

# The Deaf Child's ADVOCATE

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## School Blessed by 111th School Year Opening

On Tuesday, September 6, 1983, the Lutheran School for the Deaf held its annual opening service in the Knudsen Gloria Dei chapel. The message for the day was delivered by Reverend Waldemar Neisch of Flint who participated in the installation and induction of teachers along with Pastor Wilton Fluegge, Trinity Lutheran Church, Warren, and Reverend Clark Bailey, Pastor of Our Savior Deaf Lutheran Church, Detroit and Pastor Rodney Rynearson, Executive Director of Lutheran School for the Deaf. Pictured below are part of the faculty who began their duties this fall. We praise and thank God for bringing these new staff members to us and pray that He will make them faithful unto Him and to their duties here at the school.

Students new to the school this year are also pictured on this page. We anticipate further enrollment during the school year, particularly in the satellite locations being started at St. Paul's Lutheran School, Farmington Hills, Michigan, and Trinity Lutheran School, Utica, Michigan.

Throughout the school year Lutheran School for the Deaf staff will be working with our Lutheran schools in the Northern Illinois District in an attempt to survey the need for special educational programs and to lend their experience and support in establishing a ministry to God's special children in the Chicagoland area. We ask that all of our friends throughout the readership of the *Deaf Child's Advocate* will pray that God would be with the staff and teachers here and in their various satellite locations so that they might do His will.



Rear: Robert Windrow, Melissa Lemanski, Menzo Haggard, III.  
Front: Reginald Haggard, Terry Wells.



Teachers Roseanne Sutter, Terry Rheinheimer, Debi Trabue,  
Shari Oestmann, Pat Kuppe.



Above: Channing Garrett, Jeremy Roddy,  
Paul Zimny, John Wilson,  
Daniel Warne, Douglas Verla,  
Audra Pruder.



Robert Jordan, Teddy Hepburn, Sarah Givien, Aaron Taylor,  
Raquel Lebron, Carrie Scalici, Terrick Patterson.

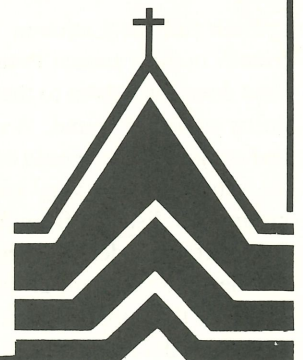


Left: Francis Anwano, Alvin Hinkson,  
Jennifer Lemanski, Hilliary Gray.

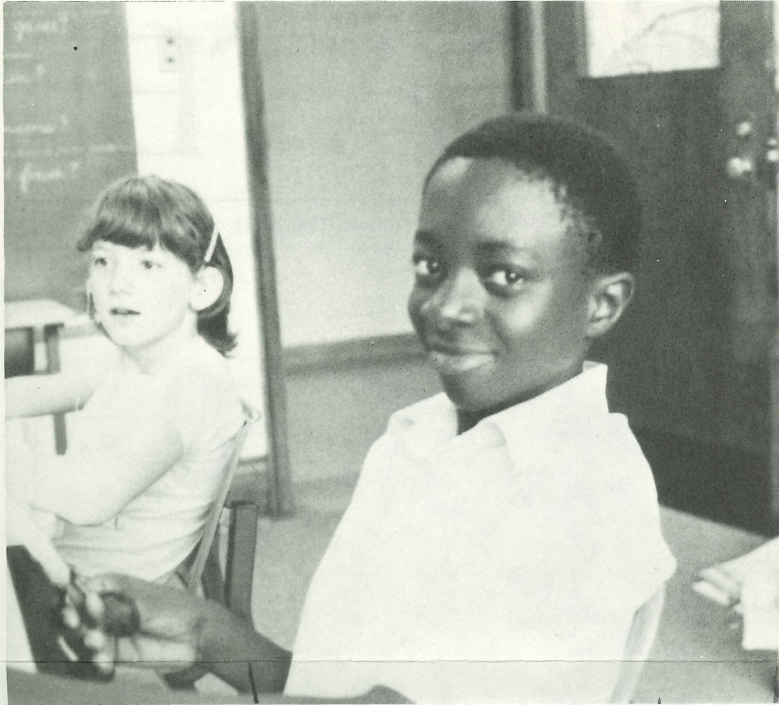


Right: Tim Daugherty, Lashon Childs,  
Gregory Nelson, Gordon Eder.

Teachers not pictured:  
Arline Eck, Andrew Bailey,  
Susan Bailey, Kerry Smale,  
Eileen Resch.



## Scholarship



Francis Anwano from Lagos, Nigeria, Africa, adjusts to life at Lutheran School for the Deaf

With the programs at the Lutheran School for the Deaf expanding to serve many, many more children, the school scholarship fund is in need of specific donations to be given for the direct benefit of specific children.

Last year \$10,000 was granted from gifts to the school program and in scholarship assistance to needy children. This year the need is many times greater because of the number of children coming from homes where there is unemployment, single parent, and other needs.

If you or your organization would be interested in supporting the tuition needs of a child, please contact the school for specific details. Not only can tuition support be given but also other areas of personal need.

## Campbell's Labels

The annual Campbell's Labels for Education Program will soon be in full swing. We anticipate many groups participating in this program this year who have not previously done so because of the response to the article in the last issue of the *Deaf Child's Advocate* outlining our new brochure.

If you have not yet received your brochure for the Campbell's Labels for Education Program, please request it at your earliest convenience so that you can utilize it in your efforts to gather labels in your local area. We appreciate your support and would anticipate their being mailed to us by the end of February, 1984. We thank you for your support of this program.

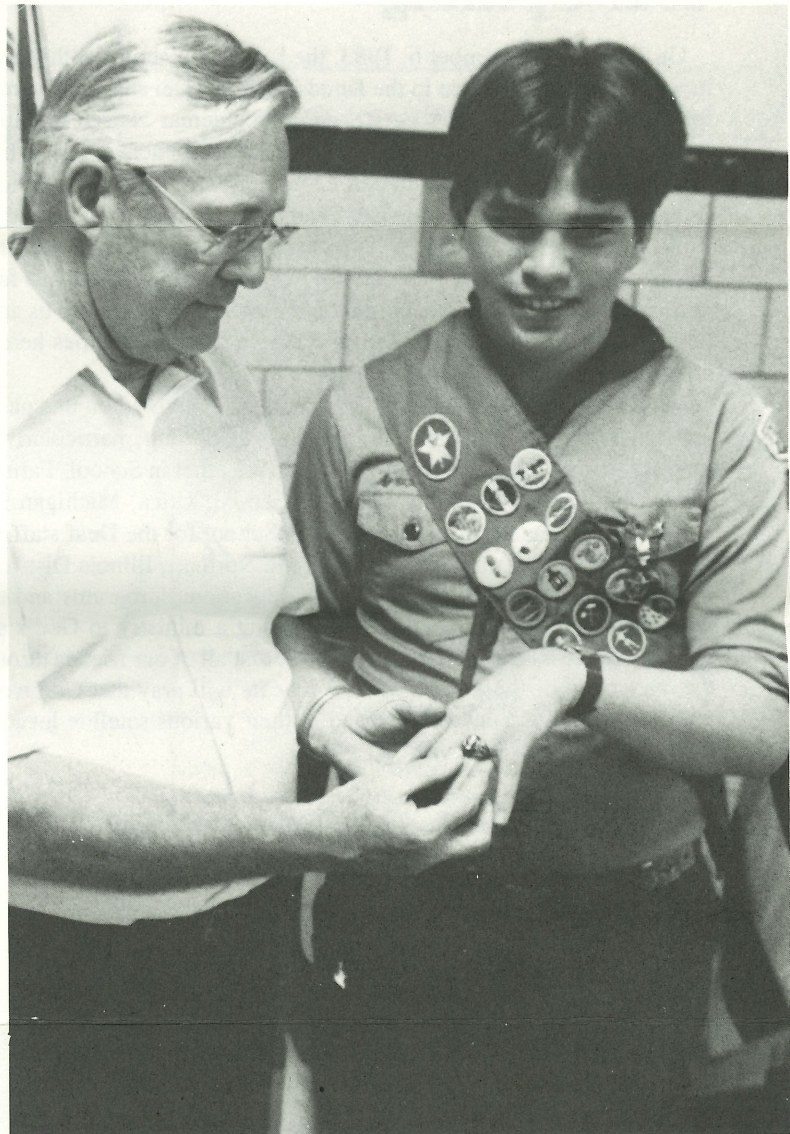
## Pound Day

Each fall the Lutheran School for the Deaf enlists the support of its friends in their annual Pound Day appeal. Pound Day gets its name from food donations given to the school pantries which are weighed and given a dollar value per pound. We hope that those schools, auxiliaries, churches, and congregations would enlist the support of their members in supporting the school in this very special campaign. Further we would hope that groups at a distance from the school, if they feel they are unable to gather food stuffs and deliver them, might make a monetary offering designated for the food program at the school.

All of the support gained in this program is deeply appreciated as it conserves the resources of the school for other programs.

## Eagle Scout Award

On Saturday, June 11, 1983, the Lutheran School for the Deaf was honored to host a Court of Honor for Eagle Scout Scott Wilson, a student at Lutheran School for the Deaf since 1972. Scott's parents, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wilson, were in attendance for the Court of Honor which was preceded by a dinner at the school attended by Scott and his fellow students and members of Boy Scout Troop 189. The Eagle award was presented by Scott's father who also is an Eagle Scout. Scott worked on his Eagle award under the supervision of Pastor Rodney Rynearson, Executive Director of Lutheran School for the Deaf and Scout Master of Troop 189. Scott's Eagle project involved working on an intensive project of grounds care on our campus. We pray that the Lord will be with Scott in the days and years ahead and thank and praise Him for the blessings that Scott has received through the Scouting program.



Mr. Robert Wilson giving his son Scott his Eagle Scout ring.

### FORM OF BEQUEST

I give, devise and bequeath to the Lutheran School for the Deaf, 6861 Nevada Ave., Detroit, Michigan 48234, a duly organized and incorporated, non-profit corporation, the sum of \$ . . . . . and/or the following described real estate and/or stocks and bonds.

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Rev. Rodney R. Rynearson  
Executive Director

November 1, 1983

Dear Friends:

The Lutheran School for the Deaf is a very busy place this year. We have opened two new satellite locations. We are anticipating working with the Northern Illinois District in serving the needs of handicapped children while the program within our building in Detroit continues to grow and flourish. We give God alone the glory for this and all blessings received by our school. We especially thank Him for the many gifts that you, our friends, continue to provide to us. This is indeed the ministry that God has given to both you and the staff at Lutheran School for the Deaf.

Each fall when we make our appeal to you for support, we remember with deepest gratitude the past blessings that we have received because of your love. This year is no different. We have increased needs because of the 135 students now receiving help at our school and would hope that you will remember the children as you consider the gifts that you will send.

As our children continue to work together, whether they be deaf, learning disabled, mentally impaired, or gifted and whether they are preschool age or high school age, the challenge continues to exist to extend to them the message of Jesus Christ as the only way to heaven.

We hope that you will join us in our campaign to help the school to grow and to serve more and more of God's special children. Our costs continue to climb and we look for new and different ways of obtaining the needed resources for our ministry. Our basic needs can best be served through a gift provided in the envelope enclosed in this issue of the Deaf Child's Advocate. We hope that you will consider increasing your gift from last year in order to provide the programs for the handicapped children entrusted to our care. Won't you respond by filling the enclosed envelope with your gift and returning it as soon as possible. Every gift is important and, when added together, makes a significant impact on the financial needs here at Lutheran School for the Deaf. May our merciful Father in heaven be with you and bless you in the days and years ahead as together we work in His kingdom.

Yours in Christ,

*Rodney R. Rynearson*  
Pastor Rodney R. Rynearson,  
Executive Director

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**Service Clubs**

Each year the East Side Lions Club of Grosse Pointe, Michigan, comes to the Lutheran School for the Deaf for an annual dinner. The Lutheran Ladies Auxiliary for the Deaf hosts the evening's meal and the group enjoys the fellowship of the children as they meet at the school. At this time the school can thank the groups for their support of the school operations.

The Denby Kiwanis Club of Detroit sponsors the YMCA program for the students. Each Friday the older students travel to the Eastside YMCA for a swim and gym program. Also, the Denby group supports the Boy Scout troop and supplies materials used in the eye care program. Each spring the members come to the campus to plant and tend a garden plot which is harvested by our kitchen staff for use in the preparation of meals.

Without the help of many groups such as the East Side Lions, as well as many other service organizations: Lions, Kiwanis, Rotary, etc., many children who now receive the Christian education offered here would not be able to participate. We thank these gentlemen for their dedicated help.

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**Dates to Remember:**

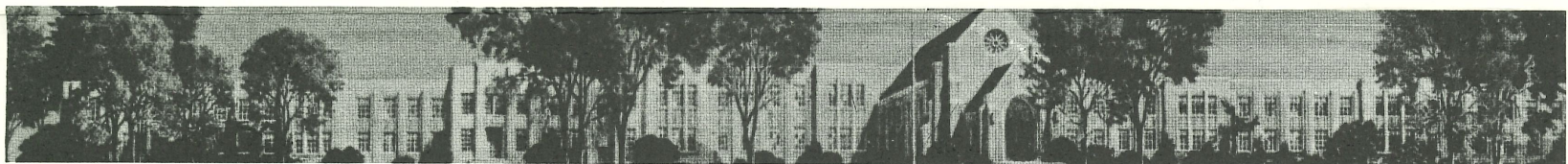


- November 24, 1983  
Pound Day
- December 22, 1983  
Christmas Program
- February 15, 1984  
Campbell's Labels  
deadline

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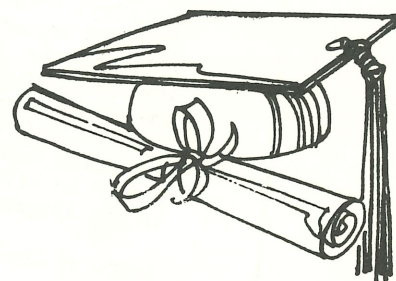
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**The Center of Education at Lutheran School for the Deaf**

Many people who have seen copies of the *Deaf Child's Advocate* and the drawing above do not fully realize that this is, in fact, an artist's representation of the front of our school building here at the Lutheran School for the Deaf. While the building is a very important part of our ministry, the center of our ministry is always the gospel of Jesus Christ. Just as the chapel in the picture is the center of the building, so, too, is the importance of Christ and His message of saving love the center of all acts and deeds at Lutheran School for the Deaf. Please remember those entrusted with the care of these special children in your prayers for without the help and guidance of almighty God, this ministry would not be possible. We pray that He would be with us and bless us as we all work together for His glory.



**Alumni**

Judy Manik '74 and Larry Vardon '73 are planning to be married this fall.

Dean Bliss '78 is a second year student at NTID, Rochester, New York.

Carl Frells '67 is teaching math at Pennsylvania School for the Deaf in Scranton, Pennsylvania.