

# TV Documentary Paints Grim Picture Of Teens, Crime

"Crime, Punishment and Kids" aired recently. The documentary painted a grim picture for those teens that break the law.

For anyone who felt that kids only commit petty crimes, the news program was an eye-opener. While it is true that the crimes youth commit begin small, the NBC documentary found it also to be true that the seriousness of the crimes increase with each subsequent arrest.

Several teen delinquents interviewed, committed crimes of kidnapping, murder, rape, armed robbery. From their conversations, a few hints like hanging with the wrong crowd or living in generational violence alluded to their troubles. But there were no clear cut solutions to finding effective methods of a failing detention system.

One thing's for sure, the system that is presently enforced to lawfully discipline our kids has failed miserably and could even be blamed as one reason why a kid repeats an offense. Too often there is no rehabilitation process in many of the country's detention centers.

Here's one kid's story. Let's call him Pete. Pete is a white male teen who comes from a seemingly stable background. He lives with his stepfather and mother. The day before Pete shoots his parents with a 44 caliber, he kills a cashier. In his own words, Pete told the NBC interviewer how he killed his parents and then laughed once the act had been committed. Pete left home and went out bragging to his friends of his deed. But then when he returned home he pretended to be distraught, anguished over what had transpired and vowing vengeance. Pete, who finally confessed to the three murders said that his heavy involvement in devil worship directed and controlled his actions.

Then there was Angel. Angel held a female under gun point and allowed a friend to rape her. But unlike so many of the teenage boys that appeared in "Crime, Punishment & Kids", Angel's story had a ray of hope. After spending time at a detention center, Angel was able to get a job



and was making positive efforts to change his life. Both of these kids had been in trouble with the law since they were nine.

What about detention centers? As stated they detain, but they don't reform. One teen being interviewed said that it took his committing three offenses before he was placed in a detention center. Before that he mocked that he was just slapped on the hand by juvenile judges and sent home. Another youngster said that the first time he went to a detention center, he said he would never come back. He went 15 more times. Even the law enforcers admitted to the ineffectiveness of the detention centers. One policeman replied, "When you arrest them, they laugh, because they know that their parents will come to get them out."

So what is the answer? A few trial programs underway may be part of the solution. One thing's for certain though and that is if something isn't done soon, society will pay.

**BRAVO CHARLOTTE**  
On Saturday, August 8, Channel 9 will present an hour long symphony special called "Bravo Charlotte." It will focus on the music selected for the tour, the lifestyles of the people in Europe, and the challenges the musicians faced while on their trip.

This presentation will highlight the biggest cultural event to happen in the Charlotte music community. It demonstrates that music is truly the international language that everyone can understand.

**LIGHTWRITING**  
The photographs of Marshall Clayton, Marsha Polier Crossman, Sharon Anglin Kuhne, Wanda Levin, John M. Morgan,

John Rosenthal, John Scarlata and Merry Moor Winnett will be on exhibit from Friday, July 31 - Sunday September 6 at the Gallery of Piedmont Craftsmen, Inc., 411 N. Cherry St., Winston-Salem.

**BLACK AMERICA**  
Public radio station, WFAE (90.7) FM is airing the summer new series, "Black America Today." This series of reports will include dozens of stories prepared by NPR reporters across the country, focusing on the lives of individuals as well as on issues that affect all black Americans. Also included will be reports on some of the cities that experienced riots 20 years ago. A few of the topics to be aired are: "Blacks In The Mormon Church", "New Activism: Mississippi boycotts", "Has The Women's Movement Hurt Blacks", "SCLC - After 30 Years", "Blacks In The Military", and "Role of the Black Church".

**DISCOVERY PLACE**  
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# Discovery Place Needs New Recruits

From August 3 through September 7, Discovery place and the Charlotte Nature Museum will hold their fall volunteer recruiting campaign.

Volunteer opportunities currently available include computer assistant, aquarium interpreter, physical science interpreter, gift shop assistant, museum greeter, animal room assistant, life center interpreter, rainforest interpreter,

clerical assistant, operations assistant and more.

Flexible hours, varied schedules, interesting people and an enjoyable learning experience are just a few of the rewards volunteers are offered. High school and college internships are also offered and encouraged by both museums. Civic and social organizations are invited to participate in museum activities to meet com-

munity service project goals. Individuals or groups interested in volunteering at Discovery place or the Nature Museum should contact the Volunteer Office for an application at 372-6261, ext. 32, Monday-Friday, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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The Charlotte Post needs your help! In order to improve the paper, we need to know more about who is reading it. If you would take a minute to answer the following survey, we would be most appreciative. Your answers will help us gear the product to your needs. Send your answers to: The Charlotte Post, P. O. Box 30144, Charlotte, N.C. 28230. All entries must be received by August 31, 1987. Thanks!

<p>1. What is your age range?</p> <p>25 years old or older _____ 26-40 years old _____ over 40 _____</p>	<p>10. Do you own your home?</p> <p>Yes _____ No _____</p>	<p>11. Do you own a car?</p> <p>Yes _____ No _____</p>
<p>2. How many people are there in your household? _____</p> <p>3. How many people in your household work? _____</p> <p>4. What is the annual household income range?</p> <p>under \$12,000 _____ \$12,000 - \$24,999 _____ \$25,000 - \$40,000 _____ over \$40,000 _____</p>	<p>12. Estimate how much your household spends each year for the following:</p> <p>a. food \$ _____ d. transportation \$ _____ b. clothing \$ _____ e. entertainment \$ _____ c. appliances \$ _____ f. furniture \$ _____</p>	
<p>5. What is your race?</p> <p>Black _____ White _____ other, list _____</p>	<p>6. What is your marital status</p> <p>single _____ married _____ divorced _____</p>	<p>13. How many years of education do you have?</p> <p>high school (1-12 years) _____ did you graduate (yes or no) _____ college (1-4 years) _____ did you graduate (yes or no) _____ advanced studies _____ did you graduate (yes or no) _____</p>
<p>7. What is your sex?</p> <p>Male _____ Female _____</p>	<p>8. Approximately how many people read your issue of The Post each week? _____</p>	<p>14. List some suggestions you have that you think would improve the paper.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>9. List other publications you read frequently:</p> <p>a. _____ b. _____ c. _____ d. _____ e. _____ f. _____</p>		