



# Newsletter

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# Knights Gridders Come up Short in Quest of a State Title

The City Knights compiled a 10-0 regular season record and swept all opposition aside on their way to a Baltimore City A Conference championship. The final game of the regular season was satisfying 44-8 rout of the a Poly Engineers in the 118<sup>th</sup> renewal of **City**-Poly on Veterans' Day at M&T Bank/ Ravens Stadium. The 2006 team went into their season determined to improve upon an 11-2 and #10 ranking in 2005. The defense recorded eight shutouts and limited their opponents to 24 points through eleven conference and playoff games. Leading the defense unit were linebacker **Dominick Roseborough,** defensive back Joshua Rushing, linebacker Kyle Brooks, lineman Chris Hale, defensive end William Makell, defensive end Zion Pyatt, and linebacker Earl Townes. That same unit recorded 31 quarterback sacks in 2005. Leading the offense (which scored 316 points in

regular season games) were running backs Roseborough and Townes, quarterback **Ellis Foster**, and running back **Brian Dunston**. Only three members of the Knights' 2005 team graduated last spring. They were replaced by two 2005 standouts from other programs who transferred to play for **City** in 2006 – All Baltimore County lineman **James Carmon** (6'7" 325 lbs)from Overlea and 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All Baltimore City defensive back/receiver **Sheldon Waller** from Douglass.

After blanking Mervo in their first play off game, City faced the unranked Franklin Indians in the Class 3A regional final at Poly. It was an intense defensive struggle with each team scoring only one touchdown. The difference: City missed its try for a two point conversion while Franklin kicked an extra point to make the final score Indians 7-Knights 6. Did City look ahead to a promised matchup with #1 ranked River Hill in the State Semifinal and take Franklin too lightly? Maybe! But the root cause was the failure of the **Knights** to add an extra point or points after their touchdown. In an ironic twist, two Baltimore City high school teams – the Dunbar Poets and the Edmondson Red Storm—won the state championships in their divisions. Only one team beat both during the 2006 season – the City College Knights. City players figured prominently in the Sun newspaper end-of-season All-Metro and All-Baltimore City teams. Carmon was selected to both first teams on defense and the Associated Press All-State Team, Roseborough was first team All-City and second team All-Metro on offense, Waller was first team All-City on offense, Pratt was first team All-City on defense. Foster was second team All-City on offense, and Townes and Rushing were All-City on defense. On college recruitment day, Waller committed to play for the Morgan State Bears. Wait until next year!

### **Streaking Knights**

Were you aware that **City College** grid and hardwood teams compiled some impressive unbeaten strings over the years?

The Knights went eight seasons and 54 games (1934 to 1941) without defeat. [Editor's note: That unbeaten streak ended on Christmas Night 1941 in the hot Miami Orange Bowl when the #2-ranked Knights were shut down 26 to 0 by the Miami High Stringerees ranked #1 in the USA.]

The Knights 1965 team was another "super" team that swept its opponents by lop-sided scores and earned a #8 ranking in a nationwide survey. In his featured column in the *Sun* newspaper, **Gregory P. Kane BCC'69** wrote about the 1965 **City-Poly** game won by the **Knights 52-6.** Apparently running back **Kenneth** "**Kenny" B. Dutton BCC'66** 

entered the game needing only ten yards to break the MSA rushing records but didn't get to carry the ball once. However, Dutton excelled on defense and was the game's most valuable player. Members of that team marked the 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary of their "super" season last fall at a reunion organized by defensive back **Norman P. "Oogie"**Watkins BCC'66. ... A three-season City unbeaten gridiron skein was snapped 21-20 by BPI in 1996.

On the court, **Knight** cagers went undefeated in competition from December 1965 through February 1967. During that period, City compiled two consecutive 20-0 seasons. On February 27, 1967, Coach **Jerry Phipps'** team won its 40<sup>th</sup> game in a row when they routed Mt. St. Joseph 65-44 for the city title in a game at the old Civic Center (now 1<sup>st</sup> Mariner Arena) that was on TV and radio. With a starting five of Marvin Bass '67, Charles L. "Chucky" Blue '68, Sam Brown '68, Leonard D. Hamm '67 and Hall of Fame member, and Gerry Owens '67; it was the first City team to start five African-American players. Blue, Brown, Hamm, Owens, and Coach Phipps got together at The Castle to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their season to remember.

# Knight Gridders to Change Playoff Brackets for 2007 Season

As occurs every two years, the Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association has shuffled teams in its brackets for the state championships. This year's competition in football will see City move from Class 3A to Class 2A. The Knights competition in that bracket will include Eastern Tech and Woodlawn from Baltimore County and Edmonson and Poly from Baltimore City.

# BCC Scholar/Athlete Stands behind College Choice

Sheldon Bell BCC'06 and his family remain comfortable with his decision to attend and play football for Duke University, Bell, who was a wide receiver/defensive back for the Knights and selected on the 2005 Sun newspaper All-Metro defensive first team, was approached with many scholarship offers before signing a letter of intent with Duke. The Bell family reaffirmed that choice despite the furor that surrounded the Duke lacrosse team in the spring of 2006 and a football season that saw the Blue Devils finish 0-9 during his 2006 freshman year. After attending **BCC** where most of the student body was black, Bell claims he had no trouble adjusting to life on the Durham NC campus where most of his classmates are white.



# BCC Basketball Programs on the Upswing

Coach Mike Daniel's men's team started off the 2006-2007 season with the very successful BCCAA Mixer held at the City gym featuring teams from Digital Harbor, McDonough, Northwestern, and Woodlawn along with the Knights. Coach Daniel's starting five included four Class of 2009 sophomores – Antonio and William Barton, Adam Johnson, and Rick Rodwell and Devin Brown BCC'07. William Barton was named Athlete of the Week by the Sun newspaper after he scored 16 points, pulled down six rebounds, had five assists, and blocked two shots when City stopped previously unbeaten Lake Clifton 58-54. The Knights also stopped #13 ranked Dunbar 71 to 63. City's momentum carried them as far as the regional finals and to a 20-5 record.

**Coach George Petrides', BCC'67** and Hall of Fame member, 2006-2007 women's team

played in the city championship game for a fourth consecutive year. The Lady Knights put up a great fight but fell 53-47 to their traditional rivals – a rallying Western Doves five. Finishing off an 18-8 season, the Lady Knights lost for a third time to Western in the regional finals. There's reason for optimism for next season as this year's starting five included two (2010) freshmen, two (2009) sophomores, and one senior. Kia Baker's BCC'07 role was as a defensive specialist and oncourt mentor to her younger teammates. Baker carries a 3.5 grade point average and hopes to play a little basketball while studying sports medicine in college.

# Knight Natators Place and Show in City Championships

BCC's swimmers played second and third fiddle to Poly in the Baltimore City Championships. The boys' team finished in second place 117 points behind the Engineers while the girls' team finished 251 points behind Poly and 139 points behind the Western Doves.

# Knight Grappler Repeats as City Champion

Kamar Gainey was a bright light for City in the Baltimore City wrestling title finals dominated by champion Edmondson's Red Storm.
Gainey won his second title in a row in the 171 pound weight class.

## Hall of Fame Coach Eclipses 200 Mark for Career Victories

Coach George Petrides – BCC'67, Hall of Fame member, and BCCAA Governor – has passed the 200 win plateau for his illustrious four-decade career on the sidelines at Alumni Field. The Knights stellar 2006 season brought his total of grid coaching victories to 205.

Coach Jerry Phipps also had some amazing success with his teams on the basketball court. During eight seasons at City, Coach Phipps' charges won four MSA championships. After moving to Community College of Baltimore; Coach Phipps' team there won 12 state junior college titles and five regional championships. Now retired at age 77, Coach Phipps resides at Loganville PA.

#### **BCC** in the Media

Phil Bass, BCC'71 and BCCAA Immediate Past President, got a surprise last fall while watching a CBS Evening News report during which potential voters in Connecticut were interviewed about the off-year elections. One of those interviews was his classmate – Tommie Jackson BCC'71.

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# An Appreciation of BCC from a BCPSS official

Last fall, after receiving congratulatory correspondence from a BCCAA board member emeritus, Sharon Kanter, a newly appointed area academic officer for the Baltimore City Public School System, responded with a letter which included the following compliment regarding those dedicated to the perpetuation of the Baltimore City College: "Baltimore City College is one of our flagship schools that continue to graduate students who go on to Ivy League colleges and other prestigious universities. It is a tribute to the teaching staff, the administrators and to you, the alumni, who provide that needed support and resources to help our students excel."

### Baltimore City School Board "Lowers the Bar"

A proverbial "hornets' nest" was stirred up shortly before the 2006-2007 school year started when the Baltimore City School Board lowered the minimum passing grade in all city schools from 70% to 60%. The academic situation became an issue in the Maryland Gubernatorial campaign pitting incumbent Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. against Baltimore Mayor Martin O'Malley. Mayor O'Malley said the move brought city schools into sync with other schools in Maryland while Governor Ehrlich decried the move, saying it lowered expectations for students with great potential. City's passing grade was hiked to 70% in 1994 by then Principal Joseph M. Wilson while passing at Poly was set at 70% in the 1960s. Some observers complained that 72% in city schools was equal to a 62% grade in County schools. In his featured column in the *Sun* newspaper, Gregory P. Kane BCC'69 suggested that principals at City and Poly have discretion to set the minimum passing grade for their schools where they feet it should be. Among those lamenting that standards were lowered was Poly's assistant principal Craig Woolson—a City alumnus.

# A Part of our Educational Experience is Slowly Vanishing

Most of us on our journey from grade six in elementary school to **City** spent two or three years in a middle (or junior high as they were known then) school. Under a revised plan, the Baltimore City Public School System keeps students in elementary schools through grade eight and starts them in high school at grade nine. This means middle or junior high schools are being phased out and closed. Already closed or on their way out are familiar names like Calverton, Chinquapin, Clifton Park, Diggs-Johnson, Garrison, Hamilton, Harlem Park, Highlandtown, William H. Lemmell, Lombard, Thurgood Marshall, Dr. Roland S. Patterson, Pimlico, Robert Poole, Roland Park, Southeast, Booker T. Washington, Winston, etc.

Some Freshmen are now being prepared to enter City by the new and highly successful KIPP Ujima Village Academy that serves Northwest Baltimore students in grade five through eight. Statistics show that 99% of the students in the Academy are African-American and 86% qualify for free or reduced-price lunches. The public school's stated goal is to prepare its students for success in college and the competitive world. [Editor's note: The two articles below were submitted by a BCC alumnus. The opinions contained within are not necessarily those of the Baltimore City College Alumni Association, its individual members and officers, or the Newsletter editor.]

# A Request to End International Baccalaureate at The Baltimore City College

At an October 2, 2006 meeting, the Baltimore City College Alumni Association resolved that the International Baccalaureate program at the Baltimore City College should be terminated at the conclusion of the 2006-2007 school year with the exception of providing only senior year International Baccalaureate instruction for the Class of 2008 in the 2007-2008 school year. The resolution also asks for initiation of an exclusively college preparatory A Course and B Course curriculum for the Baltimore City College at the beginning of the 2007-2008 school year.

In the early 1990's the A Course was eliminated from the City College curriculum by then Principal Joseph L. Antenson. Antenson contended the A Course discriminated racially. (Antenson eventually was transferred out of the school's principalship after the absence of leadership at City College led to a vote of no confidence by the Alumni Association.)

Rather than restore the A Course to the City curriculum, Joseph M. Wilson, the principal at BCC who followed Antenson, opted for the adoption of the off-the-shelf International Baccalaureate program for the school. The probable intent was to counter the academic decline at the school caused by several years of ineffective administration along with the elimination of the A Course. And a prominent Baltimore foundation with a penchant for social engineering may have

encouraged the adoption of the International Baccalaureate.

Although there is an International Baccalaureate mystique for some in public high school education, International Baccalaureate has led to a troubling situation at City College. In the past, A Course content in several subjects were duplicated for certain B Course classes at City College. On occasion, some B Course students even found themselves in a class with the A Course students. The rigid, though proven, protocol of the International Baccalaureate precludes any similar A to B cross fertilization for the intellectual challenge and stimulation within the City College curriculum. What's more, the presence of International Baccalaureate tends to complicate course scheduling.

City College's rival for Baltimore City public high school prospects with academic potential, the Polytechnic Institute, has retained it's A Course and B Course curriculum with exceptional results. Standardized test scores prove that at Poly the level of aspiration and level of accomplishment are stimulated across the board. Poly also has maintained a more beneficial female/male student ratio than City.

In three counties around Baltimore City, only two counties use the international Baccalaureate curriculum. Only two of the four high schools offering it have a longstanding reputation for academic success.

The International Baccalaureate curriculum as an option of 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students was initiated at Baltimore City College in 1998.

Planning by the current BCC administration which would make the Baltimore City College 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum exclusive Middle Years International Baccalaureate has been stymied by the finding of an International Baccalaureate accreditation team. In Fall, 2006, the accreditators determined that potential feeder middle schools could not provide sufficient qualified students for the proposed, exclusively Middle Years International Baccalaureate curriculum in the BCC 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade at BCC.

If Baltimore City College were to become an exclusive 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade International Baccalaureate high school, a student who left IB due to academic difficulty or a change in interests would be compelled to leave BCC for another high school. (There has never been remedial summer school instruction for IB courses.) Had BCC been exclusively IB several years ago, one young man could not have

dropped the IB curriculum, remained at BCC to graduate and the subsequently been awarded degrees by Harvard College and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The same young man served as the student member of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners.

### **Antennaes Removed from Castle Tower**

For the first time in over a half century, there are no more antennae of any kind on the tower of the Castle on the Hill.

After Baltimore City Public School System initiated masonry repair for the tower in December, 2005 – including reconstruction of the turret, the Alumni Association requested that every one of the numerous communication antennae – approximately one dozen – be removed from the tower in conjunction with the almost \$400,000 project.

Vigorously, the Alumni
Association pursued removal of
the antennae. The Alumni
Association along with the
Maryland Historical Trust and
the Baltimore City Commission
for Historical and Architectural
Preservation shared the
contention that the various
antennae were structurally
damaging and were aesthetically
inappropriate.

Initially, as reported in the February 27, 2006 edition of the *Baltimore Sun* newspaper, the soon-to-depart chief operating officer of the Baltimore City Public School System said the communication antennae would not be removed from the tower. A few days later, at the March 6, 2006 meeting of the Alumni Association board, the school system central administration

executive, reading from a prepared statement, did a complete reversal and announced that all of the antennae would be removed from the Castle tower.

Probably in 1951, the first antennae placed on the Castle tower was a broadcasting device for WBJC-FM. The placement occurred during the less than auspicious tenure of Chester H. Katenkamp BCC'15 whose allegiance was split between his simultaneously held positions of City principal and Baltimore Junior College president. The nascent junior college occupied space on the third floor of the Castle. Eventually the WBJC antennae was removed after the Baltimore Junior College and its radio station relocated to the former Park School campus at Liberty Heights Avenue and Druid Park Drive.

Beginning in the 1990's, numerous telephonic antennae were attached to the Castle tower. Details of the lease agreements with various private cell phone companies have yet to be determined. The cell phone antennae have been moved by the lessees to the other locations on the school building roof.

An archives photograph from the late 1920's shows a sizeable weather vane extending skyward from the roof of the tower turret. With fixed compass point marks, the wind direction indicator is the silhouette figure of a man, perhaps Robert Boyle, touching a sphere with a rod. Possibly the weather vane also served as a lightning rod.

#### The Heat was Off

During a cold wave in February classes were cancelled or curtained for ten days in a row in The Castle. City schools were closed due to snow on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> and students reported late or were dismissed early on February 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Classes were cancelled on February 12<sup>th</sup> and students sent home early on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> due to no heat or other weather related problems in the building. February 19<sup>th</sup> was the Presidents' Day Holiday.

### **Alumni Passings**

#### **BCC'25**

William Bradford Banks, during a 40-year career with the old Lord Baltimore Press, developed a color process known as Fidel-I-Tone. Banks' innovation led Lord Baltimore Press to reach the top of the packaging industry and attract customers such as Coca Cola, McCormick & Co., and Revlon. After serving as president of Lord Baltimore Press, Banks moved to New York City as vice president of its parent firm – International Paper Co. After retiring in 1971, Banks was an active fund raiser for his Johns Hopkins University class endowment and exhibited his watercolor painting of Connecticut farms and seascapes in one-man shows in New England and Baltimore.

Harry Ressin was the father of Norman R. Ressin, D.D.S. BCC'57 (Rockville MD).

#### **BCC'28**

Harry I. Kaplan was the father of Norman M. Kaplan BCC'63

Joseph Kolker was the brother of the late Sidney Kolker also BCC'28.

#### **BCC'29**

Joseph Vincent Tumminello worked at his father's produce stall in Lexington Market while attending BCC. Employed by the old A&P (now Super Fresh) food store chain for 35 years, Tumminello retired as the chain's produce supervisor for Central Maryland, the Eastern Shore, and neighboring parts of Delaware. During his tenure in that position, Tumminello insisted that A&P stores in his area (where possible) sell only greens, melons, peaches, tomatoes, etc. that were grown in Maryland. He was 96 at his death.

#### **BCC'31**

Nathan Zanvyl Goldberg was a brother of the late Paul J. Goldberg BCC'37 and residing at Boca Raton FL at the time of his death.

#### **BCC'32**

**Bernard James Burke** played semi-pro baseball and joined the U.S. Army Medical Corps prior to WWII. Discharged after contracting tuberculosis, Burke became a liquor salesman upon his recovery and worked for 45 years for Pierce & Hebner and Kronheim Co. before retiring in 1985. A coach of church, high school, and recreation council teams, Burke also supported lacrosse programs at Lycoming College, University of New Hampshire, Towson University, and Villa Julie College and was a "die-hard" University of Notre Dame rooter.

Allen O. Liberatore was the brother of the late Edward and Samuel Liberatore – both BCC'31.

William Robert Miller excelled in lacrosse while at **BCC** and coached junior varsity lacrosse while attending St. John's College in Annapolis after an injury ended his playing days. Miller's WWII service was with the U.S. Coast Guard where he served aboard weather ships and helped rescue pilots who crashed during training flights over Chesapeake Bay. A former Diebold Inc. employee. Miller developed an alcohol problem at age 37. After joining Alcohol Anonymous, Miller hadn't had a drink in 56 years and devoted his time to help others with their battles with addiction. During the early 1980s, Miller served for a time as executive director of a local residential facility where

alcohol and drug addicts are treated – Tuerk House.

Louis Haberer "Tank" **Tankin, M.D.** - as the son of a surgeon – earned degrees from JHU and U of MD Medical School and completed internship and residency at Sinai Hospital before being activated as a reserve for WWII duty. As a U.S. Army Medical Corps battalion surgeon, Dr. Tankin participated in the invasion of North Africa and landed on the Normandy beaches on June 10. 1944. Taken prisoner two months later while trying to cross enemy lines to treat wounded Americans, Dr. Tankin was confined at Stalag Oflag 64 in Szubin, Poland until German guards fled before an advancing Russian army. After returning to Baltimore, Dr. Tankin was chief of urology at what is now Northwest Medical Center and in private practice until retiring in 1990. Into riding horses and collecting Western art, Dr. Tankin joked that he was a "Jewish Cowboy." Dr. Louis Tankin was the brother of **Richard Samuel Tankin** (Evanston IL) BCC'42.

#### **BCC'33**

#### Charles Patterson McCausland Jr. D.D.M.

opened a practice on West Pennsylvania Avenue in Towson in the late 1930s before enlisting for WWII service as a captain in the U.S. Army Dental Corps. Before retiring from practice in 1982, Dr. McCausland was a charter member/president of the Baltimore County Dental Association, president of the Maryland Board of Dental Examiners, and an examiner for the Northeast Regional Board of Dental Examiners. During a quarter-century of retirement, Dr. Causland divided his time between a home in Worthington

Valley and a tobacco farm in St. Mary's County where he caught rockfish right out of the Chesapeake Bay.

#### **BCC'34**

**Leonard Cohen** was the brother of the late **William Cohen BCC'28.** 

Harold Lester was the brother of the late David Lester BCC'31.

Gerard I. Naron worked at the old Glenn L. Martin Co. aircraft plant in Middle River before building and repairing bridges in Belgium in the later stages of WWII as a U.S. Army sergeant. After the War, Naron and his late brother-in-law James Zellick Ross (nee Rosenberg) BCC'35 co-founded and operated the Naron Candy Co. for four decades. Naron was a head of production and Ross ran the front office. After a 1996 merger with Mary Sue Candies Inc., the company was finally sold to new owners in 2001, but the Naron brand name still exists. Gerard Naron was the brother of Sylvan Naron BCC'37.

Walter E. Uebersax attended what is now Towson University and taught for a time in city schools before joining the family business – the Fenwick Bakery – then located less than a mile from The Castle. In 1971, Uebersax planned the bakery's move to its present location on Harford Road in Parkville. Before selling his business to employees and retiring in 1995, Uebersax made his Fenwick Bakery a popular local institution for cakes – peach, pound, and especially wedding. At his death, Uebersax resided at the Maryland Masonic Home in Hunt Valley where he was president of the resident council and sat on the corporate board.

#### **BCC'35**

Irvin E. Duley worked for 36 years as a passenger train conductor for the old Pennsylvania Railroad and its successor companies where he met famous people like President Franklin D. and Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. After retiring in 1977; Duley resided in Colorado, Florida, North Carolina, and Virginia. Irvin Duley was the father of the late BCC football hero Thomas M. "Tom" Duley BCC'63 who died in 2002.

Harold Manekin served during WWII in the U.S. Army, worked for a time in his father's bar, and then joined his brother Bernard Manekin – BCC'30 and Hall of Fame member – to sell homes and burial lots. After changing the focus of their real estate firm to commercial and industrial property; the Manekins leased,

managed, or planned buildings in Baltimore's Charles Center and Anne Arundel and Howard counties. Two of their major successes were One Charles Center and The Rotunda – a mixed-use project in the old Maryland Casualty Co. headquarters building on West 40<sup>th</sup> Street. Retired since 2000. Manekin sculpted in marble at the Jewish Community Center until right before his death. A third Manekin brother - the late **Leonard** – graduated from City in 1922.

**Ralph F. McGuire** as a boy played trumpet in a Salvation Army band and sketched city scenes while riding from Druid Hill Park to Ft. McHenry on the old #1 streetcar line. While working for the Social Security Administration, McGuire's work attracted the attention of an official of the Baltimore Museum of Art and he was awarded a scholarship to study at Phillips Gallery in Washington DC. After selling some of his works, McGuire and his wife - local artist Tobia Samuels – bought an old house on Mulberry Street near the Enoch Pratt Free Library's central branch and established their gallery. McGuire's works mostly cityscapes and harbor scenes – were exhibited in diverse places such as Loyola College, Peale Museum, and MorrissMartick's (BCC'41) Restaurant Français. For many years McGuire worked as a salesman and framed the works of others to supplement his income from painting sales.

Nathan Weinberg won promotion to lieutenant while serving in military intelligence with the U.S. Army Air Corps in the Pacific Theater during WWII. After his discharge, Weinberg moved to Dallas TX and Scranton PA to manage regional transit companies owned by his brother. Upon returning to Baltimore in 1965, Weinberg was vice president of the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation headquartered here. Nathan Weinberg was also a brother of the late **Henry Weinberg BCC'26** and **William B. Weinberg BCC'29.** 

Morris Weinblatt was the brother of Samuel "Sam" Weinblatt BCC'31.

#### **BCC'36**

Dr. Daniel "Danny" Ehrlich was the brother of Dr. Fred Ehrlich BCC'40.

George C. Evering Sr. earned undergraduate and law degrees before enlisting in the U.S. Army to serve with Gen George S. Patton's 3<sup>rd</sup> Army during the WWII Battle of the Bulge. A one-time attorney in the office of Markoff & Associates, Eyering retired in 1985 as a partner in the firm of Eyering, Fair, Vidali, and Wagner. In retirement, as a member of the Baltimore Bicycle Club, Eyering enjoyed daily 30-mile bike rides through Baltimore and Harford counties.

Jerome David Friedlander was the father of Wallace L. Friedlander BCC'60 (Boulder CO).

Paul Shipley Glick served as a U.S. Army captain during WWII. Before retiring to Florida in 1983, Glick operated a retail florist business. A member of the Screen Actors Guild, Glick was a real estate agent near his retirement home at Lantana FL. Paul Glick was the father of Michael B. Glick BCC'65 and the brother of Warren W. Glick BCC'45.

**Jack Lissy** was the father of **Dr. Jeffrey S. Lissy BCC'64** (Reno NV).

M. Victor Mayer was the brother of the late Sigmund Mayer Jr. BCC'24 and Alexander M. Mayer BCC'33.

#### **BCC'37**

Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Jack D. Kaufman enlisted in the Maryland National Guard's 29<sup>th</sup> Division in 1940 and was activated in 1942 for WWII service. During the War, Gen Kaufman was assigned as a gunnery instructor and artillery captain. Remaining in the Guard, Gen Kaufman was reactivated for the Korean Conflict as an artillery officer and adviser to the Republic of (South) Korea (ROK) Army. During a career spanning four decades, Gen. Kaufman was on active duty for 21 years and served as both commandant of the Maryland Military Academy and Selective Service director for Maryland, Gen. Jack Kaufman was a faithful contributor to the BCCAA Annual Fund and rarely missed the BCCAA annual meeting and dinner. Gen. Jack Kaufman was the brother of Bernard Kaufman BCC'44 and Alvin Kaufman BCC'48.

Lincoln Ford Peck was born in Tazewell, VA, and raised in Baltimore. Peck's WWII military service with the U.S. Marine Corps included taking part in the battle for Iwo Jima. While employed as an accountant, Peck lived in Millersville, MD, where he was involved with Boy Scouts and church activities. At his death, Peck resided in Santa Ana, CA.

Adolph Paul Volkmann retired after 35 years spent operating the family's upholstery business established in 1894 by his Germanimmigrant grandfather. In retirement, Volkmann worked for the Howard County Public Library system for 20 years.

#### **BCC'38**

Ellsworth G. Acker was born in Kokomo, IN, and raised in Baltimore's Hamilton section. After earning a degree in physical science from U of MD, Acker captained a U.S. Navy amphibious craft operating in the Pacific Theater during WWII. Upon his return, Acker earned a chemistry degree from JHU and went to work for W.R. Grace and held several patents in silica. Before retiring in 1985, Acker earned a third degree in biology from Towson University and worked for Barre-National Pharmaceutical Co.

**Frederick George Hofferbert** was retired for many years after a long career in the U.S. Postal Service where he served as manager of the Gwynn Oak (21207) and Towson (21204) delivery branches.

William T. Moorefield attended the Johns Hopkins University night school while working days as a lab assistant at Johns Hopkins Hospital and U.S. Industrial Alcohol Co. After serving in

the U.S. Army during WWII, Moorefield earned his degree from JHU and taught in three city public schools. For 28 years until his retirement, Moorefield taught physics to undergraduates at Towson University.

**Donald B. Rose** was the brother of **Howard L. Rose BCC'42** (now living in FL).

**Joseph Schnaper** served as a U.S. Army captain in the Pacific Theater during WWII and was recalled to duty as an administrator during the Korean Conflict. Schnaper worked with his later brother **Sheldon** Schnaper's BCC'43 development firm before starting his own Joseph Schnaper Co. Projects built by Schnaper included Haddon Heights in Northwest Baltimore, the Pikeswood Apartments, and Stevenswood in Randallstown. At age 86. Schnaper still went to the office several days per week and played tennis until a month prior to his death. Joseph Schnaper was the father of Jan L. Schnaper BCC'66.

Lee Marc Gordon Wolman served during WWII in the U.S. Army and earned degrees from JHU and Harvard Graduate School of Engineering. As a civil engineer, Wolman was employed by Chas. T. Main, Inc. for 31 years and worked for another 20 years as an independent consultant. A Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Wolman was associated with engineering societies and civic projects in the Boston, MA, area where he resided for 50 years. Lee Marc Gordon Wolman was the nephew of the late Abel Wolman BCC'1909 and Hall of Fame member.

#### **BCC'39**

Ernest F. Klemm was the father of Phillip L. Klemm BCC'68.

Norman Norwitz was the father of Steven E. Norwitz BCC'65 and the brother of the late Melvin Norwitz BCC'39.

Marvin Posner was the brother of the late Lester Posner BCC'36 and Albert S. Posner BCC'38.

Irvin Phillip Schloss lost his sight as a result of WWII military action. A former president of the Blinded Veterans Association, Schloss served for 30 years with the American Federation of the Blind as director of government relations. In that position, Schloss was credited with helping draft and assure passage of several key Congressional Bills that protect the rights of the disabled.

Sylvan L. "Corky" **Tenberg** worked at the old Glenn L. Martin Middle River aircraft plant before enlisting in the U.S. Navy for WWII service. Trained as an aircraft carrier pilot, Tenberg flew missions over the Pacific Ocean from the flight deck of the USS Chenango. As a reservist, Tenberg was recalled to active duty for the Korean Conflict and attained the rank of lieutenant commander. A former buyer for the old Kramer Bros. rod and tackle manufacturers, Tenberg retired from AT&T in 1986 and resided at Homasassa, FL, at the time of his death. Sylvan Tenberg was the brother of the late **David P. Tenberg** BCC'32.

#### **BCC'40**

George Abbot Bryant Boucher, Sr. served during WWII as a U.S. Army artillery sergeant and took part in the invasion of Okinawa. After his discharge, Boucher helped manage his family's tobacco shop on Baltimore Street – William Boucher & Sons – before becoming an agent for Aetna Life Insurance Co. in 1958. For the past six years, Boucher resided at Marco Island, FL. Abbot Boucher was the brother of the late Richard Boucher BCC'34 and William Boucher III BCC'38.

William McClay Cover left his job at Bendix Corp. in 1943 for WWII service in the U.S. Army Air Corps. During latter stages of the War, Cover flew C-46s and C-47s over the Himalayas or "Hump" from India to Japanese-occupied China to supply the Nationist Army and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. Upon returning home, Cover worked in a family-owned seafood house before founding Bayco Corp. to build houses on Maryland's Eastern Shore. After retiring in 1982, Cover enjoyed watching sports events and building models of WWII-era planes.

E. Robert Elliott had just completed boot camp for U.S. Army Air Corps service when WWII ended. A former office manager for Koppers Co. in Baltimore, Elliott retired in 1985 as president/CEO of Lion Brothers Co. in Owings Mills (MD). That firm is regarded as one of the leading manufacturers of embroidered cloth patches in the world. Elliott's retirement interests included bridge, golf, and tennis.

Captain James M. Fesmire, Jr. served as a boatswain aboard U.S. Coast Guard buoy tenders operating in the North Atlantic during WWII. After the war, Fesmire joined James M. Fesmire & Son – a family firm that delivered fresh water by barge to ships calling at and operating out of the Port of Baltimore. Fesmire took over firm operations on his father's retirement in 1959 and ran the venue until its closing in the 1980s. Fesmire retired in 1991 after working as a marine damage surveyor for an insurance company.

Seymour "Sv" Levin managed a U.S. Army warehouse in Los Alamos, NM, as a sergeant during WWII. After the War, Levin earned his degree in advertising from New York University and took a job writing copy for a New York City department store at \$29 per week. Returning to Baltimore in 1949, Levin worked for the old Joseph Katz Co. before joining the VanSant Dugdale Agency creative department two years later. There he remained for 40+ years handling accounts such as Black & Decker Corp., Glenn L. Martin Co., Marriott Corp., and United States Fidelity & Guarantee Co. After retiring as the agency's senior vice president and associate creative director, Levin sculpted at the Jewish Community Center and read biographies and mysteries.

Emanuel "Manny"
Massing was the brother of the late David Massing BCC'35.

Joseph Gordon "Gordy" Mueller pitched for Blessed Sacrament parish and BCC before being scouted and signed for an International League Oriole contract by the late **Alphonse "Tommy" Thomas** BCC'18 and Hall of Fame member. After WWII U.S. Navy service, Mueller resumed pitching minor league ball and drove an oil truck during offseason to make ends meet. Called up in 1950 by the Boston Red Sox for "a cup of coffee" in the major leagues, Mueller pitched in eight games as a teammate of the immortal Ted Williams. After finishing his career with the Orioles in 1951 and 1952, Mueller went into commercial real estate. Before retiring in 1996, Mueller leased spots in Kenilworth Bazaar. Padonia Village, Perring Parkway, and St. John's Plaza shopping centers.

William W. O'Connor served with the U.S. Army Signal Corps during the post-WWII occupation of Germany. After his service, O'Connor taught at a private school in Belgium, Baltimore's Brehms Lane Elementary School, and until retiring in 1980 – at what is now Baltimore City Community College. A social and anti-war activist. O'Connor was associated with local peace icon Father Philip Berrigan and helped to establish food co-ops and free health clinics for the indigent.

#### **BCC'41**

Frederick Joseph
Heldrich, Jr., M.D. earned his
medical doctorate after finishing
WWII U.S. Army service and
established a family practice at
Frederick, MD. After moving
back to Baltimore, Dr. Heldrich
served as pediatrics chair at St.

Agnes Hospital and later was named director of the diagnostic and referral clinic at the Children's Center at Johns Hopkins Hospital. In the classroom, Dr. Heldrich emphasized the "three A's" ability, availability, and affability – to the pediatric residents and students he taught. Also well-known as an author and researcher. Dr. Heldrich worked for six decades until May 2006 when he fell ill after being called in on a weekend to handle an emergency case.

**Charles Grindel Leight** was unable to serve in uniform during WWII due to a polio bout during his youth. Instead, Leight took a job at the Glenn L. Martin Co. Middle River aircraft plant where he remained for 23 years. After moving to the Upper Eastern Short in 1965, Leight worked for 24 years as purchasing agent for Kent & Queen Anne's Hospital (now known as Chester River Hospital Center) until his retirement in 1989. Leight's leisure pursuits included crabbing, gardening, playing the drums, and big band music.

Alvin Loreck won an engineering scholarship to Johns Hopkins University at age 16 upon graduating from City. After pausing for WWII U.S. Army service, Loreck earned an under-graduate degree in chemical engineering and masters degree in industrial engineering at JHU. Recruited for employment by the old Hutzler Bros. Department stores. Loreck rose through the ranks to corporate vice president before resigning in 1980 when it became evident Hutzlers would go out of business. After working in Texas for 24 years, Loreck retired in 2004 and returned to the Baltimore area.

Robert Glenn Melvin, Sr. was the brother of Lee Carroll Melvin BCC'36.

Morton L. Pollack was the brother of Dr. Irvin O. Pollack BCC'49.

#### **BCC'43**

Robert Henry Belsinger enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps during latter stages of WWII, served as a tail gunner on a B-17 bomber shot down over Germany, and was held as a prisoner of war. After his release and discharge, Belsinger joined the family-owned Belsinger Sign Works. From 1962 until his retirement in 1984, Belsinger owned/operated two businesses of his own – Belsinger Paint & Hardware in Ellicott City (MD) and Belsinger Home Improvement Co. in Timonium (MD). A resident of the Leisure World retirement community in Montgomery County (MD), Belsinger enjoyed fishing and hunting.

#### **BCC'44**

George Grand Nolls was the brother of Joseph Randloph Noll, Sr. also BCC'44.
Norman L. Schenker was the brother of Philip Schenker BCC'46.

#### **BCC'45**

Edward M. Drost, Sr.'s baseball skills earned him induction into the City College Athletic, Maryland Old-Timers Baseball Association, and Susquehanna Baseball League Halls of Fame. A U.S. Marine for two years at the end of WWII, Drost then played third base for several seasons with the Danville (VA) Leafs and once went to spring training with the old Washington Senators. Retiring in 1991 after forty years as a Crown Cork and Seal Co. supervisor, Drost continued to work part-time for the T.A. Gorman Co., Inc. until 2001.

Wayne Morrison Hemphill moved from Philadelphia to Baltimore at age 17 to work for the Social Security Administration. After returning from WWII U.S. Navy service, Hemphill earned his diploma at City. A 30-year SSA employee, Hemphill retired in the 1970s as computer programmer.

#### **BCC'46**

Col. William E. Dasch, Sr. (U.S. Army Retired) earned a B.S. degree from the University of Maryland – College Park and an MBA degree from Northwestern University while taking part in the R.O.T.C. program. After being placed on active duty, Col. Dasch commanded a tank platoon during the Korean

Conflict as a 2<sup>nd</sup> lieutenant before earning his aviator's wings in the Army's flight program. Ordered into action for a combat tour in Vietnam, Col. Dasch commanded an aviation battalion. Before retiring from the Army, Col. Dasch graduated from the U.S. Army War College and won a variety of decorations – three Legions of Merit, Air Medal, Bronze Star, Distinguished Service Cross, etc.

Michael S. Kellman was the brother of Nathaniel F. Kellman BCC'43.

#### **BCC'47**

Richard J. Murphy was retired after a career in the U.S. Postal Service that carried him as far as the position of Assistant Postmaster General. A resident of Bethesda, MD, Murphy regularly attended BCC Class of 1947 reunions. Murphy's funeral service was held at Grace Lutheran Church in Washington, DC.

#### **BCC'48**

George Thomas Evans, Jr. served as a corporal in the U.S. Army during Korean Conflict. After working briefly as a sheriff's deputy in Delaware, Evans began a sales career with Exxon that took him to offices in Baltimore, Virginia's Eastern Shore, and Delaware before his retirement in 1991. As a retiree, Evans divided his time between homes at Milford and Lewes in Delaware and tried to spend some time on the water daily.

#### **BCC'50**

Stanley I. Trivas was the son of the late Max M. Trivas BCC'23.

#### **BCC'51**

William E. Zentgraf served aboard the battleship *New Jersey* during his Korean Conflict U.S. Navy enlistment. After working in sales with Lever Brothers, Noxell Corp., and International Trading Co. Zentgraf retired in 1997 after nearly 20 years as regional human resources director for the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co./SuperFresh.

#### **BCC'54**

Edward P. "Ed" Herzing was retired after a long career delivering mail in the Parkville (21234) MD area.

Phillip E. Neary worked for over thirty years as an administrator of employee benefits at General Motors-Broening Highway and Franklin Square Medical Center until retiring in 1992. A one-time member of state commissions on health care, Neary also served as president of the Maryland Health Care for All Coalition and sat on the board at what is now Harbor Hospital.

Kenneth S. Peach was the brother of Edgar L. Peach BCC'51.

Morton B. "Sonny" Plant was a retired metal recycling executive and respected as a philanthropist and leader in the Baltimore community. Employed with H. Klaf and Co. and Keywell Corp, Plant received the industry's lifetime achievement award. Always active in the Associated Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore, Plant was a former board chairman and co-chaired the Associated's capital campaign and audit committee. Only months before his death, Plant headed an Israel **Emergency Campaign Work** Group to allocate relief funds raised locally after fightinhg erupted in Israel and Lebanon.

Plant also sat on several corporate boards such as University of Maryland Medical System and Mercantile Bankshares Corporation. Morton Plant, who died from injuries suffered in a fall, was the brother of **Arnold I. Plant BCC'49.** 

#### **BCC'55**

**Ronald A. Moore** served in the U.S. Army and was retired as a Defense Department supervisor. An outdoorsman, Moore resided at Bedford, VA, at the time of his death.

Martin R. Phipps, Jr. was the brother of Warren E. Phipps BCC'56 and the late Robert C. Phipps BCC'52.

#### **BCC'56**

Jacob David Nagel, M.D. earned cash as a young man by selling racing tip sheets at Pimlico Race Course near his home. A graduate of Loyola College and U of MD Medical School, Dr. Nagel served in the Maryland Army National Guard and as chief resident at what is now Mercy Medical Center in the 1960s. On staff at St. Joseph Medical Center and Franklin Square Hospital Center and practicing internal medicine at a Towson office, Dr. Nagel was forced into retirement in 2001 by poor health. At that time, he was said to be at the top of a list to become president of the American Medical Association (AMA).

#### **BCC'57**

Jonathan Harris was the brother of **David** M. Harris BCC'60.

Rev. Roger L. McAbee attended Capital University and Evangelical (Trinity) Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, OH, and was ordained at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Baltimore in 1965. An active minister for over forty years, Pastor McAbee served Lutheran congregations in Illinois, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Pastor McAee's final activities until shortly before his death were as director of Homme Foundation at Wittenberg, WI, and a visitation ministry at Trinity Lutheran Church near his Stevens Point, WI, home.

#### **BCC'58**

George William Jensen was in the cast of student productions of The Caine Mutiny Court Martial and Teahouse of the August Moon while at City. George Jensen was the brother of Allan Paul Jensen BCC'62 and the late Dr. Oscar Charles Jensen, Jr. BCC'53.

#### **BCC'59**

H. Allan Lipsitz earned a bachelor's degree in English and master's degrees in education, English, and liberal arts. An English professor at Milford Mill High School for over a decade, Lipsitz also worked for many years as a continuing education advisor at Towson University until retiring after 30 years in the field of education. At the time of his sudden death. Lipsitz had served for many years as Director of Adult Education at Beth El Congregation. During his tenure there Lipsitz was credited with developing many awardwinning Adult Jewish Educational programs.

#### **BCC'60**

William M. Goldstein, **M.D.** earned degrees from Oberlin College and U of MD Medical School. A psychiatrist in practice at Chevy Chase, MD, for many years, Dr. Goldstein taught at Georgetown University Medical School and George Washington University Medical Center. Author of the text A Primer for Beginning Psychotherapy and Introduction to Borderline Conditions, Dr. Goldstein was honored shortly before his death with the American Pschoanalytical Association's Edith Sabshen Award for teaching excellence.

Richard K. Jackson served in the U.S. Army before going to work for the National Security Agency (NSA) in 1964. During a 33-year career at NSA, Jackson rose through the ranks from switchboard operator to manager and software engineer. Although locked in a battle with a rare and deadly illness for the last 16 years of his life, Jackson found time to enjoy the things that meant most to him – gardening, jazz, travel, and his family.

#### **BCC'62**

Wyatt Thomas Coger was a city school teacher and principal until retiring in 1999 to become an assistant professor at his *alma mater* – Coppin State University. During his 33year career, Coger taught at and/or directed operations at Abbottston, Lexington Terrace, Montebello, and Stewart Hill elementary schools. Perhaps Coger's finest moment came in the 1990s when he restored order as principal at the troubled Harlem Park Middle School. At his leisure, Coger was an avid collector of antiques and phonograph records.

#### **BCC'64**

William C. Dixon, Jr. was a running back on the Knights' football team and attended U of B. A State Farm Insurance Company agent for 29 years, Dixon retired to Naples, FL, in 2001. In retirement, Dixon enjoyed fishing and flying or cruising to tropical destinations. William Dixon was the brother of Michael L. Dixon BCC'65.

Louis A. Renew, Jr. served as a U.S. Army intelligence specialist in Vietnam from 1966 until 1969. A former manager at the old G. Heileman Brewery in Lansdowne, Renew was working as sales and quality control manager at Northeast Beverage Corp. when he was fatally stricken while on the job. At his leisure, Renew was a regular golfer who enjoyed playing area public courses – Longview, Pine Ridge, and Rocky Ridge.

#### **BCC'65**

Welford Evans Garner III moved to California after being stationed at 29 Palms with the U.S. Marines. After his discharge, Garner earned a degree from San Diego State University and worked as a geologist. In a career change, Garner joined the National Park Service as a ranger at Great Basin, Death Valley, and Mohave National Parks. At the time of his death, Garner was working a a field geologist at Quartzsite near Yuma, AZ.

**Ronald E. Koehler** was retired from the Baltimore City Fire Department.

#### **BCC'66**

Dr. Martin L. Brown was the brother of Dr. Avery L. Brown BCC'65 (Bend, OR). Larry S. Dukehart was the brother of the late Yale S. Dukehart BCC'59.

#### **BCC'90**

Troy Lamont Chesley, Sr. served as a Baltimore City police officer for 13 years. Commended for rescuing a woman from a burning dwelling, Chesley was later picked to work undercover with a drug enforcement unit. Co-workers described Chesley as soft-spoken, but intense and "a quiet storm." At age 34, Detective Chesley was off-duty and in plain clothes when he was shot and killed by a man who reportedly tried to rob him on a quiet street in the West Forest Park section of the city.

#### **BCC'91**

Derrick Lamont McFarland was shot and killed while on the job as an unarmed security guard at Montgomery Regional Hospital near the campus of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA. Authorities said a prisoner, hospitalized for treatment, injured an officer assigned to guard him, took the officer's weapon, and shot McFarland, who was in the wrong place at the wrong time. The fugitive killed another officer and terrorized the VPI campus before being recaptured. A resident of Christiansburg, VA, McFarland (known as a "gentle giant") enjoyed making mechanical repairs and cooking dishes to be shared with friends and other hospital employees. Law enforcement officers from Montgomery County (VA) and Blacksburg came to Baltimore to attend McFarland's funeral at 7<sup>th</sup> Baptist Church. Derrick McFarland was the son of Harold McFarland BCC'74.

### **Alumni Passings**

[Editor's note: As in previous issues we publish a partial list of BCC alumni who died and for whom no obituary was printed. Of course, any listing is not complete since many die out of state and their death notices never appear locally.] BCC'26: Dr. Paul W. Spear (in December 2003); BCC'31: Oscar Title; BCC'33: Samuel G. Gorn. Stanley J. "Jim" Knapik, Henry E. Pear, Herman Sody; BCC'34: Albert Haslup Forman, Sidney Hirsch, Clarence A. Wiggers; BCC'35: Daniel L. Manekin; BCC'36: Nathan Askin, Sylvan P. Cohen, Charles William Einolf, Sr., Morris M. Molofsky, Lester Posner, Frederick F. Schnitker, Dr. Robert Simonoff, Max W. "Mack" Dunie; BCC'37: Louis L. Bengermino, Sr.; BCC'38: Harry Bloom, William Martin Griffin, Harry Klein, Samuel D. Metzbower, F. Kenneth Morfoot; BCC'39: Edmund Nugent Dalton, John E. Firth (N. Myrtle Beach, SC), Morris Fisher; BCC'40: Dr. Allan Harris Macht, Irvin Stiefel: BCC'41: Andrew R. Eickhoff. Sr. (Jackson, TN), Alfred E. Evans, Thadeus Joseph Pula, Herman Wyman; BCC'42: Kenneth W. Felmar, Sylvan Gershen; BCC'43: Thaddeus W. Swank (in March 2003); BCC'44: Donald P. Denton, Irvin Udoff; BCC'45: Bernard W. Martin; BCC'46: John E. Hess; BCC'47: William Douglas Meriweather, Jr.; BCC'48: Stanley J. Mermelstein, David Schuman (Boynton Beach, FL), Richard H. Williams; BCC'49: Walter Charles Lesky, M.D., Dr. Norman Levin, Walter Samuel Levin, Robert H. Strohman (Homosassa, FL); BCC'50:

Charles S. Bernstein, Robert E. Bichman, Hugh B. "Bunky" Lovelace; BCC'51: Charles F. Helm, Jr., Robert R. Howard; BCC'52: Harry N. Lichter, Irvin Z. Robinson; BCC'53: Phillip Ellsworth Foos; BCC'54: Bernhardt Litvin, Nathan Stern: BCC'55: Ronald S. Frick; BCC'56: Jack L. Friedland, Harry Friedman; BCC'57: Maurice Alan Baker; BCC'58: John A. Deantoniis, Sr., Harry D. Salino; BCC'60: Robert A. Atkinson, Jr., Jay S. Belkowitz; BCC'61: Sylvan Gershen, Steven J. Oppenhheimer; BCC'62: James F. Herold, Jr., Paul R. Miller; BCC'63: Gordon L. Smith, Jr.; BCC'64: Charles E. Hundertmark, Herbert Julius "Do Low" James. Mitchell T. Misiora; BCC'65: Anthony Edward Barner, Bernard George Brown, Jr., Richard L. Hartman, Ronald E. Koehler, Garland W. Lewis. Robert T. Vogel, Anthony L. Weaver; BCC'67: Bradford Wallace "Brad" Cook, Sr., Rev. Everett D. Hawkins, Barry Ellis Pierce, William J. Staples, Charles Edward Williams; BCC'68: Edward Perry; BCC'69: George C. Forbes III Lebard L. Jones II, Kenneth LeRoy Thompson; BCC'70: Darryl Jerome Robinson; BCC'71: Ronald L. Butler, Prentis Robinson.

## **Other Passings**

Walter Kirk Cunningham earned a G.E.D. diploma from the night school at BCC and served in the U.S. Army tank corps. Retired as a civilian employee at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Walter Cunningham was the step-father of Wilbur E. "Bill" Cunningham BCC'67 and former BCCAA Governor.

William O'Cer Dennis left BCC before his class graduated in 1959 and later served with the U.S. Army in Japan where he earned his General Education Development (G.E.D.) certificate. Retired as a National Security Agency (NSA) cryptographer since 1996, Dennis sold new homes for Ryland and held official position with *Kappa Alpha Psi* fraternity.

Charles Gordon Gilbert, Sr. attended City, Calvert Hall, and Gilman in the mid-1930s before graduating from Towson High and what is now McDaniel College. After WWII service as a captain in a U.S. Army combat engineering unit, Gilbert appraised properties and taught that subject at Johns Hopkins University evening school for 30 years.

Adam Phillip Moore, Sr. left school at 14 to support his mother, but later joined the U.S. Navy and earned his G.E.D. certificate through BCC. A long-time supervisor at Bethlehem Steel Co.'s – Sparrows Point plant, Moore was in charge of the coke ovens and after retirement returned as a consultant to advise on their dismantlement. Moore's passion was golf and he crafted clubs to give to friends' children or donate to fundraisers.

Thomas J. O'Donnell, Sr. dropped out of City and took several menial jobs to help his family survive the Great Depression. A reporter for the *Sun* newspaper for 16 years. O'Donnell undertook general assignments and as a war correspondent was aboard the battleship *USS Missouri* on September 2, 1945 when Japan surrendered. In 1949, O'Donnell left the paper to serve for ten years as Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr.'s press secretary and city public information director. O'Donnell eventually followed Mayor D'Alesandro to employment with the Federal Renegotiation Board before retiring in 1978.

Alfred H. Schwartzman worked days stocking shelves at the old Brookfield Pharmacy while attending night school classes at **BCC** in the late '40s and early '50s. After Schwartzman's mother died, his bosses – Irvin Freed and Godfrey Kroopnick BCC'21 – raised him and urged him to pursue a pharmaceutical career. Schwartzman served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict and used his G.I. Bill benefits to complete pharmacy school. After working for others, Schwartzman bought Brookfield Pharmacy from his benefactors in 1979 and operated until the city condemned the property for urban renewal. Schwartzman and his wife then operated A&B Drugs near Lexington Market which he was still running at his death.

Lewis Kenneth Sullivan, Jr. left City in the mid-1940s to take a job in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad's telegraph office as a messenger. Sullivan retired in 1984 as regional communications and signal engineer for B&O's successor – Chessie Systems.

Anthony A. Wajer left City in the late 1930s before graduating and later earned his G.E.D. Certificate. Serving in the U.S. Army infantry during WWII, Wajer's unit guarded trains supplying Allied troops liberating France from German occupation after D-Day. After the War, Wajer served in the Maryland National Guard for 20 years and worked for several companies as an electrician until retiring in 1986.

# Even Better than an Apple for the Teacher

In the Baltimore City College of 77 years ago, athletic director **P. Dowing Godfrey** was battling anemia and desperately in need of a blood transfusion. Several of Professor Godfrey's students volunteered to have their blood tested to see if their type matched their teacher's. Russell A. Baker's BCC'31 was the right blood type and made a special present to his instructor – a pint of blood! [Editor's note: Our information came from the January 30, 1930 edition of the Collegian newspaper which is part of the collection of J. Francis Werneth BCC'53.1

# Another Retail Venue Started by BCC Alumni Expands

In 1971, E. Douglas Carton BCC'66 started his C Mart store at Forest Hill in Harford County to sell distressed (or liquidated) merchandise. Carton was soon ioined in the day by day operation of the store by his brother-in-law Stuart J. Silberg BCC'63. Thirty-six years later, C Mart is now operated by Carton's nephew and Silbert's son Keith. In the two and a half vears since he took over the business, Keith Silberg has moved the store to a larger building in Joppatown and added a line of furniture. In the latest expansion completed in February 2007, a second C Mart store was opened in the Washington, DC suburbs near Fed Ex Field in Landover.

# Yet Another Author with a BCC Connection

David Matthews, who attended City in the mid-1980s, has published a memoir entitled *Ace of Spades*. The former screenwriter's manuscript details his inner struggles during his youth in Baltimore to establish his identity as a biracial person while having the outward appearance of a Caucasian. Matthews delivered readings from his book at authors' series events held in New York City where he now lives and works.

#### A Visit to a Mini-Museum

Recently your editor was invited to visit a fascinating place – the Carney residence of J. Francis Werneth BCC'53. The retired insurane salesman is a man of many interests – cars, aviation, the Great Baltimore Fire and firefighting, sports (both Baltimore Colts and Orioles), City College history, and just plain nostalgia – and a serious collector. In the garage there's a classic purple 1947 Ford coupe and a 15-year-old red Cadillac that both look showroom perfect. Thousands of books, magazines, and newspapers (some dating back to the year **BCC** was founded -1839) are neatly stacked on shelves in several rooms. As far as **City** collectibles are concerned, Werneth has issues of the Collegian dating back as far as 1930 and a copy of an old Oriole handbook for Collegians. There's an old ticket punch found in the burned-out wreckage of the B&O building in 1904 and newspaper stories about every major fire in Baltimore over the past 50 years or so. On the nostalgic side, Werneth even preserved most of the books he read as a child, his first portable radio, television set, a 45-rpm record player, and the Red Ryder Daisy air rifle (that he bought himself and hid on the porch from his father). I spent over an hour there in awe and still didn't scratch the surface of the history contained there.

# **BCC Graduates and Little League Baseball History**

The Roland Park Baseball League (RPBL), that fielded its first little league teams in 1952, is one of the oldest in the nation. Charting the past for the RPBL is historian James "Jim" Considine BCC'39 who has been associated with the program for many years. In his featured column in the Examiner newspaper, Phil Wood – a sports trivia authority and talk show host – wrote about a photo showing 1956 RPBL all-stars with former major league pitcher Bobo Newsom. Two of those pictured went on to attend BCC - Joseph M. Coale III BCC'63 and Curtis A. Andrews BCC'64. In the article, Considine said he doesn't believe any RPBL alumni made it to the major leagues. However, one RPBL product did make it as far as Capitol  $Hill - 2^{nd}$  District Representative C.A. "Dutch" Ruppersberger BCC'63 and Hall of Fame member.

# BCC Students Visit Southern Civil Rights Sites Again

For the fourth straight year BCC students marked Black History Month in February by visiting sites in the South. Among the places on the itinerary this year were Martin Luther King Center at Atlanta, the National Civil Rights Museum and Lorraine Hotel (where Dr. King was assassinated) in Memphis, and Tuskegee Institute and Edmund Pettus Bridge in Alabama. Taking part in this year's pilgrimage were six students each from City, Frederick Douglass High, and Park School and their chaperones. Organizers were pleased by a dialogue that involved students from one of the city's premier schools, a zoned school, and a top private school. [Editor's note: The BCCAA supports the BCC students in this program.]

## BCC Students do Well on State-Wide Tests

Results of state proficiency tests administered in 2006 show **BCC** 9<sup>th</sup> graders fared well in all three categories. 86.8% of those tested in algebra passed in 2006 as compared with 78.6% in 2005 and 84.9% in 2004. Biology results saw 91.2% passing 2006 as compared with 68.4% in 2005 and 81.3% in 2004 91.0% of those tested passed the government section in 2006 as compared with 86.3% in 2005 and 97.7% in 2004.

# BCC Choir Continues to Impress

Maintaining a busy schedule, the BCC Choir under the direction of Professor Linda Hall continues to awe each and every audience it appears before. On a Sunday afternoon in late October 2006, the Choir shared top billing with the **Baltimore Choral Arts Society** Full Chorus and the Morgan State Choir for a program – "Let My People Go" – the story of the Underground Railroad at Murphy Fine Arts Center ... During the pre-holiday season, the BCC Choir took center stage during the festive lighting of the Washington Monument at Mt. Vernon Place and delighted a live and TV audience and held a 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Christmas Concert at the Castle on Saturday, December 16, 2006.

# How to Arrange a Planned Gift ...

The use of a bequest in a last will and testament is an effective way to contribute to the Baltimore City College. Appropriate language can be used to provide for the general purposes of the school as the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association may direct. Appropriate language can be used to facilitate a substantial contribution from the donor's estate for a one-time specific purpose. Appropriate language can be used to provide annual support through the creation of a permanent endowment to benefit BCC.

The donor may designate the bequest for a specific purchase or support for a specific activity or the award of a specific prize or scholarship. A bequest placed to the permanent endowment fund will perpetuate the donor's name. The suggested wording for a bequest in a last will and testament to benefit Baltimore City College which an attorney may implement is, "I hereby give, devise and bequeath to the Baltimore City College Alumni Association, Maryland non-profit corporation of Baltimore, Maryland, the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_; or the following described property \_\_\_\_\_\_; or the residue of my estate to be used for \_\_\_\_\_." For assistance in

formulating a bequest to benefit Baltimore City College, please call 410-366-099 or toll free 1-866-355-1839, the BCC Alumni Line.

Editor's Note: There you have the second BCCAA Newsletter for the first half of 2007. We sincerely hope you have enjoyed the wide variety of people and subjects touched upon. As usual, we thank Mrs. Dawn Converse of Word Processing Unlimited, Mount Royal Printing, Letter Perfect Word Processing, the U.S. Postal Service, Calvin Anderson, Jr. - BCC'63 and Hall of Fame member, Neil R. Bernstein – BCC'54 and Hall of Fame member, Leo R. Sirota -BCC'47 and Hall of Fame member, and Thomas L. Vondersmith, Jr. -BCC'58, for their efforts that put together our finished product. Plan to join us for our next edition in the Fall of 2007 as we have information about the June commencement exercises and the Fall festivities of interest to BCC Alumni ... CITY FOREVER! ... Ted Lingelbach BCC'58, Editor.

# **Some Memorable Dates in BCC History**

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165 years ago (1842)	High School (as City was known then) after two moves returned to its original building on Cortland Street (now St. Paul Place)		
150 years ago (1857)	Thomas A. Baird was principal of Central High School (as City was known then)		
	corporal punishment was abolished the Peabody Award was established.		
130 years ago (1877)	City course was extended to five years for a second time.		
115 years ago (1892)	City College building on Howard Street collapsed during construction of the railroad		
	tunnel, students moved to temporary facility at Fayette and Greene Streets.		
85 years ago (1922)	Curriculum installed that lasted until the late 1960s.		
70 years ago (1937)	3,215 young men enrolled at City (a pre-War II record).		
60 years ago (1947)	Third floor of The Castle assigned to the newly-established Baltimore Junior College		
	(now Baltimore City Community College). They remained there until moving to Liberty		
	Heights avenue in 1959.		
50 years ago (1957)	Baltimore City College Hall of Fame established.		
40 years ago (1967)	Dr. Jerome G. Denaburg was principal a gradual decline in enrollment started.		
30 years ago (1977)	A new day for City starts as the school board approved a new curriculum and co-		
	education (BCC housed at old BPI on North Avenue).		
25 years ago (1982)	BCC's first co-educational class graduated.		
20 years ago (1987)	Knights recorded their first gridiron win over the Engineers since the late 1960s.		

[Editor's note: Facts taken from 150 Years of the Baltimore City College.]

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