BALTIMORE AND ALL THAT JAZZ

Duke Ellington is a legend in his own time

"He was a legend in his own time." How many times have we heard this phrase? How many of us have ever met or seen someone who qualified for that type of niche in history?

Last Sunday, I saw and heard just such a person. The Left Bank Jazz Society presented Duke Ellington and his Orchestra in concert, at the Famous Ballroom to a standing-room-only audience.

Edward Kennedy (Duke) Ellington, possesses such a wealth of musical talent that he is, indeed, a legend in his own time. Even some of his musicians qualify for this lofty accolade.

Duke, who will celebrate his 73rd. birthday this Saturday, was presented with a birthday cake by the Left Bank Jazz Society. He is scheduled, soon, to be a guest of President Nixon at the White House.

Duke has contributed perhaps more to American musician tan any of his peers; as that's qualitatively and well as quantitatively. His influence through his compositions and playing is incalculable.

How many musicians have been influenced directly or indirectly by The Duke? A hundred? A thousand? Tenthousand?

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Duke's concert last Sunday was excellent, as has been the case for every concert that this writer has been priviledged to hear. His music is historical yet contemporary.

Duke's musicians, many who have been with him since the early years, contribute to his overall conception. Guys like Coolie Williams on trumpet, Harry Carney on baritone sax, Paul Gonsalves on tenor sax, and Russel Procope on alto sax.

Duke Ellington doesn't just play music, he lives music . . . he is music. His music is both lyrical and rhythmic. So insistent did the beat become in last Sunday's concert that one member of the audience was compelled to dance, unashamedly, in the aisles.

It would be pointless to go into the names of all of the tunes he played, they are all old familiar standards for the most part. Tunes that he wrote and made famous.

In recent years many very talented and very creative jazz musicians have gone on to that 'big jazz band in the sky.' We are indeed fortunate that the "grand daddy" of them all is still here and still creating for future posterity.

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The Royal Roost has become one of the more popular jazz Meccas in Baltimore. This club, named for the famed club in New York, has had a jazz format from its inception.

This is very difficult to do in this age. Most clubs, pop out, take the easy road and go rock. Our hats are off to Elzia Street for having faith in jazz and promoting it at his club.

The O'Donel Levy Trio is the current attraction at the Royal Roost. Mr. Levy is one of the most talented guitarists around. Check him out! We plan to do an article on him soon.

Next week, LBJS will present The Chiel Hamilton Quintet.

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Local schoolboys compete at Penn

Youngsters from Douglass and Edmondson high schools are seeking honors in track events at the famed Penn Relays, being held this weekend at Franklin Field, Philadelphia.

The Ducks are sending three units, as they have done in each of the last five years. They are entered in the 440, mile and two-mile races.

Edmondson is competing in the 440-yard and one-mile relays.

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Representing Douglass in the 440, will be Daniel Ludd, Ricky Moore, Clifford and Russell Wiley, with Patrick Simon standing by as an alternate.

The Ducks' mile tandem will be comprised of Frank McGraw, Johnathan Berry, Russell and Clifford Wiley, with Ludd as the alternate.

Keith Smith, Berry, Wilbur Wrench and McGraw make up the 2-mile foursome, with Derric McCullers as alternate.

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Edmondson will use Tom Jones, Holliday, Gary Williams and Gary Hinton as her 440 quartet, and in the mile will count on the four who are in the best shape among Joe Baker, Mike Palmer, Hinton, Jimmy Kidd, Reginald Battle and Johnny Brown.

Battle and Brown may be pressed into service if Baker and Palmer are not able to run.

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Baker, who is the only surviving member of the 1971 Duck relay picture, faces surgery on a toe of his right foot. School officials say he can run on it, but his parents have scheduled the operation for this weekend and may not be persuaded to change it.

Palmer was involved in an automobile accident a week ago, and suffered head injuries, the seriousness of which had not been determined when the Edmondson travel squad was drawn.

Battle and Brown are their alternates. Tommy Pollock and Kidd are listed as alternates for the 440 relay . . . LACY.

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Coach Jim Ostendarp and Fugett
Mentor and star pupil shown in weekly study

TICKLES IS COMING—The highly talented singer, dancer, musician and composer, Lionel Hunt, who starred as "Tickles" on an Annapolis TV station, will be at the Severna Park High School tonight, Friday. The junior and senior classes will present three benefit shows, 7 and 9:30 p.m. and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Also scheduled to appear are rock group, Kotton, singer Delois Folkes and comedian, Mrs. Laughbottom.

Baltimorean Fugett leaves indelible mark at Amherst

AMHERST, Mass. — When Jean Fugett arrived at Amherst College as a sixteen year old football player with only one year of experience, head coach Jim Ostendarp was all smiles. However, most in New England thought that the mirth was due only to the fact that a fellow Baltimorean had decided to endure the rough Massachusetts winter with Ostendarp.

Amherst's head football coach originally learned of Fugett from Cardinal Gibbons High School's Robert Patzwall, a graduate of Bucknell where Ostendarp also spent his undergraduate years.

Patzwall had seen Fugett on a basketball court, recognized the raw talent, and induced him to play football for the high school.

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From the start of his varsity career here, Jean drew rave notices. At first the scouts came to watch linebacker Doug Swift, now with the Miami Dolphins, but soon they came for the sole purpose of viewing the young tight end.

Their reports must have been favorable as he was drafted by Dallas in the 13th round and was the only tight end chosen by the Texas club.

Finishing his collegiate career with a flourish — he graduated in June — Amherst Jean broke every reception mark while also inscribing his name in the New England record book.

He caugh. 125 aerials in three seasons for 2,040 yards and 17 TD's — both the yardage and touchdown totals are New England College Division records.

At the end of his senior season he was selected to the E.C.A.C. Division II squad, the A. P. All-New England team, and the Little All-America team.

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Yet the story of Jean at Amherst goes beyond his perfromance on the gridiron. During his tenure here, he has served as an editor of the student newspaper, was president of the Afro-American Society, is an "Independent Scholar," and served as a tutor for the Smith-Amherst tutorial program.

He even managed time to play basketball where he was the top scorer and rebounder during his junior year, finished second in those categories his senior year while leading the squad in assists, and is the 7th all-time scoring leader in Amherst history.

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The Baltimore Conspiracy has a further chapter to the story dealing with Jean's occupations during the vacation months.

Th the summer of 1971, he was employed by the front office of the Baltimore Orioles and his employer was none other than Harry Dolton, dirrector of personnel and a 1956 graduate of Amherst.

Jean spent the summer compiling statistics on the Cincinnati Reds and, in view of the Orioles, 1971 World Series title, seems to have done a yeoman job.

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Orioles hope to polish image in 11-game stand

Their wings clipped by four straight setbacks in Cleveland and Kansas City, the Orioles hope to polish their image as defending American League champions on an extended home stand commencing tonight (Friday) at the stadium.

Manager Earl Weaver and his anemic hitters begin with a weekend set against the invading California Angels. The latter are boasting a two-game victory string after an horrendous start, and new general manager Harry Dalton, the ex-Bird major domo, is thirsting for an extension of that success.

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After the Angels, Friday through Sunday, Baltimore hosts the improved Chicago White Sox next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Then, after Thuradsy, off, the O's greet the Kansas City Royals for a weekend set, they to be followed by the first meeting with a Western Division club — the Texas (nce Washington Senators) Rangers.

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Baltimore ahs fallen two games behind the division leading Detroit Tigers, mainly because of putrid hitting. As of tonight's contest, only catcher Andy Etchebarren has a respectable figure to show for his efforts at the plate.

This morning, the Birds are sporting, not proudly a team batting average of .201, which means the champions up to now have managed barely more than two hits in every 10 times at bat . . . LACY.

HIS BEST SHOT — Karl Douglas, elevated to No 2 ranking as a Baltimore Colts quarterback by the departure of Earl Morrall to the Dolphins, plans to 'give it my best shot' in his efforts to justify his status as backup to John Unitas. Aware of criticism in Baltimore that one of his weaknesses is the tendency to throw too hard, and the inability to control his short passes, "I've been working on certain adjustments during the winter," he told the AFRO from his San Antonio (Texas) military commitment, "but you don just don't completely abandon the things you do best."

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SERVICEMEN AWAY FROM HOME (L to R): Air Force Staff Sergeant Stanley Benjamin Brooks, son of the late Benjamin Robinson and Mrs. Mary F. Brooks of 2728 Prospect St., is serving a 30 month tour at Kadena Air Force Base in Okinawa; Airman Steven M. Lane, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lane, 700 Rosedale St., has completed basic training at Lackland's Air Force Base, Texas; Airman William L. Morton, 1969 graduate of Northwestern High has been assigned to Illinois Training School to prepare him as a fire protection specialist; Navy Seaman Recruit Raymond L. Branch, Jr., son of Raymond L. Branch Sr. of 705 N. Grantley St., was graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center in Great Lakes, Ill.; Navy Airman Recruit Andrew Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Jackson, 3114 Presbury St., is scheduled to report to Memphis, Tenn.; Navy Fireman Recruit James L. Palmer, son of Mrs. Amey Palmer, 2815 W. Lanvale St., will soon be aboard the USS William M. Wood, and Navy Seaman Recruit James L. Gause, 4017 The Alameda and graduate of Houston High is aboard the USS John F. Kennedy.

Servicemen In News

Navy WAVE Airman Apprentice Walnetta A. Hailey, daughter of Mrs. Ronnie M. Hailey of McAleer St., has reported for duty at Naval Air Station, San Diego.

A 1970 graduate of the Institute of Notre Dame, she joined the Navy in August, 1971.

Marine Pvt. George C. Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Ward of 1024 E. North Ave., Baltimore, Md., graduated from basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Parris Island, S.C.

Navy Airman Apprentice Michael C. Hennigan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin E. Hennigan Jr. of Forest Park Ave., has completed the Aviation Ordnancemen School at Jacksonville.

Aviation Ordnancemen maintain aircraft guns and accessories, as well as bombs and rockets with their launching equipment.

He is a 1971 graduate of Woodlawn High School.

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Navy Fireman Apprentice Dennis W. Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Roberts of Woodlawn Dr., completed the basic Machinists Mates School at Great Lakes, Ill.

Machinists Mates maintain shipboard engines and related equipment, hoists, elevators as well as food preparation, laundry and refrigeration equipment.

He is a 1968 graduate of Woodlawn High School, and a 1971 graduate of Catonsville Community College.

Navy Petty Officer Third Class James V. Lawrence, son of Mrs. Susan Lawrence of Spaulding Ave., and husband of the former Miss June H. Nelson Spellman Rd., is a crewmember of the Navy's newest tank landing ship, the USS Harlan County, which was christened last week at the Long Beach (Calif.) Naval Station.

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Marine Pfc. Michael E. Cockrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Cockrell, Forest Hill, has reported for duty at the Naval Station, Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif.

A former student of Cortez Peters Business College in Baltimore, he joined the Marine Corps in October 1971.

Navy Seaman Apprentice Joseph B. Valenza, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Valenza, Elsa Ter., is a crewmember of the Navy's newest tank landking ship the USS Harlan County, which was christened last week at the Long Beach (Calif.) Naval Station.

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Navy Airman Apprentice Willard M. Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robinson, Cherry Hill, graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center in Orlando.

A 1970 graduate of Southern High School, he is scheduled to report to Fleet Prep School, Memphis, Tenn.

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Navy Seaman Wallace S. Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Green Pulaski St., is a member of Attack Squadron 195 aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, homeported at Sand Diego and now operating in Southeast Asian waters with the Seventh fleet.

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Navy fireman Apprentice Nelson R. L. Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon N. Cole, Montpeller St., is cruising the Mediterranean Sea aboard the guided missile frigate USS Leahy, homeported at Norfolk, Va., and now operating with the Sixth Fleet.

ROTC cadets awarded Army scholarships

Two ROTC cadets at Morgan State College have been awarded two-year Army ROTC scholarships by the first United States Army.

Colonel Clarence M. Hurtt, chairman of the department of military science at Morgan State, announced that Oliver J. Patterson, Jr. and Christopher T. Zaklan, both members of the ROTC brigade at Morgan, have been awarded full tuition and fees, books and $100 per month for their final two years of college studies.

Patterson and Zaklan, both sophomores, were among the 147 scholarship winners in the First Army area and were chosen on the basis of scholarship, ROT participation and oncapus activities from among contestants from more than 285 college and universities.

Patterson, a mathematics major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver J. Patterson, Sr. of 708 Druid Lake Drive, and a graduate of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute.

Zaklan, a special student at the Northeast Baltimore institution is a graduate of Lakenheath American High School in Lakenheath, England and attended Henderson Junior College, Henderson, Kan. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Stephen J. Zaklan of Severn, Maryland.

Morgan ROTC program offers pay, leadership

Male college students who have not fullfilled their military obligation and would like to do so in a leadership position, and at a higher pay, may consider the Army ROTC two-year program being offered at Morgan State College.

This program is designed for college students who have not been enrolled in an Army ROTC program previously.

Applicants must be physically and mentally qualified and will attend a basic ROTC Summer Camp at Fort Knox, Ky. this summer for basic military instruction.

Pay for the basic camp is $432 plus travel pay to and from Fort Knox.

Upon successful completion of the basic camp, the student is enrolled in Advanced ROTC at his college and receives $100 per month during the school year and all books and uniforms necessary.

Between the junior and senior year of college the student attends the advanced ROTC Summer Camp of six weeks duration and is paid approximately $400 plus travel pay to and from the camp.

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During his senior year of college, the cadet may enroll in the ROTC Flight Program, if physically qualified, which leads to a private pilots' license at no expense to the student.

At graduation, he is commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Army and is obligated to serve on active duty for two years which is the same length of service for persons drafted into the armed forces.

Pay and allowances for a second lieutenant presently amounts to approximately $680 per month and increases to $800 per month by the end of his two year obligation.

Students who are interested in applying for or would like additional information about the Army ROTC two-year program should contact the Office of Military Science at Morgan State College, 323-2270, Ext. 236-327, or visit the Soldiers' Armory on the Morgan State campus.

Wash-and-wear clothing, synthetic and durable-press curtains, permanent press bed linens, plus paper napkins and paper towels and place mats have reduced the time spent at the ironing board.

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Pepper, the master spice, was once considered so precious it was substituted for currently.

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Camp King's Landing registration now on

King's Landing, the overnight YMCA resident camp for boys and girls, ages 7-14, is now accepting registrations.

The camp is located on a 285-acre site at Huntingtown, Calvert County, Maryland on the shores of the Patuxent River.

Four two-week sessions will begin on July 2, July 16, July 30, and August 13. Four-week periods have been scheduled for July 2nd and July 30.

A. P. Moss, Director of Camping, has announced the appointment of William Powell as director of the boys' camp program and Miss Pauline Edwards, director of the girls' program.

Powell is a professional YMCA director serving as the Adult Program Director of the Towson YMCA. He will also serve as resident program coordinator of the camp.

Miss Edwards is a student at Morgan State College. She has been on the Kings Landing staff for four years. Last year, she coordinated the Senior Division Camp program.

Youngsters need not be YMCA members, but registrations are limited. Additional information on camp activities may be obtained by phoning the Baltimore YMCA camping office 539-7350.

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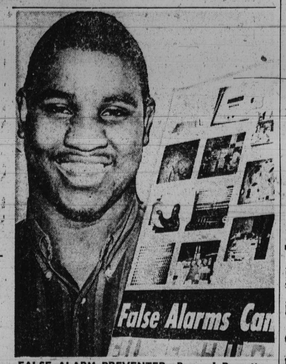
APRIL 29

The 19th Annual Baltimore YMCA Invitational Volleyball Tournament will be held on Saturday, April 29, at the Fifth Regiment Armory.

Entries will be limited to fifteen selected men's teams and ten women's teams. All entries must be postmarked on or before April 14.

For more information and registration contact Steve Orozco, physical director, Central YMCA, or call 539-7350.



FALSE ALARM PREVENTER—Bernard Burnette, 19, displays a poster he made and says something the Fire Department knows all too well: "False alarms can kill." Bernard recently visited the Department's communication headquarters and took the photographs shown on his display. He lives with his mother, Mrs. Rita Burnette, on Argyle Ave.

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