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DID YOU KNOW?
The CRITERION IS PROUD . . .
because of its record of a generation and a half of service to the minority community of W. N. York, and because it is the only total and genuine minority medium completely produced in the inner-city for the betterment of inner-city citizens. Your sincere support will help to enlarge and improve its services. Drop by and watch the "WHOLE" area section while it is being printed!

Plans Are Being Completed To Open CO-OP Food Store In Lackawanna Soon

Venture Marks Second Attempt

It was shortly after Pearl Harbor Day, December 8, 1941 when attempted a Co-operative Food Store on Cecil Ave. in Lackawanna, N. Y. Some of the people who participated were the late Chas. Wiggins, Mr. Ed Dowdy Jacob, Mr. and Mrs. McGee, Harrison Jones and Waverly Jones.

After several years' duration, Jones moved out on one side and the others on the other side of the fence.

Within the past years efforts have been renewed than the citizens, through the Friends of Judy Hayes, will soon make a second attempt at a Co-Operative Food Store to be located between A & P and Grocery in Ridge Road and Cecil Ave.

Further plans are being made and announcements will be issued within the next few days.

One minority store has been in operation for a long time in a neighborhood on Broadway in Buffalo. The A & P Food Store has been in operation for the two minority owned stores located in Buffalo.

Mrs. O. Glenn To Be Cited For Sincere Service

The Impressions Program with Mrs. Ruth Glenn, Mrs. Ruth Glenn will be cited for service to St. Paul Baptist Church in Buffalo, N. Y., on Sunday April 29th at 3 p.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. Leon Sullivan of Philadelphia. Lead Soloist will be Mrs. Jack W. Pickens. It has been a long time.

Carnival Comm. Offers Hope For The Disturbed

"The quality of human life is fundamentally interwoven of attach an individual experience of joy and sorrow." Joseph Campbell, one of the most mentally esteemed patients in France.

"Happiness Is A Carnival—" ed than an individual plus a great variety of beneficial experiences. Happiness is the sum total of the Carnival Experience.

The another, passive reference begins to emerge, with the anticipation of a carnival through the efforts of an Carnival Committee and of the Carnival Staff.

A Twilight opt spend in their lives and they discovered an emotion that leaded a spark of interest in what happened would being.

Patience, diligentes and the ability to wait for results, was to a code of life defined matched by the outside.

"Happiness Is A Carnival" stimulated the residents' minds. It gave them something to talk about being a part of the Carnival. Six months 'til opens, the event did not perform a miracle, but it did make life less boring more exciting and interesting for those who participated.

This year "Happiness Is A Carnival" will take place CARNIVAL COMM.

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Postal Customer Council Session May 2nd

Plans have been announced for the Wednesday, May 2, meeting of the Buffalo Postal Customer Council.

The session will convene promptly at 11:30 a.m. at the Executive Manor Inn, 243 Delaware St., near the Airport. The Council is an organization of U.S. Postal Service customers who share a common interest in good mail service.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Walter Hanlon, Assistant Postmaster General for Consumer Affairs, Philadelphia, Pa.

Further data for meeting reservations may be made by April 27, Please contact Mr. Richard Bryant, Secretary, Distributing Company at 896-1919 or Mr. Ed Dowdy, The Magnificent, 884-2264.

Mayor Gets Grant For Park Lands

Mayor Stanley M. Makowski announced today that the federal government is signed a contract authorizing a grant in the amount of $171,000 for the acquisition of Buffalo's urban lands in Buffalo.

The 8.5 acres of open will be matched by the city under the Urban Land Acquisition Program. The land acquisition for park areas will include certain parcels of open space such as ball fields, seating facilities, and other areas for recreation, landscaping.

Portions of 28 parks and playground areas are to be acquired under the program. They are: Cazenovia Park, Chief Playground, Bedford Playground, Schiller Park, Memorial Field, Linwood Playground, Humboldt Parkway, Lafayette Field, Riverside Park, Seneca Park, Jesse Nash, Jackson Park, Delaware Park, Laffalo Playground, Parkside Recreation Center and Willert Park.

FOR SENIOR CITIZENS—

Named Program Director

Don Townsend, Jr., Assistant Director of Recreation Promotion and Sales of the Arthur A. Fisher Agency, 228 Brisbane Bldg., General Agent for the International Life Insurance Co. of Buffalo, has been named Program Director of St. Francis Residence, Sponsored by Catholic Charities and Edson 114th Center, 165 Hinsdale St.

The program will serve senior citizens within the area boundary; north, by E. Ferry; south, by Best St.; west, by Jefferson Ave., east, by Fillmore Ave., with emphasis on concentrations on a first-come basis.

Mr. Townsend has been active in and concerned for affairs over 35 years and has served on many committees and groups as an organizer and coordinator. Educated at the Wharton School of Business Administration and Commerce, Philadelphia, Pa., and Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pa., he has served business administration, accounting and economics program director.

He organized and coordinated and served as President of the Main-Filmore-Ferry Little League Baseball Program during the late 1950s. He was Chairman of the Board in the U. S. Marine Corps and 1st Lt. in the 6th during World War II and organized and coordinated the Marine Corps Reserve in this segment of the Buffalo community.

He resides with his wife, Mrs. Mildred Kirk Townsend and three children, at 15 Dell Place, Buffalo.

Links, Criterion Salute Mrs. W. Hardiman

The Buffalo Chapter of Links, Inc., joined in an resource that Thelma A. Hardiman (Mrs. Warren) was elected to the office of Eastern Area Director of the Links, Inc., their organization which is Philadelphia, Pa., April 19.

Mrs. Hardiman has served as president of Buffalo Chapter and is general chairman of the Buffalo Chapter's annual Debutante Ball, the Clarkson Mentorship Ball, the Arthur A. Fisher Agency, and president of the Buffalo Area Council of PWO.

The national organization is composed of 5,000 all adult women and the Buffalo College Fund. The local organization donated $2,110 to Bethel, Cecil and Lafayette Neighborhood Centers.

The Buffalo Links are having 375 high school graduates, sponsored by Mrs. Warren W. Jones, scholarship chairman, if they will apply for a scholarship. The will be given from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. tomorrow.

FOR BUFFALO AND ROCHESTER

Stevie Wonder Scheduled

On Sunday, April 29 at 7:30 p.m., Stevie Wonder, the Blind Boy from Detroit, will be in concert at the Auditorium. Tickets are now on sale at the Auditorium and at Ticketron.

Stevie Wonder is one of the most of top hits, will appear in the Buffalo Auditorium.

The following evening, Monday April 30 at 7 p.m., he will appear in the Rochester Auditorium.

In the last few months the Wonder has released three hits in succession with the Bellfield album ("Talking Book" on Motown's Tamla label) has been sitting in the album charts since the latter date. Wonder's latest single, "Superstition," easily rated in number one on the soul charts.

Wonder's other top hits include "Signed, Sealed, Delivered I'm Yours," "I Was Made To Love Her," "You Met Your Match," "For Once In My Life," and "Uptight (Everything's Alright)."

Wonder's appearance among the many who enjoyed the gala event.

Rev. Armstrong Seeks Board of Education Post

An action community worker, a Civil Rights Commission employee, a member of the NAACP and Clergy's the minority candidate out of a field of 12 who are seeking a position on the Board of Education in Tom Mac. Hardman has served as president of Buffalo Chapter and is general chairman of the annual Debutante Ball, the Clarkson Mentorship Ball, the Arthur A. Fisher Agency, and president of the Buffalo Area Council of PWO.

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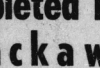

Dan Smith, 62, RSVP volunteer from White Plains, N. Y., delights third and fourth graders at Highview Elementary School in Hartsdale, with riddles and tales and the music of the Jew's harp and harmonica. In spite of blindness, he performs in schools in the Greenburgh School District, twice a week.

Community University Day May 6th

Community University Day will be held on Sunday May 6th, from 1 to 6 p.m. at Buffalo State University of New York at Buffalo.

Community University Day is the first two year program of Buffalo State. It is a joint venture of this college, a similar event is planned the same day at Erie Community University Day will be a day for students who plan to attend Erie Community College in the fall.

The planned events are: Tours to introduce the people of Western New York, to the diversity, environment and relevance of Buffalo State College.

The day's activities will also give counselors and September 1973 freshmen students an opportunity to visit the University.

President Robert E. Keller and Dr. Robert Kerley, with the Presidential A.J. representative will be present to welcome visitors at 108 Harvey Hall, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Bus Tours in the North Campus area will be offered (weather permitting) and exhibits, with house tours and the parking area are more of Lockwood Library, Cassety hall and Jacobs Hall. Last bus departs at 1 p.m.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CENTER

Fed. Community Day April 26

Everything you ever want to know about Government services (at a single, easy and desired—but do not know who to ask—will be available at the Fed. Community Day to be held Thursday, April 26, at the St. Augustine's Center, 184 Fillmore Ave., from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This program will allow members of the community to question any of the representatives of the participating governmental agencies concerning the types of courses and services their respective agencies have to offer.

The advantages of enrolling in one of the several government training programs will be outlined in detail in handout pamphlets.

Competitive wage scales and opportunities for continued training will be discussed along with many other information topics.

Everyone — regardless of experiences — who is concerned about holding a more secure future, is urged to be in attendance at this program.

Benefit Bridge Luncheon Slated

The Nifty-Nines Bridge Club will sponsor a Benefit Bridge Luncheon on Saturday, May 12th at 12:30 p.m. The president, Mrs. Vivian Williams, has announced the following committee chairmen:

General Chairman, Mrs. Mildred Kirk Cochran, Mrs. Jane Cunningham; Sec., Mrs. Evelyn Gieger; Tickets, Mrs. Odie Scott; Prizes, Mrs. Jennie Williams; Hostesses, Mrs. Evelyn Long, Mrs. Hattie Clement and Mrs. Myrtle Anderson.

Tickets are available from Friday members of the club. Bridge and door prizes will be given.

MERY GIFFTIN PRESENTS TOUR OF BLACK MUSIC IN AMERICA (OR, U —

Isaac Hayes & Stax-Memphis Sound Apr. 27

Two hundred years of black history are surveyed in musical review, "Black Journey" and "Jesse Griffin Presents Isaac Hayes and the Stax/Memphis Sound" on WNED-TV, Channel 17 Friday, April 27 at 9 p.m.

Starring are Academy and Grammy Award winner Isaac Hayes, Memphis Soul Revival, and singer Carla Thomas. The Gospel Singer Taylor, is a lead singer, gospel choir, sung by the Angels Singers.

Black music is backed by a 40-piece orchestra, the Memphis Symphony, directed by Jack Vegas. Comedian Jackie Vegas "Comedy's Pacifist."

In the hour-long special, Hayes, known as the Black Moses, performs "Let Me Love You Tonight" and "Ike Turner Medley" showcasing these from "Shaft" to the Jackson Five's medley of the lovely and lively Isaac Hayes Dances.

Mery Griffin, celebrated talk show host, brings his considerable stage talents between the musical numbers.

The stars perform in solo, duet, and ensemble to their soulful, moving rendition of "Black Journey."

Other singing highlights in the program are by the following artists: Carla Thomas, "Tell Mama," Luther Ingram, "Sho Love Is On the Spot," Isaac Hayes, "Let Me Love Tonight" "I'm In Love With You"; Johnnie Taylor "Disappointed," Albert King: "I'll Sing the Blues Tonight."

COCKTAIL PARTY

Buffalo Negro Scholarship Committee Cocktail Party will be held Friday, June 29, 8 to 11, of Delaware Park Casino.

PHOTO BELOW — This attractive couple spread greetings for a Criterion cameraman during a recent social held at Marcus Hall. Charles Wiggins, a salesman in Kirkland's Men's Store Shoe Dept., and Miss Joann Wilson, both of Lackawanna, have among the

PHOTO BELOW.—Rep. Barbara Jordan (2nd from left) D-Tex., was honored in Washington at a major reception given by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. In the receiving line with congresswoman Jordan are (from left) Mrs. Thelma Daley, Delta 1st national vice president, Mrs. Adele Airdrie (member of the Congresswoman), and Mrs. Lillian P. Benbow, national president of the public service sorority.