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Among the annual pleasurable events is the dance recital given by pupils of Vernice Downing Matthews, known under the engaging title of "Les Beenee Jupiennes" (The Young Dancers).

This season they were presented in a "Sketch Book of 1957" at Carver Vocational-Technical High School, sponsored by Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

A very sizeable audience enjoyed the presentations by four groups of dancers, including also Barbara A. Carter and Bessie Hopewell, assistants to Mrs. Matthews.

The recital is of interest to music lovers as well as devotees of the dance, since the selections played are from classic, semi-classic and popular works, with an international interest with folk music of various countries.

The recital closed on an exciting note, when "Adoration" danced by Mrs. Matthews and her entire cast, costumed in white tiles and gowns, gave way to a recording of "Holy Holy," with solo and choral descending stage movement was in the hands of Samuel N. Phillips, The Sorority officials in charge were Mrs. Anne C. Fuller, chairman of Community Service Committee, Mrs. Vivian Washington, president of the chapter and Mrs. Mae Allen, co-chairman, Eastern Point Project.

IN RETROSPECT: Now that the musical season, as such, has drawn to a close, it is refreshing (while moping over brow) to recall enjoyable events on cooler days.

Choral concerts reached a new high on the interest level, even seeming to outstrip the usual popularity of vocal soloists. One of the most enthusiastically received groups was the Paul Roberts Chorus of Philadelphia, which concluded the 11th Fine Arts Festival at Morgan State College.

This eminently distinguished group sang in the Hoffman gymnasium before an audience of the college faculty and students with hundreds of youngsters from the state and city high schools.

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MR. ROBERTS, conducting in a decisively-new fashion, led his excellently trained songsters in a concert that was truly a delight. It is indeed rare to see vocal and choral techniques developed to such a degree that the interpretation of the compositions is supremost. There was no struggle for notes or for effects, but all was coordinated to the end of recreating a work of art.

It was very evident that the choir contained no "dead wood," for each singer performed with the proficiency that betokened training in the smallest details.

The tone quality of the alto section was vibrant and rich as finely bowed 'cellos, to mention one notable feature.

With such a well controlled ensemble the conductor was able to achieve solidly built crescendos (gradual increase of tone) and vibrant descrescendos (gradual decrease of tone) down to the lightest of pianissimos (very soft) that still had resonance and life.

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CALENDAR: Friday, June 21, in front of the Musical Union Bldg. 1500 Argyle Ave. 8 to 10 p.m. Municipal Concert Band, conducted by Harrison M. Dodd. Program will include "Cleopatra Overture," "Transcontinental March" and latest popular numbers.

Sunday, June 23rd at 5 p.m. at Sears Auditorium, North and Harford Avenues, pupils of Margaret Rusk Franklin in their annual recital.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 23 at 5 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts., opera in concert by students from the Opera Workshop of the Schwarz Studio of Musical Arts, conducted by Professor Herman Schwarz.

Tuesday, June 25 at 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Carver Vocational High School, Pressman and Bentalou Sts., students of Katrine N. White will sing.

Special features will be a Japanese Dance ballet by students from the studio of Gwendolyn Biddle and Rachmaninoff's "Rhapsody on a Theme by Paganini for two pianos, with Mrs. White and Louis Crisculo, graduate pianist (of tone) and vibrant descrescendos (gradual decrease of tone) down to the lightest of pianissimos (very soft) that still had resonance and life.

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Recreation News

The Elmer Henderson Center at School 101 is planning to conduct a day camp for children 5 to 12 years of age as a feature of its summer recreation program.

Arts and crafts, music, children's play, dancing, cook-outs and special events will be included in the activities schedule.

The day camp will operate June 24 through August 9 from 12 noon until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A fee of $2 for each child will be charged to cover the cost of crafts material, refreshments, prizes and food for cook-outs.

The Community Twilight Softball League is currently being led by the Forty-Niners.

Members of the team are: P. Hickey, J. Wilson, H. Green, L. Earl, A. Imes, G. Warner, R. Pryor, R. Carrington, E. Coleman, J. Waler and T. Thomas.

Other teams participating include the Ambrose Kennedy team with G. McCants, N. Brown, R. Munts, R. Marion, A. Pittman, J. Haywood, W. Williams, J. Richburg, J. Harvey, and W. Billy.

Also, the Olympians with H. Smith, O. Peakes, H. Gray, J. Weldon, P. James, L. Highton, G. Mickey, B. Williams, J. Mitchell, B. Mickey, J. Highton, J. Harley, and B. Lovelace; the Knox Softball team with J. Stokes, A. Cleveland, R. Dackins, W. Miller, J. Currie, B. Hice, B. Tyler, J. Russell, J. Wright and T. Drungoode.

LAST THURSDAY the Center presented its final project for the winter-spring season, a variety show.

Included on the program were weight-lifting exhibitions, dance solo, group singing, and selections by two quartettes.

Participants were Herbert Betty Hatcher, Samuel Veney, Rudolph Price, Willie Goods, Ronald Carrington and Clifton, James Harlee, Ronald Carrington and Alonzo Adams.

Program assistants were Miss Reba Hughes, Leroy Anderson and William Adams, Morgan College students, and Willie Caldwell.

Two informal parties were given at the Center recently to welcome home the winter spring program.

On Friday, all children 11 years old and under participated in active games in the gymnasium. On Monday, a paired against Suszy Koermatinee dance was held for center members 12 years old and over.

Guests were Ella Foster, Marie Parnell, Vivian Baker, Barbara Dixon, Rita Bland, Jean Cannon, Mary Barrett, Annie Edmonds, Sue Moseley, Delores Booth, Francine Dailey, Johnny Carrington, Frances Thompson, Mildred Nelson, Dorothy Cabell, Annie Watkins, Regina Hopps, Norma Worthan, Conrad Byrd, Ronald Carrington, Clyde Redd, James Harlee, James Robinson, Tyrone Jeffries, Marlene Evans, Woodward Brown, Jamius Willson and Henry Smith.

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On June 7th, two opportunity classes from school 176 visited the center.

The classes were exploring the community and learning about community helpers and recreatin in the community.

The teachers responsible for the project were Mrs. Mildred W. Harriday and Mrs. Myrtle Jones.

The primary opportunity class visitors included: Dorothy Jackson, Beatrice Crockett Sylvia Savage, Alberta Johnson, Elmer Pierson, Jake Hudson, Willie Dunn, Michael Miles, Brarton Talcon, Marsell Wiley Coates, Edward Shee, Curtis Payne, George Payne, Arthur Bannerman, George Frink, Samuel Ruffo, and Alexander Henderson.

The intermediate opportunity class visitors were: Henry Glover, Ernest Hughes, Robert Davis, Herbert Brown, Brooks, Leila Marshall, Naomi Davis, Alice Tedd, Leta Freeman, Juliet Rufus and John Taylor.

On June 11th, the Homemaker's Clinic sponsored a dress revue.

Lafayette Center

A hobby and doll show was held recently at Lafayette Center in conjunction with Recreation Month.

Mrs. Ethel Bianchi, homemaking instructor, contributed a number of items for the exhibition.

Awards were given to Cora Tinsley, Vera and Arsehia Bailey, Vivian Newman; Agnes Curtis, Peggy Ann Lee, Mary Louise and Marguerite Tinsley, Diane Jacobs, and Shirley Ann Stover.

Kennedy Playground

Onening Day at Kennedy Stadium was observed as the Community Twilight Softball League game got under way with Kennedy playing host to the Forty-Niners from Henderson Center.

The Forty-Niners won the game 11 to 5.

Kennedy's line-up included Grant at second base; Jones, pitcher; McCants in center Field; Marrion at short stop; Boone, third base; Williams, catcher; Goodson, first base; Bull, left field, and Ruffus, right field.

On June 7, Kennedy defeated Knox 30 to 5.

Marrion's mound performance was supported by McCants, Statham, Haywood, Goodson, and Williams, while Bull, Ruff, and Jones were the security for the outer area.

There were two home runs in the game: one was by McCants, his first of the year, and the other by Sam Ruff.

Morgan ace captures NCA 440-yd. dash

DAYTON, Ohio — "I just ran as fast as I could," said Robert (Bob) McMurray, describing his victory in the 440-yard dash of the National Intercollegiate Athletic Association track and field championships at Austin, Texas, Saturday.

The captain and ace quarter-miler of the Morgan State College cinder squad was proud but not boastful as he talked to the AFRO about beating runners from all the nation's bigger and stronger colleges.

"I just ran as fast as I could," he declared, re-running the NCAA race, "and after about 310 yards, I relaxed a little.

"About ten or twelve yards further on, I began driving again and went the rest of the way with everything I had. I was afraid to ease up as much as I usually do," McMurray continued, "because with a fellow like Charley Jenkins behind you, that's out."

When was Bob sure he had the race won?

"When I hit the tape. The kid from Wayne was with me most of the way — Telford, his name is. And I wasn't positive until I crossed the line about a half-yard in front, that I had it."

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DID McMURRAY fear anybody in the race before they got started?

"Well, Jenkins was in there. And while I knew I had been running better times all year, that guy's great when the chips are down. He can really blister you in the last 110 yards, so I couldn't play him short."

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WHAT ABOUT the track? Did the Morgan speedster like it?

"No, I didn't. It had none of the 'life' of the track at San Diego (Cal.). It seemed to be made of light cinders and it didn't feel good to me at all. This was especially true in the last 100 yards when I was giving it everything I had as Coach (Eddie) Hurt had instructed."

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THIS VICTORY in the NCAA and in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) meet of the previous week, probably gives McMurray confidence for the upcoming National AAU championships here this weekend?

"Yes. Both those wins help a lot. Fellows like Jenkins and Tom Courtney, the Olympic half-mile champ, and Jack Larabee of Los Angeles, and J. W. Mashburn of the Army, have to be feared. But it's good to know they have to fear me, too." — SAM LACY.

Jackson picks N.J. camp site

COLUMBIA, N.J. — Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson early this week settled on a farm near here for training quarters for his forthcoming heavyweight title fight.

Jackson and his manager, Lippy Breidbart, picked Harry's Farm for the site, following lengthy conferences between Breidbart and promoter Emil Lence.

Lence reportedly wanted the challenger to train at a more accessible spot, like Asbury Park. But the Jackson camp refused.

The Hurricane meets Champion Floyd Patterson in the latter's first title defense, on July 29, at the Polo Grounds.

TV Guide

FRIDAY

BOXING: Rory Calhoun vs. Joe Giambra, from Syracuse, 10 p.m., EDT.

SATURDAY

BASEBALL: Cleveland at Orioles, from Baltimore, 2 p.m.

BASEBALL: Phillies at Braves, and Dodgers at Cardinals (see local listings).

Steele and Curry East-West pilots

CHICAGO — Ed Steele, manager of the Detroit Stars, and Homer (Goose) Curry, manager of the Memphis Red Sox, have been named managers of the teams in the 20th annual East - West game to be played at Comiskey Park here July 28.

Steele, one - time crack outfielder of the Birmingham Barons, will manage the East team, while Curry, a former outfielder with the Baltimore Elite Giants and Philadelphia Stars, will pilot the West.

Steele's players will be drawn from the Detroit Stars, Birmingham Black Barons and Mobile Giants, while Curry's players will come from the Kansas City Monarchs, Memphis Red Sox, and New Orleans Bears.

THE EAST won the 1956 game, 11 to 5, to break a four-game winning streak the West had established to put them out in front in the annual diamond classic. Willie Harris, right - hander with the Detroit Stars, collected the victory, while Ace Robinson, Memphis Red Sox, was on the losing end.

For the first time since 1954 the League will have six teams from which to draw players. In the past three years only four teams — Kansas City, Detroit, Memphis and Birmingham — were active in the NAL. New Orleans and Mobile were added this year.

THE KANSAS CITY Monarchs and Detroit Stars played a 14 - inning tie at Columbus, Ga., last Sunday. The game was called at the end of 14 innings because of the Georgia curfew law.

The Monarchs scored five runs in the second inning to beat the Stars, 9-4, in Tallahassee, Fla., the following Monday night.

Down the fairway

By AL TAYLOR

PHILADELPHIA

We golfers deeply mourn the passing of Douglass Palmer, well known professional golfer who was struck by lightning on his hole at Cobbs Creek course, Friday afternoon.

Well, our national pro champion Charlie Sifford is still making history on the big circuit at Akron, O., recently, the first one tied for the lead at fifty with Tommy Bolt and Gay Brewer Jr. in the $22,000 Rubber City Open.

He finished in some of the money also. We are waiting patiently for him to win another one in 1st place.

Howard Wheeler and Charlie Sifford won alternate positions for the National Open at Toledo O., but there were no alternates needed on this end.

LEAST WE FORGET—The Third Annual Open Golf Tournament given by the Tioga Golf Club Sunday June 30th on the Cobbs Creek and Karakung Courses.

Giants play 2 games Sunday

The Baltimore Giants baseball team will meet the Buffalo A. C., at Beachwood Park, Sunday at 2 p.m.

On last Sunday, the Giants lost the first game of a double-header at Durrey, Md., and were rained out in the nightcap. The Durrey A. C., scored a 7-4 win in the opener.

For games with the Giants, teams should contact James H. Taylor, 59 W. Biddle St., this city.

Patterson holds 4-round workout

GREENWOOD LAKE, N.Y.—Champion Floyd Patterson boxed four rounds and ran three miles here Wednesday as he prepared for his heavyweight title fight with Hurricane Jackson.

Patterson used four different sparring partners in his session of boxing: Shirley Pembleton, of Philadelphia; Howie Turner, of Brooklyn; Jeff Dyer, of Springfield, Mass., and Jerry Holman, of Brooklyn.

The Patterson-Jackson match is scheduled for New York's Polo Grounds on July 29.

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