Mrs. Santa made it! $21,122.30

Medina Temple No. 1 and No. 2 A.A.O.N.M.S. entertain children from the William S. Baer School for the Handicapped at the Rotunda Theatre.

Kneeling (from L to R) are: James A. Yarbro, Morris Stanley, Henry Leti, Denver Blackwell (Potentate of Temple No. 2), Amos Baxter, Walter Ross, Richard Sommerville, Christopher Rankin, Lloyd Cure and Earl Gray.

Standing (from Lto R) are: Modest Rice, James Crosby, Joseph Parker, Richard Ward, Clyde Cole (Yogi Bear), John Mosby (The Clown), Herman Lee (Santa Claus), Tome Sweeney (T.V. Channel 2 Anchor Man), Big Bird (Baltimore Orioles mascot), Elroid Hendricks (Baltimore Orioles Coach), James L. Mosley, Ellwood Russe,, George Greenhill (Potentate Temple No. 1), Columbus McNeil (Imperial Grand Potentate), Wardell Young (Chairman) and Thomas Lee.

Last minute Mrs. Santa fund

Mrs. Santa's Booth Mondawmin	$625.00
Pacesetters	200.00
Alpha Phi Omega - Baltimore Alumni Chapter	125.00
Master, Matrons and Patrons Guild	100.00
Sirocco's All Night Disco	50.00
Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. Baltimore Alumnae Chapter	50.00
Ms. Mollie Almira Miller	50.00
Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. Baltimore Alumnae Chapter	50.00
The Lawyer's Wives	50.00
Sigma Wives	50.00
The Big Sisters	25.00
Ms. Irene V. Lee	25.00
Mrs. Doris R. Ferguson	25.00
Charles Gough	25.00
Benton Memorial Chapter	23.50
Field Missionaries	20.00
Mrs. Nell Sheridan	10.00
Mrs. Rosanna Smith	10.00
Reginald & Beatrice Lee	10.00
Ms. Lucy G. Kitchen	5.00
Ms. Karen Simms	5.00

Newcomers host gala party for Mrs. Santa

Nothing better symbolizes this holiday season than by gathering with friends and by giving to others.

On Saturday, Dec. 8, The Newcomers Club did both. The social and charitable organization hosted a spirited Pre-Christmas Party at the Woodridge Apartments, "Club House."

Each guest donated a toy to benefit The Afro's Mrs. Santa Christmas Drive. The toys were presented to Mrs. Santa by the members.

The club members and hostesses for this successful affair are:

Mrs. Willie Butler, Mrs. Mary Demory, Mrs. Roslyn Dyer, Ms. Delores Laws, Mrs. Carolyn Keison, Mrs. Loistine McIntyre, Mrs. Alice Rasbury, Mrs. Anne Stipley, Mrs. Gwendolyn Statham, and Mrs. Maxine Wood.

Medina Temple fetes Baer School

Delores Gasque, teacher's aide at the Baer School, holds Carlos Andrews and Denise Brockington. More than 100 children enjoyed the party. Mrs. Waetina Coles is principal; Edward Burnham and Ms. Winola Cunningham, assistant principals.

Mrs Santa

William Macey and Mark Mouzon enjoy Christmas party given by Medina Temple No. 1 and No. 2.

Love can't be bought for Christmas

Here it is, Christmas — Ho! Ho! Ho!

But you're depressed. Why? And what to do?

Holiday depression is not uncommon. The strain of the holiday takes its toll on the best of us. Financial pressures, fatigue, loneliness, or being at the receiving end of another person's constant irritability, can wear anyone down.

Financial pressures are usually increased because we try, perhaps too hard, to make a nice holiday for our loved ones. We make finance company loans, and run our credit cards, if our creditors have not asked that they be returned, up to exorbitant amounts — Just to dress up our homes in keeping with the festive season.

The feeling of holiday euphoria is very short lived. The 25th of December comes and goes, but those bills go on and on and on . . . We see Johnny carelessly dragging the coat that we saved for months to buy, on the floor. Mary becomes disenchanted with her "baby doll," that cost us an arm and leg, and leaves it in a corner to be ignored.

We become extremely depressed and rather irritated; we observe that no one appreciates the hard work it takes to earn a buck. Realize, we have only ourselves to blame.

Our loved ones are often happier with thoughtful and - or homemade gifts. These show we love them; and love isn't something that be bought at Christmas.

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Thanks

Threshold, a community correction center under the directorship of Julian Morgan. They house 25 inmates who are within six months of parole hearing. Presenting Mrs. Santa, Ida Peters with $50, is Edward Johnson.

Santa Herman Lee delights children from the Baer School with a hug. Children enjoyed a movie and each received gifts of toys, candy and fruit.

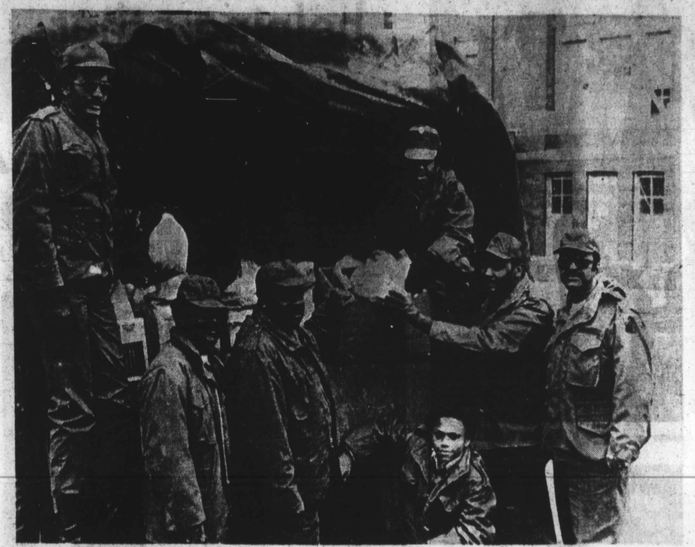
Above, Carl Becker in wheel chair; Evelyn Dorsey, Doris Plater. Rear, Richard Belsen and Tracey Barney.

Fred Bailey, treasurer of the Baltimore Marketing Association presented Mrs. Santa, Ida Peters with a check for $50.

Photo by Vanessa Johnson

HAPPY NEW YEAR

People making other people happy!



The Maryland National Guard, based from the Winchester Armory, under the leadership of Sgt. Lloyd Scott once again helps Mrs. Santa by picking up 400 baskets from Super Pride and 25 from the AFRO office donated by concerned citizens delivering them to needy families across the city. Shown above are: Sgt. Lloyd Scott, Sgt. Marvin H. McClain, Sgt. Eldridge G. Jones, Sgt. Thomas Hoisey, Sgt. Wayne J. Taylor, Spt Larry Matthews, Spt Lament Graves, Sgt. Timothy L. Riley, Spt Donald Allen, Spt Wilbert Moore, Spt Muirel Jones, Spt Samuel N. Moses, Sgt. Leonard E. Mackey, Pfc. Leonard Mackey Jr., Spt Donald Brooks, Spt Marvin E. Jackson and Sgt. Charles Ford.

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The Claims Investigation Section, C.C.B. of Social Security, Woodlawn, collected and contributed $146. Above, Madames Linda Moore and Ollie James.

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Maryland National Guard picks up big baskets from Super Pride Stores worth $6,000. They included two chickens, 10 pounds of white potatoes, 5 pounds of flour, two cans of corn, two cans of peas, two cans of beans, large box of rice, two cans of soup, five pounds of sugar, two cans of milk, box of cake mix, box of cookies, jar of syrup, large box of cereal, two loaves of bread, and two boxes of Jello.

The Neighborhood Workers of 800 Blk. W. Saratoga St. contributed $50 to help needy families. Missionaries Madames Ruth Rowe, Mrs. Santa and Lillian Cee.

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Legionnaires Social Club contributed $100. Making presentation is John Lee, business manager and Mrs. Santa.

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Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Mid Atlantic Region representa Morgan University, Coppin State, University of Maryland Baltimore County and Towson State Colleges adopted several of Mrs. Santa's families. They collected can goods and toys. Shown above are: Larry Lambson, Tyrone Lyles, Alvin Durahn Stewart, Tracey Dixon, Perry Alexander Jr. and Jeffrey Hugh Williams. Seated are Paul Brooks, Dorian Walker, Charles Smith, Robert Williams, Keith C. Butler, Andre R. Wickham and Ron D. Williams. Standing are: Reginald Buchanan, Kevin Walker, Rayvon Daniels, Wayne Carver, Carl M. Barkley, Sweetheart Sharon T. Miller, Maurice L. Clark and Alvin Parks.

Dolfield Barber Shop contributed $150 to help make needy children happy for Christmas. Richard Rideout, Ms. Hanna McNair and Odell McCaskill.

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Standing are: Gregory Anderson, Lawrence Hall, Mrs. Santa and John Brooks.

from Mrs. Santa staff

THE BEST IS YET TO COME

Happy New Year

Ida Peters
Mrs. Santa

Vanessa Johnson
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