

FARIBAULT STATE SCHOOL AND HOSPITAL

General Information

In recent years, through the efforts of Cedric Adams' Christmas Gift Drive, the Patients at Faribault State School and Hospital have experienced very joyous holiday seasons. We wish to express sincere thanks on behalf of our patients to all those who have contributed to the success of this project,

The 3,335 mentally retarded patients at Faribault and the Lake Owasso Children's Home are evenly divided between males and females. They range in age from tiny infants to adults in the 80's. In previous years there has been a shortage of Christmas gifts for the adults, particularly the adult males, which we hope those who generously contribute to the gift drive will rectify.

No doubt you would like to know how these gifts are distributed to the patients after they are received at the Institution, Early in December the person in charge of each building is asked to list the gifts each patient desires. An appointment is then made for these Charge-Aides to come to the room designated as the "Cedric Adams Room", where all the gifts that have been received are displayed, and to make a personalized selection of the gifts for each patient. A detailed record is kept of the gifts each patient receives,

Special Suggestions

- 1, Caution: Please do not send matches, lighters, or inflammable items as patients are not permitted to have them,
- 2, Gifts of clothing: Good clothing in any size or quantity can be used, all used clothing should be washed or dry-cleaned before delivery to the institution,
- 3, Gifts of money: Cash contributions are accepted and are used throughout the year for patient activity. Please make check payable to Faribault State School and Hospital and indicate if the money is to be used in Chaplaincy program or recreation program,
4. Wrapping: Gifts should not be wrapped but gift wrappings may be included with gifts. Employees and volunteers will wrap the articles for the patients.
5. Identifying: We wish to acknowledge and thank each donor for gifts given to patients, and will find it helpful if names and addresses of senders are clearly written or printed on packages,
- 6, Mailing: Gifts may be mailed directly to the institution or left at the Administration Building, Because of the large number of patients to be served, and the even larger number of gifts received, it is very desirable that the gifts be forwarded to us as early as possible. Our mailing address is Faribault State School and Hospital, Station A, Faribault, Minn.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS.

Talcum	Nail polish
Face Powder	Handkerchiefs
Perfume	Candy
Toilet soap	Picture albums
Toilet water	Children's magazine subscriptions
Combs	Face tissue
Costume jewelry	Aprons
Barrettes	Wheel chairs (adults & children's)
Bobby pins	Varied table games
Hair curlers	Swimming suits
Stationary	Hair brushes
Ball point pens	Anklets
Pencils	Hand lotions
Powder puffs	Towels
Mittens	Washcloths
Sweaters	Tooth paste
Scarfs	Deodorants
Bathrobes	Compacts
Slippers	Sun glasses
Nylon hose	Emery boards
Hair nets	Wallets
Lingerie	Lipstick
Gum	Home Permanents
Cigarettes	Shampoo
Watches	Cosmetic cases

GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR MEN AND BOYS

Swimming suits	Ball point pens
Neckties	Watches
Bow-ties	Cuff links
socks	Tie clasps
Shirts	Tooth paste
Belts	Shampoo
Gloves	Towels
Pipes	Washcloths
Smoking tobacco	Deodorants
Chewing tobacco	Sun glasses
Cigarettes	Hair oil
Shaving cream	Children's magazines subscriptions
Shaving lotion	(also adults)
Talcum	Stationary
Hair brushes	Candy
Eversharp pencils	Gum
Handkerchiefs	Scarfs
Slippers	Combs
Safety razors	Wheel chairs (adults and children's)
Picture Albums	Varied Table games
	Snuff

SUGGESTED RECREATIONAL GIFTS FOR ALL  
AGE GROUPS

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|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| . Erector or mechanical sets           | Chinese checkers                            |
| Ice skates                             | Checker boards                              |
| Picture puzzles (Adult's & Children's) | Lincoln Logs                                |
| •Electric Trains                       | Tinker toys                                 |
| •Playing cards (Bridge)                | Rubber toys - all types                     |
| •Card games (Flinch, Old Maid, etc,)   | *Dolls and accessories                      |
| Card Tables                            | *Stuffed animals                            |
| Building blocks                        | Plastic rattles                             |
| Bicycles                               | Plastic crib toys                           |
| *Tricycles                             | Crib games                                  |
| •Wagons                                | Blackboard on standard                      |
| *Tobaggans                             | Flashlight                                  |
| *Kiddie cars                           | Snow shovels (small)                        |
| •Scooters                              | Cowboy suits                                |
| •Sleds                                 | Balloons                                    |
| Skis                                   | •Roller skates                              |
| •Rocking horses                        | Picture albums                              |
| Cap guns                               | Autograph books                             |
| Fishing equipment                      | •Scrap books (new and filled)               |
| Paste (Library)                        | Phonograph Records (adult's and children's) |
| View-masters                           | Story albums                                |
| Rubber balls (large)                   | *Wading pools                               |
| Goldfish and bowls                     | Spin tops (medium and large)                |
| Bubble pipes and soap                  | Croquet sets                                |
| Varied table games                     | Dishes (play)                               |
| Footballs                              | Baseballs                                   |
| Softballs                              | Basketballs                                 |
| Trucks and tractors                    | Toy Xylophones                              |
| •Large toy drums                       | *Radios (In working condition)              |
| •Harmonicas                            | *Phonographs (In working order)             |
| •Pool tables                           | Educational toys                            |

CHILDRENS FURNITURE

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| Tables and chairs               | Rocking chairs |
| Playhouse equipment             | Brooms         |
| Toy stoves, refrigerators, etc. | Toy furniture  |

HANDICRAFT MATERIALS.

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| Small looms                       | Paint craft kits      |
| Model airplane kits               | Model auto kits       |
| Coloring books, picture and story | Modeling clay-plastic |
| •Embroidery pieces - stamped      | Embroidery floss      |
| Jewelry kits                      | Leathercraft kits     |
| Paints, finger, textile           | Plastic mold sets     |
| Printing sets                     | Sewing cards          |
| Shell art materials               | Weavette looms        |
| Woodburning sets                  | •Crochet cotton       |
| •Materials for making dresses     | Pottery Kiln          |
| •Yarn, all types                  | Patterns, all types   |

\*INDICATES ITEMS MOST SOUGHT AFTER BY PATIENTS,

## Special Projects

Clubs and organizations frequently request permission to conduct special projects in conjunction with mental health activity. Such projects are welcomed and can be arranged by writing to the Superintendent. We suggest the following as projects for clubs and interested groups.

1. Collections
  - A. Magazines, good comic books, all-occasion cards, and story books are in demand, by our patients, the year around,
  - B. Games and Sports Equipment, such items as roller skates, ice skates, sleds, skis, tricycles, etc, are such in demand here and are frequently lying unused in many homes.
2. Sponsoring rides. Transportation to community activities (Shrine Circus), sending patients to summer camps, etc,
3. Providing cookie and candy treats for holidays and special occasions.
4. Making articles such as aprons, bibs, stuffed animals, pull toys for distribution to the patients.

The institution staff would be very willing to advise groups on other such projects and assist in formulating plans to carry them out,