SUPER SOPHOMORES — City Jaycees honored students recently with a breakfast with Mayor William Donald Schaefer in City Hall. The sophomores were selected for the 1979 Maryland Youth Leadership Seminar on the basis of scholastic excellence and leadership abilities. Shown after the breakfast are (L to R): Mrs. Mattie Keemer, mother of Larry Keemer, Douglass High School; Mrs. Grace Green, mother of Melinda Green, student at Edmondson High School; Joe Peppin of the Maryland Jaycees; Mrs. Elaine Paul, mother of Robin Paul, Southwestern High School; Mayor Schaefer; Velda Powell, student, Dunbar High School; her mother, Mrs. Glinner Powell; Wanda Kelson, student at Western High School; her mother, Mrs. Carolyn Kelson; Father Martin H., counselor at Archbishop Curley; Kenneth York, Archbishop Curley. Students not shown are Joanne Grisham, Northern High School; Deidra J. Forrester, Southern High School; Catherine M. Wade, Archbishop Keough High School and Christine A. Vach, Catholic High School. Also attending the ceremonies were Dr. John Crew, superintendent of city schools; Vincent Leggit, co - program director for the breakfast; Bill Reuter, president of the city Jaycees; Rocky Conklin, with the state Jaycees and Robert Booker, co - chairman of the breakfast.

Army plans to modernize APG barracks

The Army will use building funds for modernizing six barracks built in the 1930s at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, rather than replacing World War II barracks with new structures, a spokesman said.

The decision to scrap plans for a new housing facilities raised concern that the center will eventually be consolidated with an army missile school in Huntsville, Ala. A spokesman said that the consolidation of the two was still an Army goal, but is "not considered advisable at this time."

The Army will spend $3.4 million to renovate the barracks.

Workshops on Africa

The Nyumburu Community Center will hold a spring semester mini workshop series featuring classes in African dance, dramatic arts, sewing arts, self defense arts and poetry.

Classes are being held in rooms 3123 and 3125 of the Main Dining Hall Mondays through Fridays beginning Feb. 19.

All workshops are free. Participants will, however, have to furnish their own equipment when it is required.

For workshop information please call 484-5774.

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Subramanian named AA officer at Morgan

Venkatraman B. Subramanian, Advance Institutional Development Program coordinator and special assistant to the president at Morgan State University, has been appointed acting Affirmative Action Officer at the University. It was recently announced by President Andrew Billingsley.

Subramanian, 42, who joined the faculty in 1971 as assistant professor of business administration, has served in his current posts since 1977. He was executive officer of the Department of Economics and Business from 1972-74.

Prior to that he served as an instructor of business administration at the Community College of Baltimore, instructor of economics and business administration at Eastern College (now part of the University of Baltimore), and a student counselor for the U.S. Information Agency, New Delhi.

A permanent resident of the United States, Subramanian, a native of Madras, India, received his B.A. degree in Commerce from the University of Madrid and earned his Ph.D. degree in Commerce from Catholic University, Washington, D.C.

He earned his M.B.A. degree from the University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill. and M.A. degree in economics from the University of Blair, Patna, India.

The president of India Forum Incorporated, Subramanian is secretary-treasurer and a member of the Steering Committee, Association for Indian Economic Studies; of the American Economic Association; of the Society for International Development and of the Eastern Economic Association. He resides in Baltimore, Md.

Kleinman elected head of Lutheran

Dr. Allen Kleiman, senior staff surgeon at Lutheran Hospital of Maryland Inc., has been elected president of the Lutheran Hospital Medical Staff.

With Lutheran since 1954, Dr. Keliman will serve a one - year term and represent the medical staff to the hospital administration and serve as ex - officio member of the Board of Trustees.

A native of Baltimore, Dr. Kleiman attended Polytechnic Institute, The Johns Hopkins University, and the University of Maryland School of Medicine.

Before coming to Lutheran Hospital, he served seven years with the United States Veterans Administration.

Dr. Kleiman is a member of the Baltimore City Medical Society, and the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland, as well as the American Society of Abdominal Surgery and Phi Delta Epsilon - Fraternity.

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'Mendacity without Scruples' by Frank Carter Jr.

Court reporter is also a novelist

"Mendacity Without Scruples" is a gripping murder mystery with a surprise ending.

The book was written by Frank B. Carter Jr., a court reporter for the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City since 1964.

Carter has cleverly juggled a devious plot with characters that keep the suspense moving right up to the last startling page, ensnaring the reader.

His novel is not only a fast-paced mystery story, but also a frightening inside look at a police department where prejudice and ambition rule.

It recaptures a courtroom mood and conjures up some tense moments for the reader, making one wonder about the quality of justice today.

Carter, 53-year-old father of the three children and grandfather of six grandchildren, says he never considered writing as a vocation but only as an avocation.

The author says he read an article that novelists are about the business of trying to bring about change through their novels.

"I never realized that and then wrote what I thought would be masterpiece, The Totality of Experience," Carter says the novel was reviewed by 15 publishers but he continued to received rejection slips.

A year later, still searching for that something that evaded Carter in how to get a book together, he read an article that said you have to know what you are doing if you are going to write a novel with the rigid framework of an outline.

It was the fall of 1978, when he wrote the "Mendacity Without Scruples." The book is about civil rights leader Eleazar Sunion who is found brutally murdered.

Sunnion falls on his beautiful companion, Hepzibah Johnson, who miraculously survives the slaughter. Then, a few days later, her own husband is murdered in the same way at the same place right in her presence, and she again escapes injury.

Suddenly, acting on a tip from an anonymous caller, Capt. Charles Mester and Lt. Anderson Ross of homicide arrest Hepzibah and charge her with murder.

Brought to trial, she intends to win and be set free. She and her attorney, Oscar Brinkley, fight ferociously against an unscrupulous district attorney, Anthony Morse, for her acquittal, but to no avail. Through his influence and maneuvers, she is sentenced to life imprisonment.

No sooner has Hepzibah begun her prison term than an eager young lawyer, Burt Thurmond, offers to help her reopen the case.

MYSTERY STORY — Frank B. Carter Jr. is the author of "Mendacity Without Scruples." He is employed by the Supreme Bench of Baltimore as a court reporter.

She doesn't like him and is puzzled by his interest in her and his exact knowledge of the crime. His boorish, condescending attitude troubles her and she wonders at the constant presence of his beautiful but frightened wife, Cynthia. Then, a witness who had originally testified against Hepzibah is also found murdered.

Hepzibah now begins to worry and to trust Burt less and less. Events move swiftly as undercurrents the plot at full speed.

"Mendacity Without Scruples" can be purchased at local book stores.

Feds check Ocean City's hiring practices

By Clarence W. Hunter
AFRO Staff Writer

The U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Revenue Sharing has just completed a week long investigation into alleged employment discrimination by the Ocean City police department and the hiring practices in other city departments.

The investigation was performed last week at the request of the Justice Department in Washington, D.C. after the state NAACP asked that a suit be brought against the police department for alleged discrimination as well as investigation of hiring practices in other city agencies.

A spokesman for the Office of Revenue Sharing was not able to provide any details of the week-long probe stating that a full report would not be available for about three weeks.

The state NAACP had asked the justice department several weeks ago to sue the city, pointing out that certain information "substantiates the existence of racial discrimination in employment in the Ocean City police department."

The request, which was sent in the form of a mailgram Jan. 26, also asked that the revenue sharing office terminate any funds into the city.

Thomas Bagby, spokesman for the justice department's civil rights division, told the AFRO Wednesday that his office turned the case over to the revenue sharing because it involved federal funds to the city.

He added that his office has been in tough with revenue officials and would take some action after they receive a full report to determining if the allegations have merit.

Last year, Ocean City received $[illegible],613 in federal revenuing sharing funds. A treasury spokesman said that payments are made quarterly every January, April, July and October in the amount of $21,403.

Nathaniel Smith, president of the State NAACP, refused to reveal the details of the information sent to the justice department but did say that they had a good case or "We wouldn't have brought it to the justice department."

Smith told the AFRO the group's case is based on "a continuing pattern of discrimination in the resort's police force" and not the "result of one or two instances.

"Our specific documentation concerns the police department, but we're asking the justice department to look into the entire city," he added.

Sanders Marshall, head of the Worcester County NAACP, said he is extremely concerned about employment discrimination not only in Ocean City but the entire county.

"You can walk into the county court house and not see a single black," he said.

Ted Eschenburg, Ocean City,s city solicitor, said he believes it was "little incredible" that the NAACP to pick on the police department, pointing out that police personnel director Capt. Jim Lockard has submitted four affirmative action plans recently, the last one several weeks ago.

All That Jazz

By Bob Matthews

Every now and again, a concert is a surprise, and it happened this past Sunday at the Left Bank Jazz Society's regular set.

Featured artist was Elvin Jones, so we were mentally geared up to hear some loud, clanging, smashing drum work. The last time we heard Elvin was in a spot near Avery Fisher Hall on Broadway in NYC.

He was then in the throes of an avante garde movement, and the drum work reflected an inner anger.

This has mellowed and become subdued. The instrumentation for LBJS set was strange, consisting of drums, bass, played by Andy McCloud; Roland Prince, guitar, and Pat LaBarbara, tenor sax, soprano and flute.

Note the total absence of a piano. But, ya know what — it was not missed. Elvin's group was so tight with both the highs and the lows covered that the interjection of a piano would have destroyed the slick, mellow sound produced by the group.

Pat LaBarbara on tenor was a true delight. Could liken his style of play to that of Gato Barbieri, but despite the flights into the nether regions, things were always kept melodic.

Some of the tunes played were standards, such as "In a Sentimental Mood," "You Do, One and Only Love," but the tour de force has to be the composition written by Elvin's Japanese wife, and entitled "Sinjitu."

It is based on the chord changes of "There'll Never Be Another You," but one outstanding difference is that the accent was on the first beat instead of the usual two or four.

Elvin's wife, Keiko, is also his manager, and has really got Elvin performing smoothly. Things started and stopped on time, and Elvin, except for solo passage, provided some of the tastiest background rhythm we've heard in many a moon.

In fact, for all the local drummers in the assemblage, it was a drum lesson. If you think we were pleasantly surprised — you're absolutely right.

Next week: Ahmad Jamal heaves into view, and once again it will be wall to wall people. If you want a tip from us, you'd better stake out a place to sit early.

Sam Rivers along with Dave Holland will be in town on Feb. 24, where they will perform a single concert at Goucher College at 10 p.m. It will be held in Stimson Hall on the campus.

Sam, of course, is the father of loft jazz, having started Studio Rivbea in the Soho district of NYC in the late 60s. The music is definitely free form, with Holland on bass an integral part of the ensemble.

When Sam last played this area, a weekend at DC Space, and a concert for LBJS, we later said that it was one of the top two concerts of the year. (Johnny Griffin was the other)

We have never heard anyone with such mastery of an instrument, and on top of that, when he plays piano, it is unbelievable.

If you thought you could never understand avant garde jazz, then this is a must for you — for listen intently, and it will all come crystal clear.

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