

LIONS' GRANT AIDS PROGRAM

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Bexley's CASA (Community Awareness of Substance Abuse) program was one of the big winners in the Bexley Lions Club's 1988 disbursement of charitable funds.

The CASA group got \$1,100, said Ed Hauenstein, Lions president. The Lions distributed a total of \$7,025 among 23 school groups and social service agencies this time.

The Lions raise the funds through a variety of community events including cheese and light bulb sales and the annual White Cane drive, Hauenstein explained.

Other organizations and the amount each was given include:

Pilot Dogs Inc., \$2,000; Ohio Association for the Prevention of Blindness, \$325; Bexley Celebrations Association, \$100; Buckeye Girls State, \$100; the Vision Center, \$300; Lions Clubs International Foundation, \$50; Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation, \$650; Lions International Relations, \$75;

Camp Echoing Hills, \$100; Central Ohio Reading Service, \$50; All-Ohio Lions Band, \$50; Quest, \$325; St. Catharine Little League, \$100; Christ the King Little League, \$100; JOIN, \$100; Hearing Dogs, \$150; Central Ohio Eye Bank, \$1,000; Bexley, St. Charles and Hartley high school PTAs, \$50 each; Victory Ministries, \$100; and **Kidscope, \$100.**

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KIDSCOPE FASHIONS BENEFIT

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Teen-agers probably influence fashion more than any other age group. A few young trend-setters work hard for that distinction; some are deserving simply for their street-style knack.

Still others have been caught up in drugs and alcohol, and clothing is trivial compared to the problems they face.

This last group has sparked a need for the Kidscope fashion show, silent auction and luncheon at 11:30 a.m. May 1 at the Hyatt Regency Columbus.

Kidscope of Central Ohio is a private, non-profit organization that diagnoses and treats teens with alcohol or drug problems.

The long-term treatment program, the only one of its kind in this area, was started two years ago.

The fund-raiser is sponsored by the parents and friends of Kidscope, Columbus Life Underwriters, Nationwide Insurance Cos. and the Noni Modeling Agency.

Guest speakers include Ohio State University basketball Coach Gary Williams; WCMH-TV newscaster Mona Scott; and state Rep. E.J. Thomas, R- Columbus.

For tickets, which are \$20, and more information call 224-7217 or 898-9751.

Nothing is quite so aromatic as a clean and powdered baby.

Until now, drugstores and Johnson & Johnson have pretty much cornered the market for baby products. But the Laura Ashley Shop in Worthington Square Mall is getting in the act with the Laura Ashley Babies and Toilette Collection.

Prices range from \$5 to \$15 for the collection, which includes baby soap, cleansing lotion, shampoo, cream, milk bath, oil, talcum powder and cleansing cream.

The packaging incorporates the Laura Ashley Mother and Child fashion logo - afterall, tots aren't the only ones keen on pampering their skin with mild baby products.

This spring, for the first time in more than a decade, Revlon has come out with a single color for lips, nails and cheeks. And the winner is . . . coral.

The cosmetic giant is saying goodbye to racy reds and pale peaches. Its One Perfect Coral collection includes nail enamel, blushers and lipstick, as well as eau de parfum spray - a fragrance that Revlon says "captures the quintessence of a color."

To complement all that coral, Revlon suggests a mix of buttercup, pistachio and coral on the eyelid.

Remember Rit dye? In the late 1960s it was a mainstay for the tie-dyed, hippy generation. Though fashion fads have changed drastically, dyed clothing is as big as ever. (Just check the junior area in the department stores.)

If you want the dyed look - but don't want to pay the price - show off your imagination by turning your old true blues into green, red or even yellow jeans.

Colorful overdyed jeans can be created at home with ordinary Rit dye, while Rit Fast Fade dyes will help you get the popular streaked denim look. And if your favorite black jeans have faded to a dull gray, darken them by overdyeing with black Rit dye.

To learn the basics of tie-dye or denim dye, write for Rit's free booklet "Fashion it Rit," Rit/SPK/88, P.O. Box 307, Coventry, Conn. 06238.

- Caption: PHOTOWearing fashions from the Clothes Show in Westerville and formalwear from Columbus Formal for the Kidscope fashion show May 1 are, from left, Heather [REDACTED], 15; Scott [REDACTED], 18; Lori [REDACTED], 15; and Derek [REDACTED] 21. Dispatch photo by Jeff Hinckley

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ACADEMY STUDENTS HELPING COMMUNITY

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COLUMBUS ACADEMY - Students of the Columbus Academy have seen the fruit of their labors go to help a youth drug program, buy gasoline for a senior citizens' bus, provide food and shelter to homeless people in Columbus and for one project at the school itself.

The school's Service Club recently wrapped up its annual Academy Service Project by presenting \$500 checks to the city of Gahanna, the Faith Mission and the Academy board of trustees.

Of the money given to Gahanna, \$150 will buy gasoline for the city's senior citizens' bus and \$350 will provide, through the Kidscope program, drug or alcohol abuse treatment for two adolescents who couldn't otherwise afford it.

The Faith Mission's money will help that organization's efforts on behalf of the homeless.

The donation to the Academy will go toward building a courtyard-type outdoor classroom.

The Service Project, for which each Academy student was asked to raise \$5, is just one of several Service Club projects through the school year.

This year, the club gave \$1,000 to United Way, sponsored a Thanksgiving clothing drive, "adopted" nine needy families at Christmas and gave canned goods collected each "Tin Can Tuesday" from October through March to Columbus' Native American Center.

"This was a really busy year," said club President Nathan Gordon, a senior.

"We had a lot of support from the student body."

The school stresses the importance of public service to all students, Headmaster Richard Garten said.

"Our students are very busy and have a lot of demands on their time," Garten said.

"Still, from the smallest child to the most mature young man, the school finds a way for them to be involved in service."

Every Academy student belongs to the Service Club. Two students from each grade, fifth grade and up, serve on the executive board.

Beneficiary projects are chosen from student suggestions.

After the executive board narrows down the list, students vote.

"There are usually a few funny suggestions," club adviser Glenna Spencer said.

"The little kids want a skateboarding area, or a new driver wants some pothole fixed."

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COUNTY WELFARE RANKS SHRINKING

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Fewer people will be picking up welfare checks in the future, according to a community-trend profile provided to the United Way of Franklin County.

The reason is not because fewer people will need help, said Jim Suter, president of the Metropolitan Human Services Commission. Rather, it's because more people will be employed, although at low wages and no fringe benefits.

Also, the government may continue to tighten welfare qualifications.

"THE JOB market is picking up, but the problem is that what you've got is a bunch of working poor," Suter said. "We're replacing jobs where folks used to get benefits with more low-paying jobs."

The number of Franklin County people receiving welfare assistance has been declining by about 2,500 a year since 1984, said Douglas Zelinski, research and data manager for the commission.

Last year, 63,600 adults received general relief, Zelinski said. Of them, 55,968, or 88 percent, received aid through the Families With Dependent Children program. Adults living alone or with other adults receive general relief.

In 1984, the county had 71,300 residents on welfare in 1984, and 59,179, or 83 percent, received dependent children assistance.

"There's no indication that trend will change in the near future," Zelinski said.

Another reason for the welfare decline is that fewer poor people may qualify for welfare.

"It's been a trend for the federal government to redefine who is poor and who isn't. And there's no indication that will change," Suter said.

BESIDES receiving the community-trend profile, the United Way board last week approved \$55,000 in grants to non-member agencies:

\$30,000 to Kidscope of Central Ohio for a long-term, outpatient alcohol and drug treatment program for youths.

\$15,000 to the Mid-Ohio Board for an independent living environment to help develop a reference manual for the disabled. The manual is to describe locations and features of accessible housing in Franklin County.

\$10,000 to Project Passage to help work with unruly youths who have been suspended from school or have severe disciplinary problems. About 60 children and their parents are expected to be served this year.

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BUSINESS NOTES

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Westerville residents Jim Curtiss, Curt Jenkins and Lois Meyst have been named representatives with the INVEST securities brokerage program at Mid- America Federal Savings and Loan Association.

The AETNA Life and Casualty Foundation recently awarded Kidscope of Central Ohio a \$5,000 grant. The award is to provide clinical treatment services to disadvantaged children and families in need of long-term alcohol and drug treatment. Kidscope is a long-term adolescent chemical dependency treatment program.

Westerville resident Larry Purnell is the new president of Executive Auto Salon and Executive Leasing, 41 S. High St.

Amdahl Corp. relocated its offices to 1105 Schrock Rd. in the Busch Corporate Center.

D. Imperio and Associates opened an office at 6500 Busch Blvd. in the Busch Corporate Center.

Tom Donovan of Westerville was honored for his three Petland stores in the central Ohio area at the 1988 Petland Fall Trade Show Sept. 13-17 at the Disneyland Hotel in Anaheim, Cal.

Robert P. Reid, owner of Overbrook Pharmacy, 4270 N. High St., is a recipient of the MSD Pharmacist Recognition Award by Merck Sharp and Dohme, the drug division of Merck and Co.

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DRUG ABUSE PANEL SET

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UPPER ARLINGTON - Parents who suspect their children are using drugs or alcohol are being offered some straight advice on where to turn for help.

The Arlington Community Team (ACT) will sponsor a panel discussion with representatives from area organizations at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at The Wellington School, Liebert Commons, 3650 Reed Rd.

"We've had parents call in and say, 'We might have trouble, where do we go?' " said Denise Kern, ACT program coordinator.

Representatives from Northwest Mental Health Center, Kidscope, Riverside Methodist Hospital's Blackwell Center and Children's Hospital Guidance Center will answer questions and offer advice.

Kern said many parents have asked questions about the various stages of prevention, intervention, assessment and treatment of alcohol- and drug- related problems. "We will be doing something else like this in the spring," she added.

ACT is a grassroots drug and alcohol prevention organization made up of parents, city officials, school officials and the clergy.

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