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Young achievers:

PURSUING A POSSIBLE career in child care or early childhood education these four Rock Glen Junior High students were among the 34 students who received certificates for helping out in the school's child care center. The certificates were awarded for successfully completing one quarter of their child care course. (L to R) Aurelia Johnson, Michelle Singletary, Michael Willoughby and Glen McLean. For more details see Viewpoint. (AFRO staff photo by Norma Spencer).

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Fighting City Hall

Can a group fight City Hall?

A group of parents are trying. They demonstrated in front of the city's government building earlier this week protesting city official's recommendation that certain areas of the 1977-78 school budget be cut.

The recommended cuts could include elimination of overtime for teachers to ending the drivers education program, the home visitors program and eliminating math labs and reading teachers.

The parents, who are members of the Baltimore Education Community Coalition, said they understand the necessity of keeping municipal spending under control but that it was time city officials considered the parents' wishes.

One parent said some of the cuts could seriously impare public education and accused the city government of having a general lack of enthusiasm for public education.

Another said if the proposed budget of $299 million was not spent wisely it will allow current programs to grow stale and the cutting out of teachers and teacher aides.

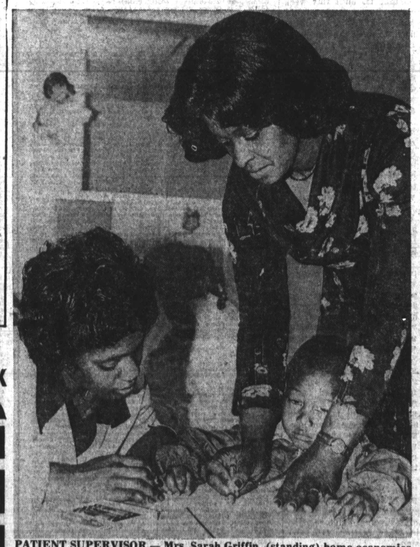
But city officials seem to ignore the pleas and intend to cut $10 million out of the budget.

The end of a nightmare

School officials announced that Northern High School and Canton and Herring Run Junior High Schools will return to a regular full-day schedule at the end of the year, leaving Hampstead Hill Junior High and Patterson High the only schools on split sessions.

Hampstead Hill is expected to resume regular scheduling by the fall of 1978. Patterson will have to wait another year.

Northern is able to terminate split sessions because of the installation of 15 to 20 portable classrooms. Canton's end to their nightmare is due to the opening of the Southeast Middle School while Herring Run has transferred 400 seventh graders to Northeast Middle School.



PATIENT SUPERVISOR — Mrs. Sarah Griffin, (standing) home economics teacher at Rock Glen Junior High School, runs the only child care center located in a junior high school in Baltimore city. The center takes in nine three-to-four year old children from 9 a.m. to noon. Thirty-four ninth grade students enrolled in the child care course work daily with the children. Here Mrs. Griffin and student, Carol Phillips, try to capture the attention of Donya Tunstall. (AFRO staff photo by Norma Spencer).

Parent of the Week

HARD WORKING — Ms. Karen Hall uses her free time by helping out in the Rock Glen Junior High School child care center. She works as a Educational Dean at the school. (AFRO staff photo by Norma Spencer.

VIEWPOINT

By Mrs. Marva RAndolph
Special to the AFRO

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Marva Randolph is head of the Home Economics Department at Rock Glen Junior High School and coordinator of the Child Development Program.)

In our complex society individual students find it increasingly difficult to understand the needs of young children in their homes.

Our nation has developed rapidly over the years in many areas. Some of the most important developments are in the growing field of child development.

At Rock Glen Junior High School one instructor saw the need for a concentrated program in child development at the Junior High level. Mrs. Sarah Griffin, an instructor in home economics designed a modified program in child development to acquaint her students with the developmental characteristics of the preschool child.

Using the book entitled, Instructional Activities and Resources for Child Development: A Home Economics Curriculum as a basis, she identified specific needs and developed a simple laboratory program for her ninth grade students.

Her program was so successful within her classroom, it was expanded by Mrs. Griffin and her department head, Mrs. Anne Boone, into a complete child care laboratory facility.

The Child Care Laboratory at Rock Glen is directed by Mrs. Griffin with the aid of Miss Karen Hall, an educational assistant. There are nine preschool students in the program attending school five days each week from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Thirty-four ninth grade students work with the preschool students on a rotating schedule. Each class is divided into three working groups performing the three basic operations of planning, teaching and observing behavior.

The school's child development program is divided into two phases: an introductory unit in child development and a practical unit in the child care laboratory. The introduction to child development attempts to look at the interrelationships of the developmental characteristics of the preschool child, appraise the values of preschool education and understand the purpose of each type of experience.

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A DELTA SIGMA THETA PROJECT

Direct Search for Talent speaks to youth

DST DIRECTOR Ellen Howard has been working with the program for some eight years.

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ANOTHER STAFF person at DST is Sandra Baxter who works as a counselor at the downtown location

(Specials to AFRO)

Direct Search for Talent, Maryland's only Educational talent search program, is sponsoring its Fourth Annual College career Day on April 23, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Baltimore Civic Center.

It will feature guest speakers who will encourage participants to meet their educational goals, admissions representatives from over one hundred colleges and universities from across the country, career education information and financial aid information.

The DST Agency's counselors will be available to assist students who have special problems or concerns.

Direct Search for Talent Program has been an integral part of Baltimore's educational scene for the past eight years. It is one of the 115 Educational Talent Search Programs located throughout the country, and it is funded by the U.S. Office of Education and the Baltimore Urban Services Agency, and is nationally sponsored by Delta Sigma Theata, Inc., a public service organization. The agency is also an affiliate of the United fund of Central Maryland.

Actually the programs are designed to assist in enabling youth from low-income families who have academic potential but who may lack adequate secondary school preparation or who may be physically handicapped to enter, continue, or resume a program of further education.

This local program is designed to inform participants and their parents about opportunities in higher education and their relationship to furture plans· help participants plan and make respective choices; develop a continuing relationship with participants including a Summer Program, until their goal is reached; to encourage a campus "Buddy" Systme to assist participants during the first difficult months of college, to and present participants with college financial aid opportunities.

Counselors are trained to identify, recruit, motivate counsel, place and follow-up students in grades 10 11 and 12, as well as out-of-school young adults, such as the teenage mother, truants, disruptive youth the juvenile delinquent, suspended students veterans Spanish-speaking spanish-surnamed individuals and native Americans into post-secondary opportunities. Place entails two or four year college, universities, and vocational-technical training programs, according to the participant's interest and ability. Referrals to other agencies are made whenever necessary. The dropout is also encouraged to return to school.

DST is an informational center on college admissions, financial aid information and career opportunities. Other services include counseling, college campus tours, recreational and enrichment activities, and the "pal and buddy" system. Referrals are also made for tutorial services, and review classes for the High School Equivalency Examination.

In addition to the Counseling Component of Direct Search for Talent, other areas include the Financial Aid Component, which is designed to disseminate as much information as possible on financial aid opportunities for further education, and to provide financial assistance to DST participants who desire to attend Baltimore Metropolitan and out-of-state colleges and universities It also has a special Veterans and a Career Education Component

According to the program's executive director Ellen D. Howard' "a tremendous impact" upon the residents of Baltimore City, Baltimore City Public School students, and many other persons has been made by the DST Program.

"Over the eight years of operation, with the help of volunteers, part-time staff, and then full-time staff, DST has serviced over 12,500 participants of the Baltimore City Public Schools residents of Baltimore City, and many other young adults. Approximately 5,000 individuals have been placed" says Mrs. Howard.

As a result of the DST Agency's reputable track record and accountability, the organization has received a grant through the Urban Services Agency to make services readily accessible to the Baltimore City residents. In May 1976, DST Outreach Centers were implemented and neighborhood centers were established at 2700 Keyworth Ave., 1801 N. Rosedale St., and 100 N. Chester St. A fourth DST Outreach

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AFRO staff photo by Norman Spencer.

A COUNSELOR at Direct Search for Talent is Deborah Gross, also a coordinator for the annual Career Day

Local club notes

Echoes Card Party

Everybody won a prize when members of the Echoes held a card party-luncheon on Saturday at the Belvedere.

It was the group's 5th anniversary so they gifted all 96 of their guests with a variety of cologne or jewelry.

Members are Kay Carter Robbie Chissell Phyllis Diggs, Norma Maiden Wilhelmina Garner Ivy Harris, Ellsworth Rhetta Vivian Pendleton president; Louise Murphy, Jimmy Laforest and Jean Wilson. Member, Jeanne Cummings was ill and unable to attend.

Charter member who came from Washington was Minna Ann West. Other out-of-town guests were Jean Crittenton. Mary Brownlee also from D.C. Catherine Gibson, St. Louis; Millicent Richardson Chester, Pa. and Marie Hicks Frederick, Md

Q-Ettes Fashion Show

Another interesting event, also on Saturday, was the luncheon and fashion show members of Pi Omega Chapter of Q-Ettes held at the Sheraton Inn. The ladies are the women's counterpart to members of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

Unique was the fashion show — members of the sponsoring group were models. All of the garments were "wrap-arounds," meaning that guests were treated to an exhibition of how one garment can be wrapped around various ways to make different outfits.

One dress was "wrapped" 12 different ways. Guest professional model was Joyce Dixon.

Members who modeled were Mae Aycock, Jean Morehead, Hazel Parks, Shirley Strother, Mary Ervin, Grace Walker, Betty Fox, who chaired the affair with Frances Gill; and Rubye Gill, president.

Chums and Holidays

Out rooting for Baltimore over the weekend were members of two national club groups due to meet this fall

Attending the executive board meeting of the national bridge club, Holidays Inc., in Charlotte, N.C., were Mary Ellis, Norma Umphrey and Gloria Dorsey The group holds its national convention, (called concourse) in November in Greensboro, N.C.

Meeting here in national conclave are members of the Chums Inc They're due in October. Baltimoreans joining in making final plans at the national board meeting, also held in North Carolina Winton, were Bernice McDaniels and Bettye Moss. Jeanne Cummings is Baltimore president. Club's national projects are the NAACP Legal Defense Fundand sickle cell anemia.

King's Landing Women

Members of the King's Landing Women (KLW), a service club, are firming up plans for their annual benefit cocktail party scheduled for Sunday, May 22, from 5 to 7 p.m at Club Venus.

Proceeds from the affair are used to support a variety of charities, including the Baltimore YMCA's annual Martin Luther King Memorial breakfast.

In addition this year, funds are earmarked to buy tables and chairs for the new dining hall which will be in use this summer at the YMCA Camp King's Landing in Huntingtown, Md.

Mamie Jones is chairperson of the benefit committee Tickets are $8. At report meeting on Wednesday club members were advised that one of the highlights of the benefit will be a fashion show staged by members and guest models.

Gwen Clark, president, presided at the meeting. The group had glowing reports from members who attended the annual Maryland League of Women's Clubs luncheon and workshops. KLW president Jones is publicity chairperson of the league; and another KLW member Mildred Nelson, is historian.

This year, KLW sponsored a youth delegate to the league meeting, 19-year-old Ella Sallye, a student at Community College of Baltimore.

In addition to members named, other members present at the report meeting were: Gertrude McKella, Mary Smith, Mary Upshur, Rose Sallye, Myrtle Harod, Geneva Small, Bettye Moss and Roberta Keets.

Other members are Vivian Bailey, Louise Braxton, Colles Corprew, Marjorie Green, Blanche Hughes, Lena K. Lee, Betty Lindsay, Adele Queen, Margo Ross, Doris Street and Helen Tucker.

Zeta Phi Beta

The Zodiacs of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Nu Gamma Chapter, located on the Coppin State College campus, recently donated an Easter basket tothe pediatrics ward at Provident Hospital. Gail Brunson is president.

Original Martiniques

The Original Martiniques Inc, headed by City Councilwoman Victorine Q. Adams, had their monthly meeting with Mrs. Susie Moore hosting the group.

The group reports that it is trying to come up with

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Womanscope

Local pageant announced

Entries are now being accepted for three pageants for teenage girls and young women that will be held over the next few months.

For teens ages 13-16, there's the Miss U.S. Talented Teen pageant sponsored nationally by Hal and Alice Jackson Production in New York and locally by Pinnie L. Ross, executive director and producer and Travis Winkey, assistant director.

The state contest will be held on June 12 and the national competition in late July in Hollywood, Calif.

Those interested in entering should call Mrs. Ross at 730-6686 or Mr. Winkey, 523-7855.

Young women between the ages of 17 and 25, single and talented may enter the Second Annual Miss Charm City pageant produced by Tina Evans

This contest will be held in early August. For more information call 366-2328 or write P.O Box 1133 Baltimore Md 21218

Also for young women 18-25 years of age is the Miss Black America Maryland pageant produced locally by Maurice 'Hot Rod' Hulbert.

Deadline for filing applications is April 29. Applicants must have been residents of Maryland for at least three months; high school graduate, never married and with no children and must have some performing talent.

For information, call Harietta Wallace at 542-8273 or write: 2800 Roslyn Ave., Baltimore, Md. 21216.

Womanscope: An Introduction to the Women's Movement, a course sponsored by the Baltimore Women's Liberation Center will be held on Monday and Thursday evenings beginning on May 2.

This four-week course will be held at the Center's location 101 East 25th St.

Topics to be covered include "What is Feminism?" women's history legal rights, health care rape and self defense consciousness raising, sexuality and spirituality

Registration for this series of workshops will be held tonight Friday from 8 to 10 p.m at the Women's Center Facilitators will be available to answer questions and course material will be on display both evenings. The registration fee is $25.

The Women's Center, founded in 1970, is the oldest feminist center in the metropolitan area. For more information on the course or other Center activities call 366-6475.

Miss Moore becomes bride of Bernard I. Purnell, Jr

The marriage of Miss Iola Vanessa Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dunbar Traynham of Baltimore, and Bernard Irvin Purnell, Jr. was held April 7 at St. Paul Baptist Church.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard I Purnell Sr of Salisbury Md

Those members of the wedding party included Mrs Patricia Hooker matron of honor Miss Brenda Moore. Miss LaVerne Traynham. Miss Jeannette Donaldson and Miss Sonia White

Also Cornelius Barkley Craig Bert, Kevin Stenson. Gordon Evans and Clarence Traynham.

A reception followed the ceremony at La Fontaine Rouge.

The couple took a wedding trip Orland, Fla. The Prunells are making their home in Pittsburgh, Pa.

(Photo by Perskie)
MRS. BERNARD I. PURNELL JR.
Former Miss Iola Vanessa Moore

These young women plan spring, summer weddings

Miss Powell is engaged

George Powell Sr and Mrs Leonards Johnson Powell of New York City have announced the engagement of their daughter Miss Diane Olivia Powell to Gareth Eugene Murray son of Mr. and Mrs John Murray of Baltimore.

Miss Powell is a graduate of Beach High School in Savannah, Ga. and received a B.A. degree in mathematics from Spelman College, Atlanta. In 1976 she earned a M.S. in operations research from College of Engineering.

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MISS DIANE O. POWELL
Engagement announced

Miss Deleaver

The engagement of Miss Jacqulyn Adelia Deleaver has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Robert Deleaver, Sr., of Baltimore, to Uzell Curtis Pitts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius William Pitts, Sr., of Edgewood.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Lake Clifton High School and attends Catonville Community College. She is employed as a draftswoman.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Edgewood Senior High School, attends Essex Community College and also works as a draftsman.

An August wedding is planned.

(Photo by Perskie)
MISS JACQULYN A. DELEAVER
Engagement told

Miss Nelson plans to wed

An announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Wendy Ann Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Nelson, of Kossuth Street, to Alan Victor Poulson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip L. Poulson, of Koko Lane, Baltimore.

A graduate of Mount de Sales Academy, the bride-to-be attends Morgan State University. She will receive the bachelor of science degree in Social Work in May.

Miss Nelson is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She is the granddaughter of the

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(Photo by Perskie)
MISS WENDY A. NELSON
To wed in June

Miss McClurken sets June date

Mrs. Susie Douglas of Baltimore and the Rev. John D. McClurken of Chester, S.C., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Pioneluris Drusilla McClurken to Harvey D. Carter

Carter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Carter of Howard County.

The bride-elect is a 1971 graduate of Northwestern High School and attended Coppin State College.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1969 graduate of Alholton High School in Howard Country and a 1973 graduate of Bucknell University.

At present, Miss Mc-

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MISS PIONELURIS D. McCLURKEN
Plans June wedding