LL OVER TOWN the faces of evolutionary War heroes are being painted n fire hydrants, as a part of the Bicentennial celebration. In AFRO staff photo by Robert Matthews IV, Samuel Grady of the Water Dept. paints the face of Ben Franklin on a

Region 2 awards go to 29 teachers

Some 29 elementary and secondary school teachers from Region II received Outstanding Teacher awards at a special ceremony Wednesday, at the Lake Clifton Senior High School.

Teachers in all 22 schools comprising Region II participated in the selection and voting to recognize: "Those teachers who are recognized by their peers for their zealous and untiring efforts to help young people achieve success and who are doing an outstanding job in the teaching profession."

Regional Superintendent Mrs. Thelma Cox presented the awards before an audience including such distinguished guests as: Region II School Commissioner Dr. Beryl Williams, State Senators Robert Douglas and Clarence Blount, State Delegate Hattie Harrison, City Councilpersons Clarence Burns, Nathan Irby and Barbara Mikulski and, from the Mayor's Office, Quentin Lawson — Educational Liaison Officer.

This is the first year of the annual awards and Mrs. Cox says she hopes the awards categories will be expanded in years to come to include other personnel in Region II

Coordinating the activity as a special committee of the Region II Teacher's Advisory Cabinet: Mrs. Shirley Robinson, chairperson, Mrs. Beverly Taylor, Mrs. Brenda Stovall, Mrs. Mattie Blackwell and Mrs. Dorothy D. Lindsay.

Awards recipients are:

School No.-Name of Teacher

2—Mildred Lottes.
6 — Delores Harrison.
8—Barbara Douglas.
37 — Margaret Hockaday
85 — Mary McCrea.
86 — Mary Revels.
94 — Viola Hill.
97 — Linda Watkins.
99 — Barbara McCutheon.
101 — Tommy Ervin.
102 — Geraldine Baker
109—Melvin Gant.
135 — Terrance Zimmerman
139 — Rosie Hutchinson, Margaret Wilson.
149 — Maudestine Godsey.
57 — Roberta Sharper, Elvenia Hopkins.
90 — Dorothy Mason, Alphonso Shaw.
298 — John Harmon.
453—Collen Cary, Norma Cole.
40 — Andrea Bowden, Christolyne Buie, Beverly Taylor.
413 — Vivia Chang.
414—Beverly Crisp, Alice Harris.

Lutherans set May 31 corn row contest

The Lutheran Community Association, West Baltimore group representing the neighborhood surrounding Lutheran Hospital, is sponsoring a "Save the Children" Day Festival on Saturday, May 31 from 10 a.m. til 2 p.m. at Evergreen Playfield (Braddish and Edmondson Aves.)

There will be two featured events including a Corn Rowing Contest and a Big Wheel Roller Derby Contest (to be held on Rayner Avenue Hill).

Prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be available as well as art works, handi-craft and baked goods.

Proceeds will be used to sponsor recreation activities for neighborhood youths. Come out and cheer your child on and support our efforts in behalf of our community."

Day Care Week accents need for services

In an attempt to inform the public about the critical needs to thousands of Maryland children for responsible day care services, the Maryland Committee for the Day Care of Children is sponsoring Open Door for Day Care Week, May 19-25. Plans include open house at many day care centers across the state, informative displays, luncheons, fairs, picnics and activities involving local public officials.

At the present time, there are over 200,000 children in Maryland under six years of age whose mothers work outside the home, but only 23,000 spaces in licensed day care programs.

Many working parents must make child care arrangements that are inadequate in meeting the child's developmental needs. In too many cases, even custodial care and supervision are unavailable and the child remains unattended and exposed to danger to life and health.

In addition to bringing to public attention, the lack of adequate day care services, Open Door for Day Care Week is designed to allow the public to see good developmental day care in action.

Despite limited budgets, many group and family day care programs meet children's emotional, social, physical, and intellectual needs and prepare them for success in school and later life.

According to Mrs. Sarah O'Brien, Chairperson of Open Door for Day Care Week, "We are concerned with improving the quality as well as increasing the quantity of day care programs.

The public must recognize the necessity for good legislation, adequate funding, and high standards for day care programs, because the next generation will reflect our negligence or attention to their needs. The cost of negligence is far greater than the price of good day care."

MARK ELLIS, Gatehouse Dr. retired telephone worker — "I think Congressman Mitchell should run . . . It's time we had a black man in that office."

GERARD JACKSON, Park Ave., MTA driver — "I think Congressman Mitchell should run. I think a black man can better deal with the problems of a city with a black majority."

M's LINDA TURNER, Winston Ave., Exec. trainee, Hutzlers — ". . . Cong. Mitchell would make a fine mayor. Instead of worying about painting fire hydrants like Mayor Schaefer, I think that he would apply himself to cleaning up some of the filthy back alleys in Baltimore.

RONALD JOHNSON, Gunther Rd., clothing salesman — ". . . Congressman Mitchell should run for mayor. He is the only black man in the city that would be able to win because he would get the support of the entire black community. Any other black candidate would probably split the black vote."

JAMES BULLOCK, Garrison Blvd., Contractor — ". . . Schaefer not doing a bad job . . . like to see a black man occupying that office."

Girl Scouts hold May 18 mini-confab

A mini-conference designed r Girl Scout leaders and ten to people who work with outh groups of all kinds will held Monday, May 19, at e Roland Park Country chool, 817 W. University arkway.

The 5 to 7:30 p.m. meeting cludes time for a "bring-our-own" bag supper. Four of the 11 workshops to offered are of wide general terest.

"It Can Be Painful To Grow p", examining the physical d emotional development the adolescent girl, will ve as leader Dr. Ghislaine odenne, Director of ounseling and Psychiatric ervices, Johns Hopkins niversity.

Mrs. Ethel Spencer, a utritionist with the Md. tate Health Dept., will lead workshop, "Food — More an Something To Eat", alling with good eating bits, the world food crisis, d ways of meeting the allenge of spiraling food sts.

Jeri Stollman, a mental ealth counselor, will be in harge of the workshop titled How Can We Help Grils ope With Today's roblems?"

Intended to help Girl Scout aders plan for fall are orkshops on the Girl Scout icentennial celebration, nging For Fun and Inistratin, Girl Scouting and e Women's Movement, ixies, the World Association Girl Guides and Girl couts, the Girl Scout ducation for Parenthood rogram, and Membership.

There is no charge for atending the mini-conference, t advance registration is ecessary. To register or btain further information, all 889-2881.

All who participate inthe ini-conference are invited cross the campus imediately afterward to the ditorium of the Keswick ome where Girl Scouts of entral Maryland will hold its nnual Meeting.

A celebration of notable irl Scout successes achieved the past year, with emhasis on the volunteers who ade the successes possible, ill open the meeting.

Ms. Ellen Reed, Program irector of the Annapolis WCA and advisor to Senior irl Scout Troop 409, will peak on "Why I Still Care." lections and action on ecommended revisions to e Bylaws will make up the usiness portion of the feeting.

Girl Scouts of Central laryland serves girls 6 to 17 Baltimore City and Anne rundel, Baltimore, Carroll, rederick, Harford and oward Counties. It receives artial support from the nited Fund of Central laryland and the United ivers Fund of Frederick ounty.

Sexual promiscuity blamed for disease

While gonorrhea and heart diseases continue to take their toll of human life, recent Baltimore City Health Department weekly reports show dyphtheria, measles and typhoid fever are diseases of the past.

According to the department's report of week ending April 30, gonorrhea remains high on the list of communicable diseases with 6,387 reported within the last four months.

The number seems to be increasing each day for at the same period of 1974 the department's records show only 4,339 cases, about 1,988 cases less than this year.

However, deaths resulting from heart diseases within the first quarter of 1975 is 782 less than the same period last year with 1,253 cases reported in 1975.

The department's figures on dyphtheria, typhoid and measles remain constant. No cases have been reported in the past 18 months.

A spokesman for the department explaining the reasons for non-existence of those diseases said, advances in medical technology and sanitation have contributed to new development.

Sexual promiscuity among the youths is a main reasons for the unprecedent increases in communicable diseases. A spokesman explains birth control devices and the pill have encouraged youths to engage in promiscuous life than before.

However, the spokesman said some of these youths contract the disease more than four or five times a year. "So you see them here about four times in a year," he explained.

According to the same report more persons seem to be dying than before. About 5,348 births are recorded while 4,075 deaths are reported within the first quarter of the year. Of the 5,348 deaths, 2,808 are whites and the rest blacks.

The spokesman reveals that nationally males within the age group, 15-19 in colleges and high schools died in large numbers as a result of frustrations resulting from living away from, adjusting to group life and depression. They are prone to commit suicide.

About 650 per 100,000 of the same age group die in auto accident in a year, he said.

You can file for your special unemployment benefits

Unemployed Marylanders who have exhausted 13 weeks of extended benefits may now file for compensation under the Federal Supplementary Benefits program, according to officials of the Employment Security Administration of the Department of Employment and Social Services.

An agency spokesman stated Federal Supplementary benefits will be payable only to claimants who are no longer eligible for regular unemployment insurance and who have exhausted 13 weeks of extended benefits.

The extended benefits program was initiated on Sunday, Jan. 26, and Saturday, April 26, marked the end of the first 13 weeks of that program.

Employment Security officials reported that during that period 12,000 initial claims were filed under the extended benefits programs throughout the State, 4,600 of them in the Baltimore office. It is estimated that some 1,200 of the number of persons filing at the beginning of the 13 week period are at or near the exhaustion of these benefits at this time.

Residents of Baltimore City, Howard County, northern Anne Arundel County and nearby areas of Baltimore County who wish to file for Federal Supplementary Benefits, Extended Benefits or Special Unemployment Assistance, must do so at room 304, Metro Plaza, Mondawmin Mall, Liberty & Reisterstown Roads in Baltimore.

Special Unemployment Assistance provides benefits for the unemployed who have not been covered by the regular Unemployment Insurance Program.

Patapsco pupils visit

Elementary pupils from Patapsco Elementary School No. 163 visited Lakeland Elementary School No. 12, 2921 Straden Rd., 21230, to present their version of Shakespear's play, Julius Ceasar.

Ms. Catherine Woods, a 6th grade teacher at Patapsco Elementary prepared the students for the production. Judson Wood, Patapsco principal accompanied the children.

Ms. Natalie Woodson is assistant principal at Patapsco while Donald Leuschner is principal at Lakeland.

U.S.A. sets 4th annual mardi gras

The Fourth Annual Community Mardi Gras of the Urban Services Agency, Council "E" is set for Friday, May 16 from noon to 8 p.m.

Location of the affair is Arlington and Carrollton Aves. and Lafayette and Lanvale Sts.

Performances from various cultural arts programs and paintings by artists will be displayed. Music will be from such groups as Fabulous Friends plus One, Maceonics, Outer Limits, Capital Punishment and Nature's Promise.

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Lt. Armstrong graduates summa cum laude

Herbert Franklin Armstrong, 45, a police lieutenant assigned to the City Communications Division, has graduated with top honors from the University of Baltimore College of Liberal Arts.

Dean Lawrence S. Bridgham announced that Lieutenant Armstrong completed his work toward a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice at the end of the Fall, 1974 semester with a 4.0 average, indicating grades not less than "A" throughout his college career.

Lt. Armstrong has been selected by the University of Baltimore Law School to begin attendance in September, 1975.

He entered the undergraduate school in 1972 following an equally impressive record at the Community College of Baltimore, where he had collected high honors in June, 1972.

Authorities at the inversity state that a black student has never before emerged Summa Cum Laude in the institution's history.

Being first in academic accomplishment is not new to Lt. Armstrong, who until recently headed up the state's attorney's investigative unit. In December, 1956, he graduated from the Police Academy at the top of the heap of 115 police officers.

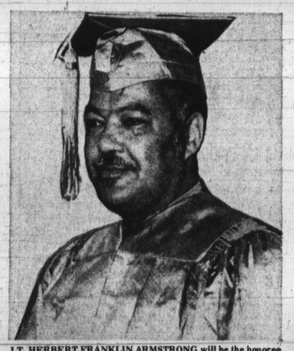
Among other assignments within the Police Department, the 19-year veteran has served as administrative aide to the deputy commissioner of Operations, instructor in the Education and Training Division, and as supervisor of Internal investigations.

Ceremonies reflecting Lt. Armstrong's current achievement will be staged at the Civic Center on Wednesday evening, June 11.

The U.S. Navy veteran quipped that "it has taken me 27 years to do what most people do in 4 years . . . so I can't be really that smart."

Lt. Armstrong says he does not regret the sometimes grueling effort, but expresses gratitude that he was given an opportunity to further his education while employed full time.

"Before Commissioner Pomerleau and other enlightened administrators opened the door to higher education," he concluded, "there eas absolutely no opportunity available, unless a member elected to resign to go to school."



LT. HERBERT FRANKLIN ARMSTRONG will be the honoree at an achievement affair at the Civic Center June 27, 7 p.m. This photo from the AFRO files shows the police officer when he received a law enforcement degree from Community College of Baltimore in 1972.

Common Cause opposes B-1 bomber

Common Cause, in a nationwide alert to its members, is urging their active participation n the defeat of funding for the controversial B-1 Bomber.

The citizens' organization has joined more than 25 other national organizations representing scientific, religious, environmental, political and labor groups to gather citizen support against funding of the bomber.

The military procurement authorization bills which call for this additional funding, are expected to come before both Houses of Congress in late May or early June.

In a move to cut unjustified and wasteful government spending, Common Cause is attempting to eliminate the estimated $100 billion that the bomber and the necessary support for it will cost over the life of the project. The B-1 is the supersonic bomber that the Pentagon has proposed to replace the B-52 strategic bomber.

To date, $2 billion has already been spent for research and development. The Ford Administration is presently requesting an additional $945 million. Common Cause believes the arguments against the B-1 are overwhelming and that there is no conceivable justification for proceeding with this program.

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IRS tells how much rebate you'll get

BALTIMORE (UPI) — The Internal Revenue Service is getting more than 2,500 calls a day from taxpayers questioning the amount of their rebates, according to Gerald G. Portney, IRS director for Maryland and the District of Columbia.

Portney said most of the calls result from a failure to understand how the rebate is computed.

In general, Portney said, a rebate is equal to 10 per cent of a taxpayers 1974 tax gill, not 10 per cent of the total amount of tax withheld.

"Will James L. Hall who one time lived at 1205 McCulloh Street or anyone knowing his whereabouts call 727-6861. This is regarding an inheritance".

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Civic Food Center remodels to include self-service

Civic Food Center at Paca and Lexington Sts., is remodeling and improving the store to include such customer benefits as self-service meats.

The first downtown supermarket to offer self-service groceries, Civic Food is located at the site of the old Schreiber's first store and, directly across the street from the world-famed Lexington Market.

Civic Food Center is also, according to the management, the first downtown supermarket to offer a full line of economy meats with self-service convenience.

Civic Food Center has been serving downtown Baltimore since 1966 with a counter service meat department.

However, to keep up with the times, it feels the need to improve service to their customers.

What this means to customers, are lower prices and a wider selection of meat, chicken, and pork products.

Nathaniel Lance, meat department manager, agrees that his job will be easier and shopping at Civic will be more convenient.

In addition, Louis Denrich, general manager since last November, reveals new frozen food, dairy, delicatessen, and egg refrigeration cases will soon be added to allow a wider selection of these products and to insure freshness.

Reflections

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Mothers Mothers Mothers Mothers

A photo feature by Benjamin M. Phillips

Virginia Clark holds her adopted child, 18-month-old Tiffany Clark, a war ophan from Saigon. Ms. Clark, a social science advisor in the U.S. Labor Department's Women's Bureau in Washington, D.C., was raised as a foster child in Philadelphia. She had thought for many years about adopting a war orphan and her dreams came true with the arrival of the Vietnamese war orphan.

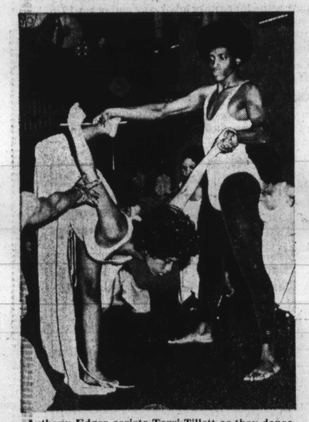
Black woman: blessed are your hands . . .

Blessed are the hands that rock the cradle . . . Mrs. Terri Oliver and daughters, Chazetta, 5, and hinyeer, 1 at Black Arts Festival in Columbia.

AFRO Mother of the Year, Mrs. Jean Causion was all smiles on Mother's Day this past Sunday when the AFRO's Reflections department surprised her with an orchid corsage just before she left for services at Wilson Park Christian Community Church. In addition, she was presented a gift certificate compliments of Stewart's. Pictured here are three generations: Tia Causion, 8; Mrs. Causion, and her mother, Mrs. Audra Amos. Mrs. Causion will be the guest of honor at the annual awards ceremony to be held Monday at the office.

WALBROOK DANCERS:

Close-knit relations make for success



Anthony Edges assists Terri Tillett as they dance to "Someday We'll All Be Free" by Donny Hathaway which was performed at the Birthday Tribute to Norman Reeves event.

(Reflections photos by Benjamin M. Phillips)

By Cynthia K. Grandison
Reflection Staff Writer

Blacks were not avidly pursuing modern dance during the time Beverly Johnson was attending school. Formerly there was no such thing as a dance major.

Now a physical education teacher at Walbrook High School, Mrs. Johnson is active in what she loves best — dancing. In establishing the Walbrook Dancers, she has taught her girls a unique style of body expression.

The group is not your typical high school dance troupe. Definite messages are delivered through their creations. Themes of urban living are the center of much of Mrs. Johnson's choreography. They dance to classical, jazz, soul and other types of music.

"They use their bodies as an instrument or medium of communication," she says. This is one of the objectives instilled in her dance pupils.

Axial, locomotive and percussion moves are the fundamentals which the dancers employ in their numbers. Anyone who has Mrs. Johnson as instructor learns everything necessary to mold the artist and ego.

These young ladies practice rigorous exercise routines for muscle toning and have acquired self-confidence and poise.

Close-Knit

Family and sisterhood sufficiently describe the feelings and mature attitudes these young ladies, 14-19, display for one another and their instructor. In order for her to teach, Mrs. Johnson the former Beverly Marshall, says she has formed personal relationships. It is obvious that this close-knittedness contributes to the success of their performances.

Two of the 22 young women and one male, had these comments:

Terri Tillett describes her teacher as "down-to earth," Janice Mangums says Mrs. Johnson goes out of her way to do things for them. Both felt that Mrs. Johnson identifies with their problems because she has experienced some of the same and is generally understanding. A ten-year involvement with dance has allowed Mrs. Johnson to study under prominent black dance artists, among whom are; Elleo Pomare and Alvin Ailey. She acquired her early training from the late Mrs. Stanley.

They entertained in various city schools and on college campuses. The Baltimore City Fair, the City-Wide Dance Symposium and the Tribute to Norman Reeves are events they have appeared in recently.

As a token of their appreciation, the students awarded Mrs. Johnson Modern Dance Teacher of the Year. She has been the recipient of many compliments on the great job she has done with her group.

Next year will be the start of a sabbatical leave during which time she will be studying and teaching dance.

Wanda Steptoe executes this difficult balance with confidence and control to make it look very easy.

Janice Mangum (L) mirrors the actions of Lisa Bosworth (R) with flowing hand motions.

COMING TO REFLECTIONS:

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A six-part series begins May 23

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Community calendar

May 16
Silhouettes of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Preakness Warm-up 1975; Martin's West, 6817 Dogwood Rd., 10 p.m.-2 a.m.

May 17
Black Women's Consciousness Raising Association of Md., lecture on Transitional Analysis, Parent-Adult-Child, based on the novel, "I'm OK — You're OK; Enoch Pratt Library, Forest Park Branch, 1:30 p.m.

MAY 17
Meeting of Douglass High School Class of '26; Quality Inn Baltimore, 2 p.m. Call: Lillian B. Reid, 531-5669.

Delta May Ball, Baltimore Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Ramada Inn, Belmont Ave., 10 p.m.-2 a.m.

MAY 18
Cherry Hill Recreation Center, 29th Annual Mother and Daughter Banquet, 2:30 p.m.

May 18
Commencement — Coppin State College; Baltimore Civic Center, 3 p.m.

MAY 20
Child Study Association, Yours and Mine Chapter, meeting, 3825 Pikeswood Drive, Randallstown, Md., 8:15 p.m.

DuBois Circle closing dinner, 6817 Dogwood Rd., the Honorable Mary Arabian, guest speaker, 6 p.m.

Representative of the American Red Cross to speak on, "Teaching Your Child to Swim" at a meeting of the Child Study Association of Maryland; 3825 Pikeswood Dr., Randallstown, Md. 8:15 p.m.

MAY 21
Mony Chapter, Child Study Association of Md., to meet; home of Joan Fente, Arbutus, Rd., Pasadena, Md. 8 p.m.

May 23
Pre-Memorial Day Frolic sponsored by the Chesapeaks Club, Inc., to benefit 25th Anniversary Committee; 2216 Eutaw Place, 5-9 p.m.

MAY 24
Maryland Association of Ministers' Wives, Annual Meeting, Zion Baptist Church, 1700 N. Caroline St., featuring "The Minister's Wife-of-the-Year," 1 p.m.

MAY 25
Grand United Order of Tents, annual banquet, J. R. Giddings and Jollifree Union; Baltimore Hilton, 4-7 p.m.

May 25
Commencement — Morgan State College; Hill Field House, 2 p.m.

May 27
Foster Care Holder Seminar sponsored by Provident Hospital Consultation and Education Dept.; Provident Hospital Auditorium, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

May 29
Commencement — University of Maryland, Baltimore; Baltimore Civic Center, 3 p.m.

Open House sponsored by Urban Services Cultural Arts Project Center G; James McKenny School, Hollins and Schroeder St., 7 p.m.

MAY 30
Arena Players, Inc., 10th Annual Awards Presentation, honoring Esther Rolle of "Good Times;" Blue Crest North, 401 Reisterstown Rd.

June 1
Commencement — Towson State College; Baltimore Civic Center, 3 p.m.

June 7
Commencement — Bowie State College; Physical Education complex, 10 a.m.

June 8
Commencement — Community College of Baltimore; Liberty Campus, 3 p.m.

June 11
Commencement — University of Baltimore; Baltimore Civic Center, 8 p.m.

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Convention dates

JUNE 30-JULY 4
NAACP, Washington, D.C., Sheraton Park Hotel

JULY 3-8
National Education Association, Teacher Rights Division Human Rights Section, Los Angeles, Calif.

JULY 28-AUG. 3
Operation PUSH, Philadelphia, Pa.

JULY 20-23
National Insurance Association, Memphis, Tenn., Holiday Inn-Rivermont

JULY 27-30
National Urban League, Atlanta, Ga.

AUG. 3-7
National Dental Association, Atlanta, Ga., Hyatt Regency

AUG. 3-9
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., National Convention, Seattle, Washington.

A peak at Provident Hospital Fashion Show

To be held Sunday, May 18. at Martin's West