Charley Pride concert nets $1,000 for Clean Block

The 44th Annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign was presented with a check for $1,000. in ceremonies in Mayor William Donald Schaefer's ceremonial room at City Hall this week.

Accepting the award was Mrs. Ida Peters Public Relations Director and Mrs. Arnetta Lottier Deputy Director of Public Relations.

More than 15 organizations received a total of $23,300. through the efforts of Lou Grasmick, Civic Center Commissioner; Paul Collier and Scott Booth, Amoco Oil Co.; Bill Stair of Boumi Temple Charles Gibney of Winner Distributing Co. Dave Fuellhart of WPOC and many others who helped promote the very successful Charley Pride Concert at the Civic Center in February.

In making the presentations the mayor said the group represented some of his favorite people. THE Charley Pride Show where 12,000 people turned out, inspired the people and was a great day for the city.

This contribution to the AFRO Clean Block will mean a great deal to the needy blocks in the inner city. The money will be used for paint and flowers for their blocks.

Many AFRO Clean Blockers will remember Lou Grasmick and Bill Stair. These two gentlemen made it possible for Clean Blockers to be a part of the world breaking balloon ascension affair and attend the Colt-Dolphin football game that followed last fall.

They were also responsible for the 200 tickets AFRO Clean Blockers received to the Boumi Temple Shrine Circus. They told us they wouldn't forget us and they didn't. Many thanks from AFRO Clean Blockers.

John McCraw, jazz pianist National Federation of Blind of Maryland accepted a check of $1,000. for his organization. With him was George Eckley.

Jesse Webster, Public Relations Director of WBAL Radio received $1000. contribution to the WBAL Kids Campaign to send needy children to camp.

Other recipients included the Mary Dobkin Children's Fund; Crippled League; Boumi Children's Aid Fund; Youth For Christ; School for Deaf; Woxter Center, Fallen Heroes, Francis Fold, Save - A- Heart; Deaton Center; Christian Athletic Association; Grace Memorial Hour.

539-5151 . . . a joke

By Arnetta Lottier

Complaints have been coming in to the AFRO Clean Block office about the city assistance phone number 539-5151.

This is the number you call for help on such matter as abandoned vehicles, bulk trash pick-ups, clogged sewers, dirty alleys, dirty yards, garbage collection, muddy water, sanitary enforcement, sewage line problems, slippery conditions, street lights, street repair, water leaks.

The 539-5151 number is published by Consumer Services Division, Bureau of Consumer Services, Department of Public Works.

If you have never called this number, let me tell you what happens. The line is generally busy, which is understandable so you call for 10 to 15 minutes.

When you finally get through, you get a recording that goes something like this: You have reached consumer service, please do not hang up, a clerk will be with you as soon as she is clear. We are extremely busy but do not hang up, repeat, do not hang up!

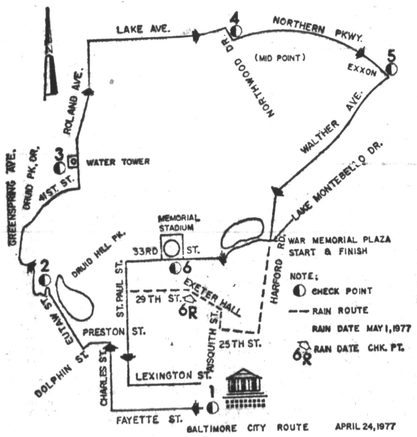
Following this you are put on hold and here's where the jokes come. You wait and wait and wait. If you're in an office doing work its not too bad because you can continue to work while waiting.

If you're a homemaker or at work and don't have time to hang on the phone then too bad for you. Imagine holding the phone for anywhere from 15 to 30 or more minutes waiting to complain about something? Try it sometimes and you'll understand why frustrated people just don't bother to try and clean up their blocks or get rid of other problems a call to this number is supposed to take care of.

It would seem more realistic to give accurate numbers of district offices rather than have people call this number where even after they wait so long on the phone they still don't get results.

A good example of is street lights. If you have a street light out, gas escaping or wires down in a block, call the Gas and Electric Co. - 685-0123. They will come out almost immediately.

Ride a bike for the retarded April 24th



Letter

Dear Mrs. Lottier:

We wish to express our sincere ratitude to you for your very positive assistance, service, and advice which you so willingly and freely gave us in the initial phases of handling one or our community's problem areas. (The City-owned vacant lot in the 2200 block of Morris St., which is between the 2200 and 2300 blocks of Madison Ave. and Eutaw Place and the area in general which surrounds or is adjacent to the lot).

This area has long resembled a disaster area of trash, junk, weeds, garbage, etc. A few good civic-minded inhabitants and live-in property owners have complained from time-to-time but all seemed in vain. Now we feel certain that our combined action, coordination and communication coupled with the desirable, unprecedented cooperation of the Sanitation Department has really brought this problem to a near full solution, which we trust will continue.

Thankyou agains for your most valuable, undisputed, and persistent attitude and expertise in helping us with our neighborhood problem. Milton Branch,
President,
Madison Avenue
NEIGHBORHOOD Club

Marsha Jameson, Lasharon Wallace, Reba Apson, Rhonda Brooks, Yolanda Mitchell, Gloria Wallace, Octavia Peace, Denise Holley, Christine , Aneatha Lewis, Thomas Washington, Carl Anthony, Lennard Joyner, James Allen, Deron Whitaker, Gilbert Anderson, Domonick Robertson, Gerald Coleman, Charles Bull, Eric Robertson, Icylee Adams and teacher Ms. Jessie Reuben.

Above: Tracie Cox, Kenyatta Hicks, Linnette Jackson, Lucille Johnson, Alona Kroger, Monica Lee, Andrea Maclin, Corinthea Madden, Keisha Melvin, Cheryl Oliver, Betty Williams, Marion Woods, Lamont Bannister, Carl Brown, James Chandler, Marvin Dickens, Arthur Gilbert, Ramie Mays, Phillip Peay, Jimmie Smith, Kevin Smith, Darvin Speddin and Teacher Ms. Lorene Green.

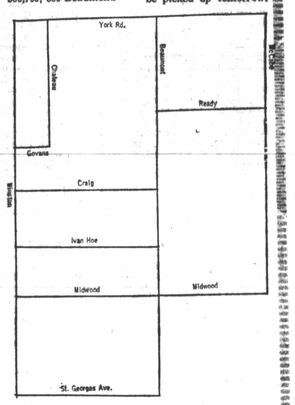
Bulk trash pick-up Sat. in these areas.

Bulk trash pick-ups are scheduled tomorrow, Saturday, for the lower Govans and Druid Action areas.

The Lower Govans area includes the 600,700,800 McCabe; 1900 York Rd.; 500 Chateau, 5100 Craig, 5100 Ivanhoe, 5100 Midwood, 5100 St. Georges; 500,700, 800 Beaumont.

Druid Action area includes 1900, 2000, 2100 Druid Hill Ave., 1900,2000, 2100 McCulloh St.; 1900, 2000, 2100 Madison Ave., 400 Bloom St., 400 Gold St.

Put bulk trash in neat piles, bag or tie shubbery limbs before putting them out. Encourage your neighbors to put their bulk trash out tonight so it can be picked up tomorrow.



Last week's bulk trash Pick-up was successful

Residents are applauding the Sanitation Department, Edward J. Moore, Leonard Folio and their supervisors for a job well done last Saturday during bulk trash pick-ups in five AFRO Clean Block areas.

The lower Govans area had 10 trucks, 40 men and filled 24 trucks. Charles A. Ferguson is supervisor.

Calloway-Garrison area had two trucks and eight men who filled 11 truck loads. Rev. Wesley Thomas is supervisor. A special thanks to Rev. Thomas for being so kind and prompt when he receives emergency calls.

Cruid Action area wants to give special thanks to the supervisor of trucks Maddon in this area for the marvelous cooperation in this area. They had four trucks, 16 workers and they collected 11 truck loads of trash. Frank Salisbury is supervisor of the area.

Jefferson - Monument only needed one truck, four men and one trucks. Joel Becker is supervisor.

New AFRO Clean Blocks

1600 Lansing Ave. — Captain: Vanessa Horton; Co-captain: Audrey Anderson; Advisor: Mrs. Sarah Austin.

Workers: Vivian Alston, Earl Holt, William Anderson, Audrey Anderson, Priscilla Austin, Lisa Alston, Linda Thompson, Wanda Gilchrist, Dorothy Jones, Ada Case, Georgia Anderson, Bobbie Johnson.

3500 W. Garrison Ave. — Captain: Marie Dubose; Co-captain: Angela Dubose; Advisor: Mrs. Alice Dubose.

Workers: Frances Dubose, Angie Dubose, Shala Howell, Dawn Howell, Veronica Howell, Kevin Howell, Dororthy Dargon, Alice Dubose, Margie Hill, Dave Hodne, Dave Hill, Michelle Davis, Darren Davis, Marvin Davis, Antonio Turner, Patricia Pannell, Derek Pannell, Louis Caldwell, James Daragan, Theodore Dargon, Mr. and Mrs. E. Street, Mrs. Weber.

1815 N. Montford Ave. — Captain: Ernestine Williams, Co-Captain: Eubank Johnson; Advisor: Mrs. Elizabeth Farmer.

Workers: Phyllis Smith, Michelle Brown, Renee Smith, Maria Lundy, Larry Williams, Linda Williams, Hargena Byrd, Rolanda Dorsey, Roosevelt Colvin, Cedrick, Colium, Kevin Colium, Ester Johnson, Amelia Williams, Belinda Ware, Lenora White, Shirley Brown, Amette Brown, Randy Hopkins, Michael Hopkins, Nathaniel Hopkins, Reginal Ware, Ruby Harris, Kenneth White, Gregory White, Leron Scott.

Sidelights Letters

Get well cards to Mrs. Henrietta Henson, longtime South Baltimore Clean Clock leader on Boyd Street. She's had pneumonia and has been very ill at Bon Secours Hospital, 2100 W. Baltimore St. You can call her at 233-7100 Room 309 A.

She works at the SAGA Center, 100 S. Fulton. Remember how Mrs. Henson rode around in bitter cold weather this winter delivering AFRO's Mrs. Santa baskets to needy families? Also remember how bitter cold it was this past winter. Hopefully the folks at SAGA will rmember her good deeds and keep her job open for her. She's been sick for the past 25 days.

ORIOLE TICKETS — 250 lucky AFRO Clean Blockers will have a chance to attend Oriole games through the courtesy of Crown Petroleum Junior Oriole Program.

Hurry and register your block to get in on the summer fun.

AFRO Visitors

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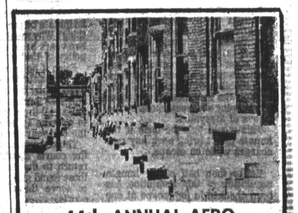
★ Cellars



44th ANNUAL AFRO CLEAN BLOCK CAMPAIGN APPLICATION BLANK

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