AFRO WEDDINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Troy I. Thomas

WALLACE-THOMAS

Recently the Rev. Maxine LaRue Wallace, formerly of Baltimore, daughter of Mrs. Patricia Cornish Wallace and John Wallace was recently married to Troy Irvin Thomas, 137 North Bend Rd., son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Thomas, Sr., Columbia, MD.

The double-ring ceremony, held at Bethel AME Church at 1 p.m. was officiated by Bishop John R. Bryant, Bishop Harrison J. Bryant and the Rev. Eleanor Bryant-Graham.

Given in marriage by her brother, Marvin L. Wallace, the bride wore a gown of white satin with floral appliques delicately arranged on it and on the flowing train. The bodice, made of lace and satin, was highlighted with pearls and rhinestones.

The bride's headdress culminated in a bouquet of baby's breath adorned with pearls and rhinestones, and carried a bouquet of white freshly cut roses.

Maids-of-Honor, Ms. Myrna L. Wallace and Ms. Rosemary Cook, both of Baltimore, wore dresses of powder blue satin (T-length) trimmed with royal blue lace. Their heads were adorned with baby's breath as they carried bouquets of white carnations.

Bridesmaids Minnie Cutler, Reisterstown, MD; Lisa McDonald, Randallstown, MD; Denise Monroe, Anita Scott, the Rev. Teresa Streeter and Mrs. Mary Wallace, all of Baltimore, wore royal blue satin T-length gowns accented with white lace and, with baby's breath in their hair, they carried white carnations. Flower girls Mya Wallace, Baltimore, and Inez Thomas, Columbia, MD, wore royal blue satin gowns trimmed with white.

Best Man was the Rev. Eric Billups, Sr., Reisterstown, MD. Ushers were Minister Raymond Edmonds, the Rev. Brehon Hall, Derick Monroe, Malcolm L. Wallace and Gregory Wilson, all of Baltimore; Richard Thomas, Jr., Columbia, MD; the Rev. Kevin Weston, Richmond, VA; and Danny Winborne, Gaithersburg, MD. Ring Bearer was Eric Billups, Jr., Reisterstown, MD.

The altar rail at the church was dressed in white with white carnations decorating it. Musical Programs Organist was Gregory Harrison. Soloists were Kia Graham, Min. Vanda Perry, Mary Ann Stewart and Tony Singletary.

Following the wedding, the wedding party processed through an archway into Coker Hall at Bethel which was decorated in royal blue and white) for the reception. Blue flowers trimmed the five-tiered wedding cake.

The celebration continued as guests were served finger sandwiches, salads, an assortment of vegetables and fruit, and a variety of desserts.

The Best Man toasted the bride and groom with sparkling apple cider. The gala event was concluded in praise and worship unto God for the uniting of this special couple.

The bride and groom honeymooned in the Bahamian Islands in Freeport. They are at home in Princeton, NJ.

The Bride is a graduate of Southwestern High School, attended Towson State University, graduated from Wilberforce University in Ohio, and is now attending Princeton's Theological Seminary. She is a former employee of the Baltimore AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper where she was the Church editor, and continues her column, "A Word of Hope" in the paper.

The groom is a graduate of Wilde Lake High School and attended the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. He is a former employee of Marcorp, LTD Corp. and is currently employed in Princeton at Coastal Copy Systems, serving as an executive accountant.

Special guest at the event were Bishop and Mrs. Harrison J. Bryant; Mrs. Frances M. Draper. president of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper and her husband Andre Draper, and the Rev. Vashti McKenzie and her husband Stan.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Schuler

DOPSON-SCHULER

Martha Elizabeth (better known as Betty) Dopson, daughter of AFRO Executive Editor Bob Matthews and the late Vashti Murphy Matthews, was wed on February 2 to Alexander Gustav Adolf Schuler of Birkenfeld, Germany. The civil ceremony took place in Roskilde, Denmark.

The couple will be wed in a church ceremony during the summer of 1989.

—Newsmakers

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Dallas, TX, and two grandchildren.

Janet is a member of Grace Presbyterian Church, and is very active in church and community work. Janet's book was published by the Winston-Derek Publishers, Nashville, TN.

CARTER NAMED COMTO SECRETARY

During the Annual Meeting recently sponsored by the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) in Washington, D.C., elections were held for National Officers.

Approximately 1,150 COMTO members from various major U.S. cities participated in the election. Minnie I. Carter, President of the Baltimore Chapter, was elected to the prestigious post of National Secretary.

Minnie I. Carter

Ms. Carter is currently employed as Equal Opportunity Officer for the Mass Transit Administration (MTA).

She received both a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration and an M.B.A. in Management from Morgan State University.

In a recent interview, Carter stated, "I consider my election as a definite plus for the MTA and a giant step for Baltimore." Carter's top priority is to improve communication with the local chapters.

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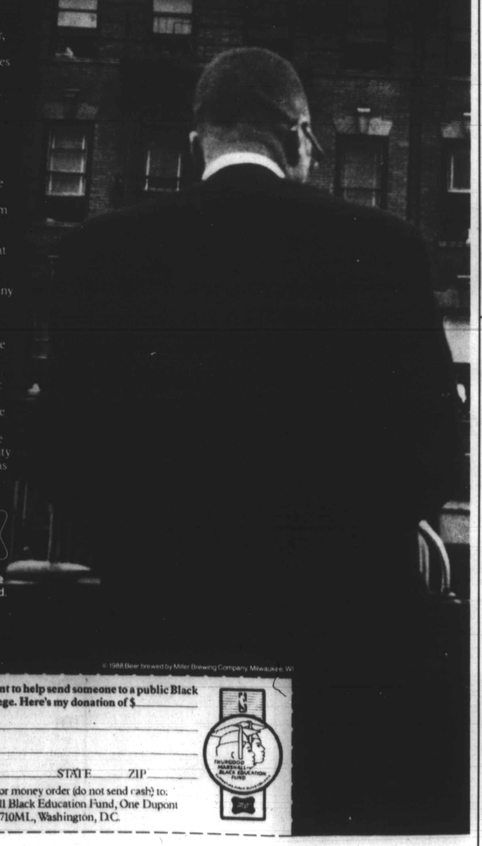

Malcolm X was a leader, a preacher, a human rights activist and a seeker of truth. The "X" in Malcolm X symbolizes the true African name he could never know.

One of the only regrets Malcolm X had was not getting a formal academic education. Instead, he taught himself.

Through reading and, later on, travel, he learned about the vast, rich, complex culture and heritage of which he was a part. The more he learned, the more he developed that sense of pride, confidence and identity that comes from knowing one's roots.

Malcolm X had learned that being smart is not enough. Knowledge is what enables people to make daring strides and new discoveries.

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Kids Talk

Do you know this person

She is Mary McLeod Bethune.

She was born in Mayesville, South Carolina, ten years after the Civil War had ended. She was the fifteenth of 17 children. She founded the Daytona School for Girls in Florida which now bears her name. She also founded the National Council of Negro Women.

Happy Birthday

"Kids Talk" is one-year-old this year and is pleased that so many young readers in Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia have become a part of the "Kids Talk" family.

Each week we give you interesting news about current events in a way that you can understand. We give you fun learning activities, helpful information, a calendar of events, and facts about important Afro-Americans.

We want you to enjoy learning and to realize that education can take place outside of your classroom. Learning can be fun, especially when kids teach each other. This is why we often feature special articles written by young people.

If you have done something special, written a poem, drawn a picture or know about something that you want to share with other kids, write about it and send it to us at the address in the box below. Also, send a picture of yourself. You are a part of the "Kids Talk" family and we want to get to know you better!

'Dumb jock' CONTROVERSY

By Barrington S. Edwards

An unkind rumor is circulating about athletes. The rap is that athletes are dumb jocks. The most outstanding reason that athletes are considered dumb jocks is because so many athletes coast through school on their athletic prowess alone.

College entrance is effortless, for on the average, some athletes only need a minimum score on the Scholastic Aptitude Exam (700 out of a possible 1,600).

Granted, there are stories to justify the dumb jock theory. Some athletes really don't care about anything but sports. If the athlete were to break his leg, he would be out of sports. This inevitable leaves him at a dead end with nowhere to run.

It has been proven that some athletes do not achieve scholastically. Conversely, some athletes have been proven to achieve beyond their scholastic expectations. Anyone who manages to play sports well and still be a good student is intelligent; he has obviously weighed his priorities.

Several athletes and coaches have been involved in a heated debate in the past few weeks concerning the academic level of athletes who plan to enter college. Some say that athletes should not have to score very high on tests to be admitted to college even though other students who do not play sports must have good grades. Others say this is unfair.

Barrington S. Edwards is a 17-year-old senior at Ellington High School. Here is what he thinks about the educational pursuit of athletes.

Are Dumb Jocks as Intelligent as You Think?

What's going on?

Valentine's Party
The Deerfield Run Community Center, 13000 Laurel Bowie Road, will sponsor a children's Valentine's Day party for children ages 6-12, Feb. 11, 2 pm until 5 pm. Activities include cooking, crafts and rollerskating. The fee is $2 per child. For information, call (301) 953-7882.

Pre-schooler's Delight
Children ages 3-6 are invited to participate in special activities at the Prince George's Plaza Community Center, 6600 Adelphi Rd., Hyattsville, noon until 2:30 pm. The fee is $12. For information, phone (301) 864-1611.

Sweetheart Sundae Party
Come build ice cream sundaes at the College Park Youth Services Bureau, 9916 Rhode Island Ave., College Park, Feb. 14, 4 pm. The fee is $1 per sundae. For information, phone (301) 474-1212.

Valentine Rollerskating Party
Join in the Valentine's Day festivities at Rollingcrest-Chillum Community Center, 6120 Sargent Rd., Feb. 14, 5 pm until 7pm. The $3 fee includes skating, craft project and refreshments. For information, phone (301) 853-2005.

Children's Mini Mardi-Gras
Enjoy games, crafts, performers, and prizes at North Brentwood Community Center, 4012 Webster St., North Brentwood, Feb. 18, 12:30 pm until 2:30 pm. The fee is $2 per child. For information, call (301) 864-0756.

Color Me

How To Treat Burns

If someone is burned in the kitchen or anywhere else, don't panic.

* Cool the burn by holding it under cold running water.
* Do not use butter, ointment or ice.
* Cover minor burns with a sterile bandage.
* If severe, wrap patient in a clean sheet and cover with a blanket.
* Rush the victim to a hospital or call an ambulance.

Against the odds

By A. B. Higdon

Some great men have literally failed their way to success. This leader, of substantial historical significance,

...lost his job in 1832;

...ran for legislature and was defeated;

...engaged in business, failed, and spent 17 years paying off his debts;

...fell in love and became engaged to a woman who died before they could marry;

...was defeated for nomination to Congress in 1843;

...married a woman who was a burden to him;

...failed in his 1854 bid for the U.S. Senate;

...failed in his 1858 bid for the U.S. Senate;

...was defeated for nomination for vice president in 1856,

But, in 1861, Abraham Lincoln became the sixteenth president of the United States. His birthday is celebrated Feb. 12.

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Puzzling??

Valentine's Day

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FIND THESE HIDDEN WORDS IN THE ABOVE PUZZLE:

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chocolate	friends
hugs	kisses
candy	cards
hearts	holiday
love	red

HERE IS THE ANSWER KEY:

Make your own Valentine

Fill in the blanks to send a message to a special friend or parent for Valentine's Day, Tuesday, Feb. 14. Cut out this section and paste it on red construction paper. This will give you a decorative treat to give to someone special in your life.

Dear_____,

Roses are red violets are blue,

Thanks for_____that you do.

I like candy, I like sweets,

But_____is a special treat.

No one else_____like you do.

That's why I dedicate this

VALENTINE,

especially to

YOU!