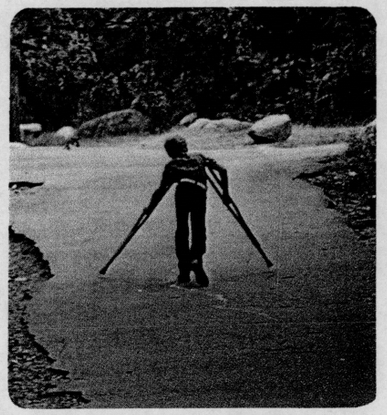

With your help, I

can overcome any

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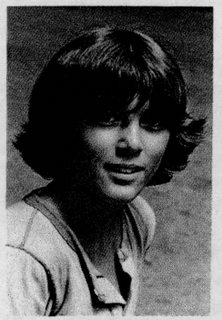
HORIZONS
FOR YOUTH

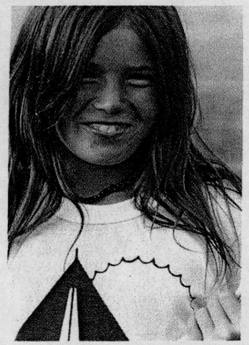
Horizon For Youth
121 Lakeview Street
Sharon, Mass. 02067
Tel. [617] 828-7550

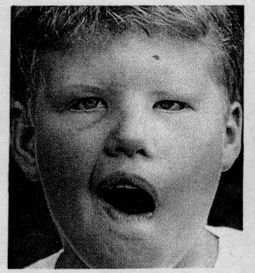
..... We've Only

Just Begun.....

.....That's why you, and people like you,
are so important to us—







Boys and girls who have social, psychological, emotional and physical difficulties. Others who have been abused, neglected, with special needs, or are economically disadvantaged.

Some of the children who you help—

Mary- Reacts to frustation with physical aggression.

Roy- Demonstrated masochistic efforts to inflict personal injury.

Terry- Malnourished, slow, withdrawn, suffering from child abuse.

Jim- Lost his entire family in a tragic house fire.

Paula- Father walked out on the family when she was four.

Lorne- Wheelchair bound for his entire life.

Rita- Slightly retarded, she has trouble getting along with others.

Carol- A depressed, withdrawn child mourning the death of mother.

Clark- Member of a loving family who cannot provide for his needs.

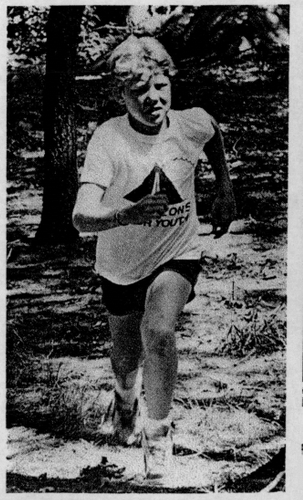
Steve- A depressed child, bitter over the rejection of his mother.

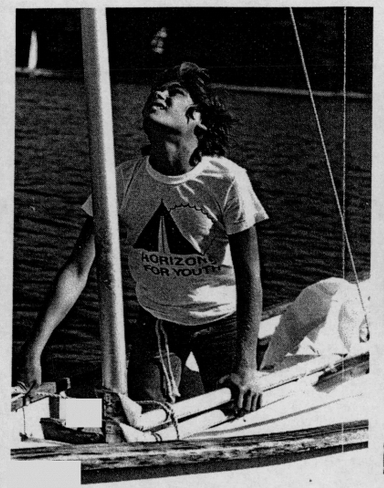
Artie- Immature impulsive, affection hungry, with history of severe temper tantrums.

HORIZONS FOR YOUTH

When children grow up in a world that is permeated with negative influences; a world that is limited to hunger, pain, want and suffering; that stifles initiative, impedes growth and instills feelings of inferiority, what chance do they have to grow into citizens of character and responsibility? To learn that there is a better world worth striving for?

Since 1938, Horizons For Youth has provided over 60,000 unfortunate boys and girls, 8-14 years, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with vitally needed services at its 300 acre facility in Sharon, MA.





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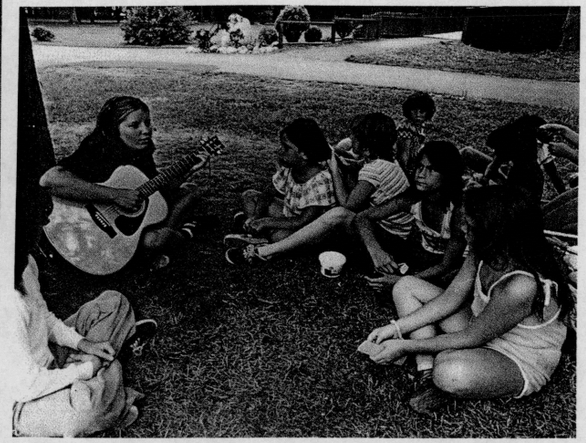
It is not subsidized and is not part of any associated philanthropy. It must maintain itself by its own efforts. It is supported by the American Legion, Boston Bruins, Boston Herald American, Teamsters Local #25, Knights of Pythias, Bay State Gasoline Retailers Association, Anheuser-Busch, Inc., Sons of Italy, Massachusetts Teachers Association, Massachusetts Nurses Association, thirty member locals of the Massachusetts State Labor Council AFL-CIO, foundations and the general public.

Horizons For Youth depends upon you and people like you, who have the vision and compassion to help children in need, children who through no fault of their own find themselves living under difficult conditions.

Your tax deductible gift of whatever you wish to add to the support of this necessary work may well mean success or failure in the lifetime of a child. It's your investment in tomorrow.



PROGRAM SERVICES

Escort To Understanding–This unique program won the national ACA award for "a significant contribution to the youth of America." Its goal is to bring about mutual respect between police officers and young people from the same community.

Country Holiday–1,600 children sample the joys of the Christmas season that would otherwise just be a date on the calendar. Program activities include a candy hunt, sleigh ride, stage band, magician, juggler, full course turkey dinner and gifts of warm clothing, toys and games.

Environmental Education–The facilities are used to teach environmental education to 5th, 6th and 7th grade students from schools throughout the Commonwealth. The goal is to stimulate interest in the natural world and develop a concept of community.

Greater Bostonians–Enables eighty outstanding high school musicians to receive a year of specialized training, perform a series of ten live concerts, including an evening performance at Symphony Hall, and participate in a one hour prime time television special.

Summer Camp–Each summer, over 1,000 unfortunate children receive an enriching outdoor experience. This group includes 235 special needs children, 789 children from one parent families, and 136 children who are receiving counseling.

Handicapped Unit–Each summer, forty wheelchair bound children receive a resident camping experience. Some have spina bifida, muscular dystrophy, or cerebral palsy. These children are "mainstreamed" in ongoing program activities with other campers.

Forest Rangers–A special program for adolescents with leadership potential that emphasize outdoor living skills, personal reliance, and interpersonal relations.

CCM-101

City of Cambridge

Comm. No. 3

IN CITY COUNCIL

November 9, 1981

COUNCILLOR WALTER SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to grant permission to John P. Comer, of the Massachusetts Department of the American Legion to conduct a Walk in the City of Cambridge; the Eighth Annual Walk for Youth at a future date; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to notify the departments concerned to take appropriate action to insure the success of this event when the date is announced; and be it further

ORDERED: That a copy of this order be sent to John P. Comer, Massachusetts Department of the American Legion, giving notice as to the result of his request.

In City Council November 9, 1981.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of 8 members.
Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

Paul E. Healy

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

THE AMERICAN LEGION

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, INC.
546 STATE HOUSE
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02133

(617) 727-2966

Board of Selectman
Town Hall
Cambridge, MA 02141

Gentlemen:

On Sunday, April 18, 1982 the Massachusetts Department of the American Legion, will conduct the 8th Annual " Walk For Youth".
These local, 18 kilometer Walks will emanante from over 100 cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth, to benefit Horizons For Youth.

Hundreds of members of the American Legion are volunteering their services,the print and electronic media have indicated their support. Prominent members of the sports world are providing their services to help over 6,000 unfortunate children from throughout the Commonwealth,including boys and girls with social, psychological, emotional and physical difficulties. Others who are neglected, abused, with special needs or economically disadvantaged.

You, however are the key to making this vital project a success. With the implications of propostion 2 1/2 creating a severe cut back in human services this Walk is more important than ever before.

We would deeply appreciate a letter from you with permission to conduct the Walk in your local community, as we have done in the past.THE LETTER SHOULD BE SENT TO ME AT HORIZONS FOR YOUTH, 121 LAKEVIEW STREET,SHARON, MASS. 02067.

The Walk, conducted locally in your city and town, will be supervised by members of the American Legion and the route will be planned in cooperation with the local police.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Yours truly,

John Comer

John P. Comer
National Committeeman
Mass. Dept of the
American Legion

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Comm. from John P. Comer, National Committeeman, Mass. Dept. of the American Legion re: their 8th Annual "Walk for Youth" April 18, 1982 requesting a letter granting permission to conduct the walk in Cambridge.

In City Council,

November 9, 1981

11/9/81

CK/CS M/Adopted

Copy of order sent to Mr. Comer 11/12/81 & copy to City Managers Office. mh.