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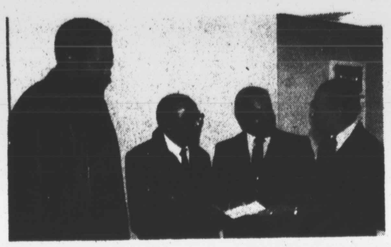

(Photo by Paul Greene)
The Baltimore Cossocks, a Baltimore landmark of 32 years presented $600 to AFRO's Mrs. Santa to John H. Murphy III. Above, Edwin Amos, chairman; Donald E. Smith, president; and Charles A. Marshall, assistant business manager. The AFRO is their major charity and they give scholarships.

(Photo by Vanessa Johnson)
Dr. Mellasenah Y. Morris of the Peabody Faculty helps AFRO Mrs. Santa with check for $125.

(Photo by Paul Greene)
Les Moities Club presented $100 for Mrs. Santa to AFRO President John H. Murphy III. Making presentation is Mesdames Vera Amos and Priscilla Marshall.

(Photo by Vanessa Johnson)
The Women's Symposium of Coppin State College presented clothes and a check for $100. Above from (L) Mrs. Laura Mitchell, Dr. Geraldine Waters, president; Mrs. Shirley Stokes, chairman of program and Mrs. Betty Ford.

Mrs. Santa's helpers

By Ida Peters

There was much shouting, cheers of joy and ringing of bells Wednesday as AFRO's Mrs. Santa's helper Vanessa Johnson and official keeper of accounts announced that the Mrs. Santa fund had reached $17,257.85. Our goal is $25,000 and we only was $7,747.15 more to go to help all families now on our list.

Today at AFRO presstime, 450 baskets have been ordered and calls are being made to order coupons. Sgt. Lloyd Scott is ready with the men of Cade Armory, Maryland National Guard to start delivery on Friday, Dec. 21.

What made our hearts happy was the cool way Will Franklin of Franklin's Laundromat came in with his check of $2,000. The office was jumping; telephones were ringing off the hook; people were in signing up for baskets; and at the same time Fraternal Order of Correctional Officers from City Jail were going thru the list looking for two large families to adopt.

Then came two large vans filled with toys and clothes from the American Legion Postal Memorial Post No. 213, located at the main Post Office, 900 Fayette St. They have been collecting toys and clothing all year under Troy Rogers, PC Ralph Benton and Mrs. Clorice Benton.

George Brown is Commander; PC Harold Wilson; 1st Vice Comm., James Yarbro; President of Color Guard, Albert G. Orange; Chairman of Help the Needy Program, Troy Rogers; Area C' Comm., John Koger Jr. and Past Comm., Ralph Benton Jr.

THANKS to the Hanlon Improvement Association for their check of $25. Mrs. Chariye Mae Lamb is president; Tony Fulton, Vice-President; Mr. Mercer, Secretary; Mrs. Irene Saunders, financial secretary; William Griffith, treasurer Leonard Saunders, corresponding secreatry; Miss Ruth E. Saulesbury, business manager; Mrs. Alice Robinson, chairman, sick committee.

General Electric Employee community Fund Columbia, MD presented AFRO's Mrs. Santa with check for $2,000. They also presented Project Survival with $2,000; gave a Microwave Oven to F.A.C.T.; and helped Linwood Children's Center, Baltimore Goodwill Shoe Fund and the Exchange Club.

MORE THANKS to Miss Ruth E. Saulesbury who made a contribution of $100 to help needy families.

THANKS to Alpha Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority for their check for $100. Making presentation were Mrs. Linda Brown, Basileus and Miss Mary E. Fields, newly elected Basileus.

THANKS to Mrs. Gussie Harris who brought in a nice warm coat and sweaters and to Mrs. Ada Weaver who donated $250 in warm coats, sweaters, dresses. Also, Mrs. Patriscya E. Duncan who donated several large bags of beautiful clothes and toys.

THANKS to James and Isabella Randall for their check of $100. to help the needy; Also, Hilltop 4100 Association, Mrs. Velma Moulden for $20; John and LaVerna Flemming for $25. to help us reach our goal.

Monumental City Friends, a group of dedicated civic-minded women, committed to caring and giving since its inception it has contributed on an on-going basis to AFRO's Mrs. Santa, Adopt A Family thru the AFRO Mrs. Santa, Green Acres Nursing Home, NAACP, United Negro College Fund, House of Ruth, New Era Early Childhood Center, and the Coleman Eye glass Fund.

The group presented Mrs. Santa Program; Mrs. Frankie Martin is president; Mrs. Frances Mitchell is present chairman of the Mrs. Santa Adopt A Family. The group has selected a family to follow all year and have offered their services to help in Mrs. Santa's office.

Volunteers are needed this week to help in the AFRO's Mrs. Santa store as well as address envelopes.

THANKS to United Nurses of Various Churches for their check for $100. Mrs. Gertrude Bagley is president; Mrs. Frances O'Neal, secretary.

ADOPTS FAMILT- On May 27, 1981, the employees of the Baltimore City Jail were granted a charter to establish the Fraternal Order of Correctional Associates, Inc. (F.O.C.A.) F.O.C.A.'s goal is to advance professionalism among correctional Employees, Samuel Hawkins Jr. is president.

On Sunday, Dec. 16 at 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. the Fraternal Order of Corrections will be giving its annual Christmas party for all members at Shake and Bake. Each year the Fraternal Order adopts a needy family for Thanksgiving and Christmas. This year they adopted a single mother with two daughters; one five and one three months old. Officer Edward Harris chairman of the Building fund committee selected the adopted family.

Pratt Happenings

Friday, Dec. 14
Patterson Park Branch, 158 N. Linwood Ave.: Films, "The Seven Ravens," "Rocket Racket," and "Log Jammed," 3:15 p.m.

Waverly Branch, 400 East 33rd St.: Film, "Tap Dance Kid," 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 15
Central Pratt Library, Children's Dept., 400 Cathedral St. Preschool story hour, 11 a.m.

Mrs. Santa calendar

Dec. 16- The AA County and Baltimore City Flag Football League Marathon to benefit AFRO's Mrs. Santa will be held Dec. 16 at 12 Noon at Walbrook Senior High School.

Dec. 30- Annual Charity Ball, the Continental Society, Martin's West, 6 to 11 p.m. admission $27.50 per person.

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