—Council bill to focus

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the public about an area that has been hidden for most consumers, either by personal choice or by the industry's lack of interest in aggressively informing the public.

The bill would require that the city health commissioner conduct a survey of area funeral establishments for the purpose of issuing a public report on the cost of funeral services.

One such example of abuse of clients and illegal activity is the indictment of the Brown/Thompson Funeral home less than a week ago.

The funeral proprietor pled guilty to bilking the state over $350,000 in fraudulent funeral-expense claims.

Thompson admitted to stealing from the state's public assistance burial program over a period of 4 years.

Funeral home owner/operator Mr. Leroy Dyett and Son are operators who see nothing wrong with informing customers about funeral costs.

"We already have standards set by the federal trade commission," said Dyett. "Although I have not seen a copy of the bill, I don't see the harm in introducing the bill that would help the aged."

"Each of our customers receive a published itemized price list, already required by the government, I don't know what else we could be doing."

What makes the Funeral Costs bill different for government standards is the stipulation of the health commissioner's survey.

Based upon the survey of city funeral homes conducted, Dixon wants the results to be prepared into an annual report detailing the results.

The survey will include a list of the funeral establishments in each councilmanic district and state the cost of various services provided by each establishment.

The report will be published on or before October 1 of each year beginning October 1, 1990.

Those receiving the survey include the Mayor, members of City Council, The commission on Aging and Retirement Education, and any other person or group as determined by the commissioner.

The best way to avoid high pressure situations during the death of a loved one is to make prearrangement about what providers to be used, and money to be put forth.

Most people take time to purchase products of high value that involve careful planning such as cars, homes, educational sources, so why not with funerals?

Expensive funerals may be unwittingly or hastily arranged and may become an economic burden on the surviving spouse, parents, or children.

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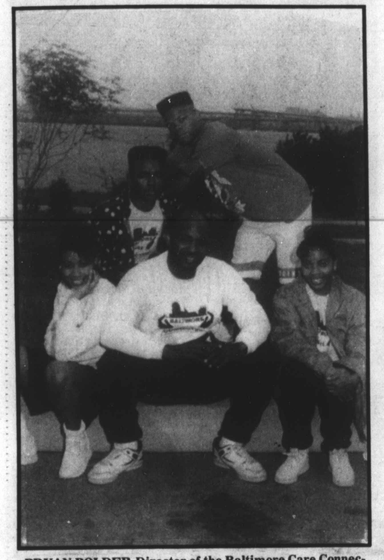
Communities Working Together Festival Weekend



BRYAN BOLDER-Director of the Baltimore Care Connection Rappers.

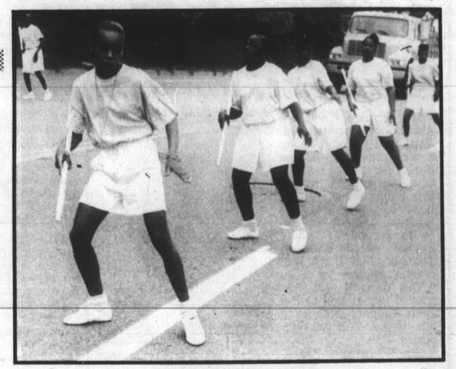
Friday May 4, a festive parade kicked-off the Communities Working Together Festival Weekend 1990 at the Cherry Hill community's Middle Branch Park on Waterview Avenue.

The Lake Clifton/ Eastern High School Gospel Choir sang during the opening ceremonies. They were later joined by McGruff, the crime dog and Buster the Crab and the Oriole Bird.

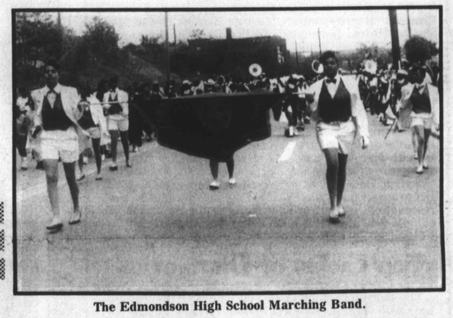
Many food stalls lined the field, offering a wide variety of hotdogs, hamburgers, candy cotton, ice cream and other treats. Other stalls featured professional artists who painted the faces of eager children, creating clowns, witches, jokers and in some instances just painting that special rainbow or flower on the face.

The three day event was broadcast live from the festival field on radio station WBGR on Friday and on Saturday V-103 radio personality Mark Nichols brought a different style of music to the activities that included the awarding of scholarships to outstanding neighborhood students, a fashion show, Karate demonstration, raffle drawing and the high point of the festival for many of the teens present----a Rap contest.

Sunday's fashion show and Gospel Concert was followed by a Jazz Trio that brought the festival to a close at 9 p.m.



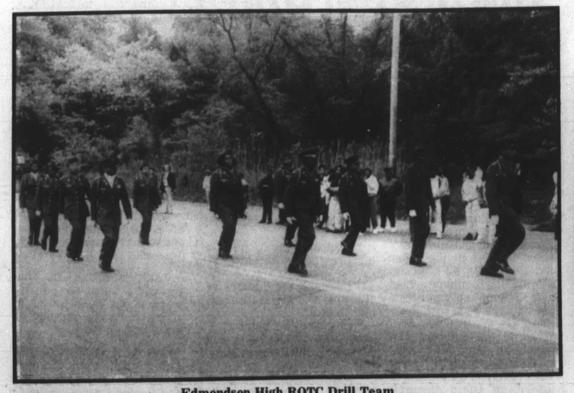
Cherry Hill High Steppers



The Edmondson High School Marching Band.

Little Tom Thumbs and Thumbelinas join the parade procession in their very own custom sized float.

(L-R) Yvonne Evans , Annette Manigo, Tracy McLauren, Lorraine Pryer, Rebecca Horsey, Mildred Herde, Patricia Jones and Betty Crawford employees of the South Baltimore Family Health Center take time off for an enjoyable day of festival activities.



Edmondson High ROTC Drill Team

GERALD CHEATHAM- The Mayor's assistant representative for Cherry Hill.

CARTER G. WOODSON — Elementary School students proudly display the school banner with the assistance of ace crime fighting hound, McGruff.