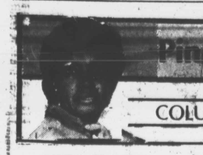

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COLUMBIA CAPERS

MYRA FRAZIER— "DREAM COME TRUE"

Since Myra Fraizer was a ninth grader she had been in and out of the guidance office at Glenelg High School in Howard County inquiring about the availability of scholarships.

Part of Myra's dream has come true. Just recently she received congratulations from the National Association of Secondary School Principals informing her that she had been selected from among hundreds of Maryland applicants to receive a $1,500 award from the Century III Leaders Program.

In addition, as a Century III Leader, she will recieve an all expense-paid trip to Williamsburg, VA from March 7 to March 10 for the Century III National Meeting.

While in Williamsburg she will meet with 102 Century III winners from the 50 states and the District of Columbia and discuss the critical issues of today. The group will draft proposed solutions to current problems and will be encouraged to implement the solutions through community service.

Young Myra will participate in seminars focusing upon social and educational issues and leadership skills. Major addresses on the challenges facing the United States in its third century will also be presented.

A national winner will be selected from the Williamsburg group to receive a $10,000 scholarship. Nine semi-finalists will, in addition to their state scholarship receive $500.00. All of the scholarships are supported by the Shell Oil Company Foundation, and will be awarded the final night of the delegates stay in Williamsburg.

Myra is the first black student from the state of Maryland and the third from Howard County to receive the Century III Leaders scholarship award.

In 1984, Myra was selected from male and female leaders in the state for the Hugh O'Brian National Leadership Program in Boston, Mass. She was selected last week to receive the Soroptimist International Club of Howard County scholarship for community service, career planning and leadership.

She has also received a resolution from the Howard County for her leadership ability, recognized by the Optimist Club of Ellicott City as an outstanding leader for 1985 and was appointed by County Executive Hugh Nichols to the County Board for Children and Youth and served as secretary to the Board.

Myra is also a member of the Maryland Leadership Workshop and teaches the aspects of leadership at St. Mary's College each summer.

At school Myra carries a B+ average that she has maintained since her elementary school. She was the president of her freshman class, vice president of the Student Government Association as a high school junior and now is president of the Association.

Her church involvement includes president of the youth ushers at St. John Baptist Church and has served on the Board of Trustees of the church. Our young Myra has a very active school and church life.

Her father, the Rev. Dr. Stewart Fraizer, is a veternarian medical officer with the U.S. Food and Drug Administraton, and her mother, Betty, is a Baltimore County school teacher. Both are very proud of the many accomplishments of their youngest daughter. They knew that she was a gifted child since she was two years old. "When she was three years old she started reading. She read a sign on a bus that said "New York"....."

On February 27-28 Myra will go to the Capital Hill Hyatt Regency to participate in a national forum on AIDS. She is the only student selected to be on a panel among medical experts and educators.

Myra has been accepted at the University of Maryland. Her plans are to attend the Georgetown Univeristy School of Foreign Service and major in International Affairs. Her ultimate goal is to become an international lawyer.

Cuff Note!!!!!!!!!!! Good Luck, Myra. We hope that you are selected for the big, big, big scholarship. If not this time, surely the next one coming up. One way or another you are a winner in our book like all the other teens.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST

St. John Baptist Church of Columbia, MD, is presenting Roots and Branches of Afro-American Sacred Music on Sunday, Feb. 23, at 5 p.m., at the Wilde Lake Interfaith Center.

This concert of Afro-American spiritual and gospel music in its original composition. The exposition features readings from Black American poetry and from historical documents, including the comments of Black slaves and gospel singers/composers. Singers, dancers, instrumentalists, dramatic readers, and audience develop the concert.

The concert is performed by the St. John Baptist Gospel Choir with the Cathedral Choir and friends. Mary Casey, owner of the Gospel Record Shop in Washington, D.C., will accompany the singer. Dr. Kenneth Keeling, Chairman of the Music Department of Morgan State University, will be featured on clarinet. African and Modern dance will be provided by Columbia's Noted Dancer, John Taylor.

The program is written and directed by Leroy Giles, a professor of English at Catonsville Community College. Professor Giles has written and directed similar programs which were performed in Washington, D.C., Catonsville, Baltimore, and Columbia.

He currently directs a Gospel Choir in Virginia and has directed Gospel Choirs in Catonsville and the St. John Gospel Choir.

In addition, Professor Giles has lectured on Afro-American Literature and Culture at Lincoln University, Howard University, and the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

The program sponsor is the Committee on Afro-American Culture of the Board of Christian Education. Mrs. Odessa Mathews chairs the Committee and Mrs. Sadie Woolford chairs the Board of Christian Education. The Rev. Herbert H. Eaton pastors St. John Baptist Church.

The community is invited to celebrate this Black History Month event with St. John. Admission is free; a freewill offering will be accepted. Refreshments will be served.

UNCF BANQUET

"A MIND IS A TERRIBLE THING TO WASTE." The Howard County United Negro College Fund Committee will sponsor a banquet on Saturday, March 8, 1986 at Turf Valley Country Club, Route 40 West, Ellicott City, MD.

Cocktails at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m.

The Howard County UNCF Committee hopes to finalize its goal of $25,000.00 and is asking that you support this worthwhile effort.

Tickets are $25.00 per person. For further information call Ed Young at 730-1481.

Judith L. Carter weds Sylvester B. Cox, Jr.

Judith Linn Carter and Sylvester Bullock Cox Jr. were united in Holy matrimony on New Year's Eve, December 31, in the evening at St. James Episcopal Church. Father Charles L. Taylor performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Zerita Joy Carter and the late Walter P. Carter. She is a graduate of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, and a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Presently she is employed as a Sales Representative for Pitney Bowes, and is pursuing a career in Fashion Design.

The groom is the son of Lillie Cox of Baltimore and Sylvester Cox of Pasadena, CA. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland School of Law and is currently in practice with the law firm of Mitchell, Mitchell and Mitchell, P.A.

Given in marriage by her uncle, Wilbert Richardson, the bride wore an original gown designed by Veranne Limited and the bride. The floor-length gown of Sposabella lace was highlighted with appliques of Tudor roses and seed pearls encrusted with iridescent sequins and beads.

Embroidered pearls and leaves revealed a raised neckline with sleeves that were a modified leg-of-mutton. In the back, a series of satin buttons extended from the neck to the waist. The neckline pattern was repeated again at the waist with a cinched belt and seed pearls plus teardrop pearls attached to the skirt. Sposabella Lace bordered the skirt.

Her floor-length veil of raised tulle was attached to a circulet of cultured pearls and flowers with pearl clusters.

The bridal bouquet was a design of phaleanophse, stephanotis and white roses accented with gold ribbon.

The bridal party included the Matron-of-Honor, Terry Tuttle and Maid-of-Honor Jill Carter, the bride's sister. Each carried a bouquet of anthuriums accented with gold leaves and ribbons. Their dresses were made of gold brocade paisley.

The blouson bodices were accented with bateau necklines, and the sleeves were made with fully-extended shoulders which tapered at the waist. The T-length skirts were accented at the waist with yokes draped with a bow and a tulip-shaped bottom.

The Best Man was Michael Statham. Alan Cason served as groomsman. Lauren Carter Johnson, the bride's niece, served as Flower Girl, and Christopher DeWitt Howard, the bride's godson and the groom's cousin, was Ring Bearer.

Ushers were Glenn and Gregg Richardson, the bride's cousins, George Fountain and Marvin Bryant.

Hostesses were Robyn Russell, Patricia Wilson, Michelle Howard and Kim Statham.

A purple Georgette full-length gown, accented with sequins was worn by the bride's mother. A headpiece of matching fabric and design complimented the gown.

A jacquard silk full-length, fuschia colored gown was worn by the groom's mother. An overblouse with a side drape revealed the fitted skirt. The gown was designed by Veranne Limited.

Following the ceremony, which included a reading from the Bible by Dr. Phillip Johnson, the bride's brother; singing of 'Ave Maria' and 'The Lord's Prayer by Bill Harris, the guests proceeded to the Church Guild Hall for a champagne toast.

The hall was decorated with clusters of white balloons, red poinsettias, skirted tables adorned with silver candlelabra and floral centerpieces. Guests were served champagne and hors d' oeuvres.

Michael Statham, Best Man, toasted the bride and groom, followed by remarks from the bride's sister Jill Carter, and the groom. Guests received boxed wedding cake upon departure.

After the reception the bride and groom hosted a party in the Presidential Suite at the Baltimore Plaza Hotel.

Mrs. Bernice Beaired coordinated the wedding that was witnessed by approximately 400 guests.

Out-of-town guests were from Washington, DC, New York, New Jersey, Philadelphia, and Pittsburgh, PA, North Carolina and California.

After honeymooing in the Poconos, the happy couple is at home on Cedardale Rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester B. Cox, Jr.

—DELTAS

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Coors Company.

Special guests during the reception were the authors of "The Griot's Cookbook" — Mary Carter Smith, Elmira Washington, and Alice McGill. Assisting with an African tasting station were Sorors Anne Reed and Audrey Williams.

This was an evening long to be remembered by all in attendance. The "Good Old Delta Spirit" was evident.

Sunday afternoon brought more creativity, drama, and innovativeness. Soror Thelma Cox presented the dais guests, while Soror Jackson delivered the opening prayer and Soror Mary Demory, President, brought greetings to the beautiful audience of more than 400 guests and Delta members. Regional Director, Madeline Lawson also brought greetings from the Eastern Region and the National Body.

As they did in 1985, radiant and personable Co - Chairs Howard and Woodland presided using a clever skit written by Soror Woodland for the occasion.

The annual Sunday activity, open to the public, was held at the Forum featuring a Candlelight Tribute to the Founders directed by Past National President Mae Wright Peck, and serving as participants were: Sorors Betty Murphy Moss, Ms. Frances Murphy, II, Mrs. Ida Murphy Peters (daughters) and Frances Draper (granddaughter) of Founder Vashti Turley Murphy.

Assisted by Sorors Kathy McLaughlin and Dorothy Barrick, illustrious President Demory presented the Vashti Turley Murphy Award, Baltimore Alumnae Chapter's highest honor, to Soror Alice Warner Farham.

Recipients for the Annual Founders' Day Service Award for 1986 were Sorors Ruth Banks - Crowder, Eleanor Beverly, Helen B. Boyette, Ruthie Hall, Ella G. White Campbell and Ramona Williams.

Joining Baltimore Alumnae Chapter for the afternoon were very special guest, Ms. Mpho Tutu, the daughter of Bishop Desmond Tutu, and Dr. Nathaniel Porter, Ms. Tutu's travel manager and the Episcopal Chaplain of Howard University.

President Demory presented Ms. Tutu, with the Delta Humanitarian Award and Dr. Porter with a certificate of appreciation for accompanying Mpho Tutu, who is an electrical engineering student at Howard, but in great demand as a lecturer on South Africa and Apartheid. A member of Omega Psi Phi, Dr. Porter proposed a toast to Baltimore Deltas.

Continuing their theme, 'The African Diaspora,' African attire, the graceful choreographer, and the melodious lyrics of the Morgan State University Choir, under the direction of Dr. Nathan Carter, filled the Forum ballroom as the choir sang various arrangements of "Come By Here, Lord." The audience exchanged conversation and freely communicated with the Cultural arts performers.

Instrumental in this interchange of conversation was Dr. Nwalimu Anoye and Dr. Carter who introduced, African language, African musical instruments, African artifacts and African music. The magnificent performance left the audience spellbound, but well informed about African culture.

Additional highlights included an African Musical Resource List, Griot's Cookbook station, African flags, an African exhibit, a contribution of African Art from Arts Horizons Limited, portraits from Professor James Lewis, Gallery of Art, Morgan State University, African art from Delta members, native African dress worn by Deltas and guests, display of African musical instruments, an African Shrine, a special African banner made by Soror Helen Boyette, and a video tape on Africa.

The beautiful, unusual and interesting African exhibit was coordinated by Sorors Bernice McDaniels and Beryl Williams. Sub Committee Chairs — African Display and Martha Bradford and Frances Stith — Sub Committee Chairs of African Music Resources.

Chatting and enjoying dinner the afternoon ended with all Deltas singing the Sweetheart song and a closing prayer given by Chaplain Jackson. In unison, Co-Chairs Howard and Woodland thanked everyone for being present and wished each person a safe trip home.

Receiving the National Annual Award, at the Delta National Convention in Dallas, Texas, for the best and most outstanding African Diaspora program in 1985, Baltimore Alumnae Chapter members have been greatly inspired to continue moving forward in developing this initiative and to match the monetary award received.

Therefore, under the sponsorship of the Baltimore alumnae Chapter, and as a follow-up of the African Diaspora thrust, area college students, who are members of the undergraduate chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., have already encountered an evening of enjoyment at the Morris Mechanic Theater, with Ella Fitzgerald during black History Month and a group of thirty (30) Teen Lift and high school students will be selected and exposed to the Alvin Ailey Dance Group in March. Baltimore Delta's goal is to enhance the local youths cultural awareness, exposure and esthetic sense.

On Saturday, March 8 at the Humanities and Social Sciences Building of the Park Heights Street Academy the Baltimore Alumnae Chapter will sponsor 30 participants from the Lower Park Heights Area, who will attend the Herstory Mini Institute for African and African American women. Soror Beryl Williams is chairperson.

On the 1986 Founders' Day Committee were Ellen D. Howard, Co-Chairperson; Julia B. Woodland, Co-Chairperson; Mary Demory, Chapter president.

Also Elizabeth Allen, Peggy Ammons, Chapelle Armstead, Ruth Banks-Crowder, Zelma Brown, Helen Boyette, Martha Bradford, Dorothy Barrick, Josephine Brown, Eleanor Beverley, Charlotte Brown, Lorraine Brown, Rita Cooper, Peggy Cooper, Thelma Cox, Rebecca Carroll, Beautine Decosta-Lee, Barbara Davis, Mary Demory, Mary Ervin;

Also Nora Etheridge, Jane Enty, E. A. "Bettye" Edmonds, Bernita Fuller, Janice Forrest, Bernetha George, Lillian Gundy, Rubye Gill, Frances Gaines, Ellen D. Howard, Delores Handy, Alvera Harris, Eleanor "Pete" Howard, Sara Howell, Ruthie M. Hall, Lucia Hawthorne, Jill Hubbard, Gloria Hagan, Louise Jackson, Lydia B. James, Delores Jessup, Denise Jones, Lousonia Jefferson;

Also Ramocile Johnson, Robin Johnson, Susan King, Minnye L. King, Gwendolyn Lindsay, Deborah Lee, Blanche Love, Lydia Mussenden, Catherine McConnell, Bernice McDaniels, Frances Mussenden, Kathie McLaughlin, Cassandra Moore, Gertrude Neale, Patsy Nwagbaraocha, Doris Nash, Phyllis Nelson, Denise Pumphrey, Mae Wright Peck, Constance Philpot;

And Anne Reed, Ruth Rosedom, Mazie Rea, Mery Macer-Simpson, Dorothy Smith, Roslyn Smith, Gwendolyn Stewart, Pamela Sewell, Ella Stovall, Cynthia Thomas, Sylvia Tapp, Lucille Vernon, Ella White, Andrey Williams, Carolyn Willis, Beryl Williams, Abetha Williams, Margie Wiggins, Evelyn White, Ramona Williams, Rose Wiggins and Julia Woodland.

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THE LIVING CHURCH

Metro Church Roundup

Memorial musical to be held at Sharon Baptist

By Brion M. Tyson
AFRO Staff Writer

A memorial Scholarship Fund was started in memory of the late Constance H. Moore, the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James L. Moore. During her life and in her work with Sharon Baptist Church, Constance saw that there was a great need for people to work with the handicapped. It was for this reason she was preparing herself for a career in physical therapy. She was a student at Morgan State University at the time of her death which came on June 27, 1985. The cause was Lupus Erythematosis.

On Sunday, Feb. 23rd the Constance H. Moore Memorial Scholarship Committee will present "The Twentieth Annual Musical" featuring The Sounds of Heritage from Pittsburgh, directed by Dr. Ralph Hill. The time of this musical event will be 5 p.m. The church is located at the corner of Stricker and Presstman Sts. Rev. Dr. James L. Moore is pastor. Donation is $5.

On the fourth Sunday in February each year the family of Sharon Baptist Church recalls the memory of a beautiful girl. That girl is the late Miss Constance Heloise Moore, who had a dream while attending Morgan State University of caring for the handicapped. She died before her dream could come true. Today a concert which has continued for 20 years in her memory, has become a Baltimore tradition.

When hundreds of church members and friends wend their way to Sharon Baptist Church Sunday, they will not only recall "Connie" who was an honor student at Morgan State University, but the purpose of the occasion—providing scholarships for worthy students who have the same dream.

Awards have been given each year at Morgan's commencement and at Sharon Baptist Church each August. Special scholarships are given to high school graduates and college graduates and college students in instrumental and vocal music who will use some time and talent in the church.

The Constance Moore Memorial Scholarship Fund is incorporated. Dr. James L. Moore is executive director; Mrs. Esther P. Brooks, secretary; Mrs. Elaine B. Page is chairman.

Shown above is The Sounds of Heritage of Pittsburg. This fine gospel choir will perform during the Twentieth Annual Musical of the Constance H. Moore Memorial Scholarship Committee to be held at Sharon Baptist Church on Sunday, Feb. 23. The concert and musical will begin at 5 p.m. Donation is $5.

ANNIVERSARY HELD AT UNION BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

On Monday, Feb. 17, the Union Bethel A.M.E. Church celebrated their church anniversary.

Nightly revivals were held on Monday, and Wednesday with Rev. Benjamin Faust, pastor of St. John A.M.E. Church, as the speaker and revivalist.

For the same celebration, a banquet will be held at The Forum, beginning at 7 p.m. Bishop Harrison Bryant will be the speaker.

Also on Sunday, Mar. 2, the 11 a.m. worship speaker at Union Bethel A.M.E. Church will be Rev. John Hurst Adams, presiding Bishop of the Second Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Church. All are invited to come and bring a friend to share in this joyous occasion. The church is located at 8502 Liberty Road in Randallstown.

MT. ZION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Bishop Robert Lee Pruitt was the speaker at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church. Bishop Pruitt is a prelate of the Episcopal District in South Africa. The service was held at Grace A.M.E. Church, 67½ Winters Lane in Catonsville.

Of the nearly 300 churchgoers who attended, all were well pleased.

GREEN'S BAPTIST TEMPLE

Bishop Lawrence Thomas, organizer and founder of Solid Rock Penecostal Church, was the guest speaker at Green's Baptist Temple on Sunday, Feb. 2, at 11 a.m.

The service consisted of a Jerusalem Pilgrimage Power Crusade with Rev. Dr. L.M. Starks, back from the Holy Land with water from the Jordan River and oil from W. Jerusalem. Services were held also on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 6 and Feb. 7 beginning at 7 p.m. each evening. A special service was held on Sunday, Feb. 9th at 5 p.m.

"I brought my family to each one of these services and they were great. I can't wait until next week," said Perry Johnson, a member at the church.

Synod Chief accepts challenge from Black Ministry

Responding to concerns voiced at The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod's first Black Ministry Summit Conference, the church body's Commission on Black Ministry has issued five "challenges" aimed at improving work among Blacks.

Missouri Synod President Ralph Bohlmann told the Jan. 31-Feb.2 conference that he accepts the challenges. But he added that meeting them will require the commitment of Synod executives, Bohlmann changed the goal dates of two challenges from the year 2000 to 1990.

Challenges accepted include starting at least 20 new congregations in Black communities by 1990; implementing programs to help subsidized congregations develop evanglism, stewardship, education and social ministries by 1990; enhancing the Black Ministry Commission's effectiveness at representing and expanding Black ministry; adapting before the year 2000 changes in curriculum, cultural activities, staffing and programs to better equip professional church workers for cross-cultural work; and deployment of Black professional church workers in all Synod ministries.

In addition to the challenges presented on behalf of the commission by its secretary, Dorothy Davis of Detroit, major reports were presented on the Synod's past accomplishments and current needs for advancing ministry to and by Blacks. More than 77 participants met to discuss ways to improve the denomination's work among Blacks.

Outlining the implementation for his Black ministry plans, Bohlmann promised to appeal to the Synod's convention this summer to include a Black, a woman and another person of ethnic background on all elected program boards of the Synod. He said he also would seek continued financial support for year-long internships for seminary students in Black, Asian, native American and Hispanic ministries.

Bohlmann also said he would ask the LCMS Board of Directors to allocate at least one educational grant to enable a Black student to work toward an advanced degree to qualify him for a seminary teaching assignment. He added that he would ask the board to earmark $50,000 from the LCMS Foundation for creative recruitment, education and continuing education programs for Blacks.

"The group was truly impressed," said Dr. Richard Dickinson, executive secretary of the Black Ministry Commission. "They went home feeling that the leadership of the Synod is both listening and responding."

Howard Divinity School gets $400,000

The Sherman Fairchild Foundation recently awarded to the Howard University Divinity School a $400,000 grant to be used in supplementing the school's financial aid endowment fund.

The grant will be paid in two installments of $200,000 each in 1986 and 1987.

The Divinity School is seeking require assistance, and the revenues generated from the endowment will help more students to create a $2 million endowment fund to provide financial aid for its students. Approximately two-thirds of the students in the school devote full-time to their studies and enable others to enroll who currently do not have the financial resources to do so.

The Howard Divinity School is one of three predominantly black divinity schools accredited by the Association of Theological Schools. Supported entirely by private funds, it was organized in 1870.

It offers three degree programs, the Master of Arts in Religious Studies, Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry, and traditionally about 10 percent of the Black students being educated in seminaries in a given year are at Howard.

The foundation was established by the late Sherman Fairchild, an inventor who founded the forerunner companies of Fairchild Industries.

METRO CHURCH BRIEFS

Trinity A.M.E. Church
The 25th Anniversary Reunion of the Trinity A.M.E. Mixed Bowling League will be held at The Forum 4240 Primrose Ave. on Friday, June 13. For further information and reservations, please call Ms. Upshur at 523-8548, Ms. Deskins, 658-1220, Mr. Harvey 466-0828, Ms. Lucas 542-3915, or Ms. Turner 523-3513. Subscription is $25.

Grace A.M.E. Church
Grace A.M.E. 67 Winters La. Catonsville, will present the St. Bernadine Church Choir in concert on Feb. 23 at 4 p.m. This event is sponsored by the Grace Improvement Organization. Donation is $3. For information, please call 747-4775 or 744-1063. Rev. Dr. Boston is pastor.

Metropolitan United Methodist Church
Dr. Mack Statham, Baltimore's renowned black music composer, presents a Cantata, "Whence We Came And Where We Are" (Evolution of the Black Man) on Sunday, Feb. 23 at 5 p.m. at the Metropolitan United Methodist Church, Carrollton Avenue and Lanvale Street. Subscription is $5. Rev. Irvin Lockman is pastor.

Pennsylvania Avenue A.M.E. Zion Church
In celebration if its 55th Anniversary the Sanctuary Choir of Pennsylvania Ave. A.M.E Zion Church, will present the Great Hymns Choir of Baltimore, directed by Murray Schmoke on Sunday, Mar. 2 at 3:30 p.m. at the church, 1182 Pennsylvania Ave. Admission is free.

The Gospel Spreading Church of God
The No. 2 choir of the Gospel Spreading Church of God, 4310 Edmondson Ave. announced its 16th Annual Gospel Impressions program on Sunday, Feb. 23 at 5 p.m.

The program will be held in the auditorium of the Edmondson High School, directly across the street from the church. The public is invited to attend. The admission is free. Come and enjoy this worship in song. Elder Jake Butler is pastor.

City Temple Baptist Church
The Junior Missionaries of City Temple Baptist Church, Dolphin Street and Eutaw Place, cordially invite you to uplift Jesus' name in a musical concert: "A Tribute to Black History Month." This concert will be given by the Imani Messengers directed by Brother Harrian Scott of Bethel A.M.E. Church. The event will take place on Feb. 23 at 4 p.m. All junior missionaries from every denomination are welcome. Admission is free. Rev. Grady Yeargin is pastor.

St. Luke United Methodist Church
On Sunday, March 2, Rev. Mrs. Laura Edwards will be the guest speaker during the presentation "Courageous Women in White" to be held at St. Luke United Methodist Church, located at Rigg Avenue and Gilmor Street. The event is scheduled to take place at 3:30 p.m.

Mrs. Lillian R. Cornish is chairwoman and Rev. James H. Smith is pastor.

Pennsylvania Ave. A.M.E. Zion Church
The women of Pennsylvania Ave. A.M.E. Zion Church cordially invite you to worship with them at their 55th Annual Woman's Day on Sunday, Feb. 23, at 11 a.m. The guest speaker will be Dr. Gwendolyn G. Grant, Christian psychologist and writer for "Essence Magazine." The celebration begins with the Annual Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 22, at 9 a.m. Mrs. Angela Maxwell Brown is general chairperson and Dr. Marshall H. Strickland is pastor.

St. Marks United Methodist Church
St. Mark's United Methodist Church will sponsor "God Spell," a stunning musical based on the Gospel according to St. Matthew. This event will take place on Friday, Feb. 28 at 6 p.m.

The church is located at the corner of Garrison Boulevard and Liberty Heights Avenue. Tickets are $5. For reservations and information, call 542-6778, 922-0874, or the church office at 542-0355.

NEW CHRISTIAN MEMORIAL CHURCH
On Sunday, Mar. 2 at 5 p.m., the New Christian Memorial Church will be celebrating its pastor. Rev. Walter Bronson, Jr., in his 16th anniversary with a concert by the Bronson Chorale. The church is located at 3325 W. Caton Ave.

SHARP STREET MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Great Blacks in Wax, America's first black wax museum, will present an exhibition during February and March at the Sharp Street Memorial United Methodist Church, located on the corner of Etting and Dolphin Streets in Baltimore. This dazzling black history exhibition will highlight slave culture and its contributions.

The presentation, which is in celebration of Black History Month, will hopefully alert the public to the fact that Great Blacks inWax is struggling to raise $100,000 to match a state grant and that it sorely needs help.

Great Blacks in Wax looks forward to seeing you at the exhibition that began in the first week of February.

UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH
The George E. Vanderford Male Choral and the Mary E. Barton Women's Chorus will be in concert on Sunday, Feb. 24 at the United Baptist Church, 932 North Broadway. The public is invited to attend. George E. Vanderford is the pastor.

CHASE CHARGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
The Sanctuary Choir of Asbury United Methodist Church is currently recruiting for a pianist-organist on a full-time and or part-time basis although full-time.

Interviews will be conducted between the pastor, Administrative Board, Sancutary Choir and the incumbent specifying the availability of the incumbent, the responsibilities associated with the service, and the payment of the service to be negotiated.

This is a rewarding opportunity for those who need a closer union with God through song as well as a working experience in one's church career. Any interested person may contact the following: Rev. C.L. Smith, pastor, 335-2072, Brother Roosevelt Austin, 679-1905, Sister Alma J. Talbert, 676-9111.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated by the pastor and members of the Asbury Methodist Church.

EASTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
You are invited! Please make plans to attend a soul-stirring Gospel Meeting to be held Feb. 21 through Feb. 23. It will be a weekend series of Bible lessons on the theme "New Testament Christianity For Our Day." This outstanding program will feature one of the most capable and well-known preachers and debators of our time! Guy N. Woods of Nashville. This program will also feature a most unique opportunity where after each lesson, Brother Wood will answer Bible questions submitted by the audience. It is rare indeed that people have an opportunity to draw upon the knowledge of such an eminent scholar in the Bible. Come prepared to be encouraged and enlightened from God's word. Come prepared with your Bible and your questions!

This event will take place on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Feb. 21, 22, and 23, starting Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and 10 and 11 a.m. on Sunday. There will be five lessons in all.

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH
The Scholarship Committee of Central Baptist Church, 2035 W. Baltimore St. will hold its Annual Scholarship Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 22, at 9 a.m. with the Rev. John R. Bryant, pastor of Bethel A.M.E. as the guest speaker. Donation is $6 for the benefit of the Scholarship Fund.

MOUNT PISGAH AME CHURCH
The African Methodist Episcopal Church is celebrating 199 years in existence as the first black church denomination in this country. The church will celebrate this event by the Founder's Day Convocation on Friday, Feb. 14 at 8 p.m. at Metropolitan A.M.E. Church, 1514 M St. N.W. in D.C. The preacher will be Bishop Phillip R. Cousin, president of the Council of Bishops of the A.M.E. Church and president of the National Council of Churches.

The Second Episcopal District Choir (representing almost 300 churches in Washington, DC, Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina) will render the music. Everyone is invited to come. Further information may be obtained by calling Bethel A.M.E. Church at 523-4273.

MARYLAND BAPTIST CONVENTION
The Sunday School and BTU Congress of the Maryland Baptist Convention will present their Annual Educational Program on Sunday, Feb. 23, at the Winston Avenue Baptist Church, 500 E. 39th Street, at 5:30 p.m.

The theme of the program is "A Tribute to Black America," featuring essay contestants from the 24 Sunday Schools in the Congress and a parade of "Black Achievers."

For information, please call Rev. H. Walden Wilson at 256-3223 or 732-3494.

NEW PSALMIST BAPTIST CHURCH
The New Psalmist Baptist Church will be holding their tenth Annual Church-Wide Institute Feb. 24 through Feb. 28 at the Lombard Junior High School, Caroline and Lombard Sts. This year's theme will be: "Empowerment Through Involvement." There will be 25 classes offered nightly from 7 p.m. through 8:45 p.m. Children are welcome. For further information and pre-registration, call the church office at 837-4616.

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