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Summer Science Center at Marshburn Elementary

A summer science center for 20 of September's fifth and sixth graders will be held from June 27 to July 15 at the Eutaw Marshburn Elementary School, 1624 Eutaw Pl. The program will instruct the students in a variety of unique science activities.

Pupils who will attend the Science Center's first year of operation were selected by teachers and were also members of the school's Science Club.

The program, will have two purposes. One will be to develop problem-solving skills as an extension of science concepts and the other to practice communication and study skills through participation in science experiences.

"We will use parents and community resources in our program extensively," explained James Owings principal of Marshburn. He feels he must teach at some time during the year in order to reach his students and to better perform his administravive duties.

The summer science center will deal with midtown ecology, weather, astronomy and health.

The center will operate from 9 a.m. until noon each day, with night sessions planned for the teaching of astronomy. Field trips have been planned to Maryland Academy of Sciences; Provident Hospital, Television Weather Departments; city schools' grounds division; Druid Hill Park Conservatory; Smithsonian Institute and Franklin Institute.

Owings explained he plans to teach "conservation, experimentation, measurement, classification and drawing inferences and making predictions."

The school's library and media center will also be used to develop reference skills, to organize ideas and to verify experiences.

Parent of the week

AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewyez

MRS. PAULETTE HADEN is involved with activities at George St. Elementary School. She led the school choir in its recent black history program.

VIEWPOINT

By Sharron Elaine Middleton
Special to the AFRO

(Editor's Note: Miss Middleton is a 9th grade student at Booker T. Washington Junior High School. She will be attending Western High in the fall.)

I often wondered when I was younger what it would be like to be in high school.

Now that time is upon me.

Leaving junior high school means I will be saying farewell to one part of my life and saying hello to another.

I will be saying farewell to the good times and the bad times. I will be saying farewell to the teachers, friends and students I have come to know.

I miss the special occasions the faculty made possible to honor students with high averages. I will miss the way the school is handled by those who care what happens to students.

In other words, I will never forget Booker T. Washington Junior High School.

But I must remember a new chapter is opening for me. In senior high I will be meeting new people and making new friends.

It will also mean becoming more mature and taking on more responsibilities as a person and a student.

As a high school student, I would like to be involved in more activities I would enjoy.

Being accepted at Western and leaving a coed school will be a challenge.

There will be many changes but I will continue to do my best.

That's what growing up is all about.

Teacher views Soap Box Derby as not just another race

When city schools' industrial arts coordinator James Goodwin looks at this year's Soap Box Derby and the cars constructed by youngsters for the upcoming June 4 event, he sees far more than the building of vehicles going on in classrooms.

For the 100 student drivers entered in the event and the other young people who built cars the program fulfills the objectives of the industrial arts program and the use of material and construction as well as health and safety.

It also gives the pupils further education in science, reading, math and English composition and a look at possible future careers.

Goodwin also said it bring students a strong supportive program for their basic subjects.

"Building Soap Box cars generates great enthusiasm," he said. "It isn't unusual to find students still in school hours after classes have concluded. And parents and teachers are often with the students, sharing in the experience of making the cars."

Goodwin further points out all kids are involved and this includes slow learners and physically handicapped students as well. Often students with learning disabilities experience their great success in Industrial Arts classes.

"In fact, many excel in these program," he said.

Young achievers

AFRO staff photo by Norma Spencer

NEW APPOINTEE — Ms. Wanda Johnson, a 10th grader at Walbrook Senior High School, was recently elected to the school board by her peers to serve as the 1977-78 student commissioner.

HOTLINE:

Publicity SHAM?

Is Baltimore trying to run a game on its 8,000 teachers?

Apparantly, according to the head of the Baltimore Teacher's Union.

Mayor Schaefer and his Volunteer Cadre on Education are sponsoring "Thank you, Teachers of Baltimore Week" from May 30 to June 5.

During that week every school is asked to select one teacher to represent its staff at a luncheon June 3 at Federal Hill. At that time, all teachers will be honored in appropriate ceremonies," according to a press release from the Mayor's office.

The union official believes the luncheon is a publicity smokescreen designed to distract teachers from several current issues.

Those issues include the recently passed teacher evaluation plan; various threats to cut the education budget, which may impare classroom instruction; no bargaining agent for the teachers and contract expiration in June.

If you are a teacher would like to know more call the Mayor's office at 396-3100.

Cuts will not hurt

Officials for the Division of Adult and Community Education said the summer school budget cuts will not affect the quality of the program.

However, the officials found it necessary to limit the adult school opportunities 50 per cent and eliminate the summer day program at Calvert Education Center.

Adult education officials also found it necessary to give enrollment priority to adult student. Only a small number of high school juniors and seniors may enroll with prior permission from the department.

Need more information call the Division Adult and Community Education at 396-6703.

Four schools picked as summer schools

Lake Clifton Senior High School, 2801 St. Lo Drive, Northwestern Senior High School, 6900 Park Heights Ave., Northern Senior High School, 2201 Pinewood Ave. and Southwestern Senior High School, 200 Font Hill Ave. have been designated sites for summer school programs.

Sessions are scheduled from June 27 to Aug. 5 and space has been provided to meet the needs of a maximum of 4,000 students.

Each of the four schools will offer identical programs in mathematics, English, science and social studies for students from grades seven through 12.

Schools were selected because they are located at different points around the city. Assignments will be made to give each school an equal number of students as well as providing convenience for those living in areas nearest their respective schools.

Pupils must meet five conditions to be eligible for summer programs, stated summer school officials.

They must have had no more than 16 excused absences during the entire past school year, no more than two unexcused absences, no 1976-1977 disciplinary removals and no more than two of the following subjects failed; mathematics, English, science, or social studies.

All subjects will meet for 100 minutes daily and teachers will concentrate their instructional efforts on basic concepts and skills traditionally covered under the subject heading.

Pupils will be notified by their counselors if they are required to attend summer school.

It's happening

There is more to education than just sitting in a classroom.

The school system offers many activities that occur outside the classroom. For example;

REGION VI

Schools in region six will hold a recognition week May 31 to June 5 to acknowledge the work the schools have done.

Activities scheduled include a dramatic reading, a primary spelling bee, parents' day and and an awards assembly.

EUTAW MARSHBURN ELEMENTARY

The school will hold its awards day June 1 in the auditorium at 10 a.m.

The event will honor the sixth grade students and will have as its special guest Dr. Herbert Frisby.

TEMPLETON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The school will hold a program entitled "The School of Love Parents' Day" June 2 at 9:30 a.m.

The event will include a breakfast and a presentation, a tour, a parents' musical program and a panel discussion.

CITYWIDE

Safety patrol pupils will be the guests of the Orioles Sunday in honor of Safety Patrol Day.

The Orioles will play the Minnesota Twins.

WESTERN HIGH

The school will honor former principal Angelo Fortunato June 4 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Donations of $1.00 per person will help establish a school scholarship fund in Fortunato's home.

SOUTHEAST MIDDLE SCHOOL

The school will sponsor a spring festival with an international flavor June 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The program was planned to give pupils a better understanding of the various groups that make up a community. The public is invited.

Truancy slide now available

A slide show presentation, the cooperative effort of BUST (Business United to Stop Trouble), the city schools, and the Mayor's Office of Tele-Communications, on the role the educational and legal systems play in dealing with chronic truants, will be made available shortly to educators, parents, students and community groups.

Project Director Dr. Simon Fuchs of BUST, views the production as "basically an informational slide show that attempts to uncover some of the methods — if not the solutions — of dealing with absenteeism."

The show entitled "HASSLE" is a trilogy, fixing on the lives of three fictional young people. The first is ten and her problem, as it relates to school, is her parents don't care about education because they haven't had much of it. child should make the entire effort. They see their parental function as caretakers only, not as adults responsible for their child's education," Fuchs said.

"Education is something foreign to these parents, and they think the school and the

The second part is a continuation, focusing on a different child. The child is older, about fifteen, not in school, and is caught stealing a purse. He ends up in court. Both he and the first child fall into the hands of the legal system, and at this point, there is an increased understanding of the law and the role of juvenile justice system."

The final portion is an interview with a young woman, about nineteen, in a detention center. Throughout the interview with her counselor, during which time she requests educational opportunities and is reminded she did not take advantage of them when they were available, there are flashbacks that reveal how she got to prison.

MAYOR AND DR. CREW TO RACE
Soap Box Derby anticipates over 100 contestants

Soap Box Derby Day, sponsored by city schools' Office of Vocational Education and supported by Mayor's office and local businesses, will be held June 4, beginning 9 a.m., at 35th St. and Hillen Road.

The race will feature, along with the estimated 100 entrants, a special race between School Superintendent Dr. John L. Crew and Mayor Schaefer.

The race is culminating activity of a project that began nearly a year ago and is the first time the construction of soap box cars is part of the school curriculum.

Don Beck, derby director, anticipates attendance in the thousands and noted the project was supported by local businesses who gave a $10,000 grant that provided kits and materials for the students.

During the Derby Day refreshments will be sold. and lunches will be provided free to all student participants.

Educator in the news

AFRO staff photo by Norma Spencer

FIGHTER — Mrs. Anne Emery, principal at Walbrook Senior High School who has run the school since it opened in 1971, looks over the classroom which has a computer terminal she obtained on her own.

Talented pupils honored for recent film work

Talented pupils, whose filmmaking efforts were recognized recently at the Maryland Film Festival competition, were honored at the second annual student Film Festival Awards Ceremony.

A highlight of the ceremony was the showing of several of the awardwinning films.

The ceremony was held last Friday at school headquarters at 3 E. 25th St. and featured city schools that entered seven films in the state competition.

These films won awards for excellence on a citywide level, according to Larry Ellenbogen of the Office of Media and Technology.

Schools selected for participation at the state level include Dunbar Community High School for a video tape, entitled "Sacrifice For Christmas"; Harford Heights Elementary School for a slide-tape called, "What Happened At The Bank?" and a video-tape called, "We Helped, Too" and Walbrook Senior High for a movie called, "Short Shorts-Panty-Hose."

Also honored were Holabird Elementary School for "Happiness is Belonging" and City Springs Elementary School for a U-Film or opaque adaptation of "Charlotte's Web."

Geraly Doyle, media and technology coordinator, is concerned with the future of film making as a tool in learning.

The program, said Doyle, helps pupils in writing, producing scripts and gives them direction in virtually every subject area as well. He further pointed out adding another dimension to the classroom experience, filmmaking provides motivation and added involvement by demonstrating how traditional subjects, once mastered, can be applied to creative activities.

"The films made for the film festival that were shown at the citywide ceremony were made entirely by the pupils," said Mr. Doyle.

"They made the music and backdrops and wrote the scripts and they did the editing and the cutting and acting. No adult touched their material," he said.

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Delta has a revival: Mother-daughter luncheon

(See R.S.V.P. with Marie for details)

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AT LEFT

....Top: Mrs. Vivian Washington with little Cara Bramble, 3; Mrs. Shelly Jordan and her mother, Mrs. Josephine Brown, co-chairperson of the affair.

Bottom: Mn. Vivian F. Holmes, Mrs. Ruth Fowlkes, Mrs. Lillian F. Gundy, co-chairperson; Craig Montgomery, program participant, and Mrs. Delores Conaway, chairman of entertainment.

GRANDMOTHER-ARTIST — Delta Rubye Gill poses with her art exhibit of batiqitry, embroidery and other art pieces she collected recently while on tour of Asia and some 12 other countries. Also posing is her 11-month-old granddaughter, Mara Maketa Maraj, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Maraj (Roberta Gill).

Local club notes

Theta Nu Sigma

The Zeta Chapter of Theta Nu Sigma national sorority celebrated Founders' Day on last Sunday by attending worship services at the Bethel AME Church which was celebrating its 192d anniversary.

A presentation was made to the Rev. John R. Bryant by Basileus, Marie Cherry.

Other members present were ; Mattie Hawkins, first anti-basileus; Bessie Pretlow, Phillis Stevenson, Ann Robinson, Flossie H. Brown, Doretha Robinson, Ola Mae Johnson, Rosetta Addison, Illene Jennings, Marion Wade, Mary Stevens, Junita Monroe, Dorothy James, Rosetta Tilghman,

After church, Zeta Chapter met at the home of Sorors Marion Wade and Mary Stevenson where they made plans for a theatre party to the Hayloft on June 19 in Manassas Va.

Links, Inc.

Mrs. Ada Weaver entertained the Baltimore Chapter of Links, Inc. at an elegant buffet dinner at the Sheraton Inn. Special guests were Ida Peters, Ivy Harris, Amy Weaver, Gloria Carpenter, and Marjorie Smith.

Mrs. Yvette Murphy, chairman, Fine Arts Committee, reviewed the Links' recent project held in conjunction with the Pierians when the noted singer, Etta Moten Barnett, was presented in a program depicting tales and songs of our heritage.

In her inimitable fashion, Mrs. Barnett sang blues, spirituals, and jazz selections. She told African folk tales, displayed African jewelry, artifacts, and native costumes

Members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority participated in this memorable affair.

Mrs. Marjorie Smith, president Maryland Committee for the Day Care of Children, presented a certificate in

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Du Bois Circle ends year with recapitulation of activities

(Special to AFRO)

The Du Bois Circle brought its year's activities to a brilliant and exciting close, Tuesday, May 17, when they entertained some 350 guests at dinner at the Blue Crest North.

Slides Show Meetings

The theme for the program was "Agents of Change in the Baltimore Community" and a resume was illustrated with slides narrated by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Alonzo Hairston.

Beginning with the October meeting, hosted by Mrs. Priscilla Lansey, Mrs. Robert Bonnell, public Relations director of the Charles Center Inner Harbor Management, Inc. presented slides and spoke to the "Proposed Baltimore Aquarium—A New Understanding of the World of Water."

The November meeting hosted by Mrs. Lena K. Lee, featured "T.A.—Transactional Analysis—How to Change Your Personality" with Miss Gaye Brown, Office of Staff Development, Baltimore City Public Schools as speaker.

In December, Miss Estelle Lee was the Christmas party hostess and included the husbands as guests. Featured was an original inspiration by Miss Rose Kinney, Christmas Sing Along, led by Mrs. Ralph Smith and Mrs. Clarence Harris, and games, prizes, and gifts for all under the able leadership of Miss Rose Kinney. The new year's gathering hosted by Mrs. Roland C. McConnell, had as speaker Mrs. Enolia McMillan, president, Baltimore NAACP who talked on the accomplishments of the NAACP and her personal experiences with the civil rights organization and stressing that through the courts, the major advances in Civil Rights have been made.

Mrs. Robert Meyers had as the speaker for February, Mrs. Herbert Tate, coordinator of science education, Baltimore City Public School, whose talk was on the "Maryland Academy of Sciences Expanding Horizons of the Universe," and enlarged our knowledge of the Academy and its many educational programs for both children and adults.

At the March meeting hosted by Mrs. Saul Perdue, Michael Karas, Office of Fiscal Management, Baltimore City Public Schools, gave a most enlightening speech on "Computers and Potential Careers in Today's Life." Karas explained the complicated workings and the multiplicity of information which can be quickly gathered with the aid of the computer.

Mrs. Beatrice Reesby hosted the April meeting which had as its theme "The Health and Welfare Council of Central Maryland — Planning for Better Human Resources" which was explored by Mr. John Geist, executive director of the Health and Welfare Council.

This marks Mrs. Hairston's fourth and last year to present the club's resume in such an interesting and imaginative manner.

Miss Jewel Churn accompanied by Miss Muriel Fitzgerald, both of the Music Department of the Baltimore Public Schools gave two beautiful renditions: "Only a Rose" and "The Way We Were" which were real crowd pleasers.

Religious Commentary

Of course, any program with the 'Agents of Change" would have to include the Church and the Club feels it was most fortunate in securing Ms. Theresa Hoover, associate general secretary, Women's Division, Board and Global Ministries, The United Methodist Church, located in New York City, to be the speaker on this most important theme.

Ms. Hoover subtitled her speech "Toward Access to Equality," and used as her text Isiah 59:14. She stressed the fact that any effort must use both scripture and the human commentary. She stated that no black person enters or leaves this life except by way of the church and pointed out that it was the activities of religious bodies during the 60's that made the difference between success and failure.

She added that James Reston said of the 1963 March on Washington, that the real test of success in civil rights would come through the churches. She urged the church to never let the people be lulled into acceptance of the "status quo" with the same old, tired arguments. She pointed out that the Church must be the voice of the voiceless, the speaker for and advocate of the aged, be concerned with the care and nature of children, health and welfare, and that it has a major responsibility to teach people to use the legislative processes to advantage.

Ms Hoover stated that regardless of whether it is church, synagogue, or mosque, members can and must coalesce around specific issues. She electrified the audience and they in turn gave her a standing ovation and sustained applause at the conclusion of her speech.

Chairperson of the closing activity committee was Mrs. Waters Turpin whose committee included Mrs. John Berry, Mrs. Albert Wood, and Mrs. Ralph Smith.

Officers of the DuBois Circle, founded in 1906 is now 71 years old and the oldest black women's club in the city, are: President, Mrs. Marshall Bright; Vice President, Mrs. Waters Turpin; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Alonzo Hairston; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. Gaines Lansey; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Clarence Harris; Treasurer, Miss Josephine Lansey and Historian, Mrs. Abdella Campbell, who incidentally, has all the minutes, all the printed programs and all the closing activity programs in her keeping.

Active members of the club are: Mrs. John Berry, Mrs. Marshall Bright, Miss Edna Brown, Mrs. Abdella Campbell, Mrs. Harry Carpenter, Mrs. John Francis, Mrs. Arnett Frisby, Mrs. Alonzo Hairston, Mrs. Clarence Harris, Mrs. Mason Hawkins, Mrs. Paul Henderson, Mrs. Bradshaw Higgins, Mrs. Howard Hucles, Mrs. Kelly Johnson, Miss Rose Kinney, Mrs. E. Gaines Lansey, Mrs. Josephine Lansey, Miss Estelle Lee, Mrs. Lena K. Lee, Mrs. Roland C. McConnell, Mrs. Robert Myers, Mrs. Saul Perdue, Mrs. McKinley Reesby, Mrs. Crafton Reed, Mrs. Ralph Smith, Mrs. Waters Turpin, Mrs. Wilbur Vallentine, Mrs. Albert Wood and Mrs. Clarence J. Young.

Honorary members are: Mrs. Alice Arrington, Mrs. Lewis Fenderson, Mrs. Charles Key and Mrs. Carl Murphy.

WOMEN COLLEGE EXECS were featured at 45th annual dinner meeting of Philomathian Club. From left, Dr. Joan Wallace, Morgan State University; Dr. Geraldine Waters, Coppin State College; Dr. Carolyn B. Wallace, Bowie State College; and Dean Christine Moore, Community College of Baltimore, pictured with Philomathian vice president, Dr. Regina Goff [illegible] and president [illegible] Dessie Arnold. Speaker, not pictured, was Dr. Elaine Jeffers, University of Maryland, Eastern Shore.

Philomathians and affirmative action

By Marie P. Cooke
AFRO Women's Editor

"Sometimes the heart feels more than the tongue can express."

Vivian Johnson Cook
Co-founder,
Philomathians

Members of the Philomathians gathered recently to officially culminate the year's activities while publicly highlighting its major thrust to have black higher institutions of learning hire more women in administrative and policy making positions.

It's theme, "Women Face the Tricentennial: Affirmative Action Report on Maryland Higher Education," was spoken to by some five black female administrators from state institutions. They were:

—Mrs. Christine Moore, dean of student services, Community College of Baltimore, Harbor Campus;

—Dr. Carolyn Reid Wallace, dean of the undergraduate college, Bowie State College;

—Dr. Geraldine Waters, dean, graduate school, Coppin State College;

—Dr. Joan Wallace, vice president for administrative affairs, Morgan State University, and Dr. Elaine Jeffers, director of the Division of Institutional Research and Planning, University of Maryland, Eastern Shore.

Founder Cook, who was present at the annual closing dinner, said, "In 1970, the international theme was centered around honoring women. . . we were a little ahead of our times (45 years ago). It is a thrill to me to do things that are worthwhile."

Officers and members are: President Dedmond,

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Philomathians head Dr. Flossie Dedmond recalled last year's closing dinner where the presidents of these same schools served on a panel and reported the number of women who were in various positions and outlined their goals.

Dr. Redmond said, "Women are tired of being controlled. . . they want a part of the resources, a part of whatever it is."

The Philomathians was found some 45 years ago by two trailblazers, the late Vashti Turley Murphy and Vivian Johnson Cook.

Speaking of Women

(A look at what black women are doing locally)

New pageant comes to town

The Miss American City Baltimore pageant will come to Baltimore on July with young women 17-26, single and high school graduates competing for the title.

Announcement of the new contest came this week from its executive director, Diana Kane.

Mrs. Kane is known throughout the community for having been one of the early sponsors of the "Miss Black America Maryland" and the "Miss Charm City USA" pageants.

For many years, the Diana Kane models were seen at Civic and social functions in around Baltimore.

This new pageant, says Mrs. Kane, "is totally integrated." In the future she hopes that other states will participate, making it a nationwide contest.

This year's pageant will take on the "Showcase" and "culture of Baltimore" and feature the talent and beauty of "Baltimore's best."

Diana Kane

The affair will be held at the Langsdale Auditorium of the University at Baltimore, Maryland and Oliver Street.

For applications and ticket information call: 539-8808. Deadline for filing applications is June 17.