



### Foster Child

Denis Alexander Rivera Enamorado, a young Honduran boy, has been adopted in the Foster Parents Plan by Mr. and Mrs. David Kennedy of Penetanguishene.

Young Denis will receive help which will help him strengthen his own life and the lives of others.

## Monthly contribution helps community

In this, the 50th anniversary year of the Foster Parents Plan of Canada, a very special commitment has been made by Mr. and Mrs. David Kennedy of Penetanguishene.

They have become Foster Parents to a young boy, Denis Alexander Rivera Enamorado, in the Honduras. The Kennedy's small monthly contribution brings help to the Foster Child, his family and the community.

The objective is not dependency, but to help the family become independent and self-supporting through programs of medical and dental care, vocational training, and counselling by social workers.

All programs are adapted to the needs of the people, and tend to be concen-

trated in rural areas where the whole community can benefit through the provision of wells, schools and more. Education is stressed, and all school-aged members of Foster Families are encouraged to attend school. Foster Parents are advised annually of the family's progress, and a regular exchange of letters builds a warm and meaningful relationship.

Denis, the Foster Child, live a hand to mouth existence in their native country, the Honduras.

When the family needs medical attention, they go to the Health Center or to the village level health promoter. To fetch fresh water, they must go to a natural well 10 minutes away from the house.

They live in a house with

walls of sticks and mud, a dirt floor and a zinc roof.

The father, Fidel Rivera, and two brothers, Merlin Otoman and Yuvany, earn about \$96 a month for the family. They farm coffee, corn and beans to sell, as well as their own food.

They own an ax, hoe machete, curved machete and a hole digger

Through Foster Parents, individuals, groups and families in Canada and elsewhere are currently assisting over 279,000 children in 21 countries in the Third World.

## Reader's comments

# Freedom for union workers

Dear Editor:

The Supreme Court of Ontario recently made an important ruling which restored freedom to hundreds of thousands of workers who are forced to pay union dues.

The court said that unions, for the first time ever, must reveal to workers details of how their dues are spent. The ruling also stated that any worker who pays forced union dues but is not a union member has the right to be reimbursed for any dues used for direct collective bargaining purposes.

This decision is a great victory for freedom.

Those of your readers who pay forced union dues despite having chosen not to join a union can now do the following:

- Object to having any of their dues used to finance activities not directly related to collective bargaining.

- Demand that the union supply to them detailed accounts of how and where it has spent their dues.

- Insist that the union divide that spending into collective bargaining and non-collective bargaining areas.

- Find out exactly how and where union associations like the Canadian labour Congress spend their dues money.

- Demand a refund of that portion of their dues spent on non-collective bargaining activities.

- If such readers have chosen to join a union as a member but you want a refund, they can resign from the union and claim it.

Big union leaders have said that they will appeal the court's decision and that in the meantime they will neither reveal how they spend forced union dues nor refund any.

Nevertheless, we encourage dues-paying workers, who have chosen not to join the union, to de-

mand that the big union leaders live up to the spirit of the Supreme Court of Ontario ruling.

In the meantime, Canadians can take pride in the fact that in our country the little guy can get justice

against huge odds.

Yours sincerely  
David Somerville  
President



### Big Fish Hunt

These three weren't complaining about the one that got away last week. They all caught a big one at the fish pond during the 1987 Midland Sidewalk Sale. Angela

Woods, Sheri Turner and Randy Turner were all out enjoying the fishin' and the great weather.

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