(Photo by Roman Hankewycz)

HERBERT HAWKINS has been employed at the courthouse as an elevator operator for 12 years and says, "It is now time for me to retire."

Friendly elevator operator plans to retire soon

Herbert Hawkins, who is fondly known at the courthouse as "Herb the friendly elevator operator," plans to retire soon.

Mr. Hawkins always has a kind word and a pleasant smile for the hundreds of people he carries from the first to the six floor of the courthouse at Lexington and St. Paul St. daily from as an elevator operator 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

After working 25 years as an elevator operator and spending 12 of those years in the courthouse which he said he enjoyed "best," Mr. Hawkins will retire on August 11, the day he becomes 65-years old.

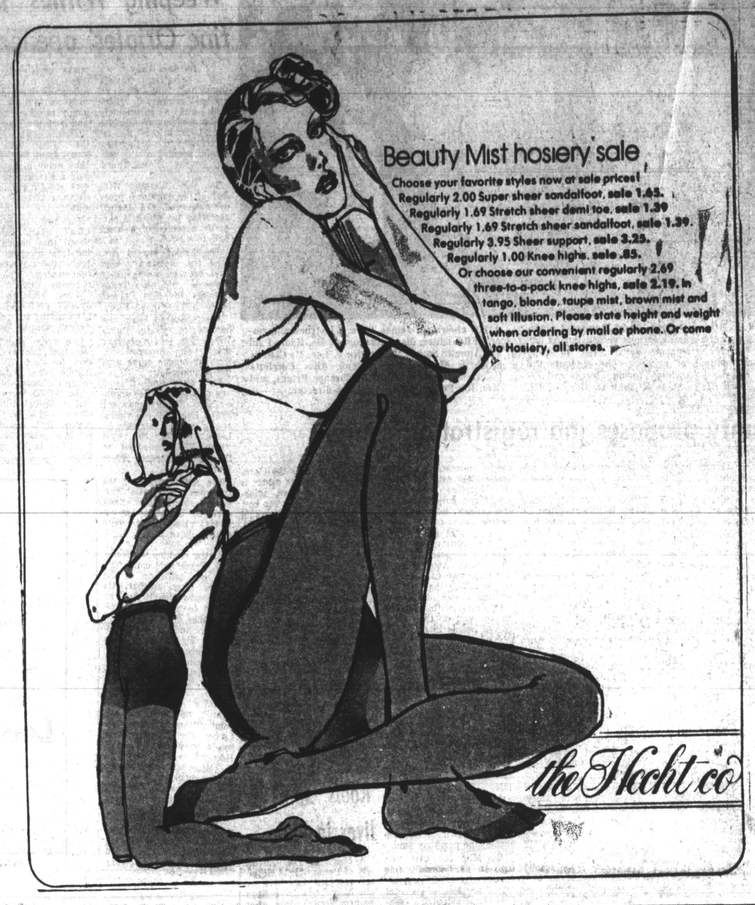
"I meet a lot of nice people and love working with the public. I have always been able to get along with the young and old and have never let the public upset me as an operator," said Mr. Hawkins.

Mr. Hawkins says he has not decided what he will do after he retires but is seriously thinking about taking a trip to California with his wife, Mrs. Edna Hawkins.

Born in Catonsville Mr. Hawkins has been an active member of Bethel AME Church since 1949, when retired Bishop Harrison J. Bryant was serving as pastor.

Before coming to the courthouse, Mr. Hawkins worked at the Municipal building as an elevator operator. In his spare time, he enjoys being with his family and watching television.

Mr. Hawkins is the proud father of one daughter, Mrs. Loretta Savoy, a son, Larry Johnson, 11 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.



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Your weekly digest of community events/cultural affairs/church activities/political forums/educational and business opportunities/entertainment/social affairs/self-improvement/public meetings/in the metro Baltimore area.

Music

Classical

MARILYN COTLOW — Appearing with members of Contemporary Directions Ensemble, Peabody Concert Hall, 1 E. Mt. Vernon Place, Wednesday, April 13, noon. For more information, call 837-0600.

CHORAL CONCERT — University of Maryland Baltimore County, Wilkens Ave., Fine Arts Recital Hall, Friday, April 15, 8 p.m.

A FESTIVAL OF MUSIC AND DANCE — Johns Hopkins University, Homewood campus, Shriver Hall, Saturday, April 9, 8 p.m. Admission is $1.

ARTIST RECITAL — Peabody Concert Hall, 1 E. Mt. Vernon Place, Tuesday, April 12, 8 p.m.

Jazz

DIZZY GILLESPIE — Appearing with Charlie Byrd, Civic Center, 201 W. Baltimore St., Mini Theatre I, Friday, April 15, 8 to 11 p.m. Admission is $5, $6, $7. Call 685-6231 for more information.

Modern

DONALD BYRD AND KOOL AND THE GANG — Civic Center, 201 W. Baltimore St., Main Auditorium, Saturday, April 9, 7 to 11 p.m. Admission is $5, $6, $7. Call 685-6231 for further information.

Religion

GOSPEL SHOW — Featuring Edwin Hawkins, Civic Center, 201 W. Baltimore St., Mini Theatre I, Sunday, April 10, 4 to 8 p.m. Tickets are $5, $6, $7. Call 685-6231 for more information.

Dance

BALTIMORE DANCE THEATRE — Dunbar Performing Arts Center, Caroline and Orleans Sts., April 15, 8 p.m. For further information, call 276-4546.

Health

RED CROSS — Blood donation, Red Cross donor center, 2701 N. Charles St., Saturday, April 9, 9 a.m. to noon, Monday, April 11, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday, April 12, noon to 8:15 p.m., Thursday, April 14, 6 to 8:15 p.m., Friday, April 15, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 467-9905, 8:30 to 4:30 weekdays, for an appointment.

THIN FROM WITHIN — A life plan for permanent weight control, Village of Cross Keys, Cross Keys Inn, Suite 237, Tuesday, April 12, 8 p.m.

NURSING CONVENTION — "Coping With Fragmentation in Health Care," Holiday Inn, Cromwell Bridge Road, Wednesday, Thursday, April 13, 14, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM — Bon Secours Hospital, board room, 2025 W. Fayette St., Friday, April 15, noon. Call 233-7100 for more information.

SEMINAR — The Community Health Council is holding a seminar to inform residents of the importance of the agency. Community College of Baltimore, Harbor Campus, Lombard and Market Place, North Building, Saturday, April 16, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Call 752-3500 for more information.

HEALTH SCREENING PROGRAM — Appointments for the health check are being scheduled at the Academic Center, 1420 North Charles St., main lobby, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, April 11, 12, 13, 14, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, April 15, 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call 727-6350.

BLOOD DONOR DAY — Provident Hospital, 2600 Liberty Heights Ave., Wednesday, April 13, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Call 225-2346 for further information.

ETHEL ENNIS — See Lectures

Art

REVIVAL — Silver anniversary of the student art exhibit, Morgan State University, Murphy Fine Arts Center, gallery, April 10 through April 30. Opening will be Sunday, April 10, 5 p.m. Call 444-3424 for more information.

UTAMARO AND HIS FIVE WOMEN — Film about the Japanese woodcut master, Towson State University Center of Asian Arts, Stephens Hall Auditorium, Friday, April 15, 8 p.m.

SCULPTURE, DRAWINGS — One man exhibition of the works of Lee Aks, Dundalk Community College, 7200 Sollers Point Road, Learning Resources Center, April 12 to 29, reception, Tuesday, April 12, 7 to 9 p.m.

FLOWER PAINTERS OF FIVE CENTURIES — Spring exhibition of flowers, Walters Art Gallery, 600 N. Charles St., April 8 to June 5. Call 547-9000 for more information.

GALLERY TALK — "Portraits, People and You," Baltimore Museum of Art, Art Museum Drive, Sunday, April 10, 2 p.m. Gather at the Information Desk.

WATERCOLORS — Views of the C and O Canal by John Wellington, Maryland Historical Society, 201 W. Monument St., Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

PHOTOGRAPHIC ESSAY — "An Expression of Gratitude and Pride to Ancestors Who Have Carved My Future," by Cary Beth Cryor, Central Pratt Library, second floor cases, 400 Cathedral St., beginning April 14.

Theatres

ANTIGONE — Jean Anouilh's modern interpretation of Sophocle's classic tragedy, presented by the Barnstormers, Johns Hopkins University, Homewood Campus, Barn Theatre, Saturday, April 9, 7:30 and 10 p.m. Call 338-7160 for further information.

EVENING AT THE THEATRE — Carter G. Woodson Elementary School is sponsoring an evening at Bolton Hill Dinner Theatre. The play is "The Seven Year Itch." Tickets must be purchased by April 13. Ticket information may be obtained by calling 396-1366.

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR — University of Maryland College Park, Tawes Theatre, Thursday, Friday, April 14, 15, 8 p.m. For more information, call 454-2201 between 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

ONE ACT PLAYS — "Soul Gone Home" by Langston Hughes and "Shoes" by Ted Shine, New Arena Playhouse, 801 McCulloh St., April 15. For more information, call 523-6245 from 10 a.m. to noon, 5 to 6 p.m.

Children

SKATEMOBILE — Wagner's Point Recreation Center, Leo St. and 4th Ave., Monday, April 11, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

BAKE CONTEST — St. James Teen Center "P," 631 Gold St., Saturday, April 9, 4 p.m.

EASTER EGG HUNT — Baltimore County courthouse lawn, Towson, Monday, April 11, 1 p.m. Children should gather on the Washington Ave. sidewalk. Rain date, April 16.

CHILDREN'S DISCO JAM — Retail Union Hall, 305 W. Monument St., Sunday, April 10, ages 5-10, 5-9 p.m. Disc jockey, Donald Coleman, WNIN. Sponsored by the Four Pals Plus One. For further details and tickets, call 523-3057.

EASTER MONDAY — Carroll Park Recreation Center, Bayard and Herkimer Sts., for ages 8-12. Games, prizes, an Easter egg hunt. Monday, April 11, 10 a.m.

HEAD START CENTER — St. Veronica's, 806 Cherry Hill Road. Registration for children for next year's program, infancy to age five. For more information, call 354-0232.

KIDDIE KABARET — Lions Club Recreation Center, 657-65 Washington Blvd., Sunday, April 10, ages 5-11. Parent or adult must accompany child. For further information, call 685-7541 after 2 p.m.

ROLLER SKATING PROGRAMS — James D. Gross Recreation Center, 4600 Lanier Avenue, Monday, April 11, 4:45 to 7:15 p.m., Walter P. Carter Recreation Center, St. George's Ave. and 43rd St., Monday, April 11, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Crispus Attucks Recreation Center, 1601 Madison Ave., Tuesday, April 12, 3:15 to 5:45 p.m. Violetville Recreation Center, 3450 Violetville Lane, Wednesday, April 13, 4:15 to 6:45 p.m. Carroll Park Recreation Center, Bayard and Herkimer Sts., Wednesday, April 13, 4:15 to 6:45 p.m. Robert C. Marshall Recreation Center, Pennsylvania Ave. and Dolphin St., Friday, April 15, 7:15 to 9:45 p.m. Furley Recreation Center, Furley and Sipple Aves., Friday, April 15, 3:15 to 5:45 p.m. Leithwalk Recreation Center, Leithwalk and Sherwood Ave., Friday, April 15, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Fort Worthington Recreation Center, Kenwood Ave. and Heffman St., Friday, April 15, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

STORY HOURS — Central Pratt Library, 400 Cathedral St., for children 3 to 5, Children's Department, Saturday, April 9, 11 a.m. For children 6-12, Tuesday, April 12, 4 p.m.

CITY SCHOOL ART — Art by Baltimore City school children, Baltimore Museum of Art, Art Museum Drive, to May 1, Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sundays, 1-5 p.m., Thursday evenings, 7-10 p.m.

BALTIMORE: THROUGH THE EYES OF A CHILD — Exhibit of original art works and writings by elementary school children in Baltimore City. Baltimore Museum of Art, downtown gallery, Charles and Redwood Sts., to May 6. For more information, call 396-6310.

SPECIAL GALLERY TOUR — A look at portraits, Walters Art Gallery, Centre St. lobby, Saturday, April 9, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information, call 547-9000, ext. 50.

DIZZY GILLESPIE — See Music

Community Notes

OPEN HOUSE — 1903 Bloomingdale Road, Cong. Parren-Mitchell's District Office, Saturday, April 16, 1-4 p.m. An opportunity for the congressman and his staff to say hello and thanks to his many constituents. Light refreshments will be served.

MEETING — State Board of Social Services, 11 South Street, board room, Wednesday, April 13. For more information, call 383-3506.

SPRING AUCTION — Johns Hopkins University, Homewood Campus, 34th and Charles Sts. Great Hall in Levering Hall, Friday, April 15, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 338-8187 for further information.

WEEKEND BICYCLE CLINIC — Designed for riders to get their bikes in shape for the "Ride-A-Bike For the Retarded." War Memorial Plaza, Sunday, April 17, 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 396-4891.

USED BOOK SALE — Held by Smith College Club, Towson Armory, Washington and Chesapeake Aves., Thursday and Friday, April 14, 15, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Call 848-9424 for more information.

MEETING — Coalition for Youth, Schapiro Scout Service Center, 701 Weyman Park Drive, Tuesday, April 12, 8 p.m. To RSVP call 338-1700 by April 11.

HISTORY OF ENERGY — Exhibit, Maryland Historical Society, 201 W. Monument St., Thursday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

KUNTA KINTE — Annapolis port of entry book listing the ship which carried Alex Haley's ancestor to America, Maryland Historical Society, 201 W. Monument St., Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

Movies

HINDENBURG — University of Maryland Baltimore County, Wilkens Ave., Lecture Hall II, Wednesday, April 13, 8 p.m. Admission is $1.

BEAU HUNKS — Falls Road Community Center, 3643 Falls Road, Monday, April 11, 3 p.m. Walter P. Carter Recreation Center, St. George and 43rd Sts., Monday, April 11, 7 p.m. Woodbourne Recreation Center, 7310 Moyer Ave., Tuesday, April 12, 3:30 p.m. Mors Crossman Recreation Center, 700 block Rappolla St., Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m. Herring Run Recreation Center, 5001 Sinclair Lane, Wednesday, April 13, 3:30 p.m. Leithwalk Recreation Center, Leithwalk and Sherwood, Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m. Violetville Recreation Center, 3450 Violetville Lane, Thursday, April 14, 3 p.m. Lakeland Recreation Center, Thursday, April 14, 7 p.m. Murphy Homes Recreation Center, 730 George St., Friday, April 15, 3 p.m. Ralph J. Young Recreation Center, Fayette and Chester Sts., Friday, April 15, 7 p.m.

THE FIRST IMPACT — Part 12 of Alistair Cooke's "America," Central Pratt Library, 400 Cathedral St., Tuesday, April 12, 2 p.m.

THE AFRICAN — Part 1 of Alex Haley's "Roots," Central Pratt Library, 400 Cathedral St., Wheeler Auditorium, Thursday, April 14, 7 p.m.

MATINEE — "The Absent-Minded Professor," Central Pratt Library, 400 Cathedral St., Wheeler Auditorium, Saturday, April 9, 2 p.m.

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Social Affairs

BAZAAR AND LUNCHEON — Sponsored by the Roosevelt Park Senior Citizens, Roosevelt Park Recreation Center, 36th St. and Falls Road, Thursday, April 14, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Luncheon is $1.50 per person. For more information, call 889-7960.

FASHION SHOW AND DANCE RECITAL — Lions Club Recreation Center, 657-65 Washington Blvd., Monday, April 11, 7-9 p.m.

DINNER DANCE — Maryland Licensed Practical Nurses Association, Martin's West, Dogwood Road, Friday, April 15, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. For information and tickets, call 467-2010.

BREAKFAST DISCUSSION — Topic is "Public Pension Reform and Social Security." Social Security Headquarters, Altmeyer Building, group dining room, Wednesday, April 13, breakfast, 7 a.m., speaker, 7:30 a.m. Full buffet breakfast is $2.50. Call 594-8707 for more information.

LUNCHEON, FASHION SHOW, CARD PARTY — Sheraton Inn, Orleans and Broadway, Saturday, April 16, noon, given by the Quetiez Auxiliary: Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. Call Ruby C. Gill, president, for tickets.

BOOK REVIEW AND DISCUSSION LUNCHEON — Morgan State University, Hillen Road and Cold Spring Lane, McKeldin Center, Thursday, April 14, noon to 1 p.m. "Passages" by Gail Sheehy will be reviewed.

Classes, lectures, workshops

YOU, THE CREATIVE WOMAN — Free conference exploring creative expression. Highlight is a concert by Ethel Ennis. College of Notre Dame, 4701 N. Charles St., Wednesday, April 13, 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 435-0100, ext. 94, for more information.

FEASTS OF REBIRTH in the Christian, Moslem and Jewish Traditions, The Sunday Experience program, Johns Hopkins University, Homewood Campus, Charles and 34th Sts., Levering Hall, Listening-Viewing Room, Sunday, April 10, 11 a.m.

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MORGAN ART STUDENTS — Students participating in the Silver Anniversary Exhibit at Morgan, April 10 through April 30, are: (L to R — front row) Wesley Richardson, Michael Summers, Jose Solarzano; (L to R — seated) Michael Miller, Cynthia Sydnor, Stanley Cobb, Deborah Whitt, Clara Jenkins; (L to R — back row) Dudley Brooks, Byron Bowen, Barbara Jones, Michael Moore, Ricardo Carter, James Barefoot, Eugene Donaldson. Not shown: Edward Barber, Sharon Carey, Joseph Dixon, Jeanette Felton, Renee Glaze, Dennis O'Connor, Tajuado Salako, Julio Smith. See The Arts.