Mrs. Santa needs you!

Baltimoreans are facing a tough winter, what with layoffs, cuts in welfare payments and increased fuel and food costs. You would be surprised at the calls everyday from people at their wits end trying to find ways to pay just their Gas and Electric bills.

The Mrs. Santa Fund, AFRO Charities, is a non-profit organization sponsored by the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers to raise funds to make sure that no family goes hungry this Christmas. Names are supplied by our readers, AFRO Clean Block Captains, city agencies and the Police Department.

There are three ways you can help us make our goal of $20,000.

One: - Make a generous cash donation so that food baskets may be purchased wholesale.

Two: - Wear a flower supporting the AFRO's Mrs. Santa. Senior Citizens and volunteers have crocheted red flowers which we will be selling during December at $1.00 each. Urge your club or other organization to sell these flowers at various social functions and business meetings.

Three: - Contribute good used toys and clean clothes to Mrs. Santa's Store. When you contribute to the store, we will contact our families so they can select the things they need in their sizes.

Special Note: - We'll be glad to arrange a picture with Mrs. Santa for all contributions over $100. When it is published in the AFRO, it will encourage others to give and we desperately need all the help we can get.

Please make checks or money orders payable to Mrs. Santa, AFRO Charities, 628 N. Eutaw Street, Baltimore, MD 21201. All Contributions are tax deductable.

Call 728-8205 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Mrs. Santa helpers

The Family of Positive Force presented the AFRO's Mrs. Santa with $150 this week to help needy families during the holidays. Seated from (L), is Ms. Bernice L. Keys, Calvin V. Lewis and Miss Beverly Ann Keys. Standing Harvey S. Keys, Nathaniel B. Cole Jr., Mrs. Geraldine Washington, president and Lorenzo W. Keys.

By Ida Peters

This week the AFRO's Mrs. Santa visited Radio Station WAYE to talk with Vashti McKenzie on the air about Harvest Festival '81 sponsored city-wide by her station and WJZ-TV.

They are urging everybody in the city to participate in a canned food drive between Nov. 8-18. Food may be taken to any Fire Station in the city and county and will be warehoused for distribution at the Reservoir Hill Multi-Purpose Center.

Food will be distributed to recognized charities as well the AFRO's Mrs. Santa to provide food for families for Thanksgiving.

If you are in need of food or know about a distressed family write the AFRO's Mrs. Santa, 628 N. Eutaw St., Balto., MD 21201.

Case 1 in Tuesday's AFRO has been without gas and electricity for two months and owed a bill of over $700. Good news. She was able to talk with her landlord and was able to raise $350. She had been promised $130 aid from Social Services. Social Services kept our cold family running back and forth and never did come up with $130.

The AFRO advised this lady to take her $350 to the Gas and Electric Co. and work back from there. Hopefully, her social worker will still come up with aid so that G & E payments per month won't be so high.

Is there any way that social service people could be more caring and responsive to people in need? This is a case where the cold family had no money; was told to raise money and when they did the Social Service agency swept them under the rug!

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Thanks to the Family of Positive Force who presented Mess Santa a check for $150 this week. Mrs. Geraldine Washington is president of the group; Nathaniel B. Cole Jr., vice-president; Lorenzo W. Keys, treasurer and senior family member; and Calvin V. Lewis, business manager.

The club has been together for over a year and is dedicated to fundraising for scholarships and helping the needy. Members of the group are all related, father, daughter, sons and their spouses and grandchildren.

Members are Denise Fowler, Bernice L. Keys, Harvey W. Keys Sr., Beverly A. Keys and Melvin Washington.

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Guards on the late shift at the Maryland Pen on Forrest St. will be playing a football game to benefit AFRO's Mrs. Santa on Sunday, Nov. 15 at 10 a.m.

A pre-Thanksgiving gospel musical festival is being held Nov. 22 at 5 p.m. at Northwestern High School, 6900 Park Heights Ave.

Sponsored by Les Parson admission will be 99 cents plus a can of food to provide baskets and turkeys for needy families at Christmas.

Les Parsons has recorded a new song "Say Jesus" and the gospel festival is sponsored by V.I.C.E. (Volunteers in Christian Evangelism) of St. John's United Methodist Church, the Rev. Douglass B. Sands, founder and pastor.

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Thanks to the students at Lemmel Junior High School who are collecting clothes and food and wrapping gifts which they will personally deliver to one of Mrs. Santa's families.

Mrs. Santa Softball Awards Raised $2,010.85

By Ida Peters

Enthusiasm was high at Gatsby's last Saturday when plaques, certificates and trophies were presented to members of the 20 teams who participated in the 2nd Annual AFRO Mrs. Santa Softball Marathon.

Total income raised $2,010.85. Expenses included, $200 awards dinner at Gatsby's; Supplies, $44.75; Softballs, $160.00; Lunch for 14 workers, $34.06; for a total expense of $438.76 leaving $1,582.09 to buy food for Mrs. Santa's families.

Many thanks to Lucas M. Hicks of Mid-Atlantic Coca-Cola Bottling Co. who presented plaques and trophies to the winners. Crusaders with $216.67 won first place trophy. Roman with $161.75 won second place trohpy.

The Road Runners added $5 and boosted their total to $166.75 for third place. The AFRO regrets that their picture did not turn out but they had the most enthusiastic group at the party. Road Runners present were Larry Sykes, Robert Wise, William Wise, Larry Hinton, Alfred Hicks, Sharon Hall, Mary Smith, Larry Chappell, Edward White, Robert Blue and William Hicks.

Thanks and more thanks to the singing group First Class (sorry guys the pixs did not turn out). They gave a late show the night before, but still took time out to stay the whole awards party with the guys and Mrs. Santa. Thanks Freddie Brown, Harold Bell, Sylvester Reddick and Tony Yarborough.

Other teams participating were the Red Sox, Michael Coates and Rodney Lee, Leon Cox, Sportsmen.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Shields accept first place trophy and certificates of appreciation from AFRO's Mrs. Santa, Ida Peters and Rayner Banks. They raised $216.67, the largest total in the 2nd Annual AFRO Mrs. Santa Softball Marathon held in August in Druid Hill Park. Event raised $2,010.85 for Mrs. Santa.

Umpires who worked both days receive cartons of coca cola from Lucas M. Hicks, Mid-Atlantic Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Coca Cola also presented plaques and trophies to all the winners. Above from (L), Will Beverly, Jay Staten, Hicks and Rayner T. Banks.

Special services award plaques, courtesy of Coca-Cola were presented to Morris Vaughn, Victor Moody, Norris Hall, Wayne Rollins, Rayner Banks and Oliver Stern.

Mrs. Santa fund $3,672.85

Softball Marathon	$2,010.85
M. Goldseker Co.	375.00
Martineer Reunion	300.00
Avalon Social Club	200.00
St. James Church	200.00
Family of Positive Force	150.00
John and Beatrice Myers	100.00
James Ross Manhattans	50.00
Continental Society of Baltimore	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Clifton A. Turner, Sr.	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Patterson	25.00
Dr. & Mrs. Roland McConnell	25.00
Mrs. June St. Thomas	20.00
Albert Taylor	15.00
Mrs. Mary Baker	15.00
Mrs. Esther Thomas	10.00
Mrs. Louise Kerr Hines	10.00
Mrs. Blance Pettiford	10.00
Mrs. Sarah Rayne	10.00
Ellsworth Wilson	5.00
Herbert Clardy	5.00
Cornelius H. Thomas	5.00
Dr. Thurman O Daniel	5.00

Mrs. Santa's cases:

'I'm Sick'

Case 30 I have been sick for the past year and I am unable to work any more. Would you please send me a basket of something good to eat for Christmas. I have heart failure and I am on oxygen 16 hours a day and the other 8 hours off.

Case 31 Could you help my family for Christmas with a basket of food, toys and clothes. My husband died five years ago and I would appreciate anything you can give me. The money we get goes toward the bills and food. It's not enough to get anything for Christmas. My children ages are 18, 15, 13, and 12. I am 41.

Case 32 I am writing for a friend to be put on the Christmas list. She will take anything you can send her. She has a hard time getting around and is very slow. She will appreciate anything you can give her.

Case 33 I am a mother with three children and I would like to receive a basket for Thanksgiving and Christmas. I live with my sister and her two children. We both receive help from Social Service and would like to be considered for a basket.

'Released from Prison'

Case 34 I am a grandmother with grandchildren to raise. I am 46 and disabled. I cannot work. I would like to give my grandchildren something for Christmas. Since I was released from prison I haven't found any type of work. I would appreciate anything you can do for my family. I would like to give them a decent meal this year for Thanksgiving. I am placed in a position where I cannot help them.

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Actor/Comedian Bill Cosby is coming to Howard University's Cramton Auditorium 8:00 pm Wednesday, November 18, 1981 to host the live one-hour telecast of WHMM TV-32's First Anniversary Celebration, along with Welterweight Champion of the World Sugar Ray Leonard, the LaVerne Reed Dancers and the Howard University Jazz Ensemble.

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Howard vs. Morgan

Bison put Morris season on the line

Whether or not Tom Morris' first season as head coach at Morgan is a winning one depends on the outcome of tomorrow's (Saturday) game against Howard at Hughes Stadium.

Kickoff is set for 1:30 for this curtain - fall on 1981 Morgan football.

The Bears under their third head coach in five years, began with a 2 - 0 record then went to 3 - 1; later 4 - 2 before successive defeats to A and T and Virginia Union.

They now stand at 4 - 4, and need to win Saturday to finish above .500 for the third time since 1974.

The visiting Bison coach, Floyd Keith, is looking at a similar challenge.

With a 2 - 3 mark in Mid - Eastern Athletic Conference competition, Howard needs victory to reach level.

Keith, personally, hopes to break even at the least, in order to gain partial vindication for the criticism directed at his tactics by several of his players.

Charges that dissension grew as a result of mistreatment of athletes were denied by Keith. A .500 season record would be rewarding . . . LACY.

Oldtime basketers set league opener Saturday

The Columbia Oldtimers will open their home basketball schedule in the National Oldtimers League Saturday, at Howard Community College gymnasium.

A doubleheader will pit the Brooklyn, N.Y. Oldtimers against Washington Columbia will be playing Wilmington at 7 p.m.

The games are open to the public, beginning at 5 p.m.

The Oldtimers league consists of teams from Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, PA; Cleveland and Columbus, OH; Asbury Park, Essex and Atlantic City, NJ; Brooklyn and New York City, Wilmington, Baltimore and Columbia, MD.

Columbia's next home games will be Saturday, Dec. 12: Brooklyn vs. Baltimore; Washington vs. Columbia.

The league has several former professional players, as well as former college stars. The league expects to be highly competitive and will give the participants an opportunity to maintain relationships started in college.

One need not play in order to become a member of the organization. For additional information, contact league president William Turner at 367 - 0523 or 494 - 2370.

Members of the Columbia Oldtimers squad are Herb Ballard, Lee Cornish, L. Al Coles, Carl Ealy, James Fox, Reggie Greene, Charles Johnson, Stan McKenzie, Charles Parnell, William Reed, James Todd, William Turner, Robert Warmack, Eugene Williams, Ray Wilkerson, Lewis Stanley, and Lonnie Mayzek, coach.

Panthers, 5 others in grid rankings

Virginia Union which is one victory away from her conference title, and South Carolina State which already has clinched hers, are given high rankings in this week's NCAA football poll.

The Panthers are placed third in the Division II ratings and will probably move higher if they defeat Elizabeth City (NC) Saturday for outright possession of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship. Elizabeth City is ranked fifth in the same NCAA division.

South Carolina State's Bulldogs are ranked third among the NCAA's Division 1-AA teams.

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Also listed in the top ten of the Division 1-AA rankings are Tennessee State (5th), Jackson (MS) State (7th) and Grambling, tied for 10th with University of Delaware.

Of the 22 teams rated only Virginia Union is undefeated, at 9-0.

CAVALIER CASUALTY — A serious blow was dealt the University of Virginia basketball team Tuesday when All-American Ralph Sampson sustained a pulled flexor muscle in a workout. Cavalier coach Terry Holland sourly admitted the 7-4 center will miss the Nov. 21 opener against Brigham Young and will be disabled for an indefinite period.

Cyclists to aid Santa

The American Motorcyclists Association and ABATE will hold a "Ride-for-Kids" Saturday from noon to 5 pm, at Pier 5, Inner Harbor.

Spectators are urged to bring a toy or canned food, or both, in lieu of a cash donation.

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Whatever is collected will be turned over to the Salvation Army for use in its 1981 "Operation Santa Claus" venture.

Coffee, donuts and parking are free.

FOOTBALL

COLLEGE GAMES
Saturday
Bowie St. at UDC
Howard at W. Illinois
Eliz. City at Va. Union
Va. State at Hampton
Norfolk St. at NC Central
Fayetteville at J.C. Smith
W. Salem at Elon
Grambling at SC State
Jas. Madison at Shippensburg
Bethune at Morris Brown
Southern at Fla A-M
Ala. State at Miss. Valley
Ky. State at Jackson St. (N)
Pr. View at Alcorn
Tenn. St. at Tenn. Chattanooga
Sunday
Delaware St. at Central St.

NFL SCHEDULE
Sunday
Baltimore at Philadelphia
Buffalo at St. Louis
Chicago at Green Bay
Cleveland at San Francisco
Dallas at Detroit
Denver at Tampa Bay
Houston at Kansas City
Los Angeles at Cincinnati
New Orleans at Minnesota
NY Jets at N. England
Oakland at Miami
Pittsburgh at Atlanta
Washington at NY Giants
Monday Night
San Diego at Seattle

Odds against Skins, Colts

Oddsmakers have made both the Washington Redskins and Baltimore Colts underdogs in their respective weekend games against NFL opponents.

The Skins are 1 - point picks on the Giants at New York, and the Colts are given little chance against the Eagles. The latter are rated 13½ points over Baltimore.

Trouble in Colthouse

Fans again questioning Jones' ability, attitude

By Sam Lacy

Frankly, it may be a little unfair but Colt quarterback Bert Jones is again under fire in black Baltimore.

It is typical of any situation where a football team has suffered nine consecutive losses after winning its first game of the season, that over a New England club which may have been bogged down in complacency.

Everyone is criticized by a mocking public — the head coach, Mike McCormick, the sorry defense, the quarterback, Jones, and anyone else on a given Sunday.

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At the moment, Jones is the main target of condemnation. And since 1977, when he was accused by all-pro tight end Raymond Chester of racism, the seed of suspicion has hung on just beneath the surface.

It cropped up last Sunday after the much-publicized public brow beating of sophomore running back Curtis Dickey in the humiliating loss to the New York Jets.

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Fans re-lived the Chester days, and recalled Glenn Doughty's assertion that he was left out of the offense until the ball was in the no-man's-land inside the enemy's 20-yard line.

They began giving credibility to the charge that Bert in his obsession with finding Roger Carr, frequently overlooked Ray Butler and tight end Reese McCall.

Jones fed fuel to the fire when he scolded Curtis within clear view to some 40,000 spectators for what he implied was Dickey's failure to get in position for a pass or throw a block to help him (Jones) out of trouble.

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Actually, films of the game did not indict Dickey as much as Jones.

They showed the young running back, obviously stymied in an attempt to get clear, faced with the problem of being sandwiched on Jet double coverage. The angle shown seemed to suggest that an attempt to block one or the other of his defenders could have resulted in a clipping penalty, especially when Jones tried to scramble by running the ball.

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Colts public relations assistant Lenny Moore talked with Dickey after the incident but declined to detail the nature of their conversation.

"We simply 'rapped' about things in general and when the discussion got around to the Sunday incident, I did all the talking.

"I let him know that I agreed with Jones in his assertion that shouting at teammates is no big deal. All quarterbacks do it.

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"Johnny U (Unitas) used to do it all the time. I would run a wrong pattern and J. U. would say, 'Hey Spats, you screwed me up, damnit.'

"Everybody got it — (Alan) Ameche, Raymond Berry, Jimmy (Orr), Art Spinney, Jim Parker, anyone — if something was missed.

"I did assure Curtis, however, that J. U. always did it in the huddle. And when we broke out of the huddle nobody in the stadium knew about it," Moore concluded.

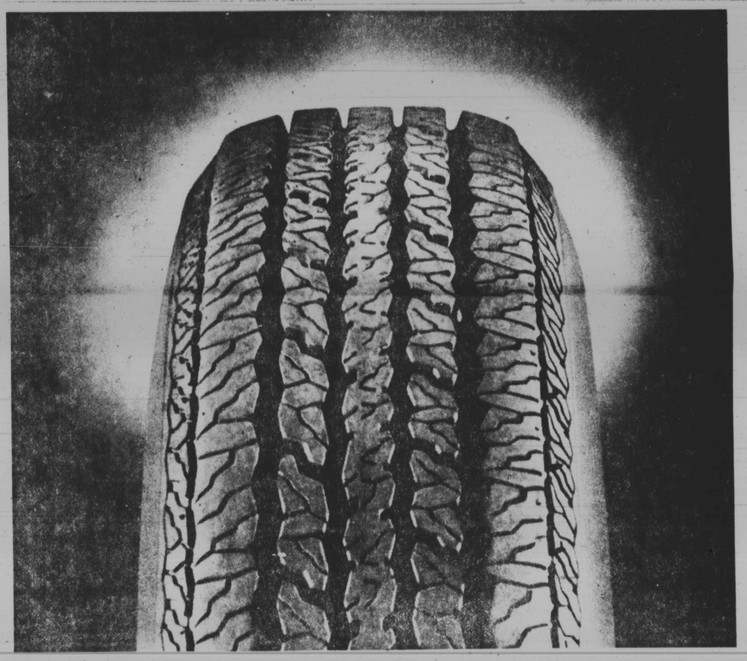
It was Lenny's feeling after the talk that Dickey (and Jones) will come out of the experience better players and with shared respect.

Whether that will be enough to help the cause Sunday remains to be seen.

The Eagles don't figure to be a cooperative testing agent.

Bert Jones can he find comfort?

Curtis Dickey is rapport destroyed?



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