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HUD SAYS:

Apartment curfew law 'ridiculous'

A federal housing official terms an apartment manager's self-imposed curfew rule "ridiculous" as an approach to solving vandalism. He says he will back tenants who have eviction notices if they want to fight.

Everett Rothschild, the government's Housing and Urban Development official in Baltimore, further states that the apartment management failed to inform HUD of the rule.

Michael E. Shell, apartment manager of Madison Park North Apartments, has reportedly imposed the rule to curb vandalism by youths under 18 years residing in the complex at the North Ave. and Linden Ave. location.

The curfew does not allow youngsters under 18 outside the apartments after 6 p.m.

As a result of the "violation" of the illegally imposed regulation, nine tenants have received 60-day notices to vacate their apartments.

"There is absolutely nothing constructive for a child to do after dark, Mr. Shell said, "but run around and get into trouble."

Mr. Rothschild told the AFRO HUD will back the tenants if they decide to fight the eviction notices.

Tenants may call Mr. Rothschild at 962-2121. His offices are located on the 20th floor of the Mercantile Bank and Trust Building in Hopkins Plaza.

Mr. Rothschild stated, "Such a regulation would need approval from HUD before it can go into effect. We were not contacted by Shell to approve his policy. I feel it's a ridiculous approach in solving the vandalism problem."

Residents of eight other federally insured complexes managed by Tri-City Management Co. of Silver Spring, Md. will now pay their own utility costs.

Originally the utility expense was contained in the rents but alleged substantial increases in electricity rates and "abusive use" of electricity has caused the management to pass the bills on to the tenants.

Angry tenants met in a heated session with HUD officials at their downtown Baltimore office on Jan. 27 to avert the action.

They complained that many residents living on low and fixed incomes did not have the $50 deposit required by the Gas and Electric Co.

Mr. Rothschild explained that the utility pass for the eight complexes was approved by his office with sufficient notice to the tenants.

However, he added, "Once the tenants pay their own utility bill, their rent is adjusted and lowered."

X-CELL SUCCESS in rehabilitating drug addicts. View of facility at 101 S. Wolfe St. is shown in left photo. Smiling ladies right are Ms. Lillian Cannady, the resident director, center, pictured with social workers, Mesdames Flo Herod, left and Renee Foote, seated. (AFRO staff photos by Robert Matthews)

X-CELL helps addicts

By Robert Matthews

"The support of the friends and relatives of our residents has been one of the keys to our great success . ." Says Ms. Lillian Cannady, resident director of X-CELL HOUSE.

X-CELL House is a drug-free therapeutic community aiding former heroin addicts.

Founded in 1971, it teaches its residents to take responsibility for their behavior.

The X-CELL stands for "Community Encounter for the Liberation of Life".

Utilizing peer pressure, group seminars, and a "family" atmosphere, the facility attempts in 2 years or less, to graduate drug-free, responsible, tax-paying citizens.

It is housed in a vacant building of St. Michael's parish, 101 S. Wolfe St., where the residents follow a rigorous daily schedule administered by the staff and senior residents.

Encounter groups are held three times a week, giving members an opportunity to vent their feelings and work out any behavioural problems.

Teaching sessions are held daily to assist residents in obtaining a high school diploma.

X-CELL draws its residents from other drug programs, the courts, and the streets, and boasts it is able to graduate about one third of those who enter.

Currently 38 former addicts participate in the program. Eight of them are women.

Ms. Cannady told the AFRO "X-CELL has benefited greatly" from the support it has received from the business community.

The West Baltimore Merchants' Association, directed by Gary Rothberg, has lent "considerable support" to the program.

The merchants located in the 800 to 1600 block of W. Baltimore St. have donated clothing, shoes, cleaning supplies, paint and other goods to X-Cell.

Among those who have contributed are, Edsel Clothing, Evelyn Dress Shop, Katz Menswear, Oriole Hardware, Murphy's, and Lowenthal's Shoes.

X-CELL could use help from other businesses and individuals.

Ms. Carolyn Stinchcomb is director, and the phone number is 732-0600.

X-CELL is open to anyone who has a drug problem and is serious about receiving help.

HITTING THE STREET—X-CELL HOUSE members, Deborah Tillman, and Charles Sampson, are on their way to meet with various Baltimore businesses, seeking donations to the drug rehabilitation center. (Staff Photo by Matthews).

Blount for family court

(AFRO Bureau)

ANNAPOLIS — Sen. Clarence W. Blount (D-41) has introduced legislation to create a family court within the Circuit Court system.

"There is evidence of great need to locate procedures for handling family problems in one place so that decisions for all members of a family can be made in an integrated manner," Sen. Blount told the AFRO.

"Right now, Sen. Blount explained, "A divorce is handled in one place, custody of children is decided in another and non-support matters are decided in a third.

"A child who gets into trouble is handled in still a fourth place-where there is little or no control over the effort to work with the family situation."

Sen. Blount's bill would bring juvenile and family proceedings into hearings that would later report thier findings and recommendations to family court judges.

Cases involving support or divorce, paternity, custody, non-support, adoption, guaradianship, alimony and juvenile delinquency would be heard in this forum.

All proceedings before the family court would be civil. In cases of children over 14 years of age or adults, jurisdiction could be waived if a trial by jury was requested or at the request of the court when a criminal offense is charged.

The Blount measure also provides for intake consultants who would assist in directing people to appropriate community services and in arranging informal conferences to try to resolve conflicts without formal court proceedings.

Sen. Blount noted: — "The present high rate of family instability makes it essential that the courts become agents for stabilizing rather than monitors of dissension, Establishing a Family Court in Maryland would be a step in this direction."

Cherry Hill sets groundbreaking

Groundbreaking ceremonies for Phase II of the Cherry Hill Multi-Purpose Center will take place Feb. 11 at 1 p.m. at the site, 2490 Giles Rd.

The building will house the Cherry Hill Urban Services Agency, Cherry Hill Federal Inner City Credit Union, Enoch Pratt Library, Department of Recreation and a Head Start program.

It is expected to be completed in nine months. Estimated total cost is $1.5 million.

Phase I, which houses the Baltimore City Department of Social Services, Inner City Community Mental Health, Baltimore City Health Department and the Cherry Hill Drug Abuse Program, was completed Oct. 29, 1972.

The Cherry Hill Multi-Purpose Complex Board of Directors is planning groundbreaking ceremonies. Assisting are representatives of area agencies and schools.

Mrs. Sarah J. Bundy is chairman; Larry Mason, vice-chairman; Waverly Rawls, secretary; Mrs. Helen Burley, treasurer and Father Paul Banet, chaplain.

Other members are Mesdames Mary German, Ernestine Jones, Mary English, Elizabeth Williams, Mary Edwards, Louise Rawls.

Also Mack Baker, Paul Morris and Edward Thomas Sr.

Alvin Steele, director of Cherry Hill Urban Services Agency, told the AFRO:

"The residents of Cherry Hill are very excited about the groundbreaking ceremonies and they are profoundly grateful to Mayor Schaefer because he has worked so diligently with them to make the dream of the Multi-Purpose Buildings a reality."

Work trainees

From now until March 7 the Baltimore Area Office of the U.S. Civil Service Commission will accept applications for worker-trainee positions.

Persons interested in these positions can obtain more information by contacting the Federal Job Information Center, U.S. Civil Service Commission, Lombard Street and Hopkins Place.

Meeting set

A conference to find solutions to student problems will be held Feb. 15 at the Dunbar Community Complex from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

TO HELP YOU

IRS offices set Saturday walk-in hours

Internal Revenue Service offices will be open the next two Saturdays, Feb. 8 and 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for walk-in tax assistance.

Gerald G. Portney, IRS director for Maryland and the District of Columbia, said IRS will also provide telephone tax assistance during the same hours-every Saturday and on Monday evenings from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., throughout the tax filing period.

The number to call in the Baltimore metropolitan area is 837-1040; in Montgomery County, Prince George's County and Washington, D.C., 488-3100 and in all other areas of Maryland, toll-free 1-800-492-0460.

ANNAPOLIS — 1419 Forest Dr.; BALTIMORE — 31 Hopkins Plaza; CUMBERLAND — 203 Post Office Building; EASTON — U.S. Post Office Building Annex, 116 E. Dover St.; ELKTON — Brown Building, 1 Brown Court; FREDERICK — Monocacy Shopping Center, 914 East St.

Open especially for the filing period: DUNDALK — Dunmanway and Shipping Place; HAVRE de GRACE — U.S. Post Office Building, 308 North Union Ave.; HAGERSTOWN — 500 Professional Arts Building, 5 Public Square; LA PLATA — Colonial Shopping Center, Route No. 301; SALISBURY — Federal Building, 129 E. Main St.; WASHINGTON — 1201 E Street, NW; WHEATON — Wheaton Plaza Shopping Center, Plaza South; TOWSON — 20 E. Susquehanna Ave.; WESTMINSTER — 83 E. Main St., U.S. Post Office Building.

SPECIALIST

Mrs. Adams in new post

Robert C. Hilson, director of Juvenile Services for the state of Maryland, has announced that Mrs. Jean Adams is first of her race to join the central office staff as a program specialist.

Mrs. Adams will head up the Prevention and Diversion Unit under Community Services with responsibility for the Prevention Specialists, the Impact Diversion Project and the Youth Services Bureaus.

Mr. Hilson says she brings a rich and extensive background to this new assignment, having worked in the department since 1965. She has worked as a juvenile counselor, supervisor of Juvenile Counselors, training coordinator and training specialist.

Before joining the department, Mrs. Adams worked as a teacher in the Baltimore schools and as music specialist with the Department of Recreation.

A native of Baltimore, Maryland, Mrs. Adams received her BA degree from Coppin State College. Subsequently, she earned a MSW from the University of Maryland School of Social Work and Community Planning in June, 1974.

Teen Talk

By Gary Givens

Gary Givens

Is skiing an open sport to black people?

Chuck and David McDaniels of Explorer Post No. 603 went skiing this past weekend near Harrisburg, Pa.

The Explorers stayed at the Host Inn and skied at Roundtop, a 20-minute drive from the hotel to the slopes.

Chuck tells me that Roundtop has seven classes of slopes. A slope for the beginner and slopes for the more advanced skiers.

Whatever class you fall under there is a slope made just for you. Chuck reports instruction is given for beginners.

The group rented their ski equipment from a local ski shop. Cost per member was about $40.

Other activities enjoyed by the group at the resort were: outdoor swimming, suna bath, pool, ping pong, cards and eyeing the pretty girls.

How did Chuck and David get interested in skiing? They told me that a uncle had taken them on a family trip a few years back and it was love at first sight.

Skiing is not the only activity the group engages in. Other activities are: camping, basketball, roller skating, swimming and parties.

Other members in the Explorers Post No. 603 who went along on the ski trip are Dale Alston, Charles Jones, Margret Alston, Mike Alston, Kevin and Howard Johnson, Gerdon Morton and Shelia Paige.

Tip for skiers: — I asked David if he had any advice for young skiers just beginning. Here it is: — "Don't forget your long underwear!"

The Baltimore City School Board has adopted a desegregation plan effective September, 1975 and sent it to the Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) for approval.

Two key changes the board made—keeping Dunbar High a citywide school and allowing all seniors to remain at their present school, by seniors I mean this year's juniors.

I feel the board did right in allowing seniors to remain at their present schools. If you read my column last week you learned there was great concern over this issue, and I've been hearing a lot of talk about it this week also.

I was curious to know whether students had calmed down any (about the desegplan) since last week, so I asked Wanda Briggs, a tenth grader at Walbrook.

Here is her replay: "I feel as though they are being unfair to the students and the parents. As a student at Walbrook, I have made many wonderful friends here at school. I feel I won't be as comfortable in any other school as I am at Walbrook. I have been paying my class dues and now I feel I am a part of the school. I am not planning on going to any other school but Walbrook.

"I feel as though they are interrupting the futures of young men and women. I think when you are in a school you don't like you are uncomfortable and you can't work right."

If you have nothing to do next week, here is a lead for you: — Film programs, planned especially for young people of high school age, are scheduled this week at two branches of the Enoch Pratt Free Library.

On Monday, February 10, at 5:30 p.m., the Kirk Ave. branch at Kirk and 22nd St., will present "Hollywood and Bust," an eight-minute comic sketch starring Bud Abbott and Lou Costello.

Also featured, "It's Not Cricket," a British adventure film from the series featuring The Magnificent 6½; and "A Very Special Day." The second and third films are in color.

The Pimlico branch at Garrison and Park Heights will offer a 4 p.m. screening on Tuesday, February 11, of "Too Soon Blues." "A Chance of Love" will also be shown. Admission to these Pratt programs is free.

If you are interested in photography, as I am, you may be excited to hear the Enoch Pratt is also holding "Session for Shutterbugs."

This is an hour long workshop for teenage photographers. It will be held Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 3:15 p.m. at the Broadway branch, Broadway and Orleans.

Young people are invited to bring their favorite or problem shots, and any questions they have on cameras and their use and spend the afternoon exploring photographic techniques with free-lance photographers, Joe Giza and Nick Lukasz.

Admission once again is free. So check it out.

I received a letter from Lola Williams, a 10th grader at Lake Clifton Senior High. She has a suggestion about the new desegregation plan. She writes: — "I think that a special person from the school system should go to each school and explain why they have to go to new schools. Most people don't know why, and I don't understand the full reason myself."

I would like to thank Lola for her comments and urge you if you have any comments or criticisms to send them to me, Gary Givens, c-o Teen Talk, AFRO-AMERICAN, P.O. Box 1857, or call me at 323-9431.

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To A Dark Girl

I love you for your brownness
And the rounded darkness of your breast.
I love you for the breaking sadness in your voice
And shadows where your wayward eye-lids rest.
Something of old forgotten queens
Lurks in the abandon of your walk,
And something of the shackled slave
Sobs in the rghtym of your talk.
Oh, little brown girl, born for sorrow's mate,
Keep all you have of queenliness,
Forgetting that you once were And let your full lips laugh at Fate!

GWENDOLYN BENNETT

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A snappy, wintery Tuesday afternoon finds Morgan State College coeds strolling around campus — walking, talking, expressing their thoughts.

Leroy Cox, a senior from Baltimore and Robin Bingham, freshman from Washington, D.C. rap about the issues of the moment.
(Reflections photo by Benjamin M. Phillips)

Local clubs notes

Just Twelve Club met on Saturday at the home of Phyllis Walston. Plans were completed for an Activity Day at the Races scheduled for April. Also, Isoline Crowner was invited to join the club.

Election of officers was held: President, Marion J. Jackson; vice president Carrie O. Johnson; recording secretary, Jane U. Harrison; treasurer, Phyllis Walston, and chaplain, Willa Mae DeShields.

OMEGA PSI PHI

"The Iota Nu Chapter of OMEGA PSI PHI Fraternity, Inc., of Harford County is sponsoring its fifth annual MARDI GRAS, on March 1 from 9- 1 a.m. at the Perryville Firehall Ballroom, Perryville, Md.

The MARDI GRAS is a charity ball which provides scholarship assistance to potential college students from each of the six county public high schools and other community assistance projects. Call 272-1158, or 679-6692.

Las Amigas

The Baltimore chapter of Las Amigas, Inc. will hold its Founder's Day luncheon tomorrow, Saturday, 1:00 p.m. at Meushaw's.

The program will include a panel discussion on the theme, "'75 — The Year of Women." The theme is in conjunction with the International Women's Year celebration. Special guests will include Baltimoreans who have excelled in the areas of employment, law, politics, education, and day care. Northeast regional chapters from Forrestville, Md., Seat Pleasant, Md., Washington, D.C., and Philadelphia, will participate.

Las Amigas, Inc. is a national civic organization that was organized Feb. 5, 1957 in Charlotte, N.C. Its present local membership consists of 20 chapters.

The Baltimore chapter was installed into the national organization in October, 1967. Lois Joynes is the local president; Robert Epps, chairperson.

Women's Civic League

The Women's Civic League, Northwest Branch met on Saturday at the home of Lillian Graves. Some 25 members were present who voted to send a contribution to Hunger and the United Negro College Fund.

Information was given about the projects all of the Branches of the Civic League will be participating in, namely: No. 9 Front Street, Festival of Flowers and Tailgate. Hostesses were Ms. Lillian Graves, Ms. Mary Booze and Ms. Louise Gant. Club president is Marion J. Jackson.

VAG's

A week ago, the VAG's met at the home of Odell Payne. This being the group's first meeting of the year, plans for '75 were made. Elizabeth Tyler was co-hostess and is president of the club. Following the meeting, guests were entertained with classical music while dinner was being served.

Those members present were: Esther Brown, Ruth Brown, Lillian Carter, Virginia Champ, Juanita Green, Gladys Knot, Queenie S. Lane, Elizabeth Parker, Alberta Simms, Ida Swanson, Mildred Williams and Edna Walker.

Northwest Club

The Northwest Club met last Saturday at the home of Gloria Phillips where a catered luncheon was served. Her husband, Samuel, who has been confined to the hospital for a while, was there and extended his warm welcome to club members.

Chairperson Ellen Johns reported on the Carver Nursing Home project the club undertook during the holidays. Anita Myers and Ruperta Waters were unable to attend due to illness. Florella Clark, president, showed scenic slides of her mid-winter trip to Japan, China, Hong Kong and Thailand. The group will meet on March 1.

Herbert Frisby Historical Society

The Herbert M. Frisby Historical Society cordially invites you to attend the Black American Ball on Saturday, March 22, The Kittamaqundi Room atop the Rouse Company, Columbia, Md., 9 p.m.-1 a.m. It is a black tie affair. Bernice S. White, president; Phyllis M. Eley, chairperson.

Family togetherness survives

I W Y '75

"The extent of sharing obviously reflects the income and amount of leisure time available to a family."

Family togetherness is not a relic of the past. Despite reports to the contrary, a substantial majority of American families with children under 17 years of age share many activities, especially meals and television watching.

According to an American Women's Opinion Poll, which has just been released, nearly four of every five (79 per cent) families with children under 17 eat their main meal together on weekends and nearly three of four (72 per cent) on weekdays.

About two in three families (65 per cent) watch television together. In addition, nearly three fifths of families frequently spend leisure time together (59 per cent) and "sit and talk" (57 per cent).

Family get-togethers however fall off sharply in events that involve outsiders or take place outside the home.

Only one half (50 per cent) of all families commonly vacation together and less than half gather frequently to entertain friends at home (45 per cent), do things together for fun (45 per cent), attend religious services (44 per cent), eat out (35 per cent) or sightsee and attend cultural events (27 per cent).

Some other findings:

— The extent of sharing obviously reflects the income and amount of leisure time available to a family. Only one-fourth of all families in the under $10,000 annual income group frequently vacation together, compared with nearly two thirds of families in the $10,000-plus group.

— White women report more joint activity than do black women, especially in such costly ventures as vacations and restaurant-eating. The prevalence of family activity among blacks equals that of whites only in TV watching, attending religious services, working around the house and shopping together.

— Women who are college graduates report the greatest degree of group activity. More than five of every six (84 per cent) say that their families eat their main meal together on weekends and three of every four (74 per cent) their main meal on weekdays.

— College graduate families do not shun TV. Group TV watching is a little, but not substantially, lower among the college educated — 61 per cent compared with 65 per cent among all families.

— The Virginia Slims Poll refutes assumptions that members of suburban families tend more than others to do things separately. Families in the suburbs of large cities and those living in or near small cities share more activities than rural, small town and large city families. The one exception: sburban families are least likely to shop for food together.

City families lead the most socially-isolated lives. Urban families report considerably less visiting and home entertaining of friends and family than do suburban, small city, town and rural families.

Photographers capture her mood

By Benjamin M. Phillips
Reflections Writer

In Baltimore, there is a talented young woman who finds photographic modeling challenging and fascinating. She is 21-year-old Sheila Horne.

"It gives me a chance to see myself in ways I've never seen myself before. A photo can catch me in a way, or mood that can never be recaptured," says Miss Horne.

Her definition of photographic modeling is: —A model who advertises for photographers where the emphasis is placed on the face, figure, and how well the person can project the different moods the photographer wants.

Miss Horne's first contact with modeling came when she appeared in a Hutzler's Fashion Show 18 months ago. "It didn't appeal to me because in doing fashion shows height is most important. It's not in photo-modeling.

"One of my friends encouraged me to go and try photo-modeling. So, last July I went and checked out a group called Models International from Columbus, Ohio. They liked me so much that they shot 100 pics the first day and called me back in for more the next day. She also gives credit to photographer Anuar K. Zen and Carter Bryant.

"I don't expect instant stardom. That's why I'm working methodically at getting a good portfolio, and practicing my different poses and moods because I want to be really ready when I make my break.

"I'm starting from the bottom like anything else. The only thing I do resent about the field is the fact that people assume models are pretty faces and no brains. This is a complete falsity because the successful models I know are a combination of sensitivity, talent, brains, hard work, and class.

"By class, I mean poise, confidence, and always being able to be calm. This is essential when working with photographers because they are temperamental and they expect a lot from their models. If you let them down, they will definitely let you know.

"In order to really have an excellent photographic session one has to have absolute faith in the photographer. I am developing my skills by working with photographers rather than a modeling school. The relationship between a photographer and a model is a very sensitive one."

A 1971 graduate of Western High, Miss Horne is currently studying at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) majoring in political science. Standing 5'5", and weighing 110, she enjoys music, ice skating, cooking, knitting, and reading. She is also a cheerleader. But most of all, she loves having her picture taken.

AFRO model of the week

Sheila Horne can project many moods through the lense of a camera. (Reflections photo by Benjamin Murphy Phillips)

'What Am I About?'

A free Black Women's Consciousness Raising Group has developed in the Baltimore area.

This is not a group for gossipers or women's libers, says Louise Johnson, its organizer. "We deal only in introspection."

"Who am I?," "What am I all about?," "How do I see myself as a person, spouse, mother sibbline, friends, boss, subordinate, lover?," are only a few of the topics discussed.

Others include "My relationship with my spouse, family, peers, the white world.

Sessions are held every Saturday. The motto is "Learning To Trust."

Those interested in participating in the discussions may call Mrs. Johnson at 448-2600.

Community calendar

FEB. 7
Mardi Gras, Pi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi; Dogwood Road hall, 10 p.m.

FEB. 8
Las Vegas Day, sponsored by the Columbia Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; 10438 Water Fowl Terrace, 3-6 p.m.

Wedding of Miss Chelseia Harold and Lewis E. Williams Jr., 6817 Dogwood Rd., 2 p.m.

Art display opening; Madison Avenue YWCA, 1912 Madison Ave., noon.

Opening of a black art display; painting and crafts; Madison Ave. YWCA, noon.

FEB. 9
"Communications and the Afro-American Community-Part II"; Madison Ave. YWCA, 3 p.m.

Baltimore Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Founders' Day Observance; Holiday Inn, Belmont, Dr.

Pearl Watson Boschute, national president, keynote speaker, 2 p.m.

National Council of Negro, Women, Inc., Greater Baltimore Sections, Founders' Day and Negro History Observance, Madison Avenue YWCA, 1912 Madison Ave., 3 p.m.

"Communications and the Afro-American Community" discussion, Part II; Madison Avenue YWCA, 1912 Madison Ave., 3 p.m.

FEB. 10
Coppin State College Alumni Association, "Welcome Home Reception;" College Center, 6 p.m.

FEB. 11
Gala Calypso Carnival, sponsored by St. James Episcopal Church, featuring the Trinidad and Tobago Steel Band; Masonic Temple, Eutaw and Lanvale St., 6 p.m.-midnight.

FEB. 12
Lt. Calvin Lewis, acting commander of Western Police District, will address the Western District Community Council at 5 p.m. The public is invited.

FEB. 14
First Annual Little Miss Robert C. Marshall pageant; Robert C. Marshall Recreation Center, Pennsylvania and Lanvale St., 7 p.m.

FEB. 15
The New Baltimore Ministrels, a drama group will perform; Madison Ave. YWCA, 3 p.m.

FEB. 16
"Analysis of Frantz Fanon, a discussion; Madison Ave. YWCA, 3 p.m.

Community Neighborhood Association of West Baltimore, 10th anniversary; Madison Ave., YWCA. Grace Adams, president.

FEB. 22
Festival of films relating to black people; Madison Ave. YWCA, 11;30 a.m.-5 p.m.

FEB. 23
"Analysis of Frantz Fanon-Part II"; Madison Ave. YWCA, 3 p.m.

MARCH 1
Mardi Gras, Iota Nu Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity of Harford Co.; Perryville Firehall Ballroom, Perryville, Md., 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Ronald E. Coursey, chairman.

Y sponsors trips

An opportunity to get away from it all is offered on two trips sponsored by the YWCA. A trip to Atlantic City, New Jersey requires a deposit of $50 about February 8; a trip to Bermuda on the only cruise ship sailing from Baltimore at present (all others have been cancelled) requires a deposit of $75 by February 22.

Total cost of the bus trip to Atlantic City, March 14 to 16, is $99.50 for two persons per room. Included in the cost are four meals, hotel room and transportation. Called "Bourbon Street Mardi Gras," festivities begin on Friday. Bus leaves the YWCA, 1912 Madison Ave., at 3 p.m. Friday; returns 5 p.m. Sunday. For information call Gertrud Finney, Madison Avenue YWCA, 669-1881.

Total cost of the seven day cruise to Bermuda, May 3 to 10, is $395 per person and up depending on cabin location, plus $10.50 port taxes. This includes stateroom, all meals aboard ship, swimming in one of two pools.

For information on to be pu on mailing list for the trave club, phone Nancy Flemming, North Area YWCA, 252 4230.

The group plans a Disneyworld trip in October.