CITY REC WEIGHTLIFTERS — The Baltimore City Bureau of Recreation held its novice weightlifting meet last weekend at the Chic Webb Rec Center which also captured the team championship. At left, is Byron Jones, of Chick Webb Rec., who finished first in the Young Adult category lifting 281 lbs. Larry Marconi, of Brooklyn Rec. (center) lifted 300 lbs. to finish 2nd in the unlimited category, and (right) is Joe Barnes, of Chick Webb, who finished 2nd in the 165 lbs class lifting 300 lbs.

AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz

MINI NEWS

Cancer Fund event Dec. 11

The Second Annual American Cancer Society Copper Bowl will be held on Saturday, Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m. at the Joseph Rash Field in the Inner Harbor area. The game will feature the Maryland State Police v.s. the Baltimore County Police in a regulation 60 minute Flag Football game. Tickets will be a $1.50 donation and are available at the gate, or by stopping by the Baltimore City Unit at the Rotunda, 711 West 40th Street. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

JC's need more to help

One line of the Jaycee Creed reads "Service to humanity is the best work of life." This has always been a primary goal of the Jaycees. For this season, the Maryland Jaycees have been concerned that there was only one chapter serving the entire Baltimore City community. Although, the Baltimore City Jaycees are a very active group, they in no way can represent or serve the entire 700,000 people of the city. In an all out effort to alleviate the problem, the Maryland Jaycees are forming 10 new chapters within the Baltimore City limits. Under consideration for a chapter are the following areas: 1. Curtis Bay, 2. Cherry Hill, 3. Pimlico, 4. Hampden, 5. Roland Park, 6. Northwood, 7. Waverly, 8. Highlandtown, 9. Edmondson Village, 10. Homeland, 11. Ashburton, 12. Walbrook, 13. Guilford, 14. Mt. Washington, 15. Gardenville. It is not felt that the addition of new chapters will hurt the present Baltimore Jaycees in that their membership tend to be geared to that of young businessmen who are not living in and who do not readily identify with the many "Communities" within the City. If you have always wanted to become a Jaycee, but could never find a chapter in your neighborhood, now is your opportunity. Call the Maryland Jaycee Office today 876-1244.

Cherry Hill Yule party

The Cherry Hill complex is hosting a community Christmas tree and party, Monday, Dec. 20, from 1:00 p.m to 2:30 p.m. 2492 Giles Road. For more information contact Rosa McCoy or Paulette Williams at 396-4682, 4684.

Christmas sale Dec. 12

The Reisterstown Jewish Center Sisterhood will hold the first annual Etcetra Sale on Dec. 12 in the Franklin Senior High School Cafeteria from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be hand made items by the Reisterstown Jewish Center Sisterhood members and sales items by local craftsmen including hand made pottery, jewelry, lucite, macrame. There will also be fun faces make up done on the kiddies, a bake table, charcoal sketches, refreshments, used books and plants. Sisterhood President Mrs. Gilbert Goodman. Etcetra Sale Co-Chairmen are Mrs. Rodney Kaplan and Mrs. Ronald Caplan.

Call 730-6075 for auditions

The VRB Production is looking for a cast for its newly written play "NO MORE FOOTBALL FOR ME." The play is written by the author of "Save The Children" a musical, which was a success at the Lyric theatre in Baltimore. For audition call 730-6075. Dr. Vincent & Rutiena Blake Production company is located in Columbia.

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Here is Dr. Phillips' answer on Crownsville

Administrator responds to printed criticism

(Response to Evening Capital News Release on Crownville Hospital Study by George McK. Phillips, MD, FAPA, Superintendent.)

In the Dec. 2, issue of the Evening Capital, Annapolis, Maryland there was a release, captioned "Crownsville Report Near" indicating that Medicus Systems Corporation, a private group contracted for by Governor Mandel to study the Crownsville Hospital Center "may make substantial recommendations to turn the Hospital upside down".

This information was allegedly provided by Delegate Elizabeth Smith of Anne Arundel County.

First it occurrsto me that anyone or group who participated in the previous investigations which ultimately led to this study should be willing to give the Medicus Systems Corp. the opportunity to complete their report, according to the guidelines established by the State, if indeed an unbiased objective and fair report is sought.

Secondly, the news release further adds that this draft report was reviewed and rejected by the project Steering Committee.

Though there have been "rumors" circulating of attempts over the past few weeks, by various special interest groups to influence the direction and outcome of this report, the information that a draft was actually submitted, reviewed and rejected by the Steering Committee came to my attention via the news release.

According to the stipulated guidelines, I am a member of the Steering Committee.

However, I have not seen this draft, nor have I had the opportunity, as agreed, to review and comment on it. I have been assured by Mr. Dearborn, the chairman of the Steering Committee that he has not yet received a draft of this report but anticipates it by the 8th of December.

During the period from September 1974 to the beginning of this study, there have been numerous allegations concerning the management of the Hospital Center and the quality of patient care.

My public unresponsiveness to these many allegations has been questioned and I have been criticized for my silence by many people loyal to the positive things that were going on at the Hospital Center.

Until this news release, I have chosen to focus on meeting my responsibilities toward better patient care with the hope that the Hospital Center would be reviewed, in the long run, by an unbiased party.

Since July the Crownsville Hospital Center administration has provided the Medicus Study group with detailed, verbal and written information of all issues (some of a confidential nature up to that time) related to the operation and functions of the Hospital Center and its management strategies. Some of this information was collected and kept over the years.

Moreover, within the full limits of the law, the Study group has been given blanket approval to go anywhere, at any time, and to talk to anyone, without restraint.

That they were able to conduct this study in this manner should be evidenced by their in-depth familiarity with the Hospital Center's personnel, its policies and procedures and the number of scheduled and unscheduled interviews they have had with the staff, as well as by the visits of the patient and other areas, independent of my office.

This is further borne out by the fact that I have been in direct contact with the Study group members for approximately 4 hours (1 hr. each on 3 or 4 different occasions) throughout this entire period.

Beyond that, I have not had or been given the opportunity for clarification, discussion or any other input in regard to this study. The Medicus Study group has had and continues to have my full sanction.

The Crownsville Hospital Center administration looks forward and is prepared to be guided by its findings and recommendations. In addition, the public is entitled and desires to have an objective report.

Thus it seems advisable that any further speculations of the content of the report be avoided until it is finalized.

Provident has new associate

DR. GARTHA A. SAMUELS

Dr. Garth A. Samuels has been named director of surgical education and associate in surgery at Provident Hospital, according to Dennis A. Gowie, executive director.

Prior to his appointment, Dr. Samuels served as consultant in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery at the Kingston Public and National Chest Hospital in Kingston, Jamaica.

Dr. Samuels plans to work closely with the medical students and residents from Meharry Medical College, while expanding the training of the physician assistants at Provident Hospital. He also hopes to develop a thoracic and cardiovascular clinic at the hospital.

Dr. Samuels, born in Jamaica attended the University of the West Indies Medical School and internship at Kingston Public Hospital and Children's Hospital in Jamaica. He completed residency at the University of Pennsylvania in general thoracic and cardiovascular surgery. Dr. Samuels and wife, Ann, reside in Baltimore.

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The property may be inspected on the dates and hours listed below:
Wednesday, 12/15/76 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
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For further details, phone 396-4721 or write:
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Department of Housing and Community Development
Saratoga Street Municipal Building
22 East Saratoga Street
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All Proposals are due by 4:30 p.m. (the close of the business day) on February 10, 1977.

MCEA, citing Chester, Hubble wants reform legislation

The Maryland Classified Employees Association (MCEA) with 31,000 members, the enactment of legislation to remove the practice of political patronage from the state's judicial system and replace it with a uniform statewide merit system.

Edward T. Kreiner, MCEA executive director, in announcing the concerntrated effort to reform the judicial system, cited the recent investigations of Paul A. Chester, former of the Court of Common Pleas and John D. Hubble, former Clerk of Circuit Court No. 2.

He said, "The political atmosphere under which the employees of the court must conduct their day to day activities inhibites effective and efficient services to the citizens of the State. Employee moral, for the most part, is low.

"The MCEA, as part of its Legislative Program for 1977, will seek to put an end to the practice of political patronage in the judicial system of Maryland.

Mr. Kriener explained that under MCEA's proposal, the court employees would be hired and promoted based on competitive examination.

Recent reports in the press have indicated that the personal preferences of the political machines and bosses are most influential in the hiring and promotion of court employees.

"Any employee deserves the right to employment based upon his or her own ability not upon whom he or she knows," he said.

"During the next year, the MCEA will prusue vigorously the elimination of political patronage in the court system," said Mr. Kreiner.

"The General Assembly is now considering the consolidation of the entire court system and this provides a golden opportunity to purge political patronage from the Judicial System," Mr. Kreiner said.

Cong. Mitchell holds service academies interview board hearings Saturday

Congressman Parren J. Mitchell (D-7th-Md.) announced that his Service Academies Interview Board will meet Saturday, Dec. 11, at 9 a.m. in Room 1018 Federal Office Building, 31 Hopkins Plaza.

The board interviews prospective applicants for the U.S. Military Academy, Naval Academy and the United State Air Force Academy.

The board recommends to the Congressman those applicants whom it feels are best qualified to enter the Academies.

Board members are Joseph Bracey, William Bryant, Johnny Calhoun, Dr. Cleveland Chandler, Mrs. Ida English, Colonel Albert Genetti, Mrs. Zatella Giles, Mr. Washington Green, Robert Griner, Col. William "Box" Harris and John Kaminsky.

The applicants for the Naval Academy are Donell Green graduate of Edmondson High School, presently attending Naval Academy Preparatory School, Fred Lee of Baltimore City College, Edward McNaughton of McDonogh High School, Jeffrey Morrow of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, Albert Thomas of Fork Union Military Academy, Lawrence Jennings of Northern High School, Timothy O'Shea of Gilman High School.

Bryon Milam of Matthew C. Perry High School, Gene Castle, James Bumbry of Oak Ridge High School.

Alfred Stewart of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, and Michael Ernst of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute.

The applicants for the United States Air Force Academy are Mr. Ronald Green, Carver Vocational-Technical High School, William Ashe of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, Miss Nancy Graham of Western High School, Michael Talmadge of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, James Priabe of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, Mr. Folkerts, of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, and Mr. Elmer Sembly, III of Edmondson High School.

Applicants to the United States Military Academy are Miss Bonney Sue Epstein of the Bryn Mawr School, Charles Shaw, III of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, Anthony Webb of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, Miss Winnie Wong of Western High School, and Miss Patricia Brown.

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Vegetarianism a new way of life

David Jones heads own nutritional enterprise

By Marie P. Cooke
Reflections Editor

Ah, Chateaubriand with Bearnaise Sauce — prepared with a choice, center-cut of beef tenderloin. He'll love it.

But you're in for a grave disappointment if your dinner guest is David Jones; he'll not eat it. Rather, he would have preferred you had saved your meal money and bought a variety of fresh vegetables or fruits, grains or seeds. You could have even fixed a casserole with sprouts or soy beans.

David Jones is a vegetarian — that means no flesh (meat) or processed foods — and if you invite him over for dinner while he's fasting (he recently broke a 77-day fast), he won't eat at all. Just water. Thank you.

There are a growing number of black people, of all ages, who are taking to eating natural foods. They say they feel better and will probably live longer.

Black activist-vegetarian Dick Gregory is credited with the popularity of the vegetarian and fruitarian diets—fasting, too. (All date back before Christ.)

Gregory's nationwide lectures emphasize (d) getting black people to eat right. (His book, "Cooking With Mother Nature" was published in 1970).

Jones, now 25, changed his eating habits nearly three years ago. It was by chance.

While studying business administration at the University of Maryland, (was graduated in 1974), David played on the school's football team. A firm 180 lbs., he ate "well" — thick steaks cooked to order — all of those foods he thought were "good" for him. He was "healthy."

But it was during his senior year that Jones learned he had an ulcer. A friend suggested that he alter his diet; things couldn't be any worse, he thought. So he did and never went back to his old eating habits.

The medical profession had always interested David even as a youngster. (His father, Dr. Thomas C. Jones is a noted opthalmologist.).

However young Jones' new lifestyle sparked the idea that he'd like to someday become a physician who practices in the areas of nutrition and natural foods. So he is currently completing the required pre-med courses at Morgan State University for entrance in a medical school which specializes in those fields.

Many vegetarians say they think differently than meat-eaters; they also comment that their values change.

Upon graduation from Maryland, David decided he wanted to learn more about the human body. He got a job as a masseur and diet consultant at a local health spa where he learned message techniques which stimulate and relax the body.

And in the meantime, he developed a personal relationship with Dick Gregory which has created for him even greater opportunities.

Today, he heads the David Jones Nutritional Enterprise, caters to vegetarian banquets (non-vegetarian, too) and conducts lectures and seminars, whose subjects range from cooking classes and growing your own food to consumption and elimination, exercise, relaxation and marshal arts.

There is a natural foods organization and concession located on Morgan's campus.

Among Jones' immediate plans is the housing of the Institute. A site has been located, it will be announced until a later date.

His agent, Joe Christopher, a former professional baseball player, now in the field of marketing, is helping him to program and market his concepts.

Recently, Jones sponsored a Free "Turkeyless" Thanksgiving dinner at Douglas Memorial Church. Non-meat eaters dined on eggplant parmesan, sweet potatoes, blackeyed peas, mock "meat" loaves, juices, pies, greens and rice.

AFRO COLUMNIST — David Jones, who like many, believes that eating natural and organically-grown foods (no meat or flesh), has adapted himself to a vegetarian diet. Jones, 25, will author a twice-monthly column in the AFRO which will address itself to the benefits of vegetarian diets; feature health food recipes, and will answer readers' questions.

AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Phillips IV)

VEGETARIAN DISHES prepared with all-natural foods, from soy beans to sprouts, were preapred by these „egetarians at a holiday feast held at Douglas Memorial Church. From L to R: Robert Wood, Theresa Gray, Michele Jones, Darryl Bass, David Jones, Cassy Amith, Roslyn Monroe and Karen Horsey.

WEEK'S FOOD ECONOMIES

Holidays' best buys

These next few weeks will find shoppers picking up extra food items in greater quantity than normal, says Georgia Stevens, Consumer and Food Economists Specialist, Cooperative Extension Service, University of Maryland.

The items that add the "luxury" taste to our holiday foods can be purchased with economy in mind. Many of the holiday foods are listed as plentiful by USDA and prices should be more reasonable.

More nuts are used and enjoyed in recipes in

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HOLIDAY COOKING SERIES

Cookies make attractive holiday centerpieces

When Christmas comes, there's no better way of satisfying family and friends than with holiday sweets and Peppermint-Eggnog.

Both family and friends will delight in a miniature sleigh centerpiece arrangement of Peppermint-Chocolate and Cheesecake Cookies with brightly striped candy canes.

Cheesecake makes its holiday debut as a new bite-size cookie. Made with real butter, fresh whole milk and cream cheese, festive Cheesecake Cookies boast the crunchy goodness of chopped pecans and the tantalizing taste of currant jelly.

From the land of the "Sugar Plum Fairy," here's a cookie topped with fantasy and filled with flavor. Each butteryrich Peppermint-Chocolate Cookie is snowcapped with the lightest, crispiest pale pink meringue. To add sparkle and crunch to the "snow," the meringue is mixed with tiny flakes of crushed peppermint candy.

Before everybody eats all of your delicious centerpiece, find a home for the candy canes in tall glasses of Peppermint Eggnog. Rich, creamy eggnog is flavored with peppermint extract, then the combination is stirred with a candy cane for the sweetest new way to toast the yule.

Peppermint-Chocolate Cookies

Cookies:
1 cup (2 sticks) butter
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 egg yolks
2 cups all-purpose flour
½ cup cocoa
¼ teaspoon salt

Meringue:
2 egg whites
¼ teaspoon cream of tartar
½ cup sugar
½ cup crushed peppermint stick candy

For cookies, cream butter; gradually add sugar and beat until light and fluffy. Beat in vanilla and egg yolks. Combine flour, cocoa and salt; gradually stir into creamed mixture. Shape into 1-inch balls, place on cookie sheets and flatten slightly with the bottom of a glass dipped in sugar.

For meringue, beat egg whites and cream of tartar until foamy. Gradually beat in sugar, 1 tablespoon at a time, until stiff peaks form. Fold in candy. Top each cookie with a teaspoonful of meringue. Bake in preheated 325 degree F. oven 18 to 20 minutes. Let stand a few minutes before removing to wire racks to cool. Store in a loosely covered container or freeze. To defrost, remove wrapping.

Yield 4½ dozen.

Cheesecake Cookies

Crust:
½ cup (1 stick) butter
Two-third cup firmly packed brown sugar
½ cup crushed peppermint stick candy
¼ teaspoon peppermint extract
1 can (1 lb. 2 oz.) vanilla frosting

Cream sugar and shortening until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Blend in vanilla and ½ teaspoon peppermint extract. Stir together flour, cocoa, baking powder and salt. Add flour mixture alternately with milk, beginning and ending with flour. Drop by level tablespoonfuls onto ungreased baking sheet.

Bake in preheated 350 degrees oven 12 to 15 minutes, or until done. Cool. Stir candy and ¼ teaspoon peppermint extract into frosting. Spread half of cookies with frosting; top with remaining cookies, sandwich-style.

Spoon flour into dry measuring cup; level. Do not scoop.

NOTE: If self-rising flour is used, omit baking powder and salt.

Speaking of women

(A look at what black women are doing nationally)

The policyholders of Debit No. 87 of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company recently honored their former insurance agent, Mrs. Madelyn Hammond at a retirement testimonial dinner at the Holiday Inn, downtown.

It was a gala ocassion. Mrs. Hammond greeted policyholders, friends and relatives from far and near.

Ms. Madelyn Hammond

The mistress of ceremonies was Almarie Wedley of the Baltimore City School System. The invocation was given by Bessie Askew of Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church followed by remarks by the Dr. Olin P. Moyd, pastor of Mt. Lebanon where Mrs. Hammond has been a member for some 20 years.

Highlights of the evening included the readings of papers in honor of Mrs. Hammond's accomplishments. This was uniquely done by Viola Trott, Lillie Brown, Theda Patterson and Corenlia Smith.

The talented Lillie Brown also composed and sang a song dedicated to the honoree. A beautiful letter was read which came from Mrs. Hammond's first employer's son, Dr. Eugene Barenburg, who is now the president of J.W Barenburg's Optical Company.

Guest speaker for the evening was Del. Lena K. Lee, member of the Maryland House of Delegates.

Presenting the policyholders plaque to Mrs. Hammond was a former co-worker of North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, Mrs. Ruth Jackson followed by individual presentations.

The honoree gave a very moving and touching response to the audience recalling her individual involvement with the policyholders.

In addition to those making presentations to the honoree, other platform guests were the honoree's sister, Mrs. Lillian R. Roy, Hun-

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Do you know a dynamic woman — an outstanding community leader, church worker, businesswoman, mother, club woman — who is great in her own right? The AFRO wants to know about her. Send a brief biographical sketch and black and white glossy picture (or we can arrange to take a photo of her) to: Speaking of Women, c-o AFRO-AMERICAN NEWSPAPER, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md., 21203. Sorry, pictures can not be returned.

Community calendar

Dec. 9-16

Swine Flu movie, "A Special Report on the National Influenza Immunization Program." Evening showings at 6:30 p.m., Black Art Museum, 1767 Carswell St. Call: 243-9600.

Dec. 10

Follies Ball featuring continuous entertainment, fashion show, local artists and ballroom dancing. Music by "The Spirits of Love" featuring Mayfield Small. Famous Ballroom, 1717 N. Charles St., 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Benefit scholarship fund. Call: 298-2176, 332,0062, 624-5484.

An Appreciation Dinner for Mrs. Dorothy F. Bennett, principal of Rosemont Elementary School No. 63 sponsored by the Boy Scout Troop and Pack 233, Holiday Inn, downtown, 6-10 p.m. Call: 396-9576.

Baltimore Marketing Association Annual Awards Dinner, downtown Baltimore Hilton, 7 p.m.

Dec. 11

"Hard Times Night" Disco sponsored by the Dunbar Class of 1950. Meritime Union Hall, 8 N. Broadway, 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Featuring "Oldies But Goodies Music." Prizes for the most unusual "Oldies Outfit." Call: D. Kelso, 732-0134; N. Roberts, 563-3374 or D. Ervin, 837-1048.

Aurora Club of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority sing Christmas carols at Provident Hospital, 12:30-3 p.m.

Dec. 12

Knights of Columbus of the Baltimore Area and surrounding counties of Carroll, Baltimore, Harford, Howard and Anne Arundel will sponsor their 72nd Orphans Santa Claus Party, Villa Louise, St. Vincent's Home and Villa Maria, Dulaney Valley Road, Towson, Md., 2 p.m. Call 944-2172 or 866-3434.

Homewood School, 4906 Roland Ave. Open House, 2-5 p.m. The public is invited. Call: 889-1001.

Garden of Prayer Singers from Washington, D.C. in concert, Lewin United Methodist Church, 4820 Reisterstown Rd. Program, 3:30 p.m. Sister Lillian Luttrell, sponsor; the Rev. James H. Smith, pastor.

50-voice Sanctuary Choir of Enon Baptist Church will present a performance of "The Incarnate Word" by Robert Elmore and Robert Reed. Enon Baptist Church, Edmondson and Schroeder Street, 4:45 p.m.

Dec. 16

"Changes in Employment of Women," will be the topic discussed by Mrs. Bernice S. White. Opportunities Industrialization Center, 1000 Valley St., 1:30 p.m.

Coppin State College Choir and Dancers, Annual Christmas Concert. James Weldon Johnson Auditorium, Coppin State College, 2500 W. North Ave., 8 p.m. Admission free.

Dec. 18

Rummage Sale, Hollins Market. Sponsored by Mrs. Beulah Murray and co-workers, 9:30 a.m.

Deluxe Bull and Oyster Roast sponsored by Medina Temple No. I, AAONMS. Central Social Hall, 901 E. Eager St., 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

Epsilon Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. sponsor a Christmas Party for children of the 4-H Club. Third Lutheran Church, 30th Street and Hillen Road, 1 p.m.

Missionaries of Northeast Baptist Church Bicentennial Service and Dinner. Call: 889-1718.

Dec. 19

Young Adult Choir of Provident Baptist Church in concert at the Greater Macedonia Church of God in Christ, 429 Robert St., 4 p.m. The Rev. Clarence E. Powell, pastor.

Kringle Krunchies

(3 dozen sandwich cookies)

2 cups sugar
1 cup shortening
2 eggs
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
½ teaspoon peppermint extract
4 cups enriched flour
½ cup cocoa
2 tablespoons baking powder
2 teaspoons salt
Two-thirds cup milk
½ cup crushed peppermint stick candy
¼ teaspoon peppermint extract
1 can (1 lb. 2 oz.) vanilla frosting

Cream sugar and shortening until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Blend in vanilla and ½ teaspoon peppermint extract. Stir together flour, cocoa, baking powder and salt. Add flour mixture alternately with milk, beginning and ending with flour. Drop by level tablespoonfuls onto ungreased baking sheet.

Bake in preheated 350 degrees oven 12 to 15 minutes, or until done. Cool. Stir candy and ¼ teaspoon peppermint extract into frosting. Spread half of cookies with frosting; top with remaining cookies, sandwich-style.

Spoon flour into dry measuring cup; level. Do not scoop.

NOTE: If self-rising flour is used, omit baking powder and salt.

Christmas concert at Enon

The 50-voice Sanctuary Choir of Enon Baptist Church will present a performance of "The Incarnate Word" by Robert Elmore and Robert Reed on Sunday, Dec. 12, at 4:45 p.m. The work for Christmastide will feature soloists, choir, narrators, brass, woodwind, percussion, organ, piano and drama.

Soloists and special vocal ensembles for the performance are: Mary Hopkins, Mary Conaway, Margaret Lindsay, Vivan Giles, sopranos; Florence Shipman, contralto; Hugh Harrell, Arnold Moore, tenors; Richard Pindle, Ronnie McNeil and Jeffrey Covington, basses.

Instrumentalists are: Joseph Day, trumpet, James Green, oboe, Juan Marshall, timpani, Almira Miller, pianist, and Mack Statham, organist. The Reverend Porter W. Phillips, pastor, and Ethel Wise will narrate the story of the nativity throughout the performance with drama, lighting and scenery directed by Dalmatha Dammons and Laura Whitfield.

The concert is under the direction of Charles Alston Jr., minister of music at Enon and assistant professor of music at Coppin State College. The church is located at Edmondson and Schroeder Street. The performance is free to the public.

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