MUSEUM OF ART 60th Birthday celebration witnessed many scenes as recorded by the camera of a museum official, John H. Murphy III. From left are Tom Freudenheim, director; a young mother buying birthday cupcakes for four; a baby sleeps while his grandpop hangs on to his lemon peppermint stick; a youngster writes Happy Birthday on a free balloon; "hot dogs taste good in the holiday mood" and "time out to read a comic book."

Civil Rights specialists prepare for youth jobs

MEMORIAL WEEKEND — The Thirdworld Museum and Association celebrating its conjunctive African Day Liberation this weekend will feature several interesting cultural activities including a children's hour. This year's theme, 'A Block Away,' will project the events in the context of Afro-American Life Style. Always featuring a horse or two, the preparation of this year's affairs shows young participants, David Connely, Anne Fortson, Andrew Watts and Bernard Wilson, leading their horses.

Baltimore Afro American

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Jim Parker supports Bert Dorsey for sheriff

In a telegram sent to Bertram Dorsey, assistant chief inspector of the Liquor Board and a fromer deputy sheriff, Jim Parker, former Colt football star, withdrew his name as a possible contender in the September primary race for the office of sheriff.

Although Parker had not officially filed, it was rumored he was due to run for sheriff.

Mr. Dorsey, who ran in 1970 for the sheriff seat finished second with more than 24,000 votes. The incumbent, Frank Pelz, polled slightly more than 37,000 votes. Pelz, who recently submitted his resignation to Gov. Mandel, is under Indictment for malfeasance in office.

Mr. Parker says, "I decided to throw wholehearted support to Mr. Dorsey because I feel he is qualified and with his experience, I think he will make a great sheriff."

Dorsey says unity within the black community is required to gain control of major city offices. The election of 1970 saw black a state's attorney and the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas elected through unity.

Gay St. Mall delayed

The Department of Transit and Traffic has announced that there will be a 30-day delay in construction of the Gay Street Mall.

The mall is scheduled to take in an area between Orleans and Aisquith Sts. and Eden and Chase Sts. Beautification is to include trees, flower pots and benches.

Postponement was caused by too high constructions bids so far received. DTT states that plans for the mall will be modified so as not to exceed funds now on hand for construction.

Job program to aid disadvantaged youths

The 1974 Summer Youth Opportunity Program of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration is in full swing.

Now in its ninth year, the program is designed to obtain summer jobs for youths with State highway departments and with private contractors working on Federal-aid road projects.

The program runs from the middle of May until the end of September.

FHWA anticipates that more than half of the youths hired will be from ghetto areas.

To provide additional impetus to the Summer Youth Program, Civil Rights specialist John Yoshino of FHWA's Office of Civil Rights, who directs the program and Information Officer William E. Johnson of FHWA's Office of Public Affairs visited Baltimore on May 13 for a meeting with the Maryland Contractors Association representatives and State Department of Transportation officials.

Purpose of the meeting was to promote the 1974 program for the disadvantaged and minority youth (ages 16-21).

Also, to review the Maryland State Department of Transportation's success with the program last year and solicit its continued support by increasing the number of jobs for youths and to request the State highway contract suppliers and other private firms operating within the transportation industry to provide job opportunities for youths.

Participating in the meeting were: [illegible] Soden, FHWA Regional [illegible] Rig[illegible] Inc. more; William Chapman, EEO specialist, FHWA Regional Office, Baltimore; James Hester, Chief, Equal Opportunity Unit, Maryland Department of Transportation.

Also, Bill Hardy, representing the Maryland Highway Contractors Association; Bill Shook, Assistant Chief Engineer, Maryland DOT; and Arnold Jolivet, Personnel Administration, Maryland state Highway Administration.

At the meeting Mr. Yoshino urged enthusiastic cooperation between all sectors to insure the continued success of the Summer Youth Program. Mr. Hester pledged the State of Maryland's support and concern, and stated that the Maryland Department of Transportation had requested 500 positions for this year's program, 220 of which would be filled by 1973 returnees.

Mr. Hardy also indicated support for the program, and said that for 1974, Maryland highway contractors have pledged 330 jobs (Statewide) to the program. Two-hundred and ninety of these jobs will go to disadvantaged youths.

The types of jobs provided under the program include rural area construction, landscape work, site clearing for scenic vistas, location and construction surveys, testing laboratories, construction inspection activities, road inventories; and clerical work.

FHWA officials point out these type of jobs are particularly suitable because they can be performed with very little advance training or preparation. At the same time, for many youths it will be experience that can lead later to permanent jobs in the highway construction field.

Mr. Shook and Mr. Jolivet suggested that new opportunities for youth jobs might exist with the numerous consultants who have received State contracts in highway design, engineering and landscaping. Such jobs would provide a greater degree of substantial work opportunities for youths.

Koger uncertain model council rests on firm financial base

By Fletcher Roberts

Earl Koger, Sr., retired businessman and publisher of a bi-monthly newsletter, is still unconvinced that a certain Model Cities area council has rectified its long-standing money woes.

Despite agency declarations of improved fiscal management, Mr. Koger suspects either "wrong doing at the top or an attempted coverup" is responsible for continued fund abuse.

So incensed is Mr. Koger that he is calling for a federal grand jury investigation.

"It's federal money. I oan't see why they haven't done anything about it. Aren't they interested?" Mr. Koger wants to know.

More than one year ago Mr. Koger first wrote then Model Cities Director William Sykes complaining of the "sordid and wasteful practices you (Mr. Sykes) are permitting in Area D."

In an accompanying letter Mr. Koger detailed nine management irregularities he had observed while vice-president of the Area D Board.

One such citation was a $600 expenditure for travel expenses to Detroit for the area director and chairman.

Mr. Koger contends that that money was spent "without authorization by the Board or General Membership." Moreover, he states, that one-way

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Mr. Allen joins race for court clerk's seat

William Allen has announced his candidacy for the clerk of the Criminal Court.

Mr. Allen became the first black deputy clerk in the court's system 10 years ago. Since 1965, he has been the docket clerk, instrumental in serving the black community.

Mr. Allen has been one of the supporters of the Merit System believing the system will protect the security of the clerks.

The Criminal Court candidate has had a wide experience in several fields. He was a supply clerk with the U.S. Armed Forces in Germany between 1961 to 1963. He has also worked with the University Hospital Medical Records Division and the Department of Social Services.

Mr. Allen graduated from Douglass High School and has attended Coppin and Morgan State Colleges, majoring in Business Administration and Office Practice.

He is a member of the Morning Star Baptist Church and the editor of the church's Year Book. He is married to the former Delores E. Hamilton.

Clergymen cite rising crime, set urgent meeting for Saturday

The Ministers' Committee dedicating its duties to reducing crime in the streets has issued an urgent call to all citizens to attend a meeting Saturday, May 25.

The 10 a.m. session is at Mt. Olive Freewill Baptist Church, 290 N. Fremont Ave. where Bishop Leo K. Caeser is pastor.

The urgent appeal issued by the Rev. Edward M. Revels, chairman, is described as "most urgent."

The statement signed by the officials of the group of clergymen states:

"It was said at the last meeting that most of the crimes and trouble we are having today, come from the lack of training in our homes.

"Take a side or walk down the streets; you will see many boys and girls hooking school. On almost all the street corners you will see young men and women who are school dropouts.

"Delivery trucks, cars and homes are broken into. People are robbed in the open day time all over the city.

"Two or three Sundays ago, a 74-year-old woman was on her way home from church about 2:30 p.m. and was knocked down and robbed by a group of young boys. Even though there were two other persons with her, this happened.

"Today's newspapers are full of crime new. We are not safe in our homes, in the streets or shopping in stores.

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"THE BIG QUESTIONS ARE: How can we reach and approach these young boys and girls who are hooking school and these school drop outs?

What can we say or do? Will you come to the meeting this Saturday and share your thoughts with us at 10:00 a.m. sharp?

"This is a very important meeting.

"Just as we closed this letter, a call was received from a pastor of a large church here in the city telling me they broke into his church last night. This makes the fourth church in two months. This should say something to all pastors."

CORRECTION

In the Tuesday AFRO issue a release from Cong. Parren J. Mitchell's office erroneously stated Miss Alva V. Hunt, a Morgan State College senior awarded $500 Mitchell scholarship, is married and has six children. Miss Hunt is, in fact, unmarried and has no children

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WINNERS at Ping-Pong are Lisa Hendrix, 11, a 5th grader at Grove Park Elementary School and member of the Grove Park Rec Center and (right) Runner-up Sonya Queen, 11, 6th grader at Calloway Elementary School and member of the Webster Kendrix Rec Center; center, is the director of Grove Park Rec center, Melvin Williams.

Holiday-May 27 Memorial Day

CLOSED: banks, schools, courts, all state and federal offices, and Post Office.

OPEN: Police and Fire departments. For Fire Emergency call 685-1313; ambulance 396-1111; Police 222-3333.

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THROUGH THE THIRD DEGREE

Elements of masonry are taught at Hiram School of Instruction

By Marie P. Cooke
AFRO Women's Editor

"Life is indeed beautiful if you live it for your fellow man." James D. Elliott—32°

And it can be said and perhaps proven that the lives of the 1,200 members of the Most Worshipful Hiram Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Inc. are beautiful . . . Indeed.

Stemming through the ages masonry has been termed as a "secret society" but it is not. It is a society with secrets.

A man is not born into masonry. Neither does he sign his name on the dotted line and automatically become a member. Although he does join the jurisdiction of his own free will and accord, there are certain guidelines that must be followed.

He must be at least 21 years old, well recommended of good moral and social standing. He does not have to be a christian, but he has to believe in God or a Supreme Being.

The men come from all walks of life. doctors, lawyers, army personnel and laymen are found within the Hiram Lodge.

After the applicant is initiated into a lodge (known as his blue lodge) and passes through the first two degrees, he is then ready to take the next step to become a master mason

The third degree again, that does not come automatically either.

Free masonry in itself is a science of morality and an informed mason is a good mason. It's James Elliott's job to see to it that the men are taught the elements of the organization.

Brother Elliott is the Grand Lecturer of the Hiram Grand Lodge School of Instruction. He was appointed to serve a one-year term by the head of the jurisdiction, Grand Master John V. Thornton. He is re-appointed to serve additional terms at the Grand Master's pleasure.

Under his skillfull hands and those of his assistants, Leonidas Fowlkes, Joseph Barnett, Robert Bronson and George B. Dozier, the grand lecturer meets with his subordinates weekly at the Eutaw Place lodge and explains the various segments of masonry.

"The teachings of master masonry are beautiful if a men truly practices them," says Mr. Elliott. "Our purpose is, of course, to draw human

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The Hiram Grand Lodge, located at Eutaw and Dolphin Sts., was organized in 1924 and, today, has some 1,200 members.

"You (graduates) are small in number . . . but give me ten men who are stouthearted men and I'll give you a 150 more."

James D. Elliott
Grand Lecturer

"To me, masonry, in the final analysis, is a way of life, a theory of life, a philosophy of life. It manifests itself in our daily contacts with our fellow man. It is not what the tongue proclaims, but what the heart contains."

Brother James E. Taylor
member, 1974 class

". . . let me remind you to be careful not to step on heads while climbing the ladder because you might need their hands to help you down."

Brother Wardell Young
Past Grand Lecturer

Assistant Grand Lecturer, Leonidas Fowlkes and Brother Lorenzo Bates make last minute preparations for the Grand Lecturer's Ball.

Brother Edward Williams takes a few minutes to read the Constitution and By-Laws of the Most Worshipful Hiram Grand Lodge.

Grand Lecturer James D. Elliott, right, listens attentively to students, Abraham McCauley, Jr., left and Ralph Garrison. Brother McCauley gave the farewell address at the commencement exercises.

AFRO staff photos by Benjamin Murphy Phillips, IV

"The true mason seeks light that darkness may be dispelled, and knowledge that ignorance may be removed."

Book of Constitution and By-Laws

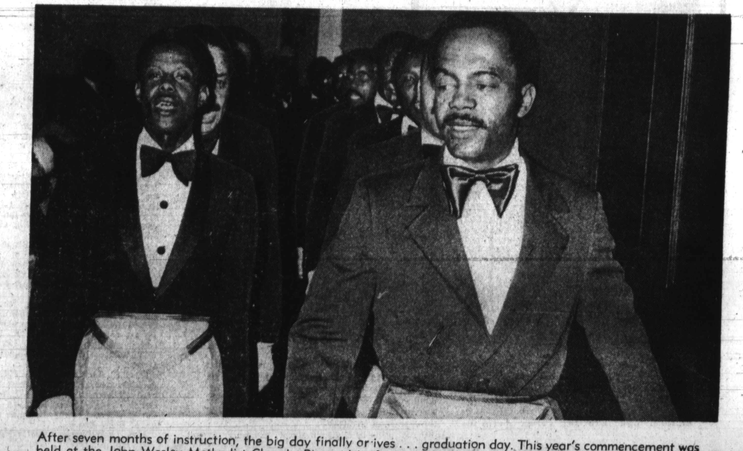
"Good deeds do not go unnoticed to your peers. Recommend masonry to the world by your conduct. Practice it everyday . . . all of its duties and obligations."

John V. Thornton
Grand Master

"Masons take good men and make better men of them."

Clarence Wycoff
Grand Master-Emeritus

Brother George B. Dozier, secretary to the Grand Lecturer, assists in many ways, like helping Brother Eddie P. Brown with his bow tie.



After seven months of instruction, the big day finally arrives . . . graduation day. This year's commencement was held at the John Wesley Methodist Church. Pictured in front are Brothers Julius Bingham and Dillon Huntley.

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