WHEN BLACK ART was presented Sunday, Edward Johnson, a private artist and the AFRO's Thomas A. Stockett (right center) were on hand for the show. Stockett's paintings above in photo by Roman Hankewycz were popular and included one prize winner in a former exhibit.

Beating victim turns aggressor?

A 19-year-old Northwest Baltimore grocer who called police when a customer entered into a fight with him in his store, was hit in the head with a night stick by an officer arriving on the scene Tuesday afternoon.

However, by a twist of irony, Maurice Ford, 3300 block Spaulding Ave., who is nursing a deep head wound, is charged with resisting arrest and assaulting police officers.

His trial is set for July 2 in the Northwestern District Court.

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Northwestern Officer William Port states upon arrival he observed Mr. Ford beating 18-year-old Larry Yerby, 5000 block Litchefield Ave., in the face.

After attempts by him and another officer to pull Ford away failed and, because he could not use mace due to the presence of a large number of juveniles, "I struck the victim on the head with my night stick."

According to Officer Port he then arrested both Yerby and Ford who was transported to Sinai Hospital for treatment. Yerby refused treatment, Officer Port wrote in his report.

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Off-duty Officer Donald Reid reports he arrived on the scene and as he tried to separate the fighters, Ford struck him in the mouth, causing a slight cut.

Then, he states in a composite report, he and Officer Port subdued Ford after Officer Port hit Ford on the head. When Ford hit the ground he was handcuffed.

Ford told the AFRO after several provocations by Yerby, he ordered him to leave the store located in the 3600 block W. Belvedere Ave.

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He said as he got over the counter to throw Yerby out, he was struck with a fist. He returned the blow and in the melee that ensued he was further assaulted by a youth who was with Yerby.

He said his father broke up the fight and called the police. According to Ford he was leading the officer to the home of Yerby when he was attacked.

He said as the officer looked on while he defended himself he was suddenly hit on the head and he fell.

Police detained him in the Northwestern District overnight without giving him right to make a phone call or talk to his attorney, he told the AFRO.

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HIT MAYOR FOR SCHOOL BILL

Concerned Black Citizens 'tired of smears, attacks'

Still smarting over what they describe as the vicious attacks by city officials on black officials, the Concerned Black Citizens met Tuesday at the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper office to continue plans to mobilize the black community.

"In the very near future," said a spokesman, "we plan to address the Board of Estimates. We are tired of the smears and attacks on highly placed officials and other black citizens."

This past Tuesday evening's meeting was the third such gathering of citizens representing a cross-section of the black community.

The first meeting on June 5, came after the group was aroused by what it called "unwarranted, politically motivated intrusion into our community's educational system by Mayor Schaefer, City Council President Orlinsky and other elected officials."

It was triggered after an audit ordered by city officials claimed mismanagement of the school budget by the city's first

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Brailey leaves July 8 on African visit

DEL. TROY BRAILEY

Delegate Troy Brailey leaves here July 8 on a two-week visit to Central African Republic at the invitation of U.S. Ambassador William Dale.

Relatives and friends are organizing a bon-voyage party for the delegate the day before his departure. Mr. Brailey will leave from Dullas with a stopover in Paris.

While in Africa, Mr. Brailey will visit Bangui and other cities.

Earlier this month, Del. Brailey was presented the round-trip air fare and official invitation from Ambassador Dale.

The ambassador has scheduled an audience for Del. Brailey with President Bokassa of the Central African Republic as well as many other dignitaries.

Allen files today for reelection

Milton B. Allen, State's Attorney for Baltimore City, filed today (Friday) for reelection for another four-year term.

"I have never had a greater sense of mission and of service to this community, but there is much unfinished business to attend," Mr. Allen said.

"My greatest ambition," the State's Attorney explained, "is to restore public confidence in the criminal justice system, which I consider to be the backbone of a civilized society.

"The citizens must feel that rich and poor are treated alike when they stand before the Bar of Justice, and that equal protection, and equal enforcement of the law is not a mere platitude."

Oaks Files for Central Committee

Nathaniel Oaks, a northwest Baltimore community activist, declared his candidacy for election to the Democratic State Central Committee from the 41st Legislative District.

Mr. Oaks 27, a member of the Five in Five Democratic Club and the Northwest Civic Forum, Inc., has been active in political and civic affairs for the last six years.

Dr. Curtis N. Adams has agreed to serve as his campaign treasurer.

Miss Jefferson Files

Miss Barbara Jefferson filed Thursday for Clerk of the Criminal Court of Baltimore.

The filing took place at the headquarters of the Board of Elections Supervisors, Fayette and Gay Sts.

Cong. Mitchell files for his third term

Congressman Parren J. Mitchell filed for re-election to the U.S. House of Representatives last Monday.

Calling for support, encouragement and assistance, the outspoken 7th District congressman said he has never hesitated to take a stand on controversial issues and he would not hesitate to do so in the future.

"I have not forgotten where I came from, I understand where we are at present, and I remember full well the direction in which we should be moving. In short, I have continued to pledge to create a new politics and I will not yield on that pledge," Mr. Mitchell stated.

Elected to the House in 1970, Mr. Mitchell said he has kept his pledge to the people and stayed in close contact informing them on legislative and administrative developments in Washington.

Since his election, he said, he has met with citizen groups, associations and organizations on more than 500 occasions. Mr. Mitchell said of 2,000 letters and 1,800 telephone calls received each week most of which come from people needing assistance, 77 per cent of the problems were resolved to the satisfaction of the constituent.

Among his accomplishments are his persistent stand on the new minimum wage law the increased numbers of minority businessmen receiving contracts, the saving of the anti-poverty programs, the freeing up of some of the impounded housing funds needed by Baltimore city, and the fight to get funds required to build a new federal reserve bank building in Baltimore inner harbor project.

Cab drivers sue company for gas hiking

Drivers of the Checker Cab Co. filed a $1 million suit against the company this morning (Friday) before Chief Judge Edward S. Northrop in Federal Court.

The Organization of Baltimore Cab Drivers, Inc., represented by Attorneys A. Dwight Pettit and Leroy Carroll, charged that the cab company breached a 1971 contract agreement when it raised its gasoline price from $.44 to $.50 on June 10. The three-year contract runs until September, 1974.

Labor experts have said that the case could set a precedence for other cab drivers. The gas increase is said to be an initial step in the cab companies' quest to raise the fare from $.50 to $.70, or even $.90.

Jordon not retiring from corrections post

State Secretary of Corrections James Jordon, 49, denied rumors that he submitted his resignation to the governor this week under his doctor's orders

Jordon has been on medical leave since March 15, when he had his second heart attack since being appointed to his present post in 1970. He suffered his first attack in June, 1972.

The AFRO caught wind that Jordon had an appointment to see Gov. Mandel Tuesday afternoon. It was thought by many that he was taking an early retirement.

"I've been home since my attack drawing salary. So I feel that I owe the governor the courtesy to apprise him of my medical condition," said Jordon, explaining the visit to this AFRO reporter Wednesday morning. It was his second visit the governor's office in two months.

He further said that his doctor and Gov. Mandel have both advised him to "cool it" and "take it easy". However, Jordon admits that due to recent altercations with his boss, Department of Safety and Corrections, Secretary, Robert Lally, he has had trouble following the doctor's orders.

Lally rejected Jordon's recommendations for five top penal positions, including the Maryland State Penitentiary warden and director of the state prison camp system. Assistant Warden, McLindsay Hawkins and Elmondus Herndon were recommended for those positions.

Jordon says he sees his physician every two weeks but still doesn't know whether or not he will let him go back to work.

"It's frustrating for me not knowing what the future holds for me," Jordon said, adding, "Nobody wants to give up their job."

Bd. of Estimates hit by Gwynns Falls principal

By Bill Rhoden

The Schaefer administration is under attack again, this time from Isaiah White, the outspoken principal of Gwynns Falls Park Junior High School.

Mr. White was to have attended the Administrators' Leadership Conference Right to Read Clinic in San Diego, Calif. July 11-13.

But the Board of Estimates, (namely City Comptroller Hyman Pressman and City Council vice president Joseph Curran), voted down Mr. White's trip but approved trip request for four other administrators.

When informed of the board's decision White said it is another example of "the paternalistic attitude which prevails in City Hall."

The principal said the Estimate's decision to void only his trip "is due to the fact that I've been rather vocal in my criticism of City Hall."

Mr. White was one of the first administrators to publicly blast the administration for ordering a partial audit of the school system.

He also criticized many City Hall politicians for their alleged involvement in a scheme to oust Dr. Patterson, the school superintendent.

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"I know for a fact that the letter I wrote criticizing the audit didn't set too well with them (city administration)," he said adding that "this is just an underhanded attempt by little men to get even."

Mr. White has attended two previous Right to Read Conferences; one in Atlanta last December and another in New Orleans last month.

Both times he was accompanied by the same four people and both times he received a personal letter from the clinic's national director, Charles Jones, thanking him for his outstanding contribution and requesting his presence at the next conference.

It seems strange, said Mr. White, that in the wake of his criticism of the Schaefer administration, he is the only one rejected

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Preventing the tragic turns into tragedy

How would you feel if the vacant building next door catches fire three times a day? What if all city officials give you the runaround in your effort to get help?

As this does not affect you directly maybe you will not seriously think about it.

But if you put yourself in the place of David Moore in particular and 35 other residents in the 500 block N. Payson St., you will realize how frustrating the experience is.

Mr. Moore who is immediately affected by this, rallied the support of neighborhood residents and, armed with 35 signatures, tried to reach various city officials for help.

He told the AFRO Thursday afternoon, "All city officials contacted including those in City Hall gave me the run around. He further stated:

"On June 18, I visited several agencies to see if something can be done about this dwelling. First I started at City Hall, from there I was referred to the Department of Health who in turn referred me to the Department of Sanitation.

"There a Mr. Block referred me to the Housing Development and they referred me to a Mr. Don Parker of Building Inspection and he in turn referred me to 1313 Druid Hill Ave."

Distraught Mr. Moore told the AFRO, "My only concern is because I live next door to this vacant house. I think that something should be done immediately before something tragic happens."

School's out

By Bill Rhoden

More than 182,000 school students are harmonizing "school is out" as Baltimore's school system rounds out its 106th year of operation today (Friday).

Singing along with the students are the city's 8,600 teachers, some of whom will return to work Monday and/or Tuesday to finalize student records.

But instead of deciding where they will take their long awaited vacations, many teachers (and students) are trying to figure out what school they will be assigned in September.

If the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare accepts a recently submitted school desegregation plan for Baltimore City, there is a great possibility that a number of students and teachers may be in different schools next fall.

The plan was submitted last week in response to a HEW directive ordering the city to desegregate its 70 per cent black public school system. The directive also ordered the school system to desegregate its faculty, staff and administration.

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In previous years the student's final report card was enough to get him or her into the school of his or her choice.

But the plan submitted to HEW would all but curtail open enrollment by "zoning in" certain comprehensive schools (which, in effect, "zones out" students in another area).

What this means is that some students who have historically attended a particular junior or senior high, despite the fact that they live closer to another school, will now be forced to attend the school in his particular area.

What remains a mystery, however, is how the school system plans to implement the plan by September.

According to Paul L. Vance, deputy superintendent of executive matters, the regional staff has been told to "reorganize the schools in the same manner as they have been doing," using the open enrollment policy.

"There is so much indecision right now as to what is going to happen in September," said Vance. "But we can't send 185,000 youngsters home without some kind of plan."

A directive was sent by Vance to each of the nine regional superintendents telling them to plan for September in the normal manner until HEW promulgates its decision.

But the directive emphasized, "If and when we have to implement a desegregation plan, we will have to immediately reorganize the school system."

HEW is expected to reveal its decision on the plan within the next two weeks.

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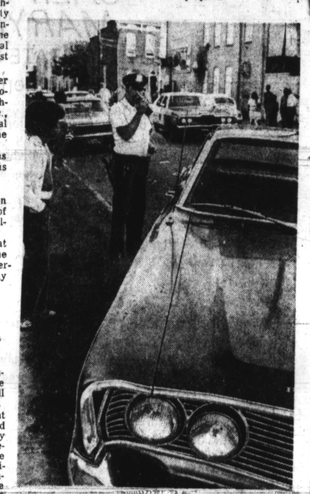
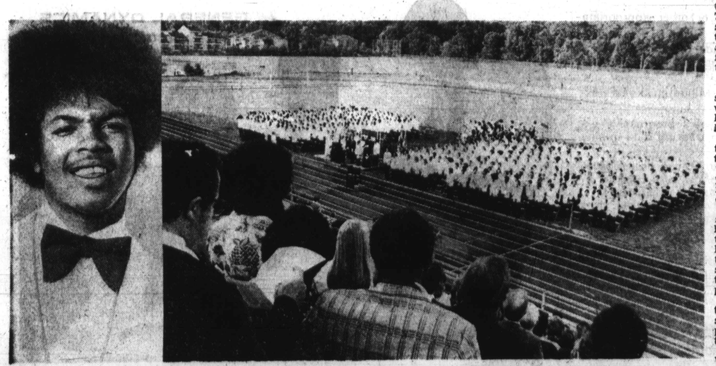
Meantime, summer school will begin as scheduled July 1 and end August 9. The next fall term begins Tuesday, Sept. 3 for teachers and Thursday, Sept. 4 for students.



POLICE CHASE COMES TO AN END in the 2700 block of Mathew Ave., just off of Greenmount Ave., Monday, about 7:00 p.m., after a policeman gave chase after 4 suspects in a stolen car, 3 were apprehended, the fourth escaped, after both cars collided with each other and bystanding cars on the street.

(AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz).



POLY GRADS—At ceremonies held at Baltimore Polytechnic's school stadium, June 18, spectators filled the stadium to capacity. One of the graduates, Rodney K. Clark, was a winner of the National Merit and National Achievement Scholarship awards, and is a member of the National Honor Society.

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OFF TO A BRAVE NEW WORLD — Friendship International Airport was the recent Sunday morning departure sight for Jerome Powers and Mark Richardson as they bid farewell to their family and friends. The youngsters, both recent Walbrook Senior High School graduates were awarded full scholarships to Tuskegee Institute, Alabama where they will major in electrical engineering. From left are: Lee Lassister, president of Tuskegee Alumni; Jerome Powers; Mrs. Anne Emery, principal of Walbrook and Tuskegee Alumni member; Mark Richardson; Mrs. Lee Lassister, and Vallen Emery, both Tuskegee Alumni members.

(AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Murphy Phillips IV)

MOM EMERY WON'T QUIT

Walbrook grads college bound

What happens when you graduate from high school one of the highest academically ranked, a sports star, an all around liked guy — but fail to get much needed financial aid to go on to college?

Maybe you'd get stuck in a dead-end job that you'll hate.

Maybe you'd work and eventually get to college, but having wasted your youthful, enthusiastic years.

"If you're "lucky" you'd get a full four-year scholarship to a top-grade college, and thanks to your high school principal who doesn't know what the word "quit" means.

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With graduation over, Mrs. Anne Emery, principal of Walbrook High School, refused to give up trying to get the last few members of the Walbrook High School graduating class of 800 into college.

Pulling together the names of her grads with SAT (college entrance test scores), she contacted her alma mater, Tuskegee Institute, and described the need.

Prime exemples were Mark Richardson and Jerome Powers, who both have very high academic standings, finishing in the top 10th of the class in less than the usual three years.

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In answer to Mrs. Emery's call a Tuskegee recruiting team came to Walbrook and handed out several dozen $2,000 a-year, for four years, scholarships.

Both Mark and Jerome were told they could enter the Tuskegee School of Engineering, this summer.

The engineering school works under a special system and requires entering freshment to enroll and attend a summer session.

To enter the course the boys would have to leave immediately.

But they and their parents did not have the funds needed for an immediate trip.

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It appeared that they would not be able to take advantage of their "luck."

After the interviews, Mrs. Emery meeting with officers of the Baltimore Tuskegee Alumni Club, who were hosting the recruitment team to dinner, mentioned the two boys and their problem.

She didn't know the meaning of giving up hope or quitting.

The officers of the club responded to her concern and it was agreed that the club would pick up the tab for immediate departure of the two boys.

Mark and Jerome left on a flight out of Baltimore-Washington International Sunday to seek their future at the Tuskegee School of Engineering.

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Their personal efforts and gains, as well as those of the other Walbrook students, insured them as persons capable of making it.

The concerned efforts of people such as Mrs. Emery, members of the Baltimore Tuskegee Alumni Association and the Tuskegee recruitment team insured that they would get the opportunity to make it.

Mrs. Marguerite Powers, mother and the Rev. John Wright, uncle of Jerome Powers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson, proud parents of Mark Richardson.

R.S.V.P. with Marie

Forrester ordination tonight

By Michele L. McRae
AFRO staff writer

A number of visitors will be in Baltimore this weekend for the ordination of Father Joseph L. B. Forrester, III. Event takes place tonight, (Friday), at St. James Episcopal Church, Lafayette Square.

Here from his native Nashvile, Tennessee, are his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph L. B. Forrester, Jr., (Jeannette) and his grandfather, W. B. Layton, formerly the supervisor of Boys' School of Hanover, Va., now of Nashville.

Mrs. Forrester's (Karen), parents, Dr. and Mrs. Louis Schuster, of Waterbury, Conn, are here.

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More national folks in town for the ordination include family friends, Mrs. Z. Alexander Looby, a widow of the famed civil rights lawyer; Mrs. A. A. Birch Jr. and children; the new priest's sisters, Miss Betty Jean Forrester of Nashville, and Mrs. Mary Ellen Hollands and her husband, King M. Hollands, also of Nashville.

His brother, William M. Forrester, is here from Kent State University, where he is in graduate school.

More relatives and friends here are sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Christopher (Bennye) Dotye and children of Nashville and from D.C., Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Layton; Mr and Mrs. Benjamin T. Layton and Mrs. Forrester's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schuster, Jr., of Columbus, Ohio.

Other Relatives here, include, Mr. and Mrs. Booker T. Bradshaw Jr., and their son Booker 3rd, of Los Angeles; Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Bright; Dr. and Mrs. William M. T. Forrester; and from Oklahoma City, Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Finley and son, G.E. Finley, Jr.

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William (Bill) Loggins, who has been here visiting relatives from his home in Los Angeles, should be back home on the west coast by the time you read this.

He has been here in Baltimore since May 17, for the funeral of his brother-in-law, James L. Rigby, the retired Laurens St. barber.

The late Mr. Rigby was married to Mr. Loggins' sister, Evelyn.

Deb reception

Also among the recent debutants receptions feting those 1974 Me-De-So Club debs was that of Miss Manya Bernard hosted by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bernard in the beautifully decorated ballroom of the Holiday Inn, Park Heights Ave.

Dressed in her debut gown of white poi-de-soie trimmed in lace, the honoree carried a bouquet of rust colored chysanthemums, a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Edward Hunt.

In the receiving line, Mrs. Essie Sutton, who introduced the guests; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Swafford, (Shirley), godparents of the deb; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Benard (Regina) parents of the deb; Manya Lynn; and her sponsors, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Hunt, (Ruth).

Surprise party

An Oriental style set the pace for the gala surprise birthday party for Lydell Mitchell of the Baltimore Colts. Guests who included his mother, Mrs. Pauline Mitchell; sister, Ms. Frances Mitchell; aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. William Bentley of Salem, N.J.

Other guests included, Gloria Jones, Brenda Robinson, Evelyn Johnson, Toni and Marcia Porter, Eleanor Everett, Cathy Belin, April Highsmith, Dorothy Parker, Benita Merritt, Ira McCullch, Jim Alen, John Daniel.

And Melbert Martin, Stan Johnson, Larry Williams, Victory Green, Art Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Thaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bessicks.

Highlights of the affair included a chinese cuisine, the toasting of champagne and cutting of the cake which symbolized the football field.

Graduate recognition

Morgan State College Evening Student Council recently paid tribute to graduates of the Division of Continuing Education, and the person who had been most responsible for their achievement. It was in the Blue Room of the Holiday Inn, Joppa Rd. and Loch Raven Blvd. Guest speaker for the affair was William H. Nelson Jr. Esquire, Assistant States Attorney, Baltimore City. He is also an instruc-

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The beautifully decorated ballroom of the Holiday Inn, Park Heights was the recent setting for the debutante reception of Miss Manya Lynn Bernard. Among those in the receiving line from left are: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hunt, sponsors; the honoree; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bernard, parents; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Swafford, godparents and Mrs. Essie Sutton, who introduced guests through the line.

These lovely ladies are the latest addition to The Links, Inc., Baltimore Chapter. Among them are Mesdames Ruh Glenn, Alice Russell, Marion Russell, Robbie Chissell, Gerri Deshordes, Pearl Brackett, Ada Hackett and Barbara Patterson.

LINKS, INC.

Eight new members

"The eastern region of the United States became the birthplace and the cradle of our national independence and liberty. The city was Philadelphia. This famous city is credited with another significant 'first'. As that city had proclaimed the love of liberty to the rest of this nation, so has that city given birth to an organization which proclaims public service and educating for democracy to the rest of the nation.

"That organization is The Links, Incorporated. The year was 1946. Two years after the founding of the organization, a group of forward-looking and progressive women of Baltimore, Md. joined this expanding organization and thereby added another bright jewel in a growing diadem of rich luster."

And recently making the jewel a little brighter was the Baltimore chapter which installed eight new members to its organization.

They are: Mesdames Ruth Glenn, Alice Russell, Marion Russell, Robbie Chissell, Gerri Deshordes, Pearl Brackett, Ada Hackett, and Barbara Patterson. Also among newcomers to the Baltimore chapter of Links is Mrs. Vera Hayes, a transfer member from Kansas City, Kansas.

Other members include Mesdames Catherine Adams, Mary Adams, Lillian Berry, Hellen Burwell, Beatrice Butler, Kathaleen Carter, Annette Cheek, Marie Francis, Cardireene Griffin, Mary Stephens Harris, Francis Hill, Marie Hicks;

Also, Mesdames, Lillian Jones, James Laforest, Emma Michael, Yvette Murphy, Lydia Mussenden, Audrey Norris, Louise Perrin, Etta Phifer, Mary Pitts, Theresa Weaver, and Pauline Watts.

The Links is an organization of black women with 131 chapters located in 34 states and the nation's capital, Washington, D.C. with a total membership of 3000. The Philadelphia founders were Mrs. Margaret Hawkins and Mrs. Sarah P. Scott.

Aside from its local efforts involving thousands of youth, the organization has supported through life-memberships the programs of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Peopid.

They have also made very tangible contributions to the Legal Defense and Education fund of the NAACP; the National Urban League in its 'Upward Reach and Outward Thrust Program" with youth in the 'Inner Cities' of our urban society; The Sickle Cell Anemia Research Foundation and the United Negro College Fund.

Community calendar

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Mayor's Ball, Maryland Jockey Club, Pimlico Racetrack, 9 p.m.-2 a.m.

JUNE 23

Wedding of Miss Yvonne Young to Richard Bacon, Interfaith Center, Columbia, Md., 3 p.m.

Douglass Class of 1950 Cocktail Sip, Apollo Club, 1021 Luzerne Ave., 5-9 p.m.

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71st birthday of Mrs. Geneva Willoughby, Free Hope Baptist Church, 3325 Dolfield Ave., 4 p.m.

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Men's Committee of Concord Baptist Church, Fellowship and Testimonial Banquet, Holiday Inn, Downtown, 4:30 p.m.

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Wedding of Miss Shelia Eley to Frank W. Phillips III, Concord Baptist Church, Liberty Heights Ave., 1 p.m.

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