

ALLEGHENY COUNTY CHAPTER of the PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CHILDREN, INC.
917-1001 Brighton Road. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Phone 322-6008 322-0784

The 1973 "CALL OF HOPE" IS CALLING YOU. . .

The 1973 "CALL OF HOPE" Fund Drive is scheduled from September 1 through September 30. Won't you let us know as quickly as possible if you will be able to help? We are so grateful for your past help. We will not call you before mailing the Kit. This will serve as our contact and we Thank You.

✓ Yes, I will volunteer as a door-to-door solicitor.

✓ No, I will not volunteer as a door-to-door solicitor.

(Name of street) you cover for us.. Fair Oaks St.

YOUR NAME Mrs. Norbert Weikens

STREET 5474 Fair Oaks St. CITY Pgh.

PHONE 687-4647 ZIP CODE 15217

If you have friends or neighbors who you believe would be willing to work on the Fund Drive, please list names and addresses on the back of this form.

Thank you;

My reason for not soliciting for you, is that I know your group fostered the firing of Dr. McClelland, Med. Director of Polk State School. I am opposed to that action.

June 5, 1973

Mrs. Norbert J. Weikers
5474 Fair Oaks Street
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15217

Dear Mrs. Weikers:

Your reply to Mrs. Jean Dawson has been given to me for response. We are not surprised that you are distressed with the adverse publicity concerning Polk State School and Hospital. All of us who know the Institution are distressed.

Conversely, you should note that this chapter was not consulted by either the Department of Public Welfare or Pennsylvania Association for Retarded Children before action was taken. You might also note that the State President, Mrs. Pat Clapp, has publicly stated that PARC did not call for the Superintendent's resignation.

For your information, I am enclosing a newspaper report that endeavors to put the unfortunate Polk State School and Hospital situation into perspective.

We sincerely hope you will reconsider your decision. However, in a matter such as this, one's conscience must dictate how they behave. In any event, we truly appreciate your previous service as a "Call of Hope" marcher.

Best personal wishes,

C. A. Peters
Executive Director

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Enclosure
cc: Jean Dawson