"GOOD NEWS"

RAFFLE SPREE was won by Herbert Sledge, Urban Services Agency Day Care director. Talking with Mr. Sledge about his fifty-fifty lucky ticket, he just beamed and beamed. Mr. Sledge stated he has bought chances on top of chances and never won anything. But, this time he held the lucky numbered ticket. This time it came on time and with his lucky ticket, he said he will put it to real good use like a — BILL.

"A MEMO TO MY READERS"

It's time for all of us to get out and vote! We need to exert our freedom and above all, our very own privilege. There is a lot of reading material on this election coming up if one needs to re-educate himself or herself on the November 6 election. Many of us are really hurting and we need to get out and vote. Look around you and see businesses going out of business. Our country and our dear senior citizens are hurting. There's no excuse folks to say, "I can't get out" or let it slip your mind. Our future depends on you!

Vote Democratic Tuesday, November 6, 1984. Your vote counts and matters much more. think about being poor, think about being hungry, think about being unemployed, you or your friends. Think about slavery — think about nuclear war, think about Martin Luther King, think about Harriet Tubman. Think about discrimination. Vote!

Your action, your choice, your wish. By gosh, wouldn't it be just simply beautiful if we all concerned-minded folk would just get out and vote and make our little worlds and wonders just great? Remember Gladys Knight & the Pips, you're number one in your book — well it's time one vote. Your vote could make you Number 1 — one vote!!! Don't be voteless. Be caught in line; be aware of Election Day. Don't let our forefathers and mothers down. We have come a long way. These days who cares???

EACH ONE REACH ONE-
EACH ONE TEACH ONE

On our political panel our panelists were Maggie Lane, Baltimore Urban League; the Honorable Iris Reeves; and Marvin Cheatham, Baltimore NAACP.

Now presiding in Part I Conference Hall was Betty Warren. Our opening prayer was by the Rev. Mary A. Phillips and opening greetings came from Bernice White, president.

Councilwoman Agnes Welch, Fourth District talked on Our Challenge. There were Workshops I & II held. Workshop I consisted of Strategies for Mobilizing the Vote. Convener was Fay Cockrell and Moderator was Marie Henderson.

Workshop II consisted of Victims Rights. President is Bernice White and Moderator was Paula Johnson. The Women's Power Workshop had its panelists who were Delegate Ann Perkins, 41st Legislative District. Police Officer Kate Ward, Baltimore City Police Department and Rosemary Chappell — First Call for Help A Victim.

There were many VIP's as our guest for this 1984 Election occasion. Ms. Barbara Jackson introduced the guests.

Tribute was paid to our founders and past presidents and "Power Lady" Hortense Henry made the tribute.

Erla McKinnon, 1st Vice President introduced guest speaker Althea Simmons, Executive Director, Washington Bureau of NAACP.

To top it off, there was a musical interlude and fashion show by Flair Studio and its models Lillian Dorsey, 2nd Vice President reported on write in nomination of future committee installments. Dr. Delores Hunt handled installation of officers.

Upon adjournment — We Women Power, Inc. are one of the umbrella organizations working with the NAACP and the Urban League to strengthen the power of Voter Education and Registration. Women Power, Inc. is a sponsoring organization of women together. The entire program and every performance proved its theme!

Women Power, Inc. is reaching out to each and everyone to say come on and share our very own right to vote. Pull the levers on our rights and join the crowd and vote.

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OUR WORLD

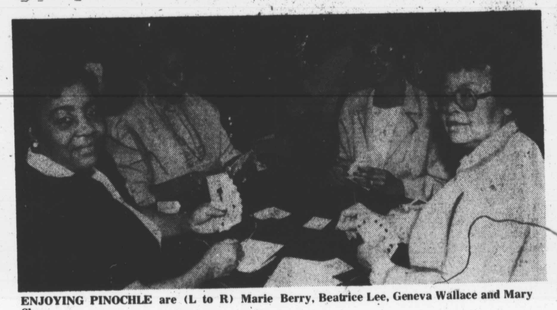
Games for charity

Big Sisters host annual Luncheon-Card Party

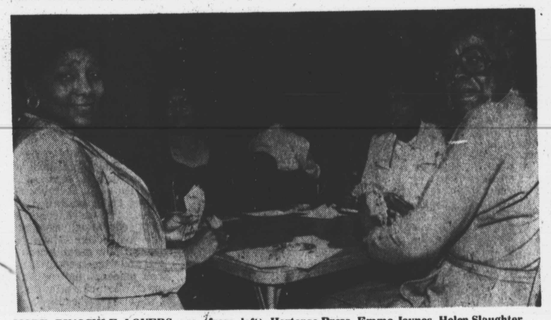
IN A RAP SESSION during the Baltimore Big Sisters' Annual Luncheon-Card Party held Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Forum, Primrose Ave. are (L to R) Betty Meads Gregory, Annamaria B. Joyner, Barbara R. Collins and Carol Gooden.

AFRO Photos by P. A. Greene

A BRIDGE SET of smiling faces include (from left): Jane V. Harrison, Mary Robinson, Gloria Jones and Lorraine Green.



ENJOYING PINOCHLE are (L to R) Marie Berry, Beatrice Lee, Geneva Wallace and Mary Shaw.



MORE PINOCHLE LOVERS are (from left) Hortense Press, Emma Joynes, Helen Slaughter and Leona Abrams.

BEGINNING SOUNDS — Calling the bingo game is Big Sister Ernestine Bland.

By Pattie Hodges

One of the nicest and most charitable social events of last weekend was the Big Sisters' annual Luncheon-Card Party hosted at the Forum, Saturday, Oct. 27.

Nearly 400 folks turned out for the affair, which began at noon and lasted till almost 5 p.m.

Greetings and the purpose of the event and the organization were given by Iris Williams, president. The invocation by Mrs. Imogene Douglas was followed by a hearty and delectable luncheon.

Afterwards a scholarship award was made to Shirley Sherman, a student at Coppin State College and a Douglass High School graduate who plans to pursue a career in nursing.

Guests squealed with delight as their lucky ticket stubs garnered for them many lovely door prizes.

During the games segment, guests played bridge, pinochle and bingo. Winners of bingo games and high scorers at pinochle and bridge also won useful and beautiful gifts. There were also available on display beauty products and jewelry.

To add to the excitement there was a three-way raffle, from which three lucky winners walked away with $55 (first prize); $35 (second prize) and $20 (third prize). It was a fun-filled afternoon for all.

The Big Sisters Club of Baltimore Inc., devote their time, money and energy to charitable causes. Aside from their annual Scholarship award to deserving students, they contribute to the AFRO-AMERICAN Clean Block campaign and the AFRO's Mrs. Santa, Blue Chip In, Provident Hospital, the YMCA, YWCA and the Campership Program, to name a few.

Chairperson for this year's event was Joan Johnson Ledbetter. Co-chairperson was Gladys Parker. Baltimore Club Officers are Iris Williams, president; Joan J. Ledbetter, vice president; Roberta Keets, corresponding secretary; Ernestine Press, recording secretary; Imogene Douglas, financial secretary; Ida Nicholas, treasurer and Credella White, parliamentarian.

Other members include Bernita Fuller, Norma Feller, Phyllis Shamwell, Charlene Boston, Barbara Wheeler, Gladys Parker, Lilyan Slater, Rita Selby, Mary Robinson, Ernestine Bland;

And Madora LaForse, Flora Johnson, Sara Jerkins, Cathryn Stanford, Vivien Burnett, Lucille Brown, Irma Givens and Willa Bouldin.

AND THE WINNER IS . . . Tessa Epps holds high her lucky winning bingo card.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS for the Luncheon-Card Party are (L to R) Big Sisters Cathryn P. Stanford, Vivian Burnette, Ida Nicholas, treasurer; Imogene Douglas, financial secretary; Iris Williams, president; Phyllis Shamwell, Lilyan Slater, and Ernestine Press, recording secretary. Not pictured are Joan Ledbetter, chairperson and Gladys Parker, co-chairperson.

PARTYLINE

HALLOWEEN-BIRTHDAY PARTY

That effervescent, ever-busy hostess Sandra "Sandy" East has done it again. Sunday, Oct. 28 she hosted a combination Halloween-Birthday party (it was her birthday) at her newly-acquired house in the 3500 block of Cedardale Rd. The lively fate was held in the first floor apartment of Sandy's sister, Nedra East.

Sandy had asked that, instead of gifts for herself, guests would make a contribution to Providence Baptist Church or the AFRO charity "Mrs. Santa."

For her guests Sandy had prepared delectable barbecued meatballs, chicken wings, salmon mix, eggs stuffed with crabmeat, wiener appetizers and crabmeat dip. There were, to go with the scrumptuous edibles, sippables of varied kinds. There were also two kinds of cake— one with chocolate, the other with vanilla icing. Yum! Yum!

To the soft background music which played throughout the evening, which began at 6 and ended around 10 p.m., Sandy's well wishers enjoyed the party fare and lots of animated party patter.

On hand for the occasion were Fenton Horton Sr., Ernestine DeVance, Eugene Roles, Vivian and Fred Bailey, Carolyn Savage, Sherman and Andrea Abraham, Calvin Woodland, Nathalia Roberts, Sherl Woodland, Valerie Dean, Connie Carter, Billy and Darcell Morris, Nedra East, Marjorie Ellis, Marjorie Jennings, Ricky Maker, Timothy Wilson, Joao Miji and yours truly.

LEXINGTON-POE HOMES REUNION

"Public housing is from whence we came."
"Our being here is proof, that "Public
Housing bears no shame."

The above excerpt was taken from an original poem by Dorothy C. Alves, local poetess for the reunion celebration of the Lexington-Poe residents, at the Poe Auditorium on Saturday, Oct. 27. This was the "First" formal reunion for those persons who were residents at the "First Public Housing Development" in Baltimore City. The project gained its name from the fact that Edgar Allen Poe, famous poet and author, lived for awhile in the area. Poe House was not included in the demolition of the slum structures surrounding it, but was preserved and blended into the architectural design of the new buildings.

Poe Homes was opened for occupancy in October 1940. Prospective tenants were given lessons in Home Furnishing by a number of women's civic groups. Elmer Queen and his family were the first tenants to move into Poe Homes. The first manager of Poe Homes was A.B. Collins. The current Manager is Frederick Turner. It is also notable that Poe Homes was the first project built exclusively for blacks.

The ground breaking for Lexington Terrace was held in 1955. The skyscrapers that first changed the landscape of West Baltimore were the towers of Lexington Terrace, highest of the public housing project. This project is the home of 677 families. It is bounded on the north by Mulberry St., on the south by Fayette St., on the east by Myrtle Ave., and on the west by Fremont Ave.

It is separated from the oldest, Edgar Allen Homes only by Fremont Avenue. The first tenants moved into the development in 1957. The two projects emerged and are now referred to as "The Lexington-Poe Homes." Photographs of the past years were on display.

The theme of the Reunion was "Revive our Roots, Relive our Past, Focus on our Future." Principal Speakers, Dr. Charles Simmons, and Delegate Howard "Pete" Rawlings were former residents of Poe Homes. Dr. Simmons, President of Sojourner-Douglass College spoke about life in the community, he focused on the impact that the close-knit community, family strengths, the uniqueness of the extended families and positive attitudes had on the residents. He further noted that the success of others as well as, his own personal achievements, stemmed from their roots in the community.

Delegate Howard "Pete" Rawlings' "reflections" encapsuled his childhood, remembering various activities, friends, teenage years, and also the impact of the extended family tradition.

Soloist Patricia Mack beautifully rendered "The Lord's Prayer" and "Climb Every Mountain." Miss Mack, former resident, is currently employed as Management Assistant in the Lexington-Poe Homes.

The invocation was delivered by Evangelist Esther Melcher, a resident. Remarks for the occasion were by James Smith, Deputy Commissioner of Neighborhood Progress Administration, Gordine Blount, Director of Tenant Services, Shirley Wise, Coordinator of Resident Advisory Board, and Major George L. Christian, Director of Community Relations, Baltimore City Police Department, who extended warm wishes from Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson, who had another professional commitment.

The Lexington-Poe Reunion was sponsored by the Lexington-Poe Tenant Council headed by Wartruler Wilson, president. The guests enjoyed a scrumptuous meal prepared by the committee, which included, Lorraine Ledbetter-vice president; Emma Davenport, treasurer; Annie Green and Martha Jackson, resident advisory board delegates; Aaron Abrams, sgt. at arms, Leslie Edwards, Ernestine Wideman, Kenneth Oaks, High-Rise Coordinator and Clara Bailey, tenant services specialist.