Calendar

Mod Players 10th

The Cultural Arts' Mod Players are organizing for their 10th Anniversary season.

Robert "Bob" Russell, the director-instructor is requesting all inactive members (including the original 1970 class) not yet involved, contact him at the Cultural Arts Gallery, 409, any Tuesday or Wednesday between 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. at 837-2988.

The Mod Players were Cultural Arts first drama group. The players adopted their name from the earliest sponsor of Cultural ARts, Model Cities.

During the last 10 years, the youthful thespians who began as teenagers have performed at public schools, community colleges, military installations churches, hotels and several senior citizen residences.

One of the players, Sgt. Oliver T. Cooper of the U.S. Army, was the only member of the armed services to have the honor of reading the citation for the only five star general at Texas Sun Bowl.

Another participant, Debbie Woods, has worked as a model for Hoschild Kohn and Co.

Gary Corbin, another Mod player has written three successful plays, three others have appeared in movies and television commercials.

Jean Hill, has appeared in two John Waters films.

'The Duenna' at Center Stage

Center Stage Artistic Director, Stan Wojewodski Jr., announced today that the second offering of the new play series, First Stage, will be Lance Mulcahy's "The Duenna", a sparkling Mozartian musical based on Richard Brinsley Sheridan's witty operetta of the same name, opening Feb. 19-Feb. 24.

"The Duenna" Sheridan's most successful play of the eighteenth century, is loosely and lightheartedly based on his own experience and romance with Elizabeth Linley, one of the great beauties of the age and a singer of superstar proportions.

The "happily-ever-after" tale includes conventional commedia situations involving conventional commedia characters—the bad-tempered father, the obstinate daughter, the love-sick impoverished young lover, the greedy suitor, the clever scheming duenna.

There are disguises, mistaken identities, elopements, and come-uppances which eventually become unravelled, and the young lovers are happily matched.

Cary Beth Cryor conducts workshops

In conjunction with the exhibition "Landscapes and Cityscapes: American Photographs from the Museum Collection," The Baltimore Museum of Art will sponsor two workshops for children ages 9 to 12. Entitled "Writing with Light," the workshops will be held on February 10 and March 9 at 1:30 p.m. and will explore the creation of photographic images without a camera.

These images, called shadowgraphs, are made by placing objects on light sensitive paper and then exposing the paper to natural light to reveal a shadow-like image of the original object.

Under the guidance of Cary Beth Cryor, currently an Art Instructor at Coppin State College, children in the workshop will create a variety of shadowgraphs. Enrollment is limited; participants should sign up at the Information Desk on the day of the workshop.

UMBC Disco

The UMBC Black Student Union (BSU) will be sponsoring their first "Fund Raising Disco" of the 80s on Saturday, Feb. 2 in the Commuter Cafeteria from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

The purpose of this event is to raise funds to support the Black Student Union's Senior Awards Dinner and to provide a social outlet for the Community. Admission is $1 for UMBC students and $1.50 for all others. For further information contact the BSU at 455-2495, Robert House.

Kaleidoscope at Catonsville

Kaleidoscope in Dance promises to dance up a storm at Catonsville Community College, 800 South Rolling Road, on Sunday, Feb 10, at 6 p.m.

Brad Witsger will be guest artist for the concert. He is currently appearing at the Broadway Theatre in New York in the very successful 'Evita." He has taught jazz dance for the Betsy Haug studio in N.Y. His last credit before "Evita" was "The Act" with Liza Minneli, and he has done extensive club work.

Artistic director for Kaleidoscope is Paula Lynn, who will also be performing. She is also appearing in "Evita." As well as being choreographer for Kaleidoscope, Paula has taught at the national convention of the Dance Masters of America and will soon teach jazz dance for the Louisianna chapter. She has been in three Broadway musicals, as well as doing summer stock. Ms. Lynn is a Baltimore native.

Ebony Players auditions

Auditions will be held for actors, actresses and dancers for the Ebony Players II Repertory Company season 1980. Auditions will be held on Feb. 5, and Feb. 6, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the St. Ambrose Church Rectory (Basement). For further information you may call 367-8563 or 243-3804.

Afro-American Month at Cloisters

The third annual American youth festival begins this Saturday and Sunday from 12:00-4:00 p.m. at the Cloisters Museum.

All are welcome to participate in the myriad creative workshops and to watch performances.

The film, "The Fabulous Harlem Globetrotters" will be shown both days at 12:15 and 12:45.

Admission is free. The Cloisters Museum is located at 10440 Falls Road in Brooklandville. For information call 823-2550.

TV Watching

'Romper Room' celebrates

To celebrate its 7,000 continuous broadcast on Feb. 4, 1980, Romper Room will present a gala birthday show. To further commemorate this milestone in children's television programming, Romper Room will tape a one-hour special from the Children's Center of the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

From its birth in February of 1953, the Romper Room School has maintained a standard of excellence in the field of children's television. Many elements of the program are still there: Do Bee continues to tell children to be mother's helpers, to be good eaters, to be car quiets, and to be polite greeters. Children still crowd around their television sets at the conclusion of the program to see if the Romper Room teacher can see them through her "Magic Mirror."

In 1953, Romper Room was originated in Baltimore by Nancy and Bert Claster. Mr. and Mrs. Claster realized the need for quality children's programming, and together with local educators, they developed the Romper Room School. From the very beginning, the program has received an enthusiastic response from both parents and children.

Many changes, however, have occurred during the twenty-seven years in which Romper Room has taught children to be active participants learning through "doing" and not just "viewing." Children have been shown films, specially produced in such locations as Argentina, Peru, and Mexico City. In addition, children have watched a killer whale being trained, seen a Saturn V rocket at Cape Canaveral, danced with Mickey Mouse, and learned how to spin their own wool and make candles in Williamsburg.

New for 1980 Romper Room children will be learning about economics, urban forestry, nutrition and how to watch a TV commercial. They will meet astronauts, robots, polar bears, kangaroos, visit an orange grove, churn their own butter and go back in time to learn how children lived in this country in the 18th Century.

Larry Holmes fight Sun.

Unbeaten World Boxing Council World Heavyweight Champion Larry Holmes, making his fifth title defense, will fight Lorenzo Zanon in a 15-round battle to be presented on "ABC's Wide World of Sports" first Sunday telecast this year, live from Las Vegas, Sunday, Feb. 3, on the ABC Television Network. The winner will fight WBC number three contender LeRoy Jones on ABC Sports' prime time boxing special on March 31.

The World Wristwrestling Championships from Petaluma, California, will also be presented on the "Wide World" program on a time-permitting basis.

Larry Holmes wrested the WBC heavyweight crown from Ken Norton on June 9, 1978, in a split decision. His most recent victory was against Earnie Shavers in a fight televised on ABC, September 28, 1979, which ended in a TKO victory for the champion. Holmes, of Easton, Pa., is 30 years old and has a perfect record of 32-0 with 23 knockouts.

Lorenzo Zanon of Italy is 28 years old and claimed the European Heavyweight Championship on April 18, 1979, by scoring a 12-round split decision over Alfredo Evangelista in a fight held in Turin, Italy. Zanon elected not to defend his title a fourth time, preferring instead to fight for the World Boxing Council heavyweight title against Holmes. Ranked number five of the WBC, Zanon's record stands at 29-4-2.

'American Short Story' on PBS

Eight great works of American short fiction, from the wry poignancy of Ring Lardner to the wit of Mark Twain, are brought to television for the first time when "The American Short Story" returns for a second season Monday, Feb. 4 at 9:00 p.m. to stations of the Maryland Center for Public Broadcasting—TV 22, 28, 31, and 67.

Eight new dramatizations and nine encores from the first season are presented over 13 successive weeks.

Among the distinguished international stars appearing in this season's new productions are Olivia Cole, Brad Davis, Geraldine Fitzgerald, Fred Gwynne, Tommy Lee Jones, Carol Kane, Cleavon Little, Robert Preston, Eric Roberts, Kristoffer Tabori, James Whitmore and Teresa Wright.

The first program of the new season presents "The Golden Honeymoon" by Ring Lardner, Teresa Wright and James Whitmore star in a touching comedy about an elderly couple who takes a winter vacation in St. Petersburg, Fla. in the 1920s. There they discover that 50 years of marriage do not preclude the stirring of old jealousies nor diminish the chances for a deeper love.

Other stories premiering this season include: "Paul's Case" by Willa Cather, "The Greatest Man in the World" by James Thurber, "Rappaccini's Daughter" by Nathaniel Hawthorne, "The Jilting of Granny Weatherall" by Katherine Anne Porter, "The Sky is Gray" by Ernest Gaines, "The Man that Corrupted Hadleyburg" by Mark Twain, and "Barn Burning" by William Faulkner.

Encores from the first "American Short Story" season include: "Bernice Bobs Her Hair" by F. Scott Fitzgerald, "Soldier's Home" by Ernest Hemingway, "Almos' a Man" by Richard Wright, "Parker Adderson, Philosopher" by Flannery O'Connor, "The Blue Hotel" by Stephen Crane and "The Music School" by John Updike.

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Free films

"Tauw," the story of a penniless young Senegalese who leaves home with his pregnant girlfriend in search of a better life, will be shown at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 4, at the Edmondson branch, 4330 Edmondson Ave.

"James Weldon Johnson," a biographical sketch of the highly talented black poet, and "The Tap Dance Kid," about a boy's dream of dancing on Broadway, can be seen at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5, at the Edmondson branch, 4330 Edmondson Ave.

The advice-to-the-lovelorn columnist of a high school newspaper discovers that good intentions aren't always enough in "Dear Lovey Hart: I Am Desperate," to be shown at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5, at the Patterson Park branch, 158 N. Linwood Ave.

Energy contest

Young people from preschool to eighteen years of age are invited to enter an energy poster contest beginning Monday, February 11, at the Waverly branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 East 33d Street.

Entries should illustrate either energy conservation or types of energy. There is no charge for entering. Prizes will be awarded March 15 as part of Energy Month at Enoch Pratt.

CCB events

Real Estate Continuing Education Class, Habor Campus, Lombard Street at Market Place, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., $25 registeration fee

Sunday, Feb. 3 — Red Devils (Mens basketball) vs. Potomac Community College, Liberty Campus Field House, 2901 Liberty Heights Ave., 4 p.m., Free

Tuesday, Feb. 5 — "Feeling Fit, Beautiful, and Handsome," by Agnes M. Taylor Tuesday Morning in Highlandtown Older Adult Series, Sacred Heart of Jesus Rectory, 606 Conkling Street, 10:30 a.m., FREE "Planning a Healthy Future," by Dr. Steven Levenson, Pre-Retirement Workshop Series, University of Maryland at Baltimore, Howard Hall Towers, 522 West Lombard St., 2 - 4 p.m., FREE

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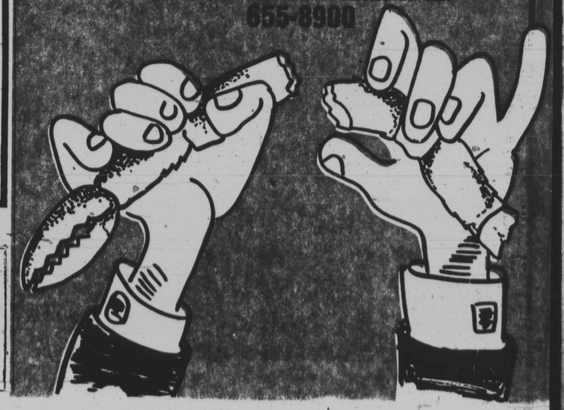

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Rent Control fundraiser is smashing success

By Pattie Hodges
AFRO Staff Writer

On Sunday evening, Jan. 27, 420 people gathered at the Electric Eye, 6307 Reisterstown Rd. for a fundraiser that was a real winner — in more ways than one.

This fun - filled affair, the theme of which was "Be a Star at the Electric Eye" was sponsored by the fundraising committee of the Rent Control Campaign of Baltimore. This is the group that initiated the fight for rent control in Baltimore in the spring of '79.

The purpose of the gala bash was to raise funds to assist in the fight to keep rent control.

Guests partied from 7:30 p.m. until 1 a.m. They enjoyed cocktails, munches and lots of dancing.

Live music was done up by "Message Untold," a local top 40s group which played a variety of music — all dynamite, including the Rent Control theme song 'Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now'. Other disco music for dancing was furnished by the Electric Eye D.J.'s.

Special highlight of the evening was a fashion show produced by Willa Bland, with Carolyn White commentating. Models Gwen Kellam, Adrian Purvis, Dorothy Francis, Ernestine Ward and Dorcas Chase aired fashions from sports and beachwear to casual and after 5.

Fashions were designed by Jean Taylor and Mary Buster.

An added feature was a raffle which produced some lovely prizes for the winners. First prize was a designer dress won by Mrs. Doris Carroll; second prize was a basket of cheer won by Ms. Doris Stern and third prize was a clock - radio won by Ms. Joann Mitchell.

Mrs. Fannie Scott, a lady who is 73 years young, added a lot of spice to the scene. She danced (with her walking cane) throughout the evening.

Mrs. Scott is a very active member of the Baltimore City Tenants' Association, with which the Rent Control Campaign works very closely.

Highly represented at the affair were members of the AFL - CIO, the Steelworkers Local No. 2610 and the Baltimore City Tenants' Association. Also on the scene were Michael Brockmeyers, Joe Castioree, Charles Love and Steve Rhodes.

Ms. Rosalind Howard, community organizer for the Baltimore City Tenants' Association was chairperson for the affair.

Assisting her were Ms. Leatrice Curtis, vice president of the Baltimore City Tenants' Association, John E. Taylor, treasurer and Hector Linduo, Ms. Nancy Moore and Bink Cosner, committee members.

According to Ms. Howard: "We wanted to host this affair to show everyone that rent control is still alive.

The affair was alive also. Guests enjoyed themselves so much that they have asked for a repeat performance.

Ms. Howard stated that the committee will host another fundraiser in the near future. She also stated that anyone wanting information concerning rent control or the Baltimore City Tenants' Association can call 889 - 7801.

MODELING WITH FLAIR — Pictured at the Rent Control Committee fundraiser held at the Electric Eye, Reisterstown Rd., Sunday, Jan. 27 are (L to R): Gwen Kellam, Adrian Pruvis, Dorothy Francis, Ernestine Ward and Dorcas Chase, who modeled under the direction of Willa Bland. Pictured (C) is Ms. Carolyn White, commentator.

RENT CONTROL GUESTS — Taking in the action at the Rent Control fundraiser held at the Electric Eye on Sunday, Jan. 27 are (L to R): Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Woodhouse Jr., Phyllis Watson and Augustus Padgett.

DOING THE DISCO — Caught in the act of enjoying the dance scene are two guests who attended the Rent Control fundraiser at the Electric Eye, Sunday, Jan. 27.

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS who planned and executed the fundraiser for Rent control which was a smashing success are (L to R): Ms. Leatrice Curtis, vice president of Baltimore City Tenants' Association, Hector Linduo, committee member, John E. Taylor, treasurer and Ms. Rozalind Howard, Community Organizer for the Baltimore City Tenants' Association and chairperson for the affair. Not pictured are committee members Ms. Nancy Moore and Bink Cosner.

Lambda Kappa Mu hosts Annual Founders' Day

By Pattie Hodges
AFRO Staff Writer

The Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore and Hanover Sts., was the scene on Jan. 26 for the colorful and interesting Founders' Day Celebration of Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority, Iota Chapter.

The affair, which began at 12 noon was attended by over 250 sorors and their guests.

Following the invocation by Mrs. Alice Roberts, Ms. Jervis Capes, a senior at Dunbar High, (and the lead character in that school's Christmas production of Ahmal and the Night Visitors) favored the audience with the lucid tones of 'Summertime.'

Guests dined at a delicious luncheon and listened to the lovely music provided by the Haithcock String Ensemble of this city.

Greetings were extended before lunch by Mrs. Kathleen Newsome and after lunch by Mrs. Thelma Addison, head of the Northeast Region of Lambda Kappa Mu.

The history of the sorority, which was founded in New York in 1937 and dedicated to sisterhood, achievement, service and scholarship, was given by Mrs. Bettve Wooten.

She noted that while the sorority once had chapters only in the northeastern part of the country, they are now all over the nation.

Guest speaker, introduced by Miss E. Monterey Williams, first anti - basileus, was Mrs. Vondalee Clark, regional supt., Central West, Baltimore City Public Schools.

Mrs. Clark addressed herself to the sorority's theme: Positive Leadership For Purposeful Action."

She stated that positive leadership comes with appropriate objectives and that action comes with the involvement of people using time, money, experience and service to help reach appropriate goals.

She told the assemblage: "Activity in and of itself is not purposeful." She reminded the group that one should exercise judgment in the selection of leaders who will lead in a positive way.

She stated that the qualities of a good leader are objectivity, the ability to relate well to people, particularly the ability to communicate rather than dominate.

She also stated that a good leader is realistic, optimistic, dependable, has integrity, gets things done, has a positive approach to problems and is good with identifying problems and with assisting in setting up a plan of action to solve them.

She further stated: "These ought to be the criteria for selecting leaders.

Following the guest speaker was a duet done by Ms. Jervis Capes and her brother, Willie Capes, who sang "The Impossible Dream."

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HONOREE AND GUESTS — Pictured at the Founders' Day Luncheon celebration of the Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority, Inc. (Iota Chapter) held at the Lord Baltimore Hotel on Saturday, Jan. 26 are (L to R): Mrs. Effie James, Mrs. Theresa B. Clay, Miss Denise Weema and Soror Louise G. Turks, who received a 'Distinguished Service Key Award.

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MRS. BETTY SHELTON, R., holds flowers she received from her family while Mrs. Marie Dowell, basileus, holds the Distinguished Service Key Citation which Mrs. Shelton was awarded at the Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority's Founders' Day celebration at the Lord Baltimore Hotel on Saturday, Jan. 26.

NORTHEAST REGION HONOREE — Soror Thelma Addison, head of the Northeast Region of Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority proudly holds the Distinguished Service Key Citation awarded her at the sorority's Founders' Day luncheon celebration at the Lord Baltimore Hotel on Saturday, Jan. 26.

MRS. OVELLA QUEEN R. smiles radiantly as she holds the Dinstinguished Service Key Citation presented her by Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority at the Founders' Day celebration. Her mother, Mrs. Olivia Bates, L. holds the money corsage which she presented to her daughter.