

MR. AND MRS. LIVOUS B. COE
*marked 50th wedding anniversary recently*
(Photo By Howard)

## CATONSVILLE NOTES
# Coes mark 50th year; day at Morning Star

By Liz Williams
AFRO Columnist

Contine to send "Thinking of you cards" to Leslie Gundy and Lucille Washington who are out of the hospital and are recuperating at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Livous B. Coe observed the 50th anniversary of their marriage here recently, amid relatives and friends at a coffee hour and family dinner, given by their children.

Following the morning services at the Grace AME Church, the couple was greeted by members of the congregation at a coffee hour held at the church. A family dinner was held later in the afternoon at the Old Frederick Rd. home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Coe.

Attending the affair were the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Boston, pastor of their church; their children, grandchildren, and other relatives. The couple had as their attendants 50 years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Powell of Washington, D.C., who spent the day as their special guests on this and previous anniversaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Coe are both retired but are quite busy in church and community affairs. Mr. Coe spends many hours during the spring and summer months with his flower and vegetable gardens.

The six children of this marriage are: Mrs. Rita Grooms (John), Mrs. Annie Wooten, FEdward, Livous, James, and Theodore Coe. There are 12 grandchildren.

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Sunday before last, this writer spent a most enjoyful evening at Morning Star Baptist. This evening was presented to the community as "A Great Song Feast and Awarding of Certificates of Recognition Evening." All of you old timers remember the pastor, Rev. Jentry E. McDonald and his wife, Annie who were in school with many of us. They are the parents of six children (grown) and are still looking good.

Among those leaders in the community who received awards were: the Rev. Mrs. Ida Torsell, the Rev. Mrs. Isabelle Dorsey, the Rev. Mrs. Annie Thomas, the Rev. Mrs. Helen Johnson, the Rev. George Allen and the Rev. Arthur J. Payne (Christian Leadership and Religious Training).

Dedicated Christian Service: William Foreman, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gundy, Edward Williams, Mrs. Harriet Dunlap, Mr. Arnold Ebb;

Mrs. Grace Lewis, Mrs. Mary Boardley, Mrs. Pearl Jackson, Mrs. Rosa Lee Hall, Mrs. Elizabeth Dargen;

Mrs. Grace Jackson, Deacon William Shipmon, Mrs. Beatrice Kane and Mrs. Eva Brooks.

Those who promoted the church programs through music were: Mrs. Annie Beverly, Mrs. Carole Hayes, Mrs. Daisy Caldwell and Mrs. Lillian Hawkins.

Mrs. Ada Brooks and Mrs. Catherine Madden were cited for their Educational Leadership. Both of these ladies have retired. Mrs. Brooks taught at Banneker and Mrs. Madden was the principal.

In the area of Friendship and Neighborliness, citations were given to Mr. and Mrs. John Miller. Mrs. Mae Howard, William Brooks and William Rideout.

For the Golden Age Group — Mr. and Mrs. Hawthorne Smith and Henry Johnson.

Sports and Recreation: Charles Diggs, Robert Hawkins and Wayne Randall.

Fraternal Organizations: Mrs. Amy Warden, Mrs. Fannie Hayes, George Hopewell, Mrs. Jessie

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# On The East Side

By Georgianna Moody
AFRO Correspondent

The residents of Lafayette Courts, 201 N. Aisquith St., are preparing to sponsor their sixth annual Strawberry Festival. As usual they are planning a great day for May 28.

The program will consist of an Alcohol Seminar directed by Fred Hanna, Johns Hopkins Hospital. Guest speaker will be Councilman Nathan Irby. Lunch will be served along with lots of strawberry delicacies.

In the afternoon guests will enjoy a group of modern dancers from Lafayette's Recreation Center. Following the dancers Mr. Edges will conduct a Drug Abuse Seminar. Several social agencies will be on hand to show and tell of their services.

Mrs. Bessie Whitley is chairperson of the affair. If your agency has not received a communication and you wish to participate you can contact yours truly, 276-2560, before May 15.

Happy Birthday: Mrs. Barbara Jackson, April 19; Sanrae Shanks, April 20; Yvonne Smothers, April 23; James Young, April 26; Jerome Smith, April 28.

Bon Voyage: Clara Singlington will vacation in Newark, N.J. next week. The Herman Saunders will visit relatives in Indianapolis, Ind.

## COLUMBIA CAPERS
# Nikki Giovanni to appear tonight

By Pianie L. Ross
AFRO Columnist

Things are happening in Columbia. Nikki Giovanni, well-known poet, will be appearing tonight, Friday at the Kittamaqundi Room of the Rouse Building at 7 p.m. This is the first of a Youth and Talent Series sponsored by the Oakland Mills Youth Center.

Ms. Giovanni will present several poetry readings from her albums and books; she is the author of six books of poetry. She collaborated on two books, one with James Baldwin, another with Margaret Walker.

She has recorded two albums with the New York Community Choir and has received numerous awards, including the Ford Foundation, the National Foundation of the Arts, the Harlem Cultural Council on the Arts, and many others.

Featured on the program will be the Weeksville Drama and Theatre Group will do their version of "Ain't Supposed to Die a Natrual Death" by Melvin Van Peeples. You may call 730-3554 or 730-3579 for ticket information.

The Rev. Richard R. Hicks, United Minister in Higher Education, Southeastern Region, Cumberland, Va., will be the guest speaker for the Youth Day Service Sunday, April 27, at 10:45 a.m., St. John's Baptist Church.

The Rev. Hicks is a native of Milford, Delaware. He is a graduate of Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.; Virginia Theological [illegible] Va.; and Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pa.

Black Women's Focus did their thing last week at Kahler Hall, Harpers Choice, when they presented their scholarship fundraiser. The auditorium was packed tightly, but they managed to do their thing.

Music was provided by Fale's Destiny. The proceeds will benefit a student to attend any college of his or her choice. The scholarship will be presented at their annual Black Arts Festival on Sunday, May 4, from 12-5 at Slayton House, Bryant Woods, Columbia.

Black Women's Focus is a nonprofit organization.

The Festival will offer a wide variety of activities including drama, music, painting, sculpture, fashion display, and many other creative presentations.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will present a Tapestry of Poetry and Music featuring Beatrice Coker and the Pierre S. Dupont High School Choir May 9, at 8

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# Mother's Day gift cards

Mother's Day gift cards, honoring the special relationship between mother and child, are available again this year through Planned Parenthood of Md.

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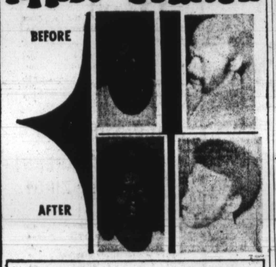
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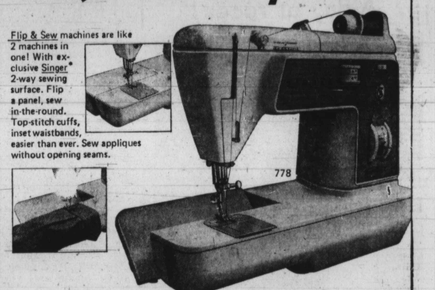



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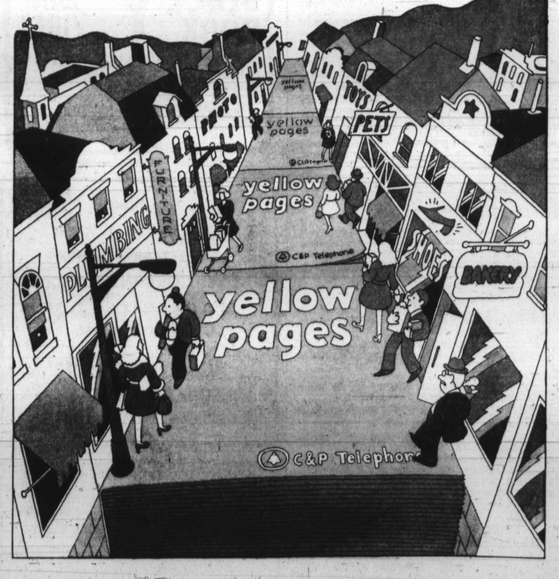
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THE BALTIMORE HOME of the Carr family with Mrs. Carr seated in her living room, is a photo from the files of the AFRO 80th Anniversary Edition. The story featured the elegant residence as a quiet sanctuary in the inner city where the Carrs shared over 50 years of memories and gracious living.

# For All We Know



By Elizabeth M. Oliver
City Editor

BETHEL AME CHURCH'S great lady, Mrs. Adele Carr, in 1912 became a bride in the Druid Hill Ave. home where she died last Monday.

She was a society belle, the beautiful Miss Adele Diggs, daughter of Baltimore's wealthiest citizen, Josiah Diggs, landowner and proprietor of the Eastside Dunbar Theatre.

When her husband, Walter Wayman Carr, died Jan. 30, 1975, they had been married 63 years and had resided in the same house 63 years.

The history of the esteemed but quiet family would take volumes.

Josiah Diggs' life was a book of charity and goodness. An astute businessman, he could hardly be surpassed today.

Little known is the fact that Mrs. Carr's husband was a direct descendant of the famed AME Bishop Samuel Wayman, the Eastern Shore minister who was close friend, neighbor and advisor of Frederick Douglass.

MRS. CARR was a lifelong AME and a few days before death, unanimously re-elected a Bethel trustee of 30 years standing.

She never missed an AME national or retional convention nor a collection plate.

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STILL YOUTHFUL at death, Mrs. Carr was always discreetly elegant in manner of speaking, dress and conduct, whether in the kitchen of her fine home or in the market-place with her basket.

Birthdays, holidays anniversaries were always observed with the proper rituals from table settings to gift-wrapping.

COURTESIES which are passing from the American scene dominated her home, family and life.

Her children called her Mother Dear and their father, Father Dear, and addressed them with the fond respect and dignity that permeated the home. This was their only way of life, nothing assumed, nothing artificial.

THE CARRS shared their good fortune and wealth with the less fortunate throughout every year. To perpetuate her father's memory, she continued the Josiah Diggs Charity Club over 50 years.

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SPEAKING OF HISTORY, with the coming of the Bicentennial, all is not well according to Samuel L. Banks, Social Studies coordinator for our public schools.

His paper presented at the Spring Conference of the Maryland Council for Social Studies, examines and finds wanting the 200th year celebration as one of Freedom — as far as black citizens are concerned.

CITING GROWING RACISM, the blight of the cities and poverty and unemployment as still persistent, he points out the fact that the U.S. is able to overcome all, but fails miserably to do so.

Nothing that the U.S. has spent over $150 billion in support of freedom 10,000 miles away in Vietnam, he admonishes the nation to correct the conditions "as to concretely proclaim liberty throughout the land."

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WANT A MILLION ? — Obtain the know-how and knowledge on importing African and Caribbean goods that cost mere pennies and then retail them for 10 times that. O hers are doing it.

GO ON APRIL 28-29 to the Plaza Hotel in New York. Comb through the exhibits and listen to representatives from 30 black nations. Congressmen Parren J. Mitchell, Charles Rangel, Shirley Chisholm; Sen. Edward Brooke and Dr. Jerome Holland are the workshop chairmen.

Sen. Henry (Scoop) Jackson is principal speaker May 28th dinner party.

GUEST SPEAKERS at the workshop include His Excellency Samuel Quarm, Ambassador of Ghana, the Honorable Belaid Abdelssalam, Algerian Minister of Industry and Energy, and the Nigerian Commissioner of the Ministry of Industry, Col. M. I. Washishi.

PanAf's November '74 Workshop, held in Atlanta, Georgia, generated some $50,000,000 in sales for the participating African and Caribbean countries and southeastern U.S. companies.

A non-profit organization founded 2½ years ago to promote U.S. business involvement in the economic development of African and Caribbean nations, the Pan African Business Center has provided a unique link between the U.S. business community and the nations of Africa and the Caribbean.

In addition to its series of regional workshops and conferences, PanAf's services include Business Development Programs, Capital Resources Services, Research Services and Trade Missions.

JOHN PURDY, an employee of the General Elevator Co. for 32 years, has earned a certificate of recognition from the Safety Council of Maryland for driving 25,000 accident-free miles in 1974. A resident of Baltimore, he has driven the company's truck on a regular basis for the past six years, all of them accident-free.

"THE DIMENSIONS of the Educational Experience of the Black Man" will be discussed by Dr. Maurice St. Pierre, a West Indian sociologist, at 10 a.m., Saturday in Lecture Hall Two at the University of Maryland Baltimore County. The lecture is part of UMBC's third annual Open House day.

Dr. St. Pierre, also a faculty member of the UMBC African American Studies Program, will explore certain types of educational experiences to which black people have been exposed and discuss the influences and political implications.

THE DAY CARE CENTER, supported by the Social Security Employees' Fund, has official opening, Saturday, 10:30 a.m. at the location, the Howard Park United Methodist Church, 5024 Gwynn Oak Ave.

Present will be Social Security Commissioner James B. Cardwell and Mayor Schaefer personally welcomed by the SS Fund officials and Center Director Mrs. Gladys Parrish.

PIMLICO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, Pimlico and Oakley, has its Talent Show Sunday in the school auditorium.

THE 4TH DISTRICT Democratic Organization's April meeting is Monday, 7:30 p.m. at headquarters, 1834 W. North Ave.

State Transportation Secretary Harry Hughes and Larry Reich, director of City Planning department will hold an open forum. Ward Leaders and Election Judges meet at 7 p.m. before the Mass Transportation Session.

REV. JAMES S. WISE, pastor of First Emmanuel Baptist Church and director of the 4th Disrict Demos, is recouperating at his home, 2742 Winchester St.



MRS. ADELE CARR in AFRO 1943 file photo when she was a Red Cross volunteer, a spare-time career she followed throughout World War II.

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