For All We Know

By Elizabeth M. Oliver

MISS WEPTANOMAH CARTER JR., daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Harold Carter of Baltimore

High honors go to Drs. Edmonds, Quarles

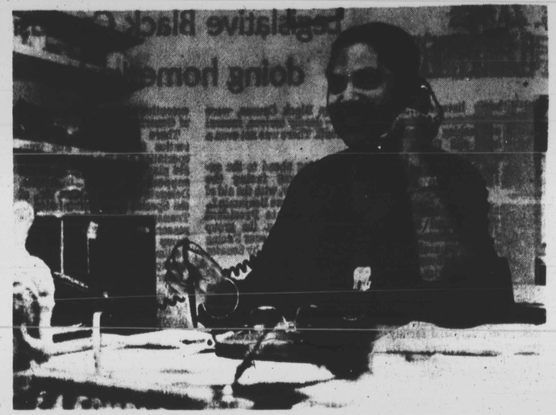
Mrs. Elizabeth A. Edmonds and Dr. Benjamin Quarles each received the President's Distinguished Service Award of the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History during the 66th national convention in Detroit.

Mrs. Edmonds, principal of the Southwestern Senior High School, was cited by Dr. Samuel L. Banks, national president of ASALH for intrepid, fearless and superior leadership in insisting that all students engaged in extracurricular activities be required to pass all of their subjects.

Mrs. Edmonds is highly respected, admired and appreciated by educators throughout the city and state.

Dr. Benjamin Quarles was cited for capacious intellect, trenchant and expansive knowledge of history and the social sciences, and sedulous search for truth. Quarles, professor - emeritus of history at Morgan State University, is known throughout the country as a solid scholar.

Both Mrs. Edmonds and Dr. Quarles received a medallion with red, black and green ribbon.



DR. ELIZABETH A. EDMONDS, principal of Southwestern Senior High School, receives coveted medallion

Others receiving the President's award were Dr. John Hope Franklin, Dr. Charles Wesley and Dr. Lorenzo Greene. Each was recognized for superb contribution to history.

The President's Distinguished Service Award was inaugurated by Dr. Banks to honor outstanding academicians in the nation.

Miss Carter named to high post at Seminary

Miss Weptanomah B. Carter Jr. of Baltimore has been named assistant to Dr. Thomas Parker, president of Virginia Seminary and College.

The Eastern College, St. Davids, PA. 1982 graduate in Religion, she has taken residence on the campus of the Lynchburg, VA. school which was established in 1888 and is on duty in the president's office on Garfield Avenue.

As assistant to Dr. Parker, Miss Carter will oversee its Public Relations Division and aid in planning the Spring Semester which is taking student applications now. The Seminary has been authorized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia to grant associate degrees.

Under Dr. Parker's guidance since 1962, the historic school has cleared debts and is presently raising funds and community support under a program of radio and TV appearances by Miss Carter.

The 96-year-old institution has a sprawling campus with seven buildings one of which is on the Virginia Register of Historic Places.

Extensive repairs are being done on several buildings and funds are coming from alumni who are scattered across the nation.

Miss Carter has announced the coming Founders Day, Hayes-Allen Day, Dec. 7 which each year witnesses graduates arriving from across the U.S., many of whom hold important posts in national, state and local governments.

Miss Carter is formerly the student government president of Western High School, sophomore and junior year student government representative of Eastern College and student attorney there.

She served as resident assistant at Eastern College and tutor - counselor, Le Moyne College, Upward Bound Program, Syracuse, NY. Her additional studies have been at Villa Nova University, Villanova, PA and Towson State University, Baltimore.

Dr. Alfred Vaughn elected president of historic Baptist group established in Baltimore March 31, 1908

DR. ALFRED C. D. VAUGHN, pastor of Grace Memorial Baptist Church, twice named to presidency

Dr. Alfred C.D. Vaughn, pastor of Grace Memorial Baptist Church, was elected Monday, Nov. 28 to the presidency of the Baptist Ministers Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity.

The session at Enon Baptist Church, marked the second time Dr. Vaughn has been chosen. He first headed the group from 1974 to 1976.

The Baptist organization began March 31, 1908 and is the most powerful, largest, continuous organization in the state. Involving a 125-member enrollment of leading clergymen, the meeting takes place every Monday and for nearly all of its 75 years has assembled at Enon Baptist Church.

The installation of the new officers will be a special gather ing on Monday, Jan. 2, 1984 at 12 noon.

NEW AD-MINISTRATION

Other officers elected, with Rev. James Ball presiding, are:

Rev. J. Woodard Kelly, pastor of Fellowship Baptist, 1st vice president; Rev. James Wise, Emmanual Baptist, 2nd vice; Rev. Charles Peaker, assistant pastor, United Baptist, secretary; Rev. Lydia Starks, assistant secretary; Rev. William Calhoun, news commentator; Rev. Harold Dobson, Sunday School commentator; Financial Secretary, Rev. Roy Johnson; Treasurer, Rev. E.W. Williams.

Dr. Vaughn, a native of Baltimore, was educated in the Baltimore schools and is holder of AB, BD and Master of Divinity degrees from Virginia Seminary and College and awarded the Doctorate in Divinity from both the Virginia Seminary and Southeastern University.

He has served as chairman of the board of Virginia Seminary eight years; treasurer and board member O.I.C.; state vice president of the Hampton Ministers Conference; president and founder of the Baltimore Baptist Clergy in Action; member and treasurer of the board of trustees of Provident Hospital; TV Ministry, WMAR-TV and member of the President's Clergy Advisory, the White House, 1972. He has served at Grace Memorial 15 years.

Dr. Vaughn is an instructor at the Maryland Baptist Center and School of Religion and has served as its board chairman and trustee as well as dean of Theology and director of Research for the Baltimore Extension of the Virginia Seminary and College.

Dr. Vaughn and his wife Lillian have three children. Grace Memorial in East Baltimore has a special place in the community with the Food Co-op, Pantry for the Needy, Clothing for the Needy, Local and World Ministry and College Students Ministry.

Sunday, Dec. 4 marks the annual Grace Legislative Sunday with Congressman Parren J. Mitchell, guest speaker at 11 a.m..

Books for children of all ages top Christmas list

CHILDREN OF THE SUN by Jan Carew, illustrated in brilliant color by Leo and Diane Dillon, inspires avid reading and delightful imagination.

Children break their toys and play with the box long before Santa finishes his rounds but they stick with a Christmas book and treasure it. Likewise, adults find books the best gift. Books always head the gift list.

Bethel A.M.E. Church Book Store, 1234 Druid Hills Ave., has a wealth of books by black authors, religious and fairy tale. Hours are Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. or call Mrs. Dorothy Yates for details 462-3250.

The widest stock of posters, books, reading helpers, and kids' educational gifts is at "Books and Things," a fantastic place owned by Tommie and Graham Davis, 6330 Marlboro Pike, District Hgts., Md. 736-3096. The wonderland of year-around things for kids is the answer to lasting, good items, a fine Black literature collection.

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Bethel Word Ministry's Book Store sales are to help with Outreach, a service to the community. For more, call also 523-4273 and watch for announcement of the Autograph Party, coming before Christmas.

HAWAIIAN MODDAH GOOSE BOOK by Tutu Puna has pichers by Caroline Warner and Aikanes and is done in Hawaiian Pidgin. This one, Little Bo Peep, loss her sheep, no mo' can she fine 'em, says, "Jus leave 'em alone, Fo' shuah day come home, Wagging dere okoles behin' 'em.

Baltimore County Branch of the NAACP is supporting the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers in its efforts to expand its distribution in Baltimore County.

Author speaks on Benjamin Banneker Dec. 6 at Banneker-Douglass Museum

Author Carroll Greene Jr., director curator of the Banneker-Douglass Museum, will offer a talk on "The Life of Benjamin Banneker" on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 11 a.m. Second in the series of gallery talks at the Banneker-Douglass Museum, 84 Franklin St., Greene's talk will center around the significance of the Maryland-born pioneer scientist whose almanacs issued in the late 18th century brought him instant fame.

During 1980, the U.S. Postal Service issued a stamp in Banneker's honor. The Commission on Afro-American History and Culture co-sponsored the stamp dedication ceremony in Annapolis. At that time, the Commission also issued a Banneker First Day Cover. During 1977, the Commission placed a 4-foot granite marker honoring Banneker in Cella.

Greene, a former visiting research associate and curator at the Smithsonian Institute, is the author of A Chronology of the Life of Benjamin Banneker, 1731-1806. While at the Smithsonian, he was a protege of Silvio Bedini, then Deputy Director, of the Museum of American History, who was completing his book, The Life of Benjamin Banneker. Published by Chas. Scribner & Son, this is still the definitive work on Benjamin Banneker.

"At last, we in Maryland are beginning to honor Benjamin Banneker, a distinguished son," Greene states.

The recent excavations in Oella, Baltimore County, are believed to have uncovered the site of Banneker's 18th century home. The excavations were sponsored by the Maryland Historical Trust in cooperation with the Baltimore County Government.

BLACK MOTHER GOOSE BOOK with caotivating drawings by Thomas Stockett is in full color and transposed into Swahili by Elizabeth M. Oliver.

AFRICAN MYTHOLOGY, a magnificent volume by Geoffrey Parrinder, is a great gift for adults and youngsters as well.

$31 million

Earmarked for housing and downtown development

Saying the city needs a mix of downtown and neighborhood development, housing commissioner Jay Brodie announced a $31 million development package which earmarks loan money for renters, start-up capital for minority businesses and funding for a pedestrian bridge near the Inner Harbor, and to make improvements at Market Center.

The $31 million proposal includes $27.5 million the city expects to get from the federal Community Development Block Grant program, which for nine years has played a key role in the development of both neighborhoods and the downtown area in Baltimore.

An additional $3.5 million will come from the sale of bonds and city properties.

City officials hope to get a bigger bang for the bucks by attracting private matching funds for some of its expenditures.

The Baltimore Economic Development Corp. hopes to match $400,000 in private loans with block grant money to supply minority firms with start-up capital through the Minority Business Venture Capital Fund.

An additional $400,000 is to be mixed with private loans to allow landlords to make low-cost repairs.

The city also hopes to expand a program under which landlords have received grants to pay for storm windows, new furnaces and other energy-saving improvements in exchange for promises to submit to rent controls for five years.

The energy conservation program, which began with a $1.1 million pilot project in the Barclay-Greenmount area, will be introduced to the Mount Clare neighborhood in Southwest Baltimore.

About $1.9 million will be used along with Urban Development Action Grants to allow moderate income families to buy homes with only $500 down. An additional $2.3 million will be made available to help current homeowners rehabilitate their properties.

The education department will get $500,000 to bring computers and other equipment to students in low- and moderate-income areas.

And $5.2 million will be funneled through the Urban Services Agency to provide day care, youth development, legal aid and other services.

Referring to reams of charts and statistics which were stacked on his desk, and aided by a multi-colored pie graph, Brodie said over the last eight years an average of 80 percent of the city's block grant funds have benefitted low- and moderate - income families.

While 89 percent of last year's proposal benefitted low- and moderate-income groups the figure proposed by city officials this year is 83 percent.

Critics of the Schaefer administration have charged in the past that too much city attention has been focused on downtown development at the expense of neighborhood improvements.

Mandatory car inspection begins in 1984

Maryland will begin a Vehicle Emission Inspection Program on January 3, 1984. The program has been mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency as a means of improving the quality of air we breathe, particularly in the metropolitan areas.

Numerous conflicting articles have appeared in local newspapers regarding the details of the program. The following are the facts according to William Tarr, director of WEIP with the Motor Vehicle Administration.

What areas of the state are involved?

in 1984, 1971 or older vehicles are exempt;

in 1985, 1972 or older vehicles are exempt;

in 1986, 1973 or older vehicles are exempt;

Those vehicles not exempted will be inspected once a year.

What other vehicles are exempt?

vehicles (cars or trucks) with more than 10,000 lb. gross weight.

diesels or other vehicles powered by something other than gasoline.

motorcycles.

new vehicles 12 months or less in age from date of purchase.

How long will the inspection period last?

The inspection program will be a continuous yearly program with some vehicles being tested each month. Your vehicle will be assigned a month in which to be inspected (randomly selected by computer). You will receive a notice 30 days prior to your inspection month. You will continue the same inspection month each year. Those vehicles to be inspected during January will be sent notice on November 28th.

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Baltimore Gas and Electric Company will pay a total of $1,000 as a reward for information leading to the arrest and indictment of the three persons who assaulted and robbed its employee about 12:54 P.M. on Monday, November 28, 1983 in the rear of 2302 Round Road, in the Cherry Hill Section of Baltimore City.

The Company will not disclose the name of any person or persons furnishing such information to it.

Anyone having such information should call Metro Crime Alert, at 276-8888.

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Official results of the Nov. 8 election

FIRST DISTRICT Councilmanic

Dominic "Mimi" DiPietro	21,459
John Schaefer	20,321
Donald Hammen	20,085

SECOND DISTRICT Councilmanic

Nathaniel McFadden	14,496
Jacqueline McLean	14,162
Anthony Ambridge	14,041

THIRD DISTRICT Councilmanic

Frank Gallagher	23,996
Joseph Landers	22,839
Joseph Curran	22,148
Albert Hogarth (Republican)	5,267

FOURTH DISTRICT Councilmanic

Michael Mitchell	16,721
Karesa Mhume	15,958
Agnes Welch	15,192
Bobby Checks	550

FIFTH DISTRICT Councilmanic

Iris Reeves	20,227
Thomas Waxter	19,365
Rochelle "Rikki" Spector	18,974
Carl Adair (Republican)	4,767
Larry Gray (Republican)	1,835
John Tomsen (Republican)	1,509

SIXTH DISTRICT Councilmanic

Timothy Murphy	15,820
Joseph DiBlasi	14,916
William Meyers	14,820
Charles Howe (Republican)	1,739
Michael Burgess (Republican)	1,420

CITYWIDE ELECTIONS

MAYOR

William D. Schaefer	130,741
Samuel Culotta (Republican)	8,771

President of City Council

Clarence Du Burns	115,449

Comptroller

Hyman Pressman	119,673

Del. Young attacks cuts in Medicaid

Del. Larry Young has taken a strong issue with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene by attacking the recent proposed cuts in the medicaid program.

"In all honesty, I believe the proposed medicaid cuts are penny wise and pound foolish, "said Del. Young. "Inevitably, and all available evidence points in this direction, we are setting ourselves up to create a two class system of health care one for those that have money and can afford to pay and one for those who do not have the money and cannot afford to pay. I cannot in good conscience allow the Health's Department's proposal to go unchallenged,"Del. Young stated.

The State of Maryland has grappled for a number of years with the medicaid question. Medicaid is the largest joint federal state effort to provide health care for the poor. Without medicaid coverage, many needy citizens would simply do without health care.

Del. Young said, "While the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene certainly has a responsibility to be cost conscious, they also have a large responsibility to assure that citizens are able to receive adequate and equitable health care when it is needed.

The department's proposal raises many questions in my mind. What will be the consequences of these cuts on the solvency of our inner city hospitals? What kind of assurances have been made that health care will be available for needy citizens 24 hours per day?

How many private physicians have come on line saying that they are interested in this new found constituency? Would it not have been prudent for a pilot or demonstration program, not in the magnitude of the proposed plan, but sufficiently scaled-down so that these options could be thoroughly reviewed?

"We do not need knee-jerk reaction to a problem, but rather we need a careful and cautious plan that involves all segments of the health care community in the deliberations prior to a plan being announced. This kind of approach did not occur," said Del. Young.

Del. Young said he expected a fierce debate on the medicaid cuts in the 1984 session of the Maryland General Assembly. "I'll lead the fight against the cuts," said Del. Young and "I hope I can count on the solid support of Baltimore City's state and local elected officials in this battle."

Zola Boone
Project Discovery Chair

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The Links, Incorporated is seeking minority women between the ages of 35-50 to participate in a series of workshops focusing on job search skills.

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Handicapped have nat'l data system based in Balto.

BALTIMORE (UPI) — A nationwide information and referral system for the disabled, announced Monday by President Reagan, is a "critical step forward," said a top official of the John F. Kennedy Institute for Handicapped Children.

The program — to be based at the Baltimore Institute — is designed to give the handicapped, their families and health care professionals thorough access to care available to the disabled throughout the country.

"This had never been done before," said Marcia Burgdorf, the institute's administrator. "I would say it's a critical step forward in really being able to deliver services to handicapped people and their families."

Previously, people seeking information generally were left to their devices often having to make "seven to 10 calls" to find the necessary information.

"They'd call state offices, local offices, advocacy offices, whatever they could," she said.

Ms. Burgdorf said the hope is that the new program — expected to be running next summer — will end all that.

"They will have a way of contacting someone in each state for each type of person," she said. "Let's say you're in Iowa and want the name of a dentist who will treat a child with Cerebral Palsy ... They'd actually have a person to call."

She said the nationwide program is based on a successful system at the University of South Carolina.

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