Where to apply for fuel assistance

Baltimore City residents may apply for emergency fuel grants from neighborhood Urban Services Agency centers and multi-purpose centers. Addresses and telephone numbers are listed below.

Main office, 920 E. 25th St., 396-5850.

Eastside, Center 1, 1400 Orleans St., 396-6122; Center 3, 1301 E. North Ave., 396-3987; Center 4, 3154 Ellerslie Ave., 396-7250; Centers 5 and 7, 1309 Ashland Ave., 396-9333; Center 8, 125 N. Colvin St., 396-9335; Center 10, 1411 Gough St., 396-9337; Center 11, 109 Albemarle St., 396-1736; Center 12, 2201 Bank St., 396-9395; Center 13, 1309 Bunsen Way, 396-9327.

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Southside, Center 24, 1401 Hollins St., 396-1734; Center 25, 2000 Wilkens Ave., 396-1740 and Center 26, 904 Washington Blvd., 396-1738.

Fairfield, Center 22, 1431 Chesapeake Court, 396-1787.

Cherry Hill, Center 29, 2492 Giles Road, 396-1728.

Multi-purpose centers, Eastside, Oliver Mayor's Offices, 1400 E. Federal St., 396-5332.

Northwest, Pimlico Mayor's Offices, 3319 W. Belvedere Ave., 396-0245.

North-central, Wyman Park Mayor's Office, 501 W. 30th St., 396-6060.

Northwest, Lower Park Heights Mayor's Office, 3939 Reisterstown Road, 396-0416.

Eastside, Kirk Mayor's Office, 909 E. 22nd St., 396-6905.

Northeast, Govans Mayor's Office, 5225 York Road, 396-6084; Harbel Mayor's Office, 5807 Harford Road, 396-7262.

South Baltimore Mayor's Office, 1211 Wall St., 396-1397.

Highlandtown Mayor's Office, 3411 Bank St., 396-9378.

Also, Park Heights Community Corporation, 2700 W. Coldspring Lane, 578-0208.

Applications and information are available in Baltimore County through the Department of Social Services at the following addresses and telephone numbers:

620 York Road, Towson, 494-2863.

Catonsville, 727 Frederick Road, 788-8493.

Dundalk, 4. N. Center Ave., 285-6900.

Essex, 442 Eastern Ave., 391-1871.

WINTER TIPS — Heating problems and weatherizing ideas were topics of discussion at a recent workshop at Collington Square Elementary School. Battalion Chief Herman Williams, left, AFRO photos by Roman Hankewycz of the city's fire department, discusses fire safety and Michail Matthews of the Housing Authority talks about insulation and how to weatherproof your house.

Hints on saving energy, $$$ stressed at workshop

About 30 people attended a weatherization and money saving workshop Saturday, Dec. 8 at Collington Square Elementary School to find out ways to save fuel this winter.

The workshop, sponsored by Concerned Citizens Organization, the Department of Planning and the Mayor's Office of Energy, brought together representatives from Baltimore Gas and Electrice Co., BG and E, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the fire department and Urban Services Agency.

Those attending learned various ways to cut down on fuel consumption during cold weather and how to lower energy bills.

Meip Plummer, from BG and E, told participants they can save 3 percent on their heating bill for each degree below 70 For example, a thermometer set at 65 degrees can save 15 percent on the monthly bill.

Plummer answered questions from the audience about foam insulation and an attachment for clothes dryers which are meant to deflect heat back into the house.

Foam insulation, which is blown between outer and interior walls, is effective at keeping out cold air but Plummer did not recommend it because recent studies show it shrinks inside walls. Massachusetts has banned foam insulation, he said, and since it gets less than one half of 1 percent of the market, more and more dealers are no longer selling it.

Plummer did not recommend the dryer attachment, which hooks to the exhaust vent, because he said it could blow too much moisture and lint back into the house.

BG and E customers can request an energy audit be performed on their homes, Plummer said. The service, which used to be free but now costs $25, sends a specialist into homes to check the efficiency of heating systems and appliances.

Customers can also do their own audit. Forms are available by calling 265-7500. Homeowners fill out energy use information which is fed to a computer to determine ways customers can save energy and money.

Earl Jackson of the Urban Services Agency told the audience about the fuel assistance program the agency is providing for low-income city residents this winter. To qualify, a family of four must have an income of less than $8,375. There are 32 Urban Services centers accepting applications and information may be obtained by calling 396-5555.

Cold weather fire safety hints were given by Battalion Chief Herman Williams Jr. of the fire department.

He cautioned about improper installation of wood burning stoves and clogged firepiace chimneys.

Burning uncured, sappy wood can cause a build-up of creosote which can ignite in the chimney, he said.

Williams also warned of the dangers of using kitchen ranges and stoves for heat. Open flames need oxygen to burn, he said, which could lead to asphyxiation.

Anti-Klan rally set in Atlanta

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization (IFCO) announced plans for a Dec. 14 - 15 strategy meeting, to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, to further develop a network of people to counter the efforts of the K Klux Klan.

The idea for this session came out of an Anti - Klan Conference called by SCLC last August, to consider strategies for actively dealing with the KKK.

Leaders of church and community organizations are being called together by Dr. Joseph E. Lowery, president of SCLC; Dr. Negail Riley, president of IFCO, and Dr. Lucius Walker, executive director of IFCO to commence planning for a broad - based coalition effort to educate church and community leaders on the new threat of the Ku Klux Klan and to develop a national Anti - Kian Network that will move into any city where Kian activity surfaces.

Md. Lottery

The winning numbers in the Maryland lottery at Wednesday's drawing were as follows: six digit, 875602, five digit, 42137; four digit, 4763; three digit, 457, and two digit 24. The Bonus Numbers — Tree 85; Stocking 3, and Box 59.

To carry out its disaster relief activities, the American Red Cross relies on teams of trained volunteers in communities throughout the country supported by strategically placed emergency vehicles.

City gets new youth job grant

The city of Baltimore has received $5.2 million in additional funds for the Youth Incentive Entitlement Program, a plan to encourage completion of high school and work experience for youth ages 16 - 19, according to Mayor William Donald Schaefer.

The funds, according to Schaefer, will be used to expand the program to include low-income youth from several non-center city communities.

They are; Waverly, Clifton Park, Woodberry, Hampden, Harwood, Highlandtown, O'Donnell Heights, Brooklyn, ir-Fairfield, Violetville and Lakeland.

The funds will make it possible to extend the program to 1,600 additional youth and lengthen the program through September 1980.

LAW STUDENTS AND LAWYERS:

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Temple University School of Law and the Faculty of Law of the University of Ghana at Legon, jointly sponsor the Fourth Summer Session in Ghana. Emphasis will be on comparative and international law with concentrated introductory lectures on Ghanaian law and institutions offered during the first weeks of the program. Courses will be conducted in English by U.S. faculty members, by members of the Law Faculty of the University of Ghana and other leading Ghanaian authorities.

The campus is located in a suburb of Accra, Ghana's capital, along a hillside overlooking the lush Accra plain. Students will have an opportunity to visit Cape Coast to view the old slave forts, and to visit the High Court in Accra, a rural lay magistrate's court and a customary law arbitration held by a local chief.

The session is open to any law student in good standing at an approved law school. Graduates of law schools may also enroll. Applications from select graduate students from related disciplines may also be considered. The deadline for application is May 10, 1980. Applications received after that date will be considered on the basis of available space.

Dean Peter J. Liacouras, Temple University School of Law and Dean W.C. Ekow Daniels, University of Ghana, agree on arrangements for the joint summer program.

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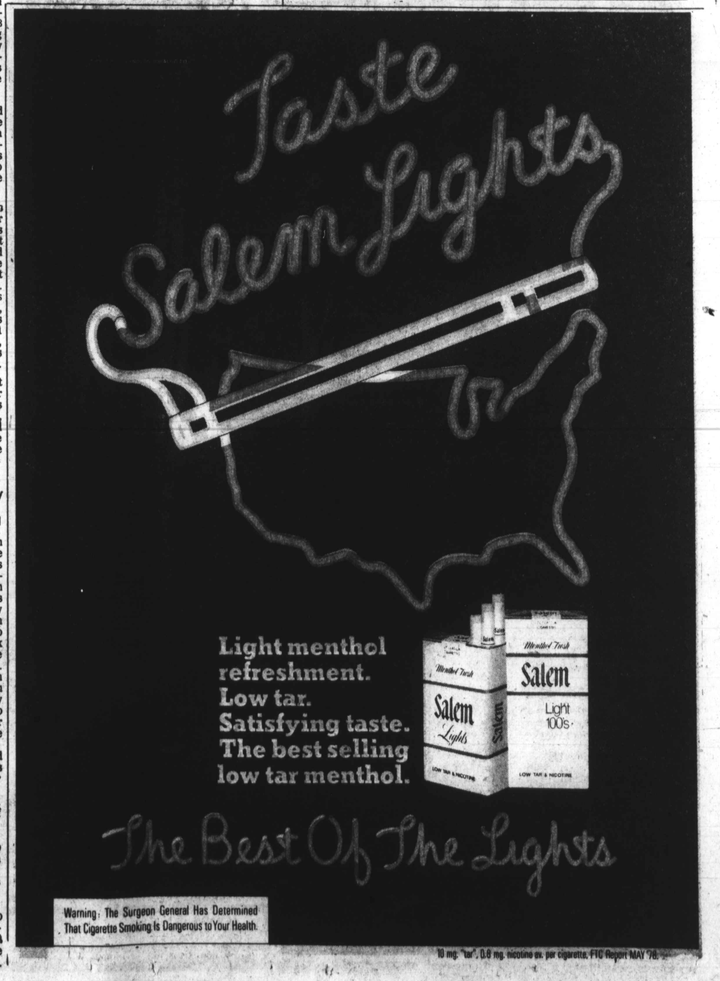

SHOWTIME

★THEATRE
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Lonette McKee in 'Cuba'

Lonette McKee plays factory worker in "Cuba"

Sexy star in "Sparkle" singing her way out of Harlem.

By Ida Peters

Lonette McGee, the sexy sulty voice newcomer who fought her way to fame in Warner Brothers "Sparkle" will be back on our screens this Christmas in United Artist "Cuba."

Instead of fighting her way out of Harlem in song she plays a factory worker in a love story set against the final days of the Batista dictatorship and the early months of the Castro regime.

Stars in this fuck are Sean Pulido Connery and Brooke Adams. Not having reviewed this fuck, Brooke plays the wife of Juan Pulido and Lonette McGee is friends as to who is miscast. . .Sean Therese, her husbands mistress. Connery, Brooke Adams or Lonette Chris Saradon has the role of Juan McKee?

John D. Lee, 'Calhoun' on TV's Amos and Andy

By Ida Peters

Eubie Blake was in Los Angeles this past Monday to pay tribute to the late Flournoy E. Miller who wrote, produced "Shuffle Along," the first successful black musical on Broadway.

In last Friday's AFRO we ran a rare photo of Flournoy E. Miller and one his partners, John D. Lee.

Monday morning we received a call from John D. Lee's wife, Mrs. Genevieve Lee, who happened to be visiting her sister and brother - in - law, Elmira and John N. Thornton in Baltimore from Los Angeles. Mr. Thornton is past grand master of the Hiram Grand Lodge of Masons.

Mrs. Lee relates that her husband was a longtime comedian and worked as a partner with Flournoy Miller and Mantan Moreland.

John D. Lee was most famous for his fast talking lawyer role "Calhoun" on TV's early "Amos 'n Andy Show."

Mrs. Lee relates that her husband who died 14 years ago on December 12, 1965 was a 'Firecracker' baby born on July 4, 1900.

He appeared in "Stormy Weather" with Lena Horne and Louis Armstrong. If your memory is long, Lee was the voice of Br'er Rabbit in Walt Disney's "Song of the South."

In Los Angeles he was a member of the Human Methodist Church and is remembered for his baritone solos of "Ain't Got Time To Die."

John D. Lee was lawyer Calhoun

(Photo by Vanessa Johnson)

Mrs. Genevieve Lee, now of Los Angeles with her brother-in-law John N. Thornton.

Mrs. Genevieve Lee was born in Baltimore, the daughter of the late George and Sarah Turner. She met the late Mr. Lee in New Yrok, one day, while walking through Dewey Square at 116th Street and Seventh Avenue.

She remembers "he saw me going through the park and asked someone to introduce me to that 'great shape.'

We hope when Mrs. Lee returns to California, she will share with AFRO readers more momentoes of John D. Lee's career.

International Christmas Craft Show at Morgan

The McKeldin Art Service Center is presenting it's 1st International Christmas Crafts Show on Dec. 16 room 516 of the McKeldin Center 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Featured internationally known artists will be Toki Okunade, Batiks; Jimoh Buraimoh, Bead Painting and prints; Rufus Ogundele, prints; Bayo Ogundele, prints and Gbade Akintunde, wood carvings and prints.

Also, Deborah Blackwell - Gregory, fashion designer will be exhibiting her "accent on Africa" original creations.

The show can be viewed Monday thru Friday through Jan. 25, 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. for group tours or appointments telephone the Art Service Center Manager, Ms. Camelia Blackwell at 444 - 3468 or 444 - 3503.

Christmas Craft Exhibition

The first Annual "Christmas Crafts Exhibition," sponsored by Mayor Schaefer in cooperation with the Art Commission of Baltimore City, the "Baltimore is Best" program and the Office of Promotion and Tourism, will be held in City Hall Courtyard Galleries, Dec. 24th from 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Craftsmen will be selling their crafts each day, M - F from 12 a.m. - 1 p.m. The crafts for sale are quilts, dolls, puppets, wooden toys, doll houses and furniture, Christmas tree ornaments, aprons, pillows, weaving and other items appropriate for home decoration, children's gifts and "Baltimore is Best" souvenir items.

New Music, Gallery 409

Composer George Crumb will be at Gallery 409 when the chamber orchestra, "New Music Baltimore" performs his compositions to the Baltimore audience for the first time this Sunday, Dec. 16 at 3:30 p.m. The performance is being sponsored by the Cultural Arts Project - Urban Services Agency. The program will be conducted by William Henry Curry, Associate director of the Baltimore Symphony.

Among the prizes and awards that Mr. Crumb has received is the 1968 Pulitzer Prize, the UNESCO International Rostrum of Composers, for 1971, as well as awards from the Fromm, Guggenheim, Koussesitzky and Rockefeller Foundations. He is also composer in residence at the University of Pennyvania and a member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters.

New Music Baltimore was recently started by Lenny Jourdan to bring to this city recently composed chamber or 'Loft' music in idioms ranging from contemporary classical to progressive and "3rd Stream" jazz.

After the program there will be informal discussion. For more information call 367 - 1511 or 837 - 2990.

'Dr. Cook's Garden at Arena

Friday, Dec. 28, will mark the opening at the Arena Players' fourth play of the season, "Dr. Cook's Garden" by Ira Levin. This chilling, suspense filled melodrama is concerned with an idyllic New England town and the kindly doctor who would keep it that way by any means necessary.

Richard Watts summarizes "Dr. Cook's Garden" in the following manner: "in the Vermont Village of Greenfield Center, there is a genial benevolent and greatly loved old physician who is very proud of his community. It is inhabited with fine, wholesome folk, and it appears that Heaven rewards the civic virtue by seeing to it that mostly only those who are wicked at heart die. And the good Dr. Cook, who is willing to go out on sick calls at any hour of the day or night, is determined that it should stay that way.

"When a young physician, who had known and loved Dr. Cook for years, returns to the village for a visit, he is delighted to see his friend again. Then a problem of medical ethics arises to haunt him. It may be concedes, be excusable for a doctor to kill off incurable patients and the hopelessly deformed, but he thinks it is going too far to do away with disagreeable people who happen to be a blot on the fair community."

And it is the young physician's attempt to make his mentor see reason on this point that brings two doctor, young and old, against each other in scenes of unforgettable suspense and high drama. ". . . aimed for suspense and goose pimples. . . ."- John Chapman, New York Daily News.

"Dr. Cook's Garden" will be at the Arena Playhouse, 801 McCulloh Street, from Dec. 28, thru Jan. 20, 1980.

Auditions '227'

Auditions for "227," A Comedy in Two Acts, by Christine Houston will be held at the Arena Playhouse, 801 McCulloh Street, on Jan. 3, 3, and 4, 1980 between 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

All roles are open! For further information, call 728 - 6500.

Night Scene

By Bob Matthews

Finally got over to The Ritz on Light St. to check out the proceedings as we had informed Sceners, and must say that someone knew they would strike a responsive chord with us.

Chose a Thursday evening to make our call because Carlos Johnson plays jazz in the lower room on this day. Took a seat at the bar, nodding briefly to Dave Richeson and Biddy Wood who were aptly entangled in a pinochle game.

Then, we looked around, and lo and behold, as decorations in the area were backlighted slides of oldtime entertainers. There were pictures of Fats Waller, Lena Horne, Cab Calloway, Charlie Parker, Buddy Rich, Willie Bryant, and others.

Had brought along AFRO ad exec Bonnie Butler, and had to confide in her that we remembered exactly when all of these pictures were taken. But—we were cool!

Carlos headed up a trio which included Thomas Hurley, organ, and Gene Watkins on bass. Then Mickey Fields dropped in, bringing his horn, and sat in with the group.

'Twas really a delight to hear them go through some of the standard numbers such as "Sister Sadie," and "Thou Swell," but what was more enlightening to us was the fact that the audience got out on the dance floor to swing with this type of music—and not disco-style either.

Couldn't help but notice that the bartender—there were no barmaids— was making a drink with flaming cognac called a "Drago Nightmare." Looked fancy and William Faison, the bartender (everyone calls him Woo), acted as though there was really nothing to it.

As we look over our notes, can see that we made a count at the bar to discover there were exactly seven women and three men there. That ought to give you some clues.

Have been waiting for The Ritz to shake down and settle into its own groove, and it seems to have happened at the point in time. The club is now one year old, and is gearing up for big things for the holiday season.

Cedar Walton
The Bandstand

Dexter Gordon
Left Bank Jazz Society

Native Baltimorean Melvin (Slappy) White will come in next Wednesday, along with singer Damita Jo, where they will play the Penthouse room through January first.

Slappy is a big favorite here in his home town, and is probably remembered by the younger set as second banana to Redd Foxx in the "Sanford and Son" TV series.

His last appearance in Baltimore was on the bill with Foxx at Painters Mill Music Fair. Those who visited clubs on the old "Avenue" might remember Slappy's sister, who was head cashier at the Royal Theatre for many years.

Accompanying Damita will be Hilton Felton, piano; Nathan Page, bass, and Gene Watkins, drums.

MOSTLY FOR MUSIC

The Left Bank Jazz Society is presenting its final concert of the 1979 season with the Dexter Gordon quartet as the featured attraction. Ironically, Dexter opened the season for LBJS the first of this year.

Needless to say, if you want to get a seat for this one, you'd best be on hand early. We will.

At The Bandstand in Fells Pt., its pianist Cedar Walton, along with Billy Higgins, drums, and Steve Novosel, bass. Cedar and Billy are musicians who don't do too much in leading their own groups, but if you check the personnel on a lot of albums, you'll find them listed.

Vocalist Brenda Alford is back home, and will be appearing at the Gatsby's on Fridays and Saturdays through New Year's. Incidently, there will be a Western Night tonight (Friday) at the club.

Just think of it, for once, jeans will be welcome.

Last night was the official opening of the new Phil's out on Mount and Mosher, and we are just glad to report that the intimacy of this room remains.

Always get a big chuckle out of scanning the numbers on the jukebox. You really should check it out, you're in for some what of a surprise—if you're over 25 that is.

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