similar problems. The program also provides individual and peer group counseling and refers individuals to other resources when appropriate to avoid duplication. Contact: Betsy Wagchal or Arlene Benowitz, (612)824-0741.

THE VETERANS INCARCERATED PROGRAMS are part of the Veterans Resource Center at the University of Minnesota. The program (V.I.P.) offers professional counseling to veterans incarcerated in local, state, and federal institutions throughout Minnesota. They have extended their services to aid veterans in halfway houses, therapeutic communities, and similar settings by assisting them with any veteran related problems. Their services include Employment and Training counseling for job placement. There are attorneys and a legal staff to provide a Discharge Review Service for less than honorable discharges.

To initiate any of the mentioned services for your clients, call (612)-376-5085 and ask for Dale Morris. There is also an on-campus office that deals with prospective and current U. of M. students. Their number is 373-9891.

PROJECT NEWDAY has developed a new sexuality component for male offenders in addition to other existing units in money management, leisure time, and urban resources. Some of the issues addressed are sexism, roles and expectations, identity, values and attitudes, inadequacies, lifestyles and self-esteem. For more information and referrals, please call Blanche Cashman or Janet Court at 870-8400. NEWDAY is a non-residential program that opened September 1978 at 122 West Franklin.

THE MINNEAPOLIS URBAN LEAGUE OUTREACH PROGRAM is eager to talk to interested persons who are seeking a job or some good training. If you have a client who is a Minneapolis resident, economically disadvantaged and unemployed, give them a call. There is available: Direct Job Placement; Classroom skills training; On-the-Job Training; and Adult basic education programs. You may call: Minneapolis Urban League On-the-Job Training, Phone: 825-6801, or stop in at 2529 Nicollet Ave. So., Room 100.

FIRST CALL FOR HELP has a directory of community services for the West Metropolitan Area available for (\$6.00) six dollars. Call: 340-7431.



INTERNATIONAL HALFWAY HOUSE ASSOCIATION

AFFILIATED WITH THE AMERICAN CORRECTIONAL ASSOCIATION

Dear Community Corrections Co-Worker:

The Minnesota Community Corrections Association is an associate member of the International Halfway House Association. This keeps us in touch with what is happening around the world in community-based programs. This letter is an invitation for you, your program, and members of your organization to join the IHHA.

The International Halfway House Association puts out a regular newsletter, sponsors National Training Institutes, Advanced Management Seminars, Regional Workshops and on July 10-14, 1979, the Second International Conference on Community Residential Care for the Disadvantaged or Socially Stigmatized to be held in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Members will also receive a Members Handbook, an International Directory, and entitlement to purchase special Professional Liability Insurance.

It is not only important to keep informed about what is happening in the State of Minnesota, but we must also influence and know what is happening around our world.

For more information or a copy of the IHHA Newsletter, give me a call (612/871-0221, Ext. 218).

Sincerely,

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

On February 6, 1979, the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners, under Resolution Number 79-2-99, approved issuance of a Request for Proposal. The Request seeks the submission of proposals which will provide a non-residential treatment program for adult female offenders in Hennepin County.

Anyone interested in submitting a proposal must submit a Letter of Intent no later than February 23, 1979. Final proposals must be submitted no later than March 9, 1979. The Letter of Intent, submitted proposals, or any questions regarding this Request should be directed to Jan Smaby, Office of Planning and Development, A-2308 Government Center, Mpls., MN 55487.

Funding currently available for this program is \$20,000. These funds may be insufficient to adequately support a program of the scope and impact contemplated under this Request. Therefore, service providers interested in submitting a proposal for services at the budgeted level of \$20,000 have the option to submit a supplemental proposal for a broader range of services and/or clients not to exceed \$100,000.

The award to the successful service provider will be dependent upon: The level of funds available after the final calculation of the 1978 Community Corrections Act surplus funds; The reasonableness of the proposed budget; the date of service and/or contract initiation; external revenue available to the proposed program; and similar factors. Hennepin County reserves the right to cancel the Request for Proposal at any time, or to reject any proposal based on the evaluation criteria contained in the Request. The County also reserves the right to grant the above dollar amount, or any portion of that amount at its discretion.

PROBATION SIMULATION by Drannel Games is available through Drannel Game Co., P.O. Box 9273, North Hollywood, California 91609; Phone: (213)985-3986. It may be a good game for programs to use with their clients.

For those of you getting fed up with living in Minnesota's cold and snow, the Texas Criminal Justice Center at San Houston State University has the NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT LISTING SERVICE (NELS) which provides nationwide employment information to jobseekers in criminal justice and related fields. The bulletin which monthly publishes specific job vacancies is \$16 per year. For additional information write: Joyce Kennedy, c/o Minneapolis Star, 425 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55401.

180° Degrees, Inc. is offering the use of their POLAROID ID-3 LAND IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM. Realizing the problems faced in identifying program staff as well as assisting clients to identify themselves, 180° is providing this service for a \$2.00 donation per ID card. All pertinent information can be pre-printed on a card and the recipient signs it in the presence of the operator before the picture is taken. All needed data and the subject's face are then photographed simultaneously on one piece of Polaroid color film. The finished photo is laminated in clear plastic that, with the application of heat, forms a permanent molecular bond with the film. The card is virtually impossible to alter without detection. The clients have a valid, attractive ID card that can be used for cashing checks or in any other situation when identification is required. It provides dignity and identity to those who are rebuilding their lives.

If anyone is interested in using this system contact Robbie Robinson at (612)870-7227.

Two newsletters concerned with anti-rape and battering womens issues have combined to form a single publication: AEGIS: MAGAZINE ON ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN. The publication provides new ideas, dialogue, information on new projects, and strategies to deal with violence against women. Subscription rates: \$8.75/per year (6 issues). Make checks payable to FAAR, P.O. Box 21033, Washington D.C. 20009.

WOMEN'S TASK FORCE REPORT

The Future of Women Offenders in the Minnesota Correctional System Task Force issued a report listing recommendations and issues of concern regarding women correctional clients and the services available for them.

Development of a cabinet level position, within the Department of Corrections, was suggested. This full-time person would be working with an appointed permanent advisory board. The focus of their job would be to deal specifically with planning and implementation of a more complete approach to the issue of women offenders throughout the state. Coordination of the private and public agencies in order to obtain better services was mentioned. Data collection and research were included in the description of the proposed job.

Other recommendations included the up-grading of local correctional facilities. With technical assistance from the Department of Corrections, counties could be encouraged to develop or improve community based programs.

It was further suggested that the Department of Corrections develop a funding formula to present to the 1979 legislative session that would encourage the development of specialized community based women's programs.

Increased space, services and security were recommended for the Minnesota Correctional Institution for Women in Shakopee.

Observations of the system led the task force to voice statements of concern. Lack of adequate services particularly in the areas of employment assistance, programming for the mentally ill or mentally retarded and juvenile programs were identified as problem areas.

It is encouraging to see continued analysis of our state correctional system. Implementation of these recommendations would benefit all of us involved in community corrections. Bev Tallman has been appointed by the Dept. of Corrections to pursue these concerns.

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