Unique grads march with honors

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HUBBY - WIFE GRADS — Mrs. Chrisine E. Henry graduated with highest honors at UMES, in Princess Anne. She plans to study law. Also graduating, her husband, the Rev. Joseph A. Henry, pastor of Oakville - Cottage Grove Methodist Church. He will enter divinity school. The Henrys live in Berlin, MD.

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"BE ANYTHING YOU WANT" — That was the message famed educator Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, center, gave Community College of Baltimore grads, when he admonished them to ignore test scores which predict failure and cited cases of late bloomers, who have excelled. He is pictured with CCB president, Dr. Rafael Cortada, left and CCB board chairman, Charles Tildon Jr.

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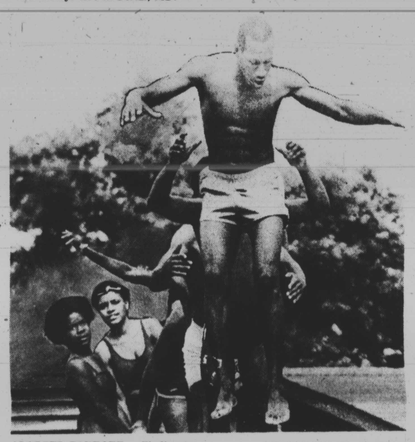
EASTERN SHORE GRADS — Commencement exercises at the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore (UMES in Princess Anne saw 125 receive awards). Left, Eward Goss III, of Baltimore, and Lily Odessa Green, of Pocomoke City, an honor graduate in business administration. Goss earned his degree in sociology.



ABORTED TAKEOFF — Finding he had bounced a bit too high, this youth decided to come down on the diving board again. Several people climbed onto the board at once, a potentially dangerous situation that seemed to go unnoticed.

AFRO Photo by Martin Evans

City pools— an urban oasis

The city's swimming pools opened this week, drawing thousands of squirming, squealing children, as well as some older folks, to the 44 pool sites scattered in parks and playgrounds all around town.

The pools opening's came in the nick of time, too. A spate of hot, humid, sticky weather has for the last several days turned Baltimore into an asphalt oven, making the free, public pools a timely bargain.

And one need only visit one of the pool sites, such as the double action facility at Druid Hill Park, to be assured that the kids have taken to the pools...well, like a duck to water.

Quack!

Buzzzzzz!

Actually if one forgets about the wet stuff for a moment the Druid Hill pools are more of a beehive than a duck pond. All kinds of activity buzzes among the swarms of kids who visit these urban swimming holes to frolic and cool in the water.

At the high diving board the line is 12 - feet long. Six are up on the board itself squealing encouragement to the next diver, who toes the edge nervously.

Boys shove unsuspecting girls from the pool's edge into the water, drawing shouts of protest betrayed by shy grins. Frequently the girls manage to turn the tables.

ASHBURTON AREA ASSOCIATION — Members of the Ashburton Association presented a check to Mayor William Schaefer on June 28 for the Blue Chip Summer jobs project providing jobs for youth. Members shown are Lillian Jones, James White, Catherine Brown, John Saunders, Richard Travarsari, Marjorie Washington and David Hill.

AFRO contest winners

New art created from old AFRO's

Ms. Gwen Patillo is the winner of the AFRO contest, in which readers were asked to submit original models made from old AFROs.

The winning entry was a newsboy. The head was a wad of paper, the body and legs were formed from corrugated paper and was mounted on a wire hanger, giving the appearance that he was walking. The form was covered with readable items from recent AFROs.

Carrying a paper with the headline, "The AFRO Needs You," the model took approximately three hours to construct.

When asked how she arrived at the idea, Ms. Patillo told the AFRO:

"When I first came to Baltimore, I was amazed to see little boys selling AFROs. Many of them were not as tall as an opened paper. They would board busses, holding the paper high so the headlines could be easily seen.

"I feel the AFRO is about selling papers so I used this as a basis for my entry."

Ironically it was for the same reason, the judges awarded Ms. Patillo first prize.

Ms. Patillo and her mother Mrs. Christina Ward were guests of the AFRO for dinner during the recent National Newspaper Publishers Association's convention held at the Hyatt Regency.

Mrs. Ward also was an entrant in the contest. Her paper mache vase and flowers was the first entry.

Ms. Patillo has been employed as a receptionist at Holiday Inn for the past 16 years and a Flair Studio model for 12 years. She attends the Grace Presbyterian church, where the Rev. William T. Peters, Jr. is minister.

This multi-talented young lady also has a hand in clay modeling and ceramics. She made all the costumes for a ballet recital held recently and still finds time to volunteer one day a week at the body building clinic for the Urban Services Agency.

Other contestants were Ms. Sheila Johnson, a Maryland Institute of Art student. She submitted a large fish. Mr. Robert Russell, a dog; Mrs. Janice Stewart, a car; and Ms. Wanda Cooper a Five Star.

CONTEST WINNER — Ms. Gwen Patillo, whose winning work was displayed at the Hyatt Regency Hotel during the recent National Newspaper Publishers Association convention, displays a photo of her AFRO sculpture.

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ANDY — Miniature Schnauzer owned by AFRO reporter Pam Widgeon, is a well behaved example of one of the 90,000 dogs owned by Baltimoreans. Andy and his canines are under tougher license restrictions.

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Lloyd Ross, director of Animal Control told the AFRO, "The law says whenever your dog is outside on private or public property, the dog must be wearing a license tag.

New license for dogs were to be obtained on July 1. After August 31, there will be a penalty.

Ross said the license serve as an identification for the animal in case he escapes. The $7.50 license may be purchased at the Animal Shelter at 222 N. Calvert St., or the Municipal Building, Lexington and Holiday Street.

In order to purchase the license, you must show your dog's valid rabie's certificate. Ross said approximately 90,000 citizens in Baltimore still own dogs.

Dogs can be cooled off by wiping the top of their head and the soles of their paws with cloths wet with cold water.

Before clipping your dog, always check with your veterinarian because some dogs should not be clipped. Do not tease or race pets when it is hot.

Provide your pet with protection from the sun and plenty of fresh water and never walk your dog through tall grass or wooded areas where ticks and fleas are found.

Eubie Blake hospitalized

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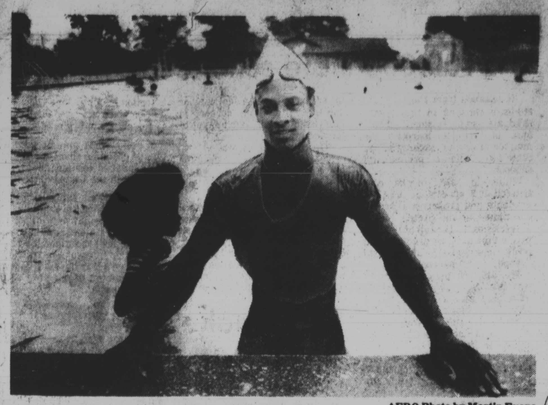

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SCHOLASTIC SWIMMER — Marvin Boswell, a member of the Douglass High School swim team, is one of thousands who have taken the edge off the summer's heat by visiting one of the city's public pools, including this one in Druid Hill Park.

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State Sen. Murphy will not run

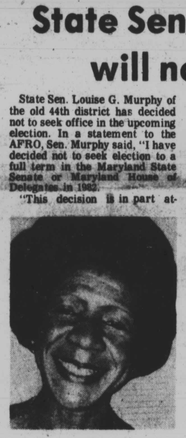
State Sen. Louise G. Murphy of the old 44th district has decided not to seek office in the upcoming election. In a statement to the AFRO, Sen. Murphy said, "I have decided not to seek election to a full term in the Maryland State Senate or Maryland House of Delegates in 1982.

"This decision is in part attributable to the political geographic circumstances resulting from reapportionment, which cancelled the seat, to my regard for the encumbents and certain non-encumbent candidates in the new 43rd and 44th districts and to my own personal and professional goals.

"I have discussed various options with many civic and political leaders in both districts. I thank them publicly for their courtesy and invitations to consider with them the possibility of joining tickets in various capacities.

My service in the Maryland State Senate, as successor to my friend Judge John Carroll Byrnes, has meant and continues to mean a great deal to me. I am very grateful for the opportunity to serve the citizens of the 44th district.

"I continuously worked and am working to make service of value to the total community of Northeast Baltimore, Baltimore City and the state of Maryland.



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FREE ENTERPRISE? Although construction of the Lexington Market expansion utilizes public funds, black contractor involvement is almost non - existent, and city representatives have been charged with conspiracy.

Minority contractors charge city, feds with bias

By Martin Evans
AFRO Staff Writer

Charging that the selection of contractors for the $11 million Lexington Market expansion deliberately excluded black and other minority-owned businesses, the Maryland Minority Contractors Association formally filed a $7 million lawsuit with the United States District Court in Baltimore Wednesday.

The suit charges several city officials and the Market Center Development Corporation, a quasi-public corporation which oversees the project, with conspiring to avoid compliance with city provisions calling for the inclusion of minority contractors in publicly funded construction projects.

The suit also charges U.S Department of Commerce Secretary Malcolm Balridge with failure to enforce non - discriminatory provisions which apply to federally funded projects. The city received funds from the Federal Economic Development Administration, an

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Detector inspection safeguards

Make firemen show I.D.

"If they don't have an I.D., don't let them in," Capt. Patrick Flynn, head of the city's Fire Department told the AFRO concerning the upcoming smoke detector inspections scheduled for next month.

After Aug. 1, local firemen, assigned to their immediate neighborhoods, will visit the homes of city residents to see if they have had their smoke detectors installed. As of July 1, a new state law required al residents in the state of Maryland, including Baltimore City, to have smoke detectors installed in their homes.

"We haven't started checking, yet. We're just knocking on doors to give out letters," Capt. Flynn said referring to information distributed by the firemen.

Earlier this week, firefighters began hand-delivering an envelope which contained fire prevention materials and information on the new law.

Each city resident will receive the envelope which will take a couple of weeks to deliver, Flynn said citing 176,000 residents have to receive the information.

In August, three or four firemen dressed in their uniform will show up at each home and check for the smoke detectors.

Flynn said the inspectors must show their picture identification card when entering the homes to check smoke detectors.

About three-fourths of the city have smoke detectors, Flynn said 80,000 homes still need smoke detectors.

Already, some 37,000 orders for smoke detectors have been placed with the fire department and 6,088 were given away, Flynn said.

Those residents who still need to order their smoke detector should visit the nearest fire station and fill out a blank order form.

Flynn said about 12,000 detectors were delivered earlier this week and at least another 15,000 are expected next week.

$100,000 state scholarship fund named for Dr. Welcome

A $100,000 fellowship program to provide educational assistance to black students who are candidates for the doctoral degree has been established by the State Board for Higher Education.

The program has been named the Henry C. Welcome Fellowship Program in honor of the late Dr. Henry C. Welcome, who practiced surgery in Baltimore City for 40 years and served the State's higher education community with distinction for 14 years as a member of two predecessor agencies to the State Board for Higher Education and as a member of the State Board, as well, until death in 1979.

Dr. Welcome's wife, State Senator Verda F. Welcome, who represents the State's 40th Legislative District, attended the July 1st meeting of the State Board for Higher Education when the fellowship program was formally approved by the board.

In her remarks, Sen. Welcome expressed her sincere appreciation and pride that the fellowship program had been named for her late husband.

The fellowship program was established to help correct the underrepresentation of black

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Schmoke's 'get tough on dope' program unveiled

Calling narcotics distribution the most serious cause of crime in Baltimore City, Kurt Schmoke, candidate for the Democratic nomination for state's attorney, pledged July 8, to make the war on narcotics the highest priority of his administration by creating a specialized narcotics strike force that will triple the resources currently devoted to the full time prosecution of drug cases.

Schmoke also promised to enforce fully a new state law authorizing the forfeiture to the city of a drug dealer's profits and to require all assistant state's attorneys to be full time prosecutors in the war against drugs.

The Strike Force will be a specialized, well staffed unit within the state's attorney's office, according to the 32-year-old Harvard Law School graduate, who made his announcement in the first of a series of statements on the major issues in the race for state's attorney. The major goal of the Strike Force "will be to identify the sources of serious narcotics traffic and to aggressively attack the sources by putting drug kingpins out of business."

Promising not to impose new taxes on already "overburdened taxpayers", Schmoke explained that the cost of his proposed Strike Force could be paid in two ways. First, Schmoke pledged to fully and aggressively implement Maryland's drug forfeiture laws.

These laws provide that any property used by drug dealers in narcotics transactions or bought with the profits of a drug deal can be forfeited to the city.

"I will work closely with the City Law Department to aggressively enforce these drug forfeiture laws so that it becomes clear that narcotics trade doesn't pay," the former Assistant United States Attorney said, noting that the revenue generated by implementation of the forfeiture laws could be used to help pay for drug prosecutors.

Second, Schmoke promised to require all assistant state's attorneys to work full time, noting that "many of the current assistant state's attorneys, including some in positions of

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Developer works to save Mt. Auburn cemetery

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PRESERVING HALLOWED GROUND — Bill Green, a young developer, works to save historic burial ground in West Port at a cost of hundreds of thousands of dollars. See Denise Tann's story on page 3.

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