It starts with a dare and ends up in an alcohol detox unit. Last year, by the time he was fourteen, Johnny was a chronic alcoholic. His parents placed him in a treatment center that specialized in alcohol rehabilitation.

The saddest part of all was the fact that Johnny was far from the youngest, and there were plenty of children his own age for him to relate to. Some from the inner city, some from middle-class suburbia and others from extremely wealthy families.

Alcoholism is a disease that affects every race and every rung on the socioeconomic ladder. The Maryland State Lottery has provided over $2.0 billion dollars to the General Fund for public services such as the Drug Abuse Administration. We can't provide the cure, but we can help provide the care.

The Maryland State Lottery pays off in ways you may not even know about.

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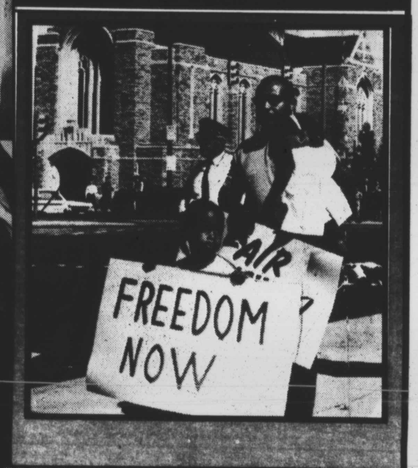
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