Work Starts on Camp
For Handicapped Kids

Work has started on a camp for mentally retarded and physically handicapped children. The camp is in the Sandia Mountains and is a project of the Civitan Club of Albuquerque.

Named the Julia Malden Civitan Camp, the camp is used in the summer by the New Mexico Society for Mentally Retarded Children and the New Mexico Society for Physically Handicapped Children.

About 20 members of the youth groups of B’nai B’rith will work Saturday in cleaning and repair work at the camp. The groups worked last Saturday also. They are supervised by members of the Duke City Civitan Club.

Among new buildings being built this year is a new wash house, which will have both bathroom and laundry facilities. Charles N. Glass, Civitan member, said the clubs are collecting Gift Stars for the purchase of a hot water heater for the wash house.

Persons wishing to contribute the Coupons, he said, may mail them to him at 9329 Arvill NE.

Already at the camp site are a lodge, an arts and crafts building, storage shed and temporary wash house. Children have the use of large tents during their summer stay, Mr. Glass said.

In the summer, the camp is used for six weeks each by the mentally retarded and physically handicapped children. Each organization furnishes its own supervisors and directors, Mr. Glass said.

The four Civitan clubs working on the project are the Albuquerque Breakfast, Duke City, Los Altos and Rio Bravo Civitan clubs.

THE B’NAI B’RITH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO was honored by a dinner given by the DUKE CITY CIVITAN CLUB OF ALBUQUERQUE. The BBYTO had sent 30 members to the Civitan Camp for mentally retarded and physically handicapped children to help build a washhouse, dig ditches, lay water pipe and paint. The teenagers spent more than 430 working hours at the campsite which is located in the Sandia Mountains near Albuquerque.

The Civitan Club is one of four local clubs which maintain the camp.

Receiving the award from Charles N. Glass, Program Chairman, were Herman Weil, Cindy Coreman, Heather Myers and Lee Blaungrund. The dinner was attended by more than 50 people.