Housewives, mothers, grandmothers are returning to school in Baltimore

By Dr. Sidney Kobre

An upsurge in enrollment of womes students is being felt at the Community College of Baltimore.

Housewives, mothers and even grandmothers are signing up now for the fall semester courses on a part- or full-time basis. They are enrolling for courses given in the morning, afternoon or evening at the Liberty Campus or at the off-campus centers in all parts of the city.

Inquiry by this correspondent reveals that these women, whose ages range from 20 to 60, come to the college for various educational or vocational reasons. Generally, however, they want to become individuals in their own right.

They don't want to remain just homemakers — wives or mothers — subordinate in their families.

Women desire to become individuals, with views of their own and to follow their intellectual, artistic or community interests. They desire to pursue outside their homes careers in occupations of special interest to them.

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Some of the women, who have children or grandchildren, want to widen their educational backgrounds.

One woman student told me that she had not completed her high school education, but was enrolling to take courses in preparation for the high school equivalency examination. Another who had received her high school diploma already explained that she always desired to get a college education and degree.

CCB awards the associate in arts (A.A.) degree.

"I want to find out what's going on in the world. You know I read newspapers and watch television, but that isn't enough for me."

She and other women believe they can learn more by taking systematically a college course, taught by an experienced and knowledgeable instructor. These women enjoy the intellectual stimulation, the exchange of views and experiences of the classroom.

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Some of the women students enroll in courses in the social sciences — sociology, government, history — to get a better understanding of what is happening all around them.

Enrolling in courses in social problems, marriage and the family or juvenile delinquency, the homemakers become acquainted with the problems America faces.

A desire to learn more about people leads some to study psychology, particularly childhood education. Other women prefer the courses in science, such as anatomy and physiology, chemistry or astronomy.

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"I always wanted to paint or do some other artistic work," one mother of three told me. "Now I have the opportunity to take art and art appreciation courses.

"Last year I enrolled in the sculpture class and enjoyed it thoroughly. Other women students prefer the writing and literature classes, surveying English, American or black prose and poetry. Still others desire to increase their music appreciation, to sing or play an instrument."

Another large group of women are interested in rewarding career programs from which they will acquire personal satisfaction and financial returns. The women want to add to the family income. Mothers whose children are in college or are married desire to get out of the kitchen and prepare for a career (part- or full-time) in the business or professional world.

Some of the women students enroll in the business administration or secretarial science programs.

Others choose the social welfare, and still others, law-enforcement, physical education or recreation leadership. Desiring to become associated with the medical or dental professions, some of the women register for the nursing or the various therapy programs, others selecting mental health, medical records technology, dietetic technology or medical lab curriculums. Others wish to fulfill their earlier dream to become teachers, hence enroll in the teacher education curriculum.

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For further information and a catalogue of courses, write Director of Admissions Joseph Stein or Dean Herman E. Westerberg, Division of Continuing Education, sponsoring the evening classes and off-campus centers. You may reach them at CCB, 2901 Liberty Heights Avenue 21215 or call 462-5800. You may come to the college for a personal interview today.

A GRANDMOTHER, Mrs. Hattie Bill (left), works at the Spring Grove State Hospital and is a licensed practical nurse. She is attending the Community College of Baltimore to get her Associate in Arts degree so she may qualify for the registered nurse examination. Mrs. Shirley Pullum (right), who works at Bon Secours Hospital, has three children, and also is studying for the A.A. degree at the college.

Women Students' Center Planned

Responding to the needs of adult women students, the Community College of Baltimore is planning to establish a Returning Women's Student Center, where single, married women and mother (even grandmothers) can obtain educational and vocational counseling.

For further information on the center and to obtain a catalogue of courses, call Mrs. Patricia Dockendor, of the Day Division, or Mrs. Adele Fing, of the Division of Continuing Education, sponsoring classes for part-time students, at 462-5800. Two afternoon seminars will be held for women on August 7 and August 13 from 1 to 3 P.M., on the Liberty Campus.

Evening program at Morgan State

The Center for Continuing Education at Morgan State College has an extensive evening program for September, 1973. Opening simultaneously for 1,000 on Sept. 10 will be programs on the main campus, several courses in sociology at the Social Security Evening Center for Continuing Education, several courses in business administration and economics at the CAA Center, Prince George's County.

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Several hundred evening and day students with special permission will have registered Sept. 5 and 6 (Murphy Fine Arts Center).

Over 100 lower-level and upper-level courses in 29 fields are available.

Students will be those completing degrees in accounting, business administration, economics, history, political science, sociology or social welfare.

Supporting courses or major requirements are also available in many other fields. Many students will be entering college for the first time while others will be returning to college. Special counseling services, begun June 25 under the direction of Mr. M. Arthur Camper, are continuing straight through the summer.

SSA Evening Center

The SSA Evening Program held at the Woodlawn SSA complex includes Morgan's specialty in sociology and social welfare. Students in these classes will be SSA personnel as well as others in the northwest and Woodlawn area who may also enroll.

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Registration for these classes (Contemporary Social Problems, Cultural Anthropology, Criminology, Social Welfare As a Social Institution I and II) will be held Tuesday, August 28, in the Multipurpose Room at Woodlawn, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. There can also be registration for these classes on campus September 5 and 6, as indicated above.

Teacher status talks scheduled for Sept.

Issues related to the certification of teachers will be the subject of a series of regional meetings of the Professional Standards Board, an advisory body to the Maryland State Department of Education early next month.

The 15-member board, composed of educators and public representatives, has called meetings in Hagerstown on Aug. 1, Easton on Aug. 2, Linthicum on Aug. 7, and Waldorf on Aug. 8.

Subjects include alternative routes to teacher certification, basic requirements, types of certification renewal, and general certification regulations and philosophy.

Following the four regional meetings the Board will conduct a hearing on Sept. 14 for additional reactions to proposed revisions in state certification bylaws. It will present its bylaw revision recommendations to the State Board of Education on Oct. 31.

Individuals or organizations desiring to present oral or written views at the regional meetings should write the Professional Standards Board, Maryland State Department of Education, P.O. Box 8717, Baltimore, Maryland 21240.

THE SWEATER STORY—Montgomery Ward's coordinate for the little miss features the shirt and skirt in a one-piece combination for a neat back-to-school look. A crocheted short-sleeve sweater with elongated waist completes the total picture, priced at $10.50 Tri-color shoes tell the footwear story. Model Bevery Simon is all ready for her first day at Winston Elementary.

Retiring student member relates board experience

By Fletcher Roberts

Speaking just above a whisper, those listening seemingly transfixed by the youthful charm of her lone voice, then departing student commissioner Arlene Jenkins chose a delightful children's tale to recount her two years sport on the Board of School Commissioners.

"It reminded me of a conversation between a pig and a cow," she said wistfull.

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"The pig said to Mr. Cow, 'Mr. Cow, I envy you!'

"Mr. Cow said, 'Why, we are on the same farm.'"

"Mr. Pig said, 'I give people more than you do. Let's look at it Mr. C. w. You give them milk, you give them veal, you give them beef. But look at me. I give them hot dogs, pork chops, pig feet hog maws and chitterlings. If they eat all that, I give them high blood pressure too.'"

"Mr. Cow turned around to Mr. Pig and said, 'You know why people like me better than they like you? Because I learn and I give while I am living.'"

Her voice further dropping off to near silence as she deftly turned to face an enraptured audience, Miss Jenkins, now fully in command, pronounced solemnly, "education is the first achievement we must make in life."

"Education is not merely to teach, but to let those who have taught us know that we have learned to think," she continued.

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"I must be the first to say that you have done an outstanding job in making the student a worthwhile citizen, a thinking individual for the betterment of society," the poised and confident 17-year-old Walbrook High senior closed.

Moments earlier had witnessed the highly ceremonial on-stage exchange of seats by the student commissioners -- like an ancient rite of the initiation, the new replacing the old.

Outgoing were Miss Jenkins and Eric Douglass. Incoming were two males: Tyrone Francis, a 17-year-old City College senior and Robert Bruce, 17, a senior at Patterson Park.

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Miss Jenkins will attend Tugaloo College (Miss.) in the fall and a portion of her college experience she will serve as an exchange student at Brown University preparing for a career in law.

Mr. Douglass, having completed three successful years as an "A" course student at Polytechnic Institute, will attend the Military Prep School for his fourth year prior to attending West Point the following year.

Schools in northwest request $250G grant

DEBRA HALL, Montgomery Ward Teen Assistant is mad about plaid in a short crop top pant suit with brass hardware trim. A sculptured handbag tops the action, one of many teenage accessories from Wards.

A request for $250,000 under the Emergency School Aid Act (of 1972) will be made by residents of Northwest Baltimore to improve their five area schools.

The grant will be used to relieve minority group isolation in Govans, Leith Walk, Northwood, Waverly and Winston Elementary Schools.

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A public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 2 at 8 p.m. in the Messiah United Church of Christ, 5615 The Alameda. Interested persons are invited to hear details of the proposal and to offer suggestions for the final draft.

If the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare approves the application, diagnostic, prescriptive and treatment programs, are to be established to work with children during the formative years of their schooling.

The kindergarten through second grade project will affect about 3,000 children.

Sponsors hope this package will be a critical step necessary to stabilize the racial and social balance in the Northeast schools and to counter the trend toward re-segregating public education within the city limits.

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The proposal has been formulated during several recent community meetings under the leadership of the NSCO Elementary Education Committee, chaired by Dr. Catherine Byers and James B. Patterson.

Racially mixed representatives from participating groups have included the Baltimore City School System, Morgan State College, the League of Women Voters, Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc., Baltimore Teachers Union, the Catholic Social Services, and parents, teachers, students and principals from the schools involved.

Health center feeds 75 children

The Provident Comprehensive Neighborhood Health Center, a participant in Baltimore's Summer Lunch Program, feeds "nutritional lunches" daily to 75 area children.

The service was made possible by a $500 grant awarded the center in July by the Maryland Food Committee, Inc.

The on-going programs of the Provident Comprehensive Neighborhood Center are made possible by funds from the Office of Economic Opportunity to the Community Action Agency of Baltimore.

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STUDENT COMMISSIONERS — Outgoing student commissioner Miss Arlene Jenkins, a June graduate of Walbrook Senior High School, is seen flanked by on-coming student members of the Board of School Commissioners (r. to l.) Tyrone Francis, Baltimore City College and Robert Bruce, Patterson Park. Not pictured is Eric Douglass, another outgoing student commissioner who graduated in June.

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Lester Adams listed in H.S. Who's Who

LESTER ADAMS — This 6 ft. 2in., 175-lb young man is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Charles Adams, Sr. His brother is Thomas Charles Adams Jr., 23, who is a Western Electric employee and his sister, Miss Mary Catherine Adams, 19, a Social Security employee. His maternal grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Waters lives in Phoenix, Md., his paternal grandfather, William Adams, resides in Luthervilie. Lester is a sports enthusiast and plays basketball. Walt Frazier is his favorite. He likes to write poetry and short stories and would like to be a doctor.

Lester L. Adams, 16, a junior at the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute was recently notified that he is to be featured in the Seventh Annual Edition of WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, 1972-73, the latest student award publications in the nation.

Students from over 18,000 public, private and parochial high schools throughout the country are recognized for their leadership in academics, athletics, activities or community services in the book. Less than 2 percent of the junior and senior class students nationwide are awarded this recognition.

Young Adams is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Adams (Gertrude) of Rodpont Ave. in Northwest Baltimore. He is active in many sports and community services, and has won many awards for academics.

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In addition to having his biography published in the book, Lester will also compete for one of ten $1,000.00 scholarship awards, funded by the publishers and will be invited to participate in the firm's annual "Survey of High Achievers" later in the academic year.

He plans to attend college upon his graduation in June, 1974.

U of B names sports newsman

The University of Baltimore has named Arnold A. Quickley, former WBAL television reporter/anchorman, to head the University's sports information program.

Frank Szymanski, Athletic Director for the University, announced that Mr. Quickley's new responsibilities would include television, radio, and newspaper work for the University's six sports teams. Prior to his work at WBAL-TV, Mr. Quickley directed the news programming and air talent for WSID radio station.

BEFORE SCHOOL OPENS

Late summer vacation in Maryland's parks

Before school opens all citizens may have a late summer weekend vacation in Maryland's state parks, most of them free and equal to any trip to far away places. Most of all, they're close around and nearby.

State park camping opportunities are offered in all major topographic areas.

Seven parks in Western Maryland and the Piedmont region have a total of 319 campsites.

Two areas of Patapsco State Park near Baltimore have 160 spaces, while another Central Maryland park, Seneca Creek in Montgomery County has 45. In Southern Maryland there are 180 campsites located at Point Lookout and Cedarvile.

The Eastern Shore has 693 campsites at six State Parks.

FREE BROCHURE

A State Park camping brochure is available free upon request to the Maryland Park Service, Tawes State Office Building, Annapolis, Maryland 21401. It contains detailed descriptions of facilities, reservation procedures, and other important information.

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A total of 638,970 campers used the nearly 1,500 campsites provided in 17 Maryland State Parks during the year ending June 30.

Assateague State Park, with its 311 sites located on the three-mile stretch of State-owned Atlantic Coast shoreline in Worcester County, clocked 170,707 campers during the year, by far the most popular camping location in the system.

In second place was Shad Landing State Park, on the Pocomoke River, which attracted 95,647 campers to this unique environmental area which sports a marina and an Olympic sized swimming pool in addition to its 200 sites.

Elk Neck State Park, on the upper Chesapeake Bay in Cecil County, had 81,752 campers avail themselves of the 175 sites there.

The other State Park camping areas, in order of intensive use follow: Point Lookout (90 sites) 57,112; Patapsco (160) 40,374; Cedarville (90) 32,127; Deep Creek Lake (57) 28,540; Swallow Falls (125) 24,309; Martinak (30) 20,235; Milburn Landing (50) 14,670; Janes Island (27) 13,117; Seneca Creek (45) 12,997; Gambrill (35) 12,491; Fort Frederick (32) 10,549; New Germany (25) 10,323; Big Run (30) 9,234; and Washington Monument (14) 3,914.

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Pet animals at Harford Fair

Larry, a soda-drinking llama, and Zodiac, a fire engine red Scotch Highland calf, will be among five unusual guests attending the opening day festivities of the Bicentennial Fair on Aug. 20 at Harford Community College in Churchville, Md.

Kids can touch and feed Larry, Zodiac, Pee Wee (a pygmy goat), Flower (a baby guanaco which resembels a tiny llama) and Jack (the Donkey) or Honeycomb (a colt).

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Petting Zoo animals will be at the Fair on Monday, Aug. 20th from 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The fair will be from Monday, Aug. 20 through Saturday, Aug. 25 at Harford Community College in Churchville.

Nursing school

The Practical Nursing Students will hold graduation exercises at the Patterson High School Auditorium, Kane Street, on Sept. 7 at 8 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Douglas Carroll, Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

The Director of Nursing Education is Mrs. Ruth H. Leslie, R.N. and Director of Nursing Service is Miss Jesse Abbot, R.N.

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