—Black clergy

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just serving Catholics." He also stated that both organizations were in existence long before the United Way. "We don't give them anything. They deliver all the money, resources, and leadership."

The United Way was formed in 1969. It lists among its founding partners, the Community Chest, the Red Cross, Associated Jewish Charities, and Associated Catholic Charities. Cooper said that the agencies decided to stop competing with each other and gave their fundraising responsibility to his organization.

Rev. Dobson said that his organization sent a letter to the United Way in 1983. Mr. Cooper commented that he understood the letter to be a request for the funding of an agency, said Dobson. "We sent a letter and they never responded. When they didn't answer, we went to the streets." The coalition has been picketing the United Way and calling for a boycott of the organization by blacks.

Cooper said that Dobson's organization wanted a meeting with the United Way, but he noted, "At the time we received his letter, we had 92 other applicants. We didn't think it would be fair to meet with his organization and not meet with the other 92."

Cooper sent an application for funding to Dobson. Cooper has now come to understand that Dobson's organization is seeking affiliate status, but he admits "the question has never been raised. It's never been the subject of discussion. Our leadership group will have to look at it."

In the past, affiliates, of which the United Way is comprised, were independent fundraising organizations which delivered various community services. "At some point in their lives," Cooper said, "they said it is better to join with others ... in an overall community effort."

Dobson said, "We have no problem conforming to United Way guidelines if we knew what the guidelines were," he added. "We know that if we had a black Protestant Charities, we wouldn't have a preacher as the head." Dobson said the organization would be set up just as other charitable organizations are.

The United Way of Central Maryland asserts that 39 percent of United Way clientele are minorities, 31 percent of United Way agencies boards are minorities and 56 percent of the United Way agencies boards are minorities.

Cooper added, "The president of the United Way Community Services is black." The president, Dr. J. Tyson Tildon, is Cooper's boss.

Dobson said that people have been asking him how they can get back the money that they've given to the United Way. He said that they are dissatisfied with the United Way and felt that the United Way should consider his organization's proposal. Dobson said that churches are providing services outside the realm of the Department of Social Services.

Said Dobson, "If anyone is in tune with those who hurt, it is the churches."

—Gay rights

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both sides of the passionate issue.

It has become folklore, likened to some indestructible and unsinkable social plight for a small minority group on the one hand, and on the other, the last trumpet blast before the commencing of armageddon.

Anchored hopelessly within a City Council committee (policy and planning) since June, where it awaits the 10 votes needed to return it to the full Council, Bill 187 could simply linger there till 1987, the year the current council's term expires.

There are indications, however, that the bill may be released from committee before Christmas.

According to gay rights activist Irvin Conway, a member of the Gay Democratic Club and head of the Baltimore Black Coalition, which has been lobbying on behalf of Bill 187, there are slight signs that a turn about may be imminent.

"I think we're finally gonna get the 10 votes needed to bring it out of the Council within the next two weeks. We feel Baltimore like all other major cities should have a Gay Rights bill because we believe that nobody should be discriminated against," Conway said.

Whether Bill 187 reaches the Council before the New Year is an uncertainty, but there is little doubt that critics and supporters are prepared to take the gay rights issue as far as the local legal alternatives will allow.

—Task Force

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maintain Medicaid for her children.

"How does she work her way out of poverty?" Houbolt asked.

"It just wears a person down," said Ms. Beverly, who first learned of the food committee when her family ran out of food. She said feeding five children means "a lot of juggling with finances" and a lot of spaghetti, macaroni and hot dogs.

Ms. Beverly was one of 83 people who testified before the Governor's Task Force during its 15-month investigation.

Task Force Chairman David M. Paige, of the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, has called for the state to lessen the "vulnerability" of the poor.

He said the welfare grant should be raised by $120 because people are running out of food stamps and dollars toward the end of the month. The report said soup kitchens report surges in activity the last seven to ten days each month. Catholic Charities' "Our Daily Bread" soup kitchen in downtown Baltimore reports feeding about 350 people a day at the beginning of months, but by the end more than 550.

Dr. Paige also called for changes in regulations so the poor who find work will gradually lose benefits such as Medicaid. Abrupt cuts, he said, discourages people from working.

The task force report said Maryland is losing millions of dollars in federal aid because eligible residents are not participating in federally funded programs such as food stamps and the school lunch program.

The task force found that when the federal government increased the price of the subsidized school lunch from ten cents to 40 cents, a third of the students stopped buying it. The report said a $2 million dollar state subsidy could return the cost of the lunch back to a dime, enable more children to eat, and bring back federal subsidies that are now being lost.

"I believe we can help the poor by maximizing the use of federal programs in the state," said Dr. Paige, "so the poor of Maryland get every federal dollar that's due them."

The price tag for all the task force proposals is an estimated $40 million, but members said new dollars drawn into the state from the federal government

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—Bus riders

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"And we will be supportive of any effort to make the movement of our residents easier and more convenient," said Ms. Diane Holland, president of the Penn-North Association, joining in with a host of other neighborhood presidents who have vowed to support the effort.

The group which formally organizes itself at an open meeting to be held Tuesday, Nov. 27 at the Park Heights Multi-purpose Center, 3835 Reisterstown Rd., has considered legal possibilities to make their position clear and more potent.

Already attempts at attracting members of the MTA employees union to agree with their position have been made.

General spokespersons for the group have made it clear that they will continue the fights, if there is one, until the issues are resolved.

"Gosh, we are not asking for much," added Ms. Mason. "The biggest thing is to allow the bus to continue its route after 8 p.m."

A final concern was for the elderly and younger children who were being trampled on after the long wait for the bus. Crowds, according to representatives would rush the bus with no consideration for the elderly or younger children.

"It is hard to blame them because they want to hurry on because of the cold or whatever, but at the same time if the MTA would look into these problems, things would change."

MTA spokesperson Anita Pesses said that much of the complaints never reach the customer services department and that probably some action would be taken if people would write in.

"There are some buses that do continue after 8 p.m.," she said. "As far as the transfer charge, that is just in line with our regular policy. We always charge 40 cents for transfers.

"Buses are late often because of the construction going on in the city. It slows the buses down when they wait in traffic."

Ms. Pesses said that an in-depth study into the Metro set-up will take place early next spring.

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—Community Calendar—

WORKSHOP ON SEXUAL CHILD ABUSE

The Family Connection is sponsoring two workshops on Sexual Child Abuse at the Poly-Western Auditorium from 7-10 p.m. On Tuesday, November 27 the workshop is being offered to all child care professionals and Wednesday, November 28 is designed for parents.

For information call 764-0060.

A COMPUTER FAMILIARITY WORKSHOP

Baltimore New Directions for Women, Inc. (BNDW) will hold a 4- series workshop entitled "Meet The Computer" on Saturdays in December. The workshop will include hands-on experience and cover hardware-software, binary /math, bits and bytes, flow charts and writing a complete program.

The workshops will be held December 8, 15, 22, and 29 from 10 a.m.-noon at BNDW's Career Resource Center, 12 East 25th St. The cost is $60 (for the entire series) per person and pre-registration is required. For registration and further information, call 889-6677.

This workshop is part of BNDW's "Start a New Direction" series.

"KEEPING FIT AND HEALTHY"

Jesse Brannen, director of the Sinai Fitness Center, will give a lecture on "Keeping Fit and Healthy at Any Age." Our most precious gift is our health - how can we maintain fitness at any age. This topic will be discussed on November 28 at 1 p.m. in the OASIS center, Hecht's, Reisterstown Plaza. Anyone 60 years of age or older may join the OASIS club. Membership is free.

For further information call—Barbara Rogers at 396-4799 or 358-1498.

STROKE CLUB TO MEET

The Stroke Club of Baltimore County General Hospital will meet on Thursday, Dec. 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Meeting Room No. 2 of the hospital's Administrative Services Building. The club serves as a support group for stroke patients and care givers. The program is free.

For more information call the American Heart Association, 337-0532 or the BCGH educational services department, 521-5968.

PULITZER PRIZE WINNING HISTORIAN AT GILMAN

Pulitzer prize-winning historian Louis R. Harlan will present the Annual George E. P. Mountcastle address in the Gilman School Alumni Auditorium on Thursday, Nov. 29, at 8 p.m.

Dr. Harlan, professor of history at the University of Maryland, College Park, is a American historian and biographer of Booker T. Washington.

In addition to the biography, Harlan has published numerous articles about the life and work of Booker T. Washington, and works about American civil rights, including "Separate and Unequal" (1958), a book about Southern public education in the early twentieth century.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

MEMORIAL TRIBUTE FOR FRED CLIFTON

On Sunday, Nov. 25, there will be a memorial tribute to Fred C. Clifton at Dunbar High School Auditorium, Caroline St. at Orleans, at 3 p.m. The public is invited share in the honoring of the life of this man who contributed to the community. A noted educator and activist, Mr. Clifton died recently.

Heart Survival Kit

Throughout the month of November, the American Heart Association — Maryland Affiliate, Inc., is offering a free "Survival Kit" to the public. The kit is designed to help educate Marylanders about the risk factors of heart disease and the warning signals of a heart attack.

Included is valuable information on how to be prepared in the event of a heart attack, an emergency phone sticker and several educational pamphlets. Also included is a list of Heart Association programs in your area.

Over 16,000 Marylanders die of heart disease each year. "Many of these deaths could be prevented if people learn that they can play an active role in reducing their risk of heart disease," says Langford Kidd, M.D., F.R.C.P., president of the Maryland Affiliate. The major controllable risks are: high blood pressure, smoking, diet, and lack of exercise.

To obtain a free "Survival Kit" call the American Heart Association - Maryland Affiliate, Inc., at (301) 685-7074.

MSU holds early registration

Morgan State University will be holding early spring registration November 26-30. Individuals who want to take advantage of this opportunity should report to the McKeldin Center Ballroom between November 26-30 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. For further information, contact Dr. Houston L. Stansbury at 444-3229.

Special Displaced Homemaker Series

Baltimore New Directions for Women, Inc. (BNDW) will offer a special workshop series entitled "Starting Over" for displaced homemakers Dec. 4 through Dec. 14. This special series is designed to assist displaced homemakers in making a smooth transition from homemaking to education, training or a job. The Dec. 4 workshop will be held from 12:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m., the remaining workshops will be held from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. "Starting Over" is offered free of charge to qualified displaced homemakers.

Pre - registration is required. For registration and further information please call BNDW at 889-6677.

Insurance Course To Train For A New Career

Beginning in December, Catonsville Community College will offer a continuing education course designed to train people in selling of various types of property and casualty insurance. Students successfully completing this course will be eligible to sit for the licensing and regulation exam.

This course may be taken on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6 to 10 p.m. on the CCC main campus, 800 South Rolling Rd., beginning Monday, Dec. 3, and ending March 4 (24 sessions) or it may be taken on Saturdays and Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Hunt Valley Center, Executive Plaza I, beginning Dec. 9 and ending Jan. 20 (11 sessions). The fee is $170 plus a textbook.

For more information, please call 455-4318.

State Dept. of Education Meeting

The Maryland State Department of Education will hold a public meeting on November 26 at its Baltimore offices, 200. Baltimore St., to consult with nonpublic school officials concerning Chapter 2 of the Federal Education Consolidation and Improvement Act, known as the "Block Grant" program.

Discussions are expected to include the nature and scope of the program, identification of student needs, and the manner in which benefits may be provided. Federal law provides for inclusion of private non - profit school students.

The meeting will be conducted by Dr. Richard M. Petre, assistant deputy state superintendent.

Officers of organizations representing private non - profit schools and principals - headmasters who plan to attend should write Dr. Petre at the State Department of Education or call him at (301) 659-2385.

Open House For Adult Students

Admissions, classes, financial aid and programs of study will be among the topics discussed during an Evening Open House at Catonsville Community College on Monday, Dec. 3, at 7 p.m.

This Open House is geared especially toward returning adult students and will be held in the Student Services Center on the CCC main campus, 800 S. Rolling Rd. There is no charge. Call 455-4392 for additional information.

Annual mitten tree

Get your knitting needles and yarn ready!

In anticipation of winter's lower temperatures, the Mayor's Office of Adventures in Fun is now accepting mittens and gloves for the City of Baltimore's Annual Mitten Tree program.

The kick - off ceremony for the mitten tree will be held in the Municipal Building Lobby, located at 200 N. Holliday St. on Thursday, Dec. 6, beginning at 12 noon.

Donations can be placed on the tree at the ceremony or, if unable to attend, individuals may drop the mittens and gloves off or mail them to Room 355 of City Hall. The mittens collected will then be distributed to needy families throughout Baltimore by the Salvation Army.

For additional information, please call the Mayor's Office of Adventures in Fun at 396-4891.

Wildlife Party

The Department of Recreation and Parks is sponsoring a Wildlife Holiday Party on Saturday, Dec. 1 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at Clyburn Arboretum, 4915 Greenspring Ave. The public is invited to bring edible ornaments to hang on the trees in the arboretum for the birds and animals in the park. The public is invited fee of charge for a bird - banding demonstration and refreshments.

A Santa's Workshop will also be in operation, where participants can learn how to make the edible ornaments from such materials as pine cones, peanut butter, bird seed and raisins.

For a wildlife menu and ideas for simple homemade feeders handout, the public is asked to send a self - addressed, stamped envelope to: Wildlife Central, 4915 Greenspring Ave., Baltimore, MD 21209.

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