Best Bets

Smithsonian Institute

Saturday, May 17, 12:30: STORYTELLING "Storytime at the Museum in Oral Tradition"

Saturday, May 17, 2 p.m.: LECTURE/DEMONSTRATION "The Art of the Mande Griots" Lecture by Dr. Charles Bird and Demonstration by modern griot Djimo Kouyate

Saturday, May 31, 1-3 p.m.: WORKSHOP "Bokolanfini: Bamana Decorated Cloths"

For further information concerning these May events, call (202) 357-2700.

BSO CONCERT SERIES

Friday, May 16 at 8:15 p.m. the BSO Concert Series will present "Celebrity Series." David Zinman, conductor and Jose Feghali, Piano.

Sunday, May 18, 7:00 p.m. Gala Pension Fund Benefit will be held; Danny Kaye and David Zinman will be conducting.

Thursday, May 22, 8 p.m. Westminster High School with David Zinman, conducting

Friday, May 23 at 8:15 "Favorites" Series with David Zinman conducting.

Thursday, May 29, 9:55 a.m. Open Rehearsal

Saturday, May 31, 8:15 p.m. "Pops" Series with Catherine Comet, conducting. This program will feature the music chosen in the audience poll which was taken during the March 29 performance.

THEATRE

"The Cain Mutiny Court-Martial"

Charlton Heston and Bert Cross will star in Herman Wouk's "The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial," produced by the John F. Kennedy Center for the performing arts. It will play a three week engagement at the Eisenhower Theatre in Washington, D.C., opening on Thursday, May 29. For more information, call (202) 254-3696.

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"Pendragon"

"Pendragon: A Tale of Young King Arthur," a dramatization of Arthurian Romance designed to introduce a new generation to one of the best known legends in world literature, will be performed by the professional adult company of the Children's Theatre Association at the Merrick Barn Theater on the campus of Johns Hopkins University on Saturday, May 24 at 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. For further information, call 225-0052.

"Shrew"

Baltimore City College will present "Shrew", the musical version of Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew," on May 16 and 17. Show time is 8 p.m. For further information, call 396-6430.

CONCERTS

Schools for the Arts

The Baltimore School for the Arts will continue the Spring Fever Performances with three music concerts from May 23 through May 28. All performances will begin at 8:00 p.m. and will be held at the School For the Arts. For information call 396-1185.

FILMS

Events for Children Enoch Pratt Library

Wednesday, May 2, Brooklyn Branch: "Pigskin Capers" and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," 3:30 p.m.

Northwood Branch,: "The Making of 'Star Wars" 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 22 Dundalk Avenue Branch, "Warty, the Toad" and "The Tender Tale of Cinderella Penguin," 3:30 p.m. Edmondson Avenue Branch: "Ice Storm" 3:30

Friday, May 23 Brooklyn Branch: "A Boy and a Boa" and "At your Fingertips: Boxes", 10 and 10:30 a.m.

Patterson Park Branch: "Hardware Wars" and "The Contest Kids," 3:15

EXHIBITS

"Blacks in the U.S. Congress"

The Lillie Carroll Jackson Museum will presentan exhibit entitled "Blacks in the U.S. Congress" starting May 17 and running through June 15. The exhibit consists of lithographs which date from 1870 through 1983. For more information, call 523-1208.

"Enoch Pratt's World"

"Enoch Pratt's World: A Centennial Exhibition", will be on display at the Central Library. Photographs, memorabila, documents, and newspaper articles recreate the life and times of the founder of the library. The exhibit will be on display through December, 1986. For more information, call 396-5494.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Baseball Tryouts

The Fourth and fifth tryouts for the Baltimore baseball team which will compete against a team from Kawasaki, Japan will be held on Sunday, May 18 and Sunday, May 25. Both tryout sessions will begin at 3 p.m. at the baseball diamonds located at the Herring Run Park, near Harford Road. Tryouts are opened to kids ages 12, 13, or 14. For more information, call 396-9786.

"All Nations Festival"

Baltimore's "All Nations Festival" will be held on Friday, May 30, Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1 at Festival Hall. Three day event will mark the kick-off of weekend ethnic festivals held throughout the summer. The event is seeking specialty entertainment and vendors, symbolic of the native countries, to participate in the festivities. Interested participants may call 396-3174 for additional information.

School No.33 - Art Center

School No.33 Art Center is now accepting applications for exhibition for the 1986-87 gallery season. Artists may apply in one of two ways: As an individual or as a group. Applications must be received at School No. 33 no later than June 15. For more details, call 396-4641.

"Theatre of Nations" Festival

Volunteers are now being recruited to work for the twentieth biennial "Theatre of Nations," a world event being hosted in the City of Baltimore from June 15 through June 29 at several locations. Volunteers will sell tickets, usher at the performances, act as house managers, etc. Persons interested in becoming involved in this event as a volunteer should call 625-4270.

Fells Point Reading Garden

Opening and dedication ceremonies for a new Reading Garden at the Fells Point branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library will be held on Saturday, May 17 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. The program will include a Maypole Dance performed by neighborhood children and a special performance of the Children's Theatre Association.

Superstar father, comedian and television star, Bill Cosby, brings family entertainment to the Capital Centre on Friday, May 23 at 8 p.m.

Area premiere at Seton High School

The Seton High School Drama Troupe is presenting the area premiere of **I Saved a Winter Just For You**, a play written for and by teenagers. Selected and organized by Tom Erhard, the poems, essays, and stories allow young award-winning writers to share their excitements and frustrations, their joys and fears, their achievements and heartaches as they try to communicate and mature in a world of family breakup and war.

The cast for this sometimes shocking and always entertaining drama includes seniors Karen Coker and Gretta Morgan, juniors Kym Coleman and Michelle Morrison, sophomore Rowena Ranola, and freshmen Amy Schultz, Sherri Weaver, and Kris McGowan.

Sophomore Tonya Brown serves as assistant to the director. All these young women are especially excited to have the chance to work with such honest and candid material.

English teacher Claire E. Brown is directing the production. Ms. Brown is experienced in all facets of the theater. Currently acting in the Pumpkin Theater production of **The Breenman Town Musicians**, she directed **The Cure of the Starving Class** for the Theater Collective in 1984.

The commitment of Ms. Brown and her students to this play is heightened by the fact that this will be Seton's first major spring production in four years.

I Saved a Winter Just For You will premiere on Friday, May 16, and Saturday, May 17, at 8 p.m. at Seton High School. Tickets cost $2.00 ($1.50 for students). Excitement already runs high.

As Karen Gregory, one of the young contributors, puts it, "I am fifteen years old and I love to write! Enclosed are a couple of my poems. Now I know they are not tremendously wise or anything, but they're me!"

For more information, call 396-5495.

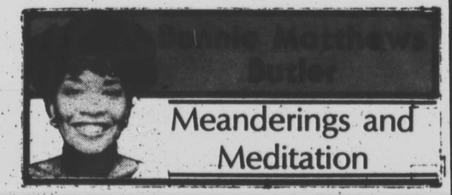
WORKSHOP

Job Hunting Strategies

Job hunting strategies will be the focus of a workshop at the Pratt Central Library on Wednesday, May 21 from 5:30-8 p.m. To register or for further information, call Pratt's Job and Career Information Center at 396-5394.

Visual Artists Alliance

The Visual Artists Alliance of Howard County will hold its annual Spring Show at Slayton Rouse Gallery in Columbia, MD on May 18. The exhibit will be on display through June 16. For further information, call 543-3636.



Meanderings and Meditation

A lot has happened since we talked with you last. Project Survival's Miss Nite Life Contest got off to a rousing beginning at the 32nd Street Plahza recently.

For those of you unfamiliar with this worthwhile organization, Project Survival has assisted Baltimore's youth in refining their academic and athletic skills by combining popular recreational activities (like basketball) with educationally oriented programs.

The Miss Nite Life contest is just one of the way's Project Survival raises money to fund these activities.

To get things started, **Lionel Jiggetts**, well-known musician around town, donated $1,000 so the kick-off could be held at the Plahza and along with his group, The Infinite Experience, **Lionel Jiggetts** also performed.

Councilman **Nathaniel McFadden** presented Lionel with a gorgeous thank-you plaque from Project Survival.

Club D.J., **Reggie K** was also on hand to spin the latest tunes on the first floor.

While **Lionel Jiggetts** kept the folks in the lounge on the second level listening, **Reggie K** kept the crowd dancing on the first level.

During the course of the evening, we presented the **Friday Plus** "Best in Entertainment" award to Reggie that night.

Reggie was one of the winners in the Best Club D.J. category in our survey contest held a couple of months ago. The other was **J. B. Brown** of V-103 and we'll be presenting his award at the 20 Grand shortly. We'll let you know the date.

Reggie K

Saturday, May 17 is **the** day for the ceremony and Champagne Party to benefit the Larry Dean Memorial Fund.

To begin the festivities, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Coppin State College, a ceremony will be held and a scholarship will be given to a Morgan State University student. **Damita Jo, Herb Kenny** of the Ink Spots and the **Morgan State University Jazz Combo** will be among the entertainment scheduled.

Starting at 10 p.m., the Fund will sponsor a Champagne Party at Godfrey's Famous Ballroom on Charles St. **Mary Wilson**, formerly of the Supremes will headline the show. Tickets for the all day affair are $35.

By the way, we always like to mention companies who sponsor worthwhile events to benefit the community and the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper and Budweiser have generously donated the cost of tickets to the Fund so that some of Larry Dean's students, who are graduating this year can attend the event. Three cheers to both of you!

Now's the time to enter our latest contest. If you've always wanted to "rap" with **The Fat Boys, Kurtis Blow, The Force M.D.'s** or **The Jets**, tell us in 25 words or less what you like about these groups and one lucky winner for each group mentioned will be chosen to meet their choice before the concert at the Baltimore Civic Center on June 7.

This is all a part of the Sprite/Fresh Festival III coming to the Civic Center.

Other acts who will appear on the show besides the four mentioned are: **UTFO, L.A. Dream Team, Joeski Love, Whistle,** and **Shabba Do** and **Schooly D.**

Keep your eyes on these pages 'cause the deadline is May 26 and the winners will be announced in the May 30th edition.

Remember though, you must use the official entry form to be eligible.

Merriweather Post Pavilion announced the Miller High Life Music concert Series recently and the line-up is impressive.

Chick Corea is there on June 26, **Billy Ocean** breezes through on June 28, Mr. Mister on July 25 and the **Temptations and the Four Tops** do their thing on July

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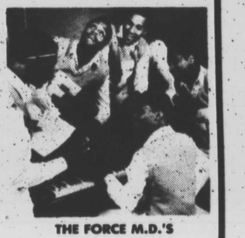

THE FORCE M.D.'S

Here's How To Win:

In 25 words or less, tell us why you would like to meet and "rap" with one of the recording artists. One winner per group will get the chance to talk with their favorite.

What You'll Win:

Four winners who write the most creative letters will get a chance to meet their favorite group, plus bring a guest to the concert.

There will be ONE winner per group.

Runner-Up: 2 tickets each per group

Remember: You must use this official entry form printed in the Tuesday or Friday Afro-American.
You can enter as often as you like.

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