The N.M. carroll Manor 2nd anniversary celebrated at dinner party

A dinner party was in order when the N. M. Carroll Manor celebrated its second anniversary in the new $1 million building at 701 Arlington Avenue.

The gala affair was held in the dining room of the Kelly L. Jackson Building with over 150 guests attending.

Dr. Philip C. Edwards, a member of the board, gave the overview of the occasion and the Rev. Kelly L. Jackson gave invocation and grace.

The N. M. Carroll Manor Choir was accompanied by Mrs. Gladys Blount.

The main address was by Harry Walker, deputy director of the Maryland State Department on Aging.

Highlight of the evening was the presentation of plaques to honorees, Mrs. Ida Dates, 27 years service; Mrs. Willie Mae Hicks, 21 years service.

Mrs. Carolyn Diggs received a certificate for 15 years service and Charles Miller, leader in Arts and Crafts, a volunteer, also received a certificate.

Mrs. Beverly Reynolds, director of Activities, presided.

BANQUET SCENE — The occasion of the second anniversary called for a traditional holiday feast with all the N. M. Carroll Manor residents and friends as guests.

MRS. VIOLA C. JACKSON

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HONOREES — SECRETARY Carolyn Diggs, Ida Mae Dates, Charles Miller and Willie Mae Hicks.

Terri Ross heads students at St. Timothy's School

HEAD OF DAY STUDENTS at St. Timothy's School, Stevenson, MD. is Miss Terrie Ross of Baltimore.

STEVENSON, MD — St. Timothy's School, which celebrates its 100th anniversary in 1982, has received a $1 million challenge grant from the William R. Kenan, Jr. Charitable Trust.

The school's headmaster, Charles P. Lord, announced the grant which supports the high quality and effective teaching at St. Timothy's and challenges the school to raise up to $2 million in cash by Nov. 15, 1983.

The Kenan Trust will give $1.00 for every $2.00 donated to endowment by alumnae, parents and friends.

Trust administrators stated when awarding the grant, "We are impressed with the school's potential for the future and educational opportunities it offers for young students, many of whom hopefully will become leaders in our society and strong supporters of our country's free enterprise system."

Mr. Lord noted St. Timothy's is gratified by the vote of confidence in the quality of programs and accomplishments.

The real core of a school is its teachers. The Kenan trustees directed the grant also for faculty support.

St. Timothy's is a boarding and day school offering college preparatory for girls ninth through 12th grades. The present enrollment of 137 students includes 36 girls from Maryland, as well as students from 24 other states, the District of Columbia and 11 foreign countries.

William Rand Kenan Jr., the chemist, engineer, industrialist and philanthropist who established the trust, was born in Wilmington, NC in 1872.

He was co-discoverer of calcium carbide and its use as a source of acetylene gas. For more than 40 years, until his death in 1965, he was president and part owner of the Flagler System Companies in addition to a dairy farmer and owner of the Western Block Co.

He contributed substantially to educational purposes during his lifetime as confirmed in his will, "I have always believed firmly that a good education is the most cherished gift an individual can receive, and it is my sincere hope that the provisions of this article will result in a substantial benefit to mankind."

Scenes from the meeting young people had with the Legislative Caucus here

By Laverne Y. Kelly

The Young Peoples Travel Club of Columbia, MD. was hosted by the National Black Caucus of State Legislators recently at the Hyatt Regency Hotel breakfast session.

Elton Jolly, national director, OIC (Opportunities Industrialization Centers) was guest speaker. Following the inspiring presentation, the group accompanied by their parents attended a session on "The Black Family," led by Morgan State University president Andrew Billingsley.

The young people were encouraged and commended by the national and state legislators for their interest in observing and participating. After rapping with the various representatives between sessions, they attended the closed sessions and witnessed the resolutions and adoption of amendments, one including the Voting Rights Act.

It was rewarding to the young people to have the opportunity to meet the national legislators on a one-to-one basis. Honorable Ira H. Murphy of Tennessee responded to the students on a fully taped interview conducted by Rufus G. Kelly III.

The delegates expressed necessity for the nurturing of responsible leadership among all American black youth, regardless of location, ghetto, farm or suburbia.

This spirit was evident in the time taken by the many elected officials with the male and female students who have potential to become leaders, those who come from suburban areas with racial problems to overcome to survive.

Among the students were Chris Russell, Charlotte Burford, Damos and Kendall Fiske, Simone Blake, Wendy Johnson, Darrin Reid, Darren Weaver; three commended students of the National Merit Corporation National Scholarship Program, Digna and Donna Toomer and Rufus G. Kelly III.

The Toomer twins and Kelly are students at Centennial High School. Parents accompanying the students were Mrs. Beverly Weaver, Mrs. Cherry Russell, Mrs. Rufus G. Kelly Jr. and Mrs. Vincent Blake.

Greeting the youngsters were NBSCL President Sen. Clarence M. Mitchell III, Del. Larry Young, Del. Ike Dixon, Del-Abe Giles, Del. Walter Brooks and Del. William Green, Del. Carolyn Mosby, Indiana; Regis F. Groff, Colorado; Del. Nathaniel Exxum, Prince Georges County, MD; Del. Ira H. Murphy, Nashville.

Also, Dr. Andrew Billingsley, MSU; Elton Jolly, and Dr. Dawkins, of OIC; Douglass Henderson, Jocko, disc jockey from Philadelphia and formerly of Baltimore.

DINING — Chris Russell, Simon Blake, Kendall Fiske, Wendy Johnson, Charlotte Buford, Diana and Donna Toomer and Darrin Reid. (Standing) Mrs. Naomi Durane, Damon Fiske, Elton Jolley, Del. William Greene, CA, Darren Weaver, Dr. Dawkins, Dr. Andrew Billingsley and Rufus Kelly III.

DEL. WALTER BROOKS of Connecticut and Dee Jay Jocko Doug Henderson of Philadelphia and National Achievement Scholarship Program students Donna Toomer, Rufus G. Kelly III and Diana Toomer.

WITH DEL. CAROLYN MOSBY of Indiana are Chris Russell, Simone Blake, Del. Mosby, Wendy Johnson and Charlotte Buford and (RIGHT PANEL) Dr. Andrew Billingsley, Del. Regis Groff, Colorado; Darrin Reid, Damon Fiske, Darren Weaver, Rufus G. Kelly III.

Latest budget cuts hurt 15,000 city elderly

Baltimore City Health Department services, affecting about 15,000 elderly residents, will have to be "streamlined" because of layoffs of 40 workers and budget cuts amounting to about $500,000, a city official said.

Patricia Dennis, Commissioner for Health Services for the Aging, told the AFRO, as of 4:30 p.m., Jan. 13, about 40 health aides and supervisors no longer will be city employees.

"They're going to make a tremendous difference. They were the folks out in the field, going to the homes" of the elderly, she said.

The Health Department agencies most affected by the cutbacks in state funds are Health Services for the Aging and the Eating Together program. The employees affected by the cutbacks are those who have been "involved in direct services to elderly persons" in a homebound setting, Ms. Dennis said.

Some of the services provided by the programs include visiting the elderly at their homes to insure the homes are clean and sanitary, that they have food and also taking the elderly to and from medical appointments.

A portion of the programs' purpose is to "assist the elderly in remaining in the community and out of institutions," Ms. Dennis said.

With the budget cutbacks, the programs' operations will have to be "streamlined" since one half of the agency's staff, who provided specific care to the elderly are the people being laid off, she said.

Some of the changes will involve the frequency of home visits. There will be less of them, Ms. Dennis said.

Applicants enrolling into the programs will be screened more carefully and checking whether there are any family members or friends "available to do things for the elderly," will be determined, she said.

"We're going to do our job differently, but we are going to do our job," Ms. Dennis said.

The employees, who face the actual layoffs will be those working for the Eating Together Program. Established in 1973, the program provides meals to the elderly at 63 locations throughout the city for a 75 cents donation, which is optional.

Those laid off, will be replaced by Special Home Services for the Aging staffers. This program has its employees visit more than 5,000 seniors depending on the seniors needs, which could be daily or as little as once every two months.

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3 fires in 3 days claim 6 lives

FLAMES CLAIM HER BROTHER — William Jackson (wearing glasses) comforts Blanche Johnson, after her brother, Walter Hughes, 65, died in a one - alarm fire, at 1735 Moreland Ave., Wednesday. Fire officials say the blaze was caused by Hughes' smoking in bed. Jackson, a neighbor, said he saw the smoke billowing from Hughes' home and tried to rescue him, but was driven back by flames and smoke. Mrs. Johnson was down the street, visiting neighbors when the fire started.

AFRO photo by Roman Hankewycz

FIREFIGHTERS who battled the Pimlico Road fire Jan. 5, are shown bringing out the body of one of the four victims who died in an early morning fire. Only one of the children escaped the blaze by climbing out of a second floor window of the two story rowhouse.

By Pam Widgeon
AFRO Staff Writer

A 37-year-old mother and son were left homeless after a one alarm electrical fire whipped by driving winds killed her husband and three daughters early Tuesday morning.

An elderly man died in a house fire from careless smoking Wednesday and a 6 year-old woman died after a fire struck her home and she was forced to jump from a window Monday.

These three fires on three consecutive days have taken the lives of six citizens this year.

"Fire drills in homes are needed along with smoke detectors," said Captain Patrick Flynn of the fire department.

The residential fire in the 4700 block of Pimlico Road on Jan. 5 killed James Woodfork, 37-year-old father; his daughters, Eritria, 12, Lolita, 11 and Janie 9.

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MOTHER OF CHILDREN — Mrs. Felicia Woodfork, 37 (left) escaped the fire by climbing out of a window onto a porch roof and into a neighbor's window. Her three daughters and husband died in the fire. Two of the deceased daughters shown are Jamie Alicia and Lolita Woodfork.

Mitchell warns of SSA benefit cuts

NewSSArules killcollege dreams

Concerned students, their parents or guardians, city school officials, college and Social Security Administration representatives will meet Sunday to discuss changes in Social Security checks for students program, which could signal the end of SSA benefits for some high school seniors as of May 1982.

In the Baltimore City School system, about 400 seniors have identified themselves as receiving SSA benefit checks, Carolyn Boston, coordinator of Guidance and Placement Services for the city school system, told the AFRO.

At issue, Ms. Boston said, are rules requiring current high school seniors to be enrolled in college or other post secondary institutions by May 1, 1982, or face losing their benefit checks.

In the United States, an estimated 150,000 seniors, whose parents are dead, disabled or retired, can beat the cutoff date if they enroll and attend college, full-time, before May 1.

City school officials have known about changes in the SSA laws since December, Ms. Boston said. Dr. John Crew, city school superintendent, was alerted to the new laws by a letter he received from Congressman Parren Mitchell, she said.

Since then, school principals, senior student guidance counselors, students, their parents and guardians have been notified about the laws.

The Jan. 16 meeting at the Lower Park Heights Multi-purpose Center, 2629 Reisterstown Rd., at 3 p.m., will be, among other things, to "interpret the law and assist students with their educational plan," Ms. Boston said.

College representatives also will be attending to answer questions about college enrollment and procedures, she said.

According to a pamphlet issued by the SSA:

If you were entitled to a Social Security check for August 1981 - in general, monthly payments can be made until you finish school, reach age 23, or through April 1985 - whichever comes first provided you are in full-time attendance before May 1982 at a college or other approved post secondary school.

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Delegate protests shift of Dem committee-woman

A city legislator has called on the governor to make certain modifications in the redistricting plan submitted to him by his reapportionment committee.

Delegate Howard "Pete" Rawlings, D-40th, in a Dec. 26 letter urged Gov. Harry Hughes to support the recommendations of the League of Women Voters and the Maryland Legislative Black Caucus.

Those recommendations include there be a black population proportion of at least 50 percent in the proposed 47th legislative district in Northeast Baltimore and that the Morgan Park community and Morgan State University be relocated in the proposed 47th district.

According to Rawlings, the advisory committee's proposal would move Louise G. Murphy, who is a member of the State Central Committee and won election on an integrated ticket in Northeast Baltimore, from her homebase district into the predominantly white 43rd district.

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Tried to intimidate Harford Co. proxy

Klansmen sentenced for cross burning

Two men described by police as Ku Klux Klansmen have been sentenced to spend a weekend in jail and provide 100 hours of community service, for burning a cross at the home of the NAACP President of Harford County. Both Galen W. Whitely, 24, of Joppa, Maryland and Michael L. Miller, 21, of Cockeysville, pleaded guilty to charges they burned a cross on the lawn of the Churchville home of NAACP President, Joseph Bond.

Circuit Court Judge Bradnax Cameron said he actually was sentencing them to a year in jail and suspending all but a single weekend of the term, but Miller and Whitely would be on supervised probation for five years. Cameron also instructed the pair to pay court costs and to cease any association with the Klan or any similar groups.

The cross burning at Bond's home seemed to be a catalyst for another dozen cross burnings in the area, although police cannot prove the Klan's involvement in all of them.

Whitely and Miller were two of five men arrested June 1 for the burning of a 3-foot cross at Bond's home Jan. 27, 1981. Two other Joppa men, David A. Workenaou, 18 and Jeffrey G. Bennett, 23, pleaded guilty in District Court last August to a charge of conspiracy in connection with the incident. District Judge Edwin H. W. Harlan, Jr., last month gave Workenaou 18 months supervised probation and ordered him to perform 40 hours of community service at a high school. Bennett, president of the Harford County Klan chapter, was given a 6-month suspended sentence, one year supervised probation and ordered to stop his KKK activities.

The fifth person charged, Michael L. Whitely, 18, also of Joppa, is awaiting trial.

Whitely and Miller will be doing their community service with the Harford County weatherization program, providing installation of insulation, storm doors and windows in the homes of low income persons.

Bond said, "the sentences were adequate for the situation," since there was no property damage.

The maximum one year penalty in jail upon conviction for cross burning was increased by the 1981 land General Assembly to three years.

Second fatality in 9 days

Another postal worker stricken on job, dies

Employees at the main post office in Baltimore are up in arms again over what they cite as a lack of adequate emergency medical care following the death of a clerk felled by an apparent heart attack early Monday morning while at work.

He was the second clerk to die of a heart attack at the Fayette St. location within a nine day span. Postal workers said an on-site emergency facility perhaps could have saved their lives.

Robert Dickerson, a postal employee for 18 years, died suddenly after pushing a mail cart on a normal "sweep" of the sorting machines. He was 52.

Postal employees said the absence of qualified medical personnel has been a contributing factor to Dickerson's death and to the deaths of two others at the post office within the last 18 months.

Dickerson waited 20 to 25 minutes before an ambulance arrived and was administered oxygen, they said.

They also complained that to get emergency attention they must relay the alarm through the security office which calls for an ambulance, wasting valuable time.

"Everyone feels that if they do have a heart attack they don't have a chance," Bernard Tucker, an employee, said.

"It's a touchy subject but we're going to organize a petition and send it to our congressman or OSHA," Herb Brown, president of the Clerk Craft, said.

A post office spokesperson said a nurse stationed at the post office was with Dickerson "within seconds."

But she also said post office medical facilities and staff is designed to handle minor injuries and not major medical emergencies.

She said so far the post office has no plans to upgrade its medical facility.

The Christmas season is particularly stressful, Brown said, a factor which may have affected the two who died.

Large increases in mail volume mean mandatory overtime for the people who work at the post office, and failure to accept overtime can result in disciplinary actions, including dismissal.

Many were faced with 10 hour days during the week and full 8 hour shifts on Saturday and Sunday, Brown said.

The grueling schedule "takes a toll on you," he said.

The postal workers feel frightened, threatened and angry, and that postal management is unresponsive

Employees said they have called for cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training which would allow them to help stricken workers until help arrived, perhaps saving precious seconds. Some have volunteered to take it on their own time.

"We are still waiting for some training," despite promises from postal management indicating they would get it, said Tom Keefe, president-elect of the Baltimore area American Postal Workers Union.

Woman found dead in tub

Prince George's County police earlier this week arrested and charged a 29-year-old Oxon Hill man in connection with the Jan. 2 drowning death of his neighbor, 24-year-old Michelle Shields.

Police said both the dead woman and the arrested man, George Lafayette Bailey, lived in adjoining apartments at 817 Irvington St., Oxon Hill.

Police said they were called to the Oxon Hill apartment in the early hours of Jan. 2 by a relative of the deceased woman, who said she had seen the victim's two children reportedly ages 3 and 4, wandering in the apartment hallway.

She told police she knocked on Shields' door and getting no answer, entered to find the victim's body floating face down in a bathtub with her hands tied behind her back.

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