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CLEAN BLOCK 1990

WE'RE OFF!

By Lynette Locke
Director

The 1990 Clean Block Campaign officially began on May 31st. The kickoff had the feeling of an old fashioned rally. Baltimore brought their families and friends to the outside rally on the parking lot of the Palladium. Balloons, contests and soap box speeches all added to the flavor of the evening.

Guest attending were entertained by Diallo Roberts who rapped the Clean Block facts while those gathered clapped to the beat. A new marching group, the Baltimore Rockers from Pimlico treated the audiences to a rousing, high stepping performance, while Northwestern High School's Drill team dazzled with their precision step routine.

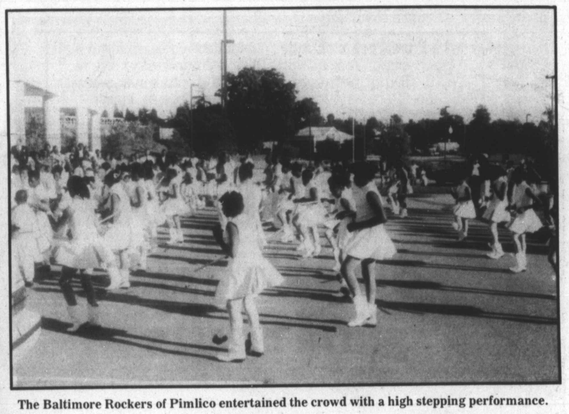
WWIN and WEAA lended their support to the rally with their radio personalities urging the kids on. Harold Pompey (WWIN) presided over the program. Mrs. Draper (president) introduced our sponsor this year, The Ajax Line of Products. Representatives from Colgate and Ajax were in attendance. Greg Andrews (rep. from Colgate) urged the audience to have a great summer, and to remember "Ajax was here".

Everyone had a great time and we look forward to Clean Block summer yet. Deadline to register is June 16. For information call 343-3256.

"Ajax was here." Representatives of Colgate and Ajax kicked off the event.

Dialto Roberts delivered a rap on the Clean Block facts.

Mr. Russell Cooper from the Dept. of Housing and Community Development presented a check to Mrs. Draper (president) on behalf of the Clean Block.



The Baltimore Rockers of Pimlico entertained the crowd with a high stepping performance.

Lester Buster from the Mayor's Office read a proclamation from the City of Baltimore. It was accepted by John J. Oliver Jr. (publisher).

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CLEAN TIPS

New Ajax Ammonia Fresh
All Purpose Cleaner

New grease cutting formula specially formulated to remove tough dirt on floors, stoves and countertops giving you a bright shine.

Use ammonia AJAX All Purpose Cleaner on all tough bathroom and kitchen cleaning jobs; all floors, bathrubs, walls, toilets, sinks, countertops, stoves and other appliances.

Usage: Add ¼ cup of AJAX to ½ bucket (1gallon) of warm water. Rinse if desired.

For extra tough jobs, use AJAX full strength with a sponge or cloth; rinse.

Ajax was here.
Stronger Than Dirt!

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Saturday, June 9, 1990

Bethel's Imani Messengers Celebrate Anniversary

The Imani Messengers of Bethel AME Church celebrated their 14th anniversary Sunday, June 3.

The Messengers chose their name from the Kwanza holiday. Kwanza is the celebration of the harvest for people of African-American descent.

Imani is the seventh principle of Kwanza meaning faith.

The Messengers elected to wear traditional and authentic garments as their vestments. Those who have had the pleasure of worshipping with the Imani Messengers said they have been captivated by the group's African garb as well as the spirited gospel songs.

The Messengers were created during the spring of 1976 under the ministry of then Rev. John R. Bryant. He now is a bishop who recently returned from a stint in West Africa. Harian O. Scott called together the special choir using the gifts and graces already in use at Bethel.

The Imani Messengers use every opportunity to lift the name of Jesus in song. Whenever a sacred occasion presented itself, the Imani Messengers went forth to the glory of God. In their travels for the Lord, the Imani Messengers have sung in Philadelphia, Pa., North Carolina, Delaware, Louisiana, Lincoln Center in New York City and countless engagements throughout the Baltimore area.

The Imani Messengers have sung with many noted gospel singers and groups, such as Roberta Flack, the Hawkins Family, James Cleveland, Shirley Caesar, Cissy Houston and Donny Harper.

To date they have recorded one album, "I Ain't Shame."

Since the birth of this gospel choir, many of its psalmists have answered their call to the ministry. Many former Imani Messengers have gone on to pastor their own flock.

Photo by Ray Gilbert

The Imani Messengers of Bethel AME Church.

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GREETINGS — Bishop Stallings greets Debbi Memis and Janet Leak.

(Photos by Ray Gilbert)

RIVETED — Henry Middleton, left, and Durant Harvin, assistant to Pastor Reid, listen to Bishop George Stallings, center.

Southern Baptist's Gala

Members and friends of the Southern Baptist Church celebrated their 59th anniversary with a gala banquet at the Palladium on Friday, June 1.

Banquet chairperson was Ms. Brenda Johnson and the program included incidental music by Mary Benn. The opening selection was "Lift Every Voice and Sing" and the invocation was delivered by the Rev. Willie Hilton. Hughetta Whitaker provided words for the occasion and the Rev. Larry Johnson gave the grace.

The dinner hour followed and a musical prelude was provided by Ms. Benn. Alvera Harris introduced the dais guest. Called upon to present the toastmaster was Linda Foy, after which Yvonne Spellman soloed. The toastmaster for the evening was the Rev. Clifford M. Johnson of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church.

The Rev. John Wright, First Vice President; Cora Crawley, Women's Auxiliary; and Mabel Gee, Dean of Churchwide Institute delivered greetings to the members of The Southern Baptist Church from the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland.

At that point in the program, Donald Summerville soloed for those attending.

Felicitations were given by the Rev. Willie Chambers of Liberty Baptist Church and Barbara Booth, director of the Youth Department, UMBC, Inc.

A special presentation was presented by Shirley A. Lowry and Nathaniel McFadden, who spoke on being a "Friend and Supporter to the Needy."

Martha Washington introduced the speaker, who was the Rev. James Ball, pastor of Timothy Baptist Church. Kelvin O'Neal performed a trumpet solo and remarks were given by the Rev. Nathaniel Higgs, Lula Johnson and Brenda Johnson.

Guests dined upon a meal of Palladine baked chicken, whipped potatoes, country style green beans, chocolate cake and other delicacies.

The Rev. and Mrs. Nathaniel Higgs, pastor of Southern Baptist Church, on hand for the festivities.

GUEST SPEAKER — The Rev. James Ball, accompanied by his lovely wife, was the evening's guest speaker.

Women in Pursuit Of God's Best

Women's Day at Macedonia

"WOMEN IN PURSUIT OF GOD'S BEST" was the theme for the Macedonia women, who observed the 86th WOMAN'S DAY on Sunday, June 3.

Sunday's observance was the culmination of a series of services and programs to create an atmosphere of fellowship and spirituality. Included in the activities was a Prayer Vigil and a dinner theatre in which they presented a play by the Joy Players of the Israelite Pentacostal Holiness Church.

Service began at 10:30, with prayer and praise services led by Sister Ernestine Epps, Renee Brown and the deaconesses; and was presided over by co-chairperson, Sister Vernita Ford.

Music was provided by a special Woman's Day Choir and the Young Macedonians, under the direction of Miss Terri Saunders. Other directors were Mrs. Francis Williams and Mrs. Gladys Brown. Mr. Charles Arnett is the Minister of Music.

Mrs. Shirley Wise, first lady, of Shiloh Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, the wife of Rev. Dexter Wise, brought the message, "Doing It In the Dark." In her message, she admonished the women to "walk as children of light."

Following the morning services, the WOMAN'S DAY COMMITTEE hosted the speaker, who has recently authored a publication entitled "SICK AND TIRED OF BEING A PASTOR'S WIFE."

Copies of the book were sold and autographed by the author. Refreshments were served to the many parishoners who came to give personal greetings.

The general chairwoman was Mrs. Pamela May, first lady; Vernita Ford, Gwendolyn Joyner, and Marsha Owens were Co-chairwomen. Reverend Marvis P. May, Sr. is pastor, and Reverend Willard L. Clayton is Pastor Emeritus.

MUSIC COMMITTEE — Responsible for the lovely music were left to right Gladys Brown, Lisa Saunders, Francis Williams and Terri Saunders.

Co-Chairwoman
Marsha Owens

Co-Chairwoman
Gwendolyn Joyner

Co-Chairs — Vernita Ford and Pamela May.