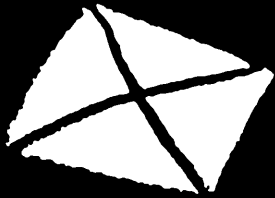


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June 2, 1987

Dear Friends:

It is a privilege for me to welcome you today as we celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Children's Bureau. I am delighted to serve as Honorary Chairperson for this special celebration.

For many years now, the Children's Bureau has been instrumental in improving the quality of life for our young people. Advances such as the implementation of the first registration of births, the reduction in infant mortality, improvements in infant and maternal health, and the passage of the first child labor laws all are examples of the effectiveness and success of the Children's Bureau.

Much has been accomplished in the past 75 years. However, the next 75 years bring many new challenges and opportunities. As a nation and as individuals, we must be prepared to do even more to reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect in our country.

The President and I deeply appreciate your hard work and dedication. By continuing to work together, we can make the world and the future a better place for our children.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Nancy Reagan

75th Anniversary of the
Children's Bureau

PROGRAM



"Dear Uncle Sam"

Paradise Island Express
Washington, D.C.

Welcome and Introductions

Ms. Barbara Harrison
WRC-TV, Washington, D.C.
Mistress of Ceremonies

Welcome to Children's Hospital

Mr. Donald L. Brown
President

Mr. Thomas D. Walsh
Chairman of the Board

The Children's Bureau Today

The Honorable Dodie Livingston
Chief, Children's Bureau and
Commissioner, Administration for
Children, Youth and Families

The Community at Work:
One Church, One Child

Father George Clements
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Chicago, Illinois

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Jean K. Elder, Ph.D.
Assistant Secretary
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The Honorable Otis R. Bowen, M.D.
Secretary of Health and Human Services

Presentation of Awards

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Closing Remarks

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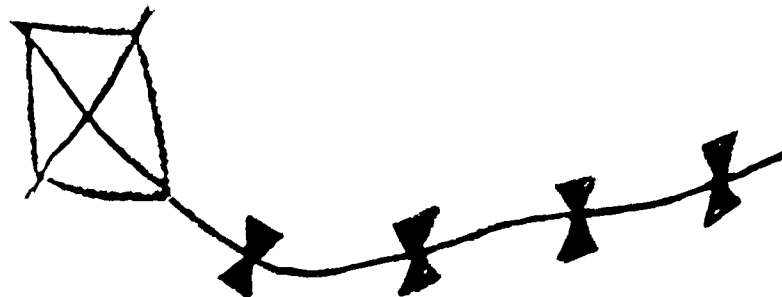
For significant contributions in promoting the well-being, growth, and development of America's children, our most valued and precious resource.

This 75th Anniversary of the United States Children's Bureau marks an important milestone in the history of this government and in its continuing commitment to improve the quality of life of the Nation's children.

National concern for the protection of children and for strengthening family life in America has benefited from the combined efforts of many in the public, private and voluntary sectors of society. The contributions of grassroots individuals and organizations, professional groups, foundations, national voluntary agencies, and private and public child welfare agencies are legion. In recent years, corporations, trade organizations and others in the private sector have also intensified their efforts to help to improve conditions for the children and families of this country.

The organizations and professional groups which are dedicated to the purpose of children's causes are far too numerous to mention individually. Our accomplishments would not have been possible without them. We look forward to continuing our work together.

Among the many individuals who have devoted themselves to children's concerns, those whom we are about to recognize have made some of the most outstanding contributions.



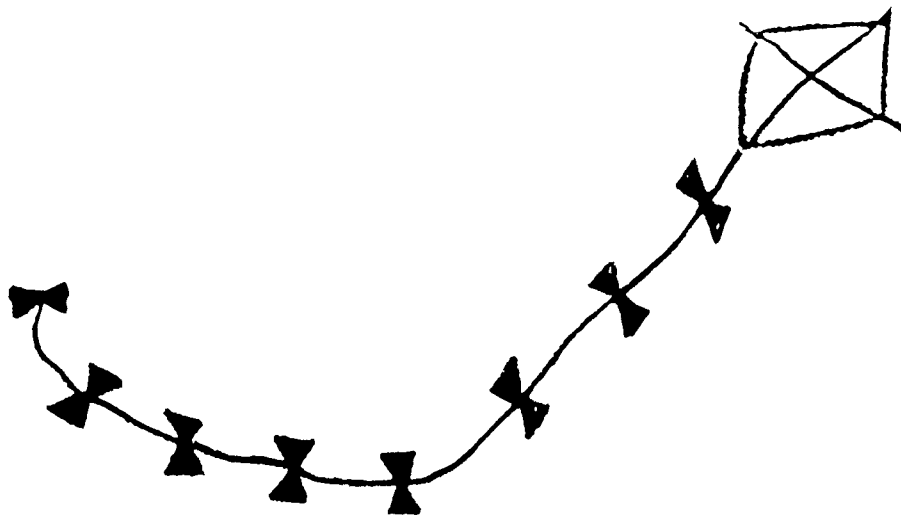
Mildred Arnold

Retired Director
Division of Social Services
U.S. Children's Bureau
Washington, D.C.

Mildred Arnold began her career as a social worker in 1925 in Madison County, New York. In 1942, she was named Director of the Division of Social Services of the U.S. Children's Bureau. She held this position until 1972 when she retired. Upon her retirement, Ms. Arnold returned to the Children's Bureau as a consultant until 1977.

During her 35-year tenure in the Children's Bureau, Ms. Arnold was an ardent proponent of Federal-State partnership in developing comprehensive child welfare programs; of using Federal funds for child welfare to leverage more and more State and local efforts in behalf of children; and, of assuring child welfare services to all children needing them.

She was committed to improving the quality of child welfare staff serving families throughout the country, and to developing a cadre of specialists in the Children's Bureau to provide consultation and promulgate standards. Ms. Arnold was one of the first to endorse permanency planning for children; she encouraged agencies to provide outreach and prevention services; and was one of the earliest champions of adoption for special needs children.



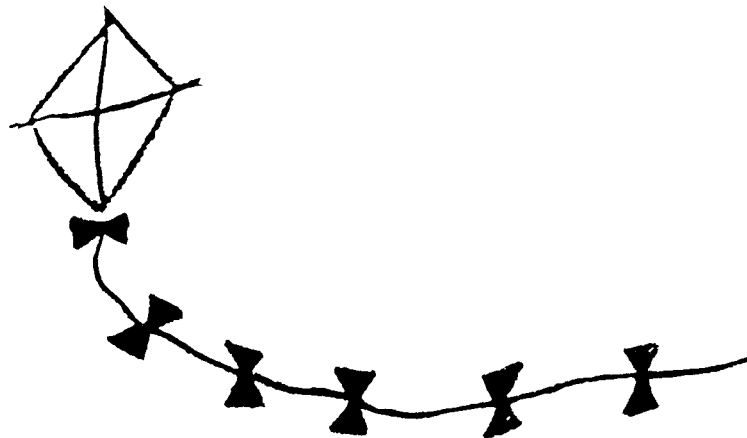
Reverend George Clements

Pastor
Holy Angels Catholic Church
Chicago, Illinois

Father George Clements is the founder of the "One Church, One Child" adoption program. In November, 1980, he challenged black churches to provide black adoptive parents for black children waiting for adoption in Illinois. This provided the catalyst for highlighting the many black children waiting for adoption. Through his efforts, 17 states have replicated the program and 12 others have expressed an interest in it.

In 1980, 700 black children were awaiting adoption in Cook County, Illinois. Since then, presentations in over 250 Chicago area churches have helped to reduce that number to 70. An estimated 6,500 black children nationwide have been placed in permanent adoptive homes due to the efforts of Father Clements and "One Church, One Child."

Father Clements has also worked over the years to strengthen family life in America. For many years, Holy Angels Church has conducted community outreach and instruction programs to help reduce teenage pregnancies, prepare teenage fathers to assume responsible fatherhood roles, and teach respect for the family unit as the focal point of productive living.



Howard A. Davidson, J.D.

Director

National Legal Resource Center for Child Advocacy and Protection

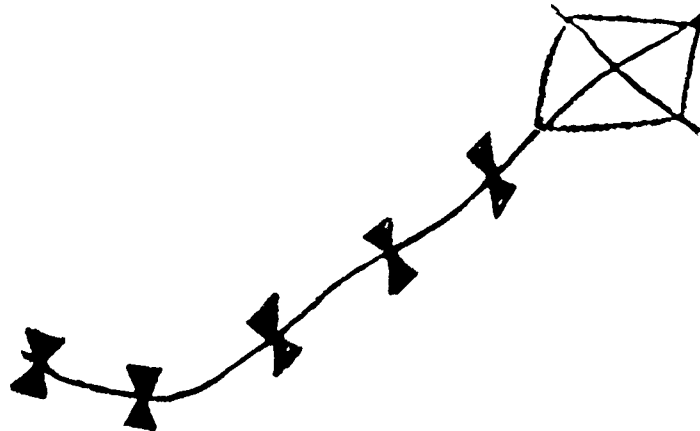
American Bar Association

Washington, D.C.

Since 1974, Howard Davidson has been devoted to the protection of children under the law. From 1974-1979, he served as a lawyer for abused, neglected, and delinquent children in the Boston area. He functioned as a neighborhood lawyer for poor children in trouble; led a special legal program to represent runaway, truant, and allegedly un-governable children; and organized training for lawyers in improved juvenile court practice.

Under his direction since 1979, the American Bar Association's National Legal Resource Center for Child Advocacy has become a center of excellence on children and the law. His work has included child sexual abuse legal reforms, improved legislative and judicial practices in foster care and permanency planning, special needs adoption, enhanced system response to missing children and parental kidnapping cases, increased knowledge of attorneys and court administration in child support enforcement, and better legal representation for children throughout the country.

His prolific writings, and the Center's national conferences and policy conclaves have provided critical ideas and new directions related to the legal rights of children. He has been an example and inspiration to countless attorneys who have been encouraged by him and his Center's work to pursue and further enhance their careers in the child welfare arena.

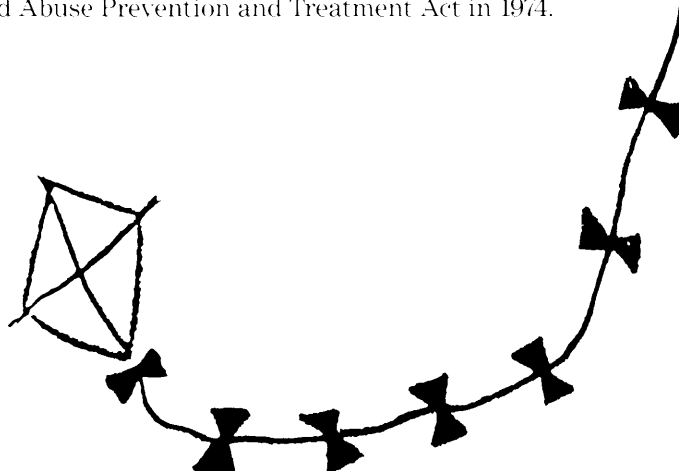


Vincent De Francis, J.D.

Retired Director
Children's Division
American Humane Association
Denver, Colorado

In 1955, Vincent De Francis became the National Director of the Children's Division of the American Humane Association and retained this position until he retired in 1978. He served as a consultant to the Children's Bureau, was involved in the passage of the first reporting law, and was a strong national spokesman in the years before child abuse and neglect were recognized as a national priority.

Mr. De Francis initiated and stimulated national attention to the problem of child abuse and neglect beginning in the 1950's and was instrumental in eliciting public interest in addressing the problem. Through the Children's Division of the AHA, he arranged for training and technical assistance to physicians, attorneys, and child protection workers in virtually every community throughout the nation and established the first compilation of statistics and data on the incidence of the problem and the resources needed to address it. He contributed significantly to the expansion of services to prevent and treat child abuse and neglect and enlisted overwhelming support for the enactment of PL 93-247, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act in 1974.

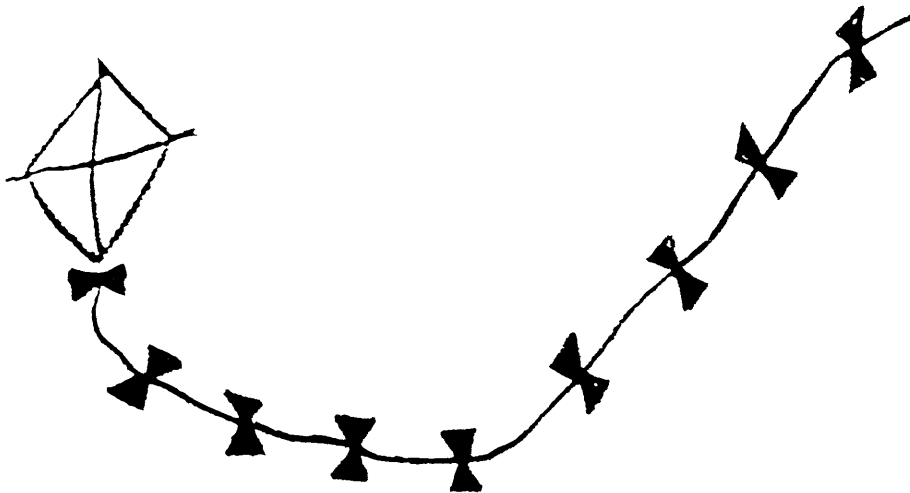


David Fanshel, Ph.D.

Professor
Columbia University
New York, New York

Dr. David Fanshel is one of the outstanding child welfare researchers in the country. His creative and significant studies have affected both policies and practices of child welfare. He has also trained a cadre of individuals who have become outstanding leaders in social welfare research and policy analysis. He is a scholar, scientist, and humanitarian devoted to the well-being of children.

Some of his more significant work includes a five-year longitudinal investigation of foster children in New York City which called attention to the importance of parental visitation; psycholinguistic analysis of therapeutic treatment of family discord; and, creation of an automated quarterly report series for all children in foster care in New York City and New York State which has been published for eight years. He conducted policy and program analyses of the foster care tracking data and directed a three-year evaluation of a child welfare prevention program by a voluntary agency. Dr. Fanshel is currently designing a comprehensive information system and is conducting an evaluation of the Casey Family Program, serving difficult foster children in 13 western states.



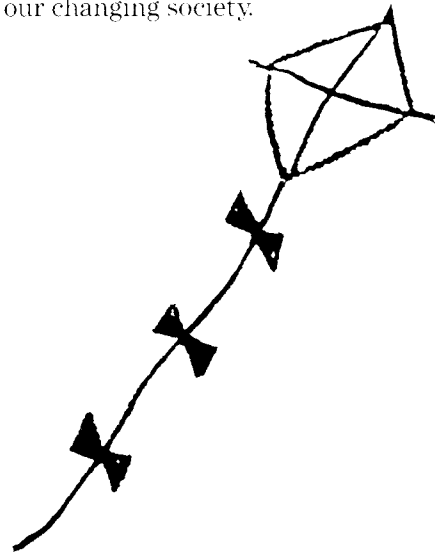
Sister M. Isolina Ferre

Founder and Senior Consultant
Centro Sister Isolina Ferre
Programa del Dispensario San Antonio, Inc.
Ponce, Puerto Rico

Sister M. Isolina Ferre was born in Ponce, Puerto Rico in 1914. She entered college at the University of Puerto Rico, but departed to join the Missionary Servants of the Blessed Trinity where she completed her college studies. In 1956, she was assigned to a community center in Brooklyn, New York. During this time of social turmoil, Sister Isolina worked with violent street gangs for over 10 years.

In 1968, Sister Isolina founded the Center for Orientation and Services which now carries her name. Her work at the center focused on prevention and rehabilitation services and advocacy programs for delinquent and predelinquent youth, as well as services and care for handicapped children, runaways, unwed mothers, school dropouts, families in extreme poverty, and young adults in need of training and occupational skills.

Sister Isolina has devoted almost 50 years to ministry among the oppressed, especially her fellow Puerto Ricans. Her life has been characterized by an unceasing commitment to social action among both rural and urban people. She has served as an advocate for justice among minorities and has been an instrument of peace among groups burdened by the tensions and conflicts of our changing society.



Peter Forsythe, J.D.

Vice President

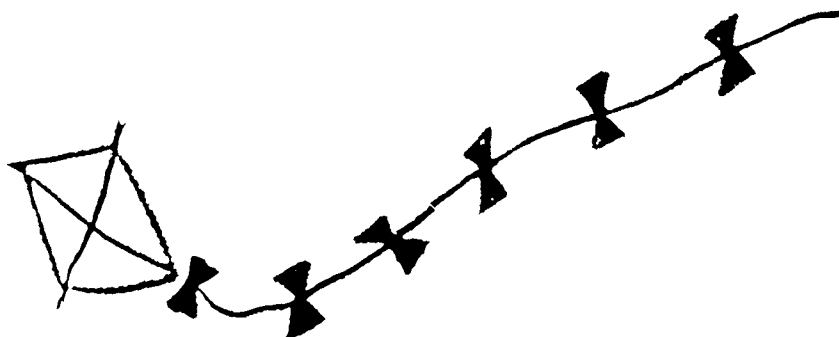
Edna McConnell Clark Foundation

New York, New York

For more than 20 years, Peter Forsythe has worked to help adopted children. He and his wife Joyce are themselves adoptive parents and became the "founding parents" of the Council on Adoptable Children in the late 1960's. This national organization has helped to change policies and practices in many public and private adoption agencies: many older, disabled, and minority children now find adoptive homes because of these changes. Mr. Forsythe was also instrumental in founding Spaulding for Children in Michigan, a special adoption agency which has been replicated in other states.

In 1971, he became Director of the Michigan Office of Youth Services. In this position he continued legislative, judicial, and social service advocacy for children in foster care, adoption, and services to delinquent youth.

In 1973, Mr. Forsythe accepted his present position with the Edna McConnell Clark Foundation. In that role, he has successfully advocated for numerous and innovative programs for children. Through the use of "seed" funding from the foundation, numerous state and national initiatives have been developed in judicial and legal reforms, and in policy and fiscal incentives. A major funding emphasis has been on preserving families for children, and on permanent families for children disrupted from their own homes. He has been a strong proponent for the implementation of PL 96-272, the Child Welfare Act of 1980; and serves on the Board of the Council on Accreditation of Services for Children and their Families, Inc.



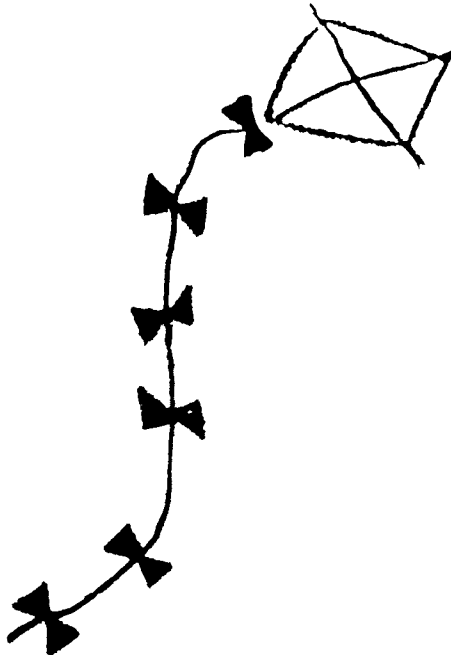
Beulah Garrett

Foster Parent and Senior Citizen Aide
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mrs. Beulah Garrett has spent her adult life caring for the needs of her biological family of nine children as well as the needs of her "extended family," which has totalled 30 children over the years. Some of these children were formally in the foster care system; some were not. All shared the need for a loving home and the tender care and nurturing which Mrs. Garrett so capably provided. Additionally, she has provided services to several senior citizens in her neighborhood.

Mrs. Garrett began caring for her "extended family" in 1958 after a dwelling caved in, leaving a mother and her nine children homeless. Mrs. Garrett made room in her life and home for these children until their mother was able to find another home for them. Over the years, she has provided friendship and uncompensated child care to young mothers in her community who wanted to return to school to finish their education.

Today, Mrs. Garrett is a foster parent to three siblings, ages 12, 10, and 7. She also cooks and provides housekeeping services to three senior citizens three times a week, assisting them to remain in their own homes.

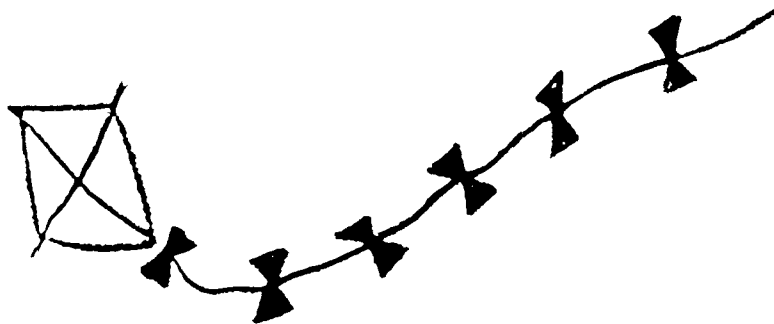


Frederick C. Green, M.D.

President
National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse
Chicago, Illinois

Dr. Frederick Green has been an outstanding advocate for children for over 36 years. He has been a strong leader of individuals and organizations and a constant voice for the needs of children. As a pediatrician in private practice in New York City for almost 20 years, he provided direct care to many children. From 1971 through 1973, Dr. Green was Associate Chief of the Children's Bureau. During those years, he was instrumental in developing PL 93-247, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act. He also launched the National Center for Child Advocacy and established the Education for Parenthood program which was conducted in well over 1,000 high schools and youth clubs nationwide.

Throughout his illustrious career, Dr. Green has brought the needs of the most vulnerable children to the attention of policymakers, the professional community, and the public. Infant mortality, environmental hazards, child abuse, and health care for minority children have been of particular concern to Dr. Green and he has helped to effect significant local and national changes on these issues. From Capitol Hill to community clinics, he has affirmed the right of children to receive appropriate, sensitive, and humane health care and social services. As an educator and administrator, Frederick Green has inspired countless health care professionals to consider child welfare in its broadest sense and to constantly keep the needs of the "whole child" in mind as they provide medical care. Dr. Green is currently Professor Emeritus at George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences and serves on numerous boards and committees concerned with the health and welfare of children.



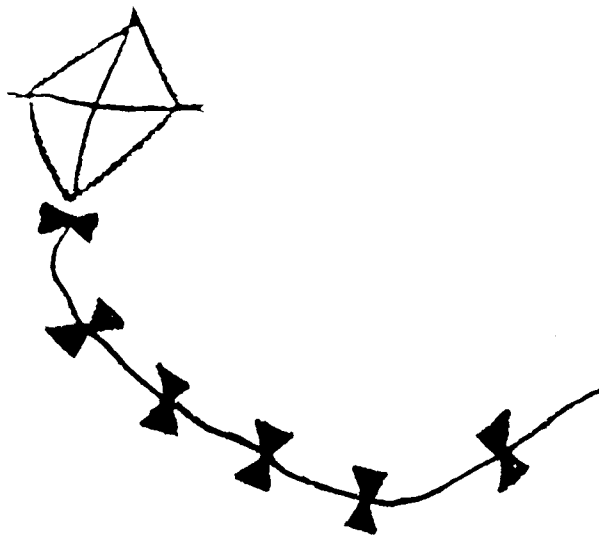
The Honorable John Farr Larson

Retired Juvenile Court Judge
Salt Lake City, Utah

Judge John Farr Larson has dedicated 46 years of his life to the service of children and families, working as a probation and chief probation officer, as Director of the Bureau for Services for Children, and as a Juvenile Court Judge.

During his career, he has provided outstanding leadership in the areas of child welfare, probation, and the juvenile justice system. He developed the first foster care program for delinquent youth in Utah and participated in the development of a progressive youth corrections program for the state. He was the first administrator in Utah to direct and manage the Juvenile Court, promoting the philosophy of that court as one of treatment, individualized justice, and rehabilitation of the child.

As a judge, John Farr Larson has held fast to his convictions on the worth of individuals and the ability of youth to change behavior. Child welfare staff have looked to him for understanding, enthusiasm, and compassion. He has been a driving force in the development of child welfare services in Utah.



Victor Pike, M.S.W.

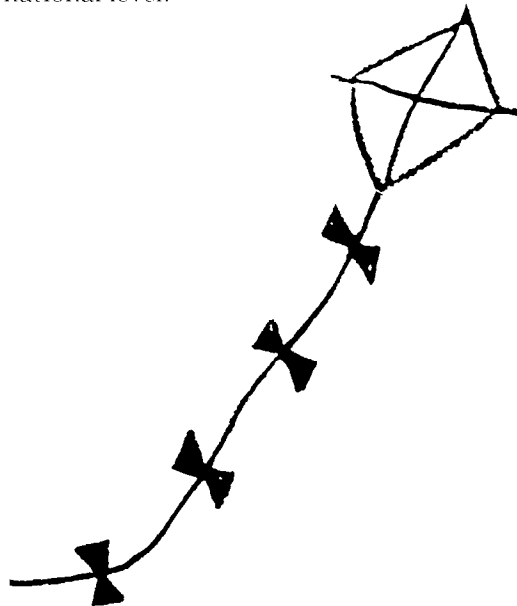
Director
Children's Services and
John Day, Oregon

Arthur Emlen, Ph.D.

Director
Regional Research Institute
Portland State University
Portland, Oregon

In 1972, Victor Pike, a state regional administrator, submitted a grant to the Children's Bureau which proposed to identify children in foster care who would never return home, and free them for adoption. The grant was funded in 1974. Dr. Arthur Emlen of Portland State University, already nationally known for his work in family day care, undertook the evaluation of this demonstration project.

The success of this project, which returned about one-third of the children to their own homes and arranged adoption or other permanent placement for the others, changed national policy and provided program models for implementing permanency planning. From 1977 to 1981, the Regional Research Institute at Portland State managed a national dissemination effort spearheaded by Victor Pike, who traveled and spoke to thousands of state and county workers. During these years, the number of children in care decreased by 50 percent. The effort also provided much of the background and justification for PL 96-272, the Child Welfare Act of 1980, which allowed for clear policy and procedures on the national level.

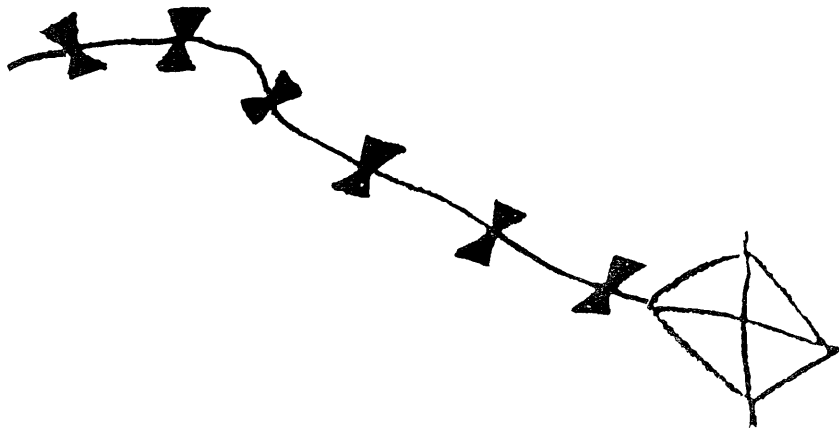


Joseph H. Reid

Retired Executive Director
Child Welfare League of America
New York, New York

Joseph H. Reid joined the Child Welfare League of America in 1950 and served on the staff and as Executive Director until his retirement in 1978. For almost three decades, he provided the strong leadership that built the League into a dynamic organization that has made important contributions to the field of child welfare and has made a significant difference in the lives of thousands of children.

Mr. Reid was involved in many of the League's most significant accomplishments. His study of residential treatment centers for emotionally disturbed children changed the face of institutional child care. Research in foster care resulted in improved attention to foster children and the foster parents who care for them. He initiated the concept of child welfare standards and saw them expanded into formal accreditation provisions. He also helped to make the League a major presence in Washington, serving as a strong national advocate for children's issues.



SPECIAL AWARD

Children's Hospital National Medical Center Washington, D.C.

Children's Hospital National Medical Center (CHNMC) opened its doors in 1870 in a rented house in Northeast Washington with 12 beds. Today, the hospital is an ultramodern facility with 279 beds and a staff of over 2,000 that addresses 35 medical and surgical specialties and subspecialties.

Children's Hospital has a four-fold role: as caregiver, educator, researcher, and advocate. Each year, Children's Hospital provides care to nearly 10,000 inpatients and almost 200,000 outpatients in the hospital and five community clinics. As educator, the hospital trains 170 medical residents each year, serving as the Department of Child Health and Development for the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. The Research Department at Children's is the center for dozens of investigations into the prevention, management, and treatment of childhood diseases. In 1973, CHNMC established the first hospital-based child advocacy unit in the country. The Office of Child Health Advocacy spearheads community child health initiatives and collaborates with other institutions in promoting policies, programs, and legislation to foster the well-being of children and families.

Community service has always been an integral part of the mission of Children's Hospital, which for more than a century has treated thousands of children whose parents did not have the ability to pay. Founded on the belief that no child should be denied health care, the hospital makes it possible for children at all income levels to receive the most sophisticated and comprehensive treatment available.

An outstanding example of CHNMC's community service is the Division of Child Protection, a multidisciplinary program that provides specialized services to some 1,500 physically abused, neglected, and sexually victimized children and their families each year. Community-based clinics, child health and safety education programs, accident and disease prevention campaigns, and a variety of other programs also further the hospital's commitment to the Washington community.



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