REGULARS ARE SPECIAL

I (we) are special friend(s) of Patchwork and want to be a "Regular"!

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

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PLEDGE: _____ monthly _____ quarterly _____ yearly

Thank you!

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BEING IN THE SAME SPOT IN A DIFFERENT PLACE

One of our community members remarked that he knew he was in the same spot, but in a different place, when he came into the new Meetinghouse. His words reflect the position of the whole community as we continue our life together within the new space on the same spot. We are the same people, we are doing many of the same things, and yet we are different from before. We are in a time of beginning--again. The potential of the future fills us with excitement as we look at ourselves, our neighborhood, and our world. The experience of being in the same spot for almost ten years grounds us as we try on new possibilities. The following paragraphs will, hopefully, give you a sense of this time of our life and work.



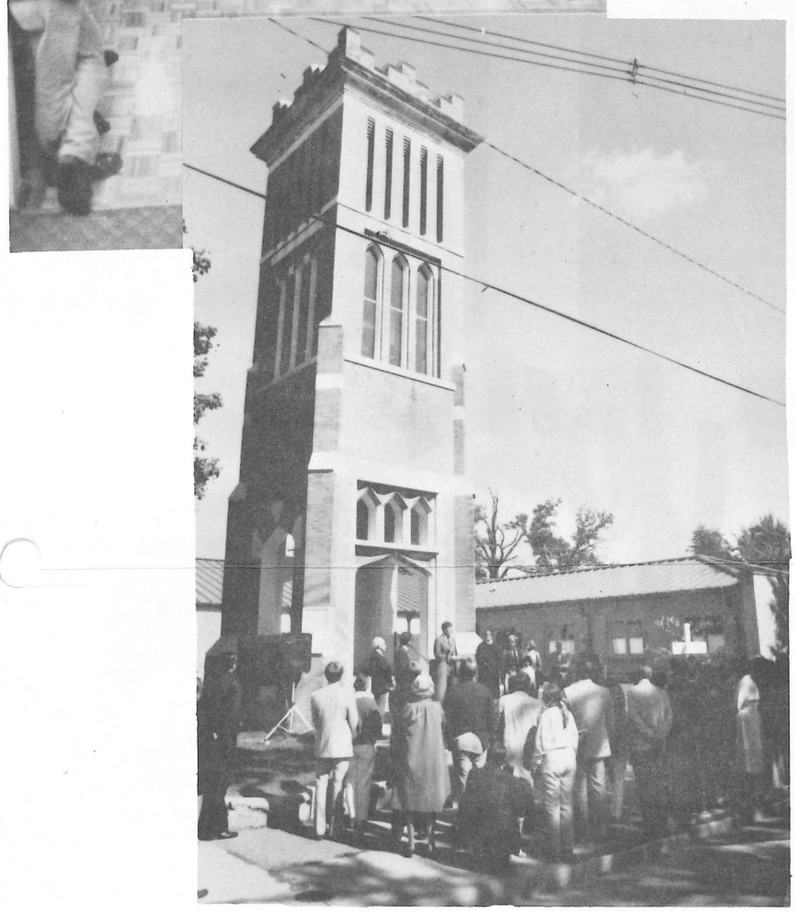
The After School Children's Program began as soon as we were able to move into the new Meetinghouse. Although the format is much the same as in previous years, the space allows more options for activities. Program Director Ruth Doyle notes that the two U.S.I. students working with the children as part of their field work has been very helpful in individualized attention for the children. What is new is also old--Gregg Pitts and Dottie Booker begin their third year of work with the A.S.C.P. which adds experience and stability to the program.

The Neighborhood Economic Development Center moved its office to the Meetinghouse amid applying for future funding and setting up a new program. With a matching grant from H.U.D., N.E.D.C. has established a loan guaranty fund. The fund can serve as collateral for a neighborhood businessperson applying for a loan from a commercial institution. The use of this fund allows Alan Winslow and Alice Serr more options in helping the clients who seek help with their businesses.



Jicelyn Thomas and Biff Weidman, through Center for Community Renewal, have spent much of their time on the details of work for peace and justice. Through their efforts, we have kept our attention on the developments in South Africa and Central America. Locally, C.C.R. supports efforts of economic development for minorities and development of low-cost housing. Jicelyn and Biff have also served as our office staff. Being in our new space seems to bring new opportunity to offer hospitality to the various people who walk through the doors, either on business or to "sneak a peek". A worthy, but often unrecognized, part of our ministry happens with the office as Biff and





Jicelyn answer calls, handle requests and inquiries for help and greet the people who visit.

The Commons area of the Meetinghouse allows Calvin Kimbrough to show slide shows that are full, concise, moving, documentaries of the life of Patchwork Central. During the Block Party, a slide show of the past few years told the story of constructing a building, and more importantly, making a community in the midst of the activity.

The heart of the community is worship. Though the service continues in much the same manner, we are now able to fit everyone into the same room, in a circle, and still have room for movement. The Commons lets us see each other, welcome newcomers and use dance and drama.

In this special time is the beginning of new relationships. Several persons have responded to our request to become "Special Regulars", persons who pledge to support Patchwork Central on a regular basis. We look forward to knowing these supporters better through the year, so that they become friends as well. We invite all of you who are readers of our newsletter to become "Special Regulars".

This time of beginning again brings the promise of closer ties with people from our neighborhood. As we walk through the streets, as we work on the lawn, as we have programs, we see opportunities to know our neighbors better.

As we begin--again--we remember that we are only continuing the life which God began long ago.

Judi Jacobson

Shown above are scenes from our celebrations for the new Meetinghouse--the Block Party and the Dedication of the West Tower.

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AN AWARD FOR N.E.D.C.

Alice Serr and Alan Winslow, of Patchwork's Neighborhood Economic Development Center, were recognized for their support of minority businesses by the Indiana Regional Minority Supplier Development Council.



L to R are Russell Jones, Alice Serr, Alan Winslow, Larry Thomas

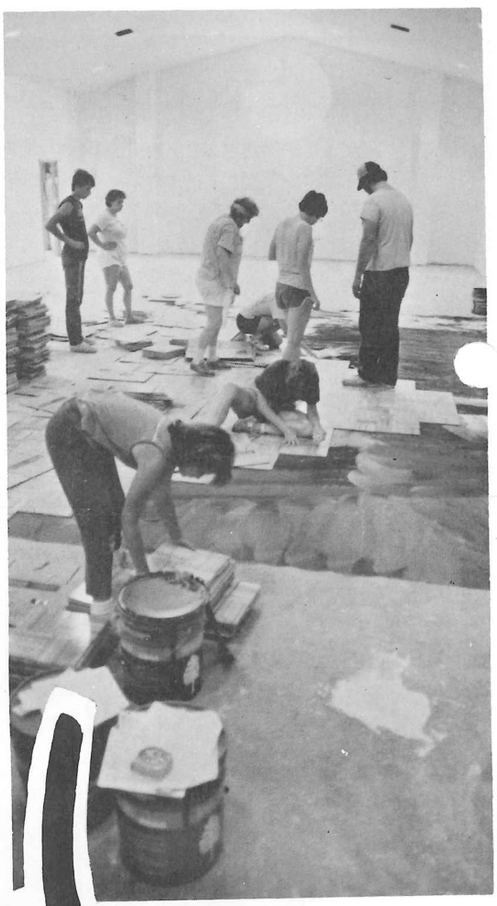
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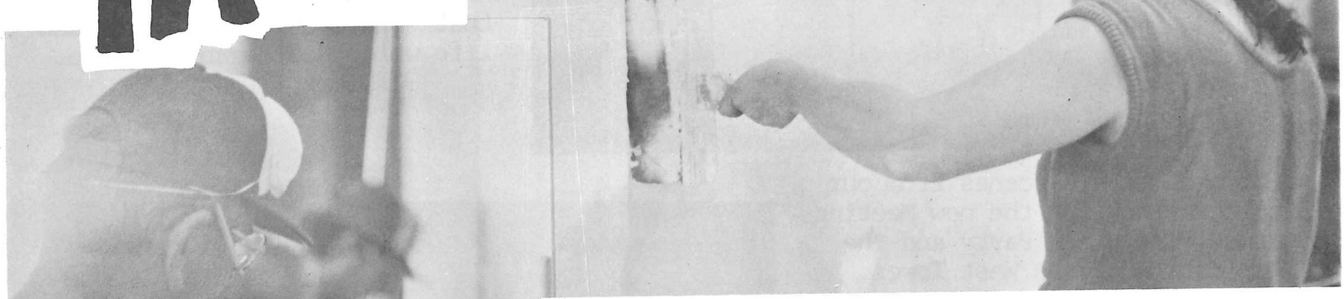
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Thank You!





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