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From The Guthrie

Job Corps Center For Women

This past week has been one of the most important and happy weeks in the history of our Job Corps Center.

All week long the Corpswomen and staff have been saying "thank-you" in various ways to the citizens of Guthrie for welcoming Job Corps to their "home" in the first place, and for the continued support and friendship during the difficult early months.

But, perhaps there are still many citizens of Guthrie who don't

really understand why we are here.

According to Government figures nearly one-quarter million, 18 year old girls are being dumped onto society each year with little education, no vocation and faint hope of gaining either in the future. This is a dangerous and a senseless waste of human resources.

Job Corps is one possible answer. It may not be the total answer, but it is an attempt. We think the program deserves a chance and we will always be grateful that Guthrie elected to give it that chance.

The Guthrie Job Corps Center is an experience in living for young women who all-too-often have only experienced survival.

The name of the game is "jobs". That's the goal of Job Corps. But, the ability to hold that job is just as important as the manual dexterity required to master it. And that ability we are learning through our residential life here at the Center, and from the citizens of Guthrie who have set us such a fine example by welcoming this large group of strangers into your homes and into your daily lives.

You could have forced us to remain isolated on our Center, like gold fish in a bowl, and our instructors would still have been able to develop new techniques for educating social cripples. But, the cripples would still be hobbling when you set them out into society again.

Guthrie chose not to isolate us and we are growing healthy in mind and body as a result, proud of our new role as citizens of a fine community, and deeply obligated to our many new friends.

One last time, Guthrie, we say "thank-you", and extend to you a most sincere invitation to listen to the Job Corps Center hour-long broadcast over radio station KWRW Guthrie starting at 7:00 p.m., Sunday, April 2, Dr. Franklyn Johnson representing the office of OEO, Washington, D.C., will be the featured speaker.