

Directors of the Langston Hughes Center examine children's art ... new arts programs in the offing

# Black Arts Center Opening To Bring Dream to Reality

By NANCY TOBIN WILLIG THE BOARDED-UP building at 25 High St. does not look much like what the sign on the door proclaims: The Langs on Hughes Center for the Visual and Performing Arts.

But several weeks ago, the five-full-time administrators of the program-to-be moved in and began renovation of the struc-ture, built in 1929 and vacant for the last three years. If work goes according to schedule, it will be alive with artistic activity in a few months.

Allie Anderson, executive director of the Center, and one of the four originators of APS, sponsoring agency for the new program. gave this writer a tour of the building recently.

THE TOUR took us into a vault which will house darkroom facilities; a large woodenfloored room which looked remarkably like the dance studio which it will most likely become: first floor display space which seems to have been initially designed to be the gallery area it is now destined to be; a second floor open and well lit area which is a natural for a painting and graphic arts area; on and on, to the basement which will someday house the permanent photography set-up. The amazing thing, which kept repeating itself, was that this building seemed to have been actually constructed as an arts

"We looked at almost every vacant building in the city before we saw this." explained Anderson: "We knew as soon as we saw it that this place was perfect for our needs.

THE NEEDS of the Langston Hughes Center have been a long time in the works, and began with an impossible dream that plagued Anderson in the late

Anderson, a metal sculptor, began talking with two other black artist friends, about the lack of art facilities in ghetto schools.

"Our dream." said Anderson. "was a center for visual and performing arts which would include everything. It would be located in the black communi y. Of almost 100.000 black people in Buffalo, we could count only 10 professional black artists. and we stretched it to come up with the 10.

So Anderson and his two friends, James G. Pappas and Clarence E. Scott created APS (using their initials to form the name and began planning a program which would enable blac students from the ghetto area to prepare "portfolios." the needed ingredient to be accepted into any art school at the college level.

PAPPAS EXPLAINED, "We wanted a place where we could up the number of black artists. And, there was a need to develop an atmosphere where black people could begin to learn about the arts. Most of the exhibit space will feature non - Western, non - Rembrandt type stuff."

"A prime need," Anderson "is to show the black community that there are successful black, brown and yellow skinned artists. People are only familiar with art of the Western

It was in 1967 that Anderson, Pappas and Scott began planning the program. Before the year was up they had been

## 'Drug' Corner

### Being Watched

dents of drug trafficking at mal crafts. dangerous drug when narcotic be available for the artists' use. squad detectives saw him drop a small packet of suspected will remain under police scru- will be held Aug. 29,

joined by one of Buffalo's top craftsmen-artists, Wilhelmina Godfrey. The four planned and staged two art shows, "Six from the City," to create an awareness locally of black art from the community.

art students and a free hance

photographer who have been

running a Children's Creative

Workshop in Williamsville this

summer, will hold an exhibit of

the children's art works from

2 to 4 p.m. Sunday on the veranda of Wick Campus Center

The workship was held at the

home of Janice S. Zdybowicz, 22

Evans St., Williamsville, three

mornings each week from July

5 through Aug. 13. Some 15

children aged 3 through 11 par-

A second year art student at

Rosary Hill, Miss Zdybowicz was

the director of the workshop,

The college students who as-

sisted here were Nancy L. Glose

and Daniel V. Cleary, both of

Kenmore, and photographer

THE CONTINUING Education

Dept. of UB's Millard Fillmore

College will hold an Art History

and Appreciation course at the

Kenan Center in Lockport. Prior

experience in the field is not

necessary to participate in the

The course will be held Tues-

day evenings. Sept. 14-Nov. 16 at

p.m. at the center. Barbara

UB Art Department, will con-

duct the classes. Information

may be obtained from the

Kenan Center of the UB Dept.

of Continuing Education.

Insalaco, a graduate of the

credit-free programs.

Paul Schlau of Williamsville.

at Rosary Hill.

"DURING THE early years." explained Anderson, "we solidified the concept of the program, and we learned funding politics and strategies. We found out where the money was and who were the necessary people to talk to. We had to establish our competence as administrators of such a broad program of

Their first attempt to get money for an eight-week experimental program was from the New York State Council on the Arts. The group received a \$7,000 grant for an arts program in the spring of 1970 for inner city children. It was successful. The Council was impressed and the APS had their credibility.

Several weeks ago, the APS completed their second arts program . . . this one funded by the State Council for \$35,000. and conducted in a building on

THE PROGRAMS that will begin this October in the Langston Hughs Center will grow to include all the graphic arts, woodworking, printing, crafts, and fine arts, as well as performing arts. The program will he geared to the needs of commerce and industry in addition to the arts. With this in mind. APS hopes to be able to place trained black personnel in areas never before open to blacks namely the printing and related

"We hope to solicit printing work from the community and business to keep the funds coming in," explained Pappas. "In the beginning, we'll start by printing our own publicity material. The quality of the work that we will produce here will reflect our programming and the quality of the people we are training. We hope businessmen will come to us for their future employes.

RIGHT NOW, the Langston Hughes Center, named for the famous black writer who lived in Buffalo for a time, is like Christmas everyday. Trucks pull up, discharging equipment: printing presses, woodworking equipment, easels, darkroom materials. Nearly \$250,000 in material and equipment is expected to arrive within the next

few months. Current funding of the programs, equipment and building renovation is from the Model Cities Agency, the New York State Council on the Arts, and private local funds. Five full time and five part time employes are currently staffing the center, and this will expand as the programs do. Top priority right now goes to renovating the building to comply with current city building regulations, so that programs can get under-

THE KENMORE-Town of Tonawanda Jaycees will sponsor their second annual 'Thing in the Park " Sunday afternoon to dusk, in Lincoln Park, Parker and Decatur, Town of Tona-

The Thing in the Park" is an art show and flea market. Carlo Nisita, president of the Kenmore Art Society and professor of art at Villa Maria College, will judge the art section

Prizes and ribbons will be awarded in oils and acrylics. water colors, drawings and Complaints from area 1281- graphics photography and crig-

Two works from each exsuited in the arrest at 11:40 a.m. hibiting artist will be selected Tuesday of Roy J. Thomas, 30. and placed in a Court of Honor. of 599 Madison St. He was and a Best of Show award will charged with possession of a be presented. Snow fences will

Artists interested in entering herein to the ground, police said. may contact Richard J. Peder-Capt. Kevin C. Harmott, com- son, 384 Dexter Ter., Town of mander of the squad, said the Tonawanda, or Barrie J. Welch, large number of complaints led 451 Woodstock Ave., Town of to surveillance of the corner and Tonawanda. In the event of the arrest. He said the corner rain, the "Thing in the Park"

# FBI Investigation Continues In Pentagon Papers Case

MBRIDGE Mass. - Sam Popkin returned to his office at case. Harvard's Center for International Affairs on Monday,

He had been abroad, first in Hong Kong, then at a conention of political scientists in Germany, and mussed the entire erisis surrounding newspaper publication of the Pentagon

But he was not long in catch-

Just after lunchtime that Monday, two FBI agents called on Poplein, as assistant professor of government, to talk about his good friends and fremuent dinner companions, Daniel and Patricia Elisberg. Elhiperg has publicly

acknowledged making copies of the secret Pentagon study on the war in Vietnam available to the press. Although Elisberg has already been indicted in Los Angeles for theft and unauthorized possession of government documents, a federal grand jury in Boston is considering further charges against him, the newspapers and any intermediaries.

Citing the grand jury investigation, the FBI agents stayed with Popkin for 90 minutes, alternating questions about the Pentagon Papers with personal ones about the Elisbergs.

Uncertain about his legal obligation to co-operate with the agents. Popkin says, he talked with them - "but I told them I didn't want to do anything to hurt Dan."

At about the same time, another agent from the Hyannis, Mass., office of the FBI visited the Cape Cod summer home of Everett E. Hagen, director of the Center for International Studies at The Massachusetts Institute of Technology:

about Ellsberg - how Ellsberg had been selected as a senior research associate at the MIT center and, again, queries about his "personal qualities." "I had a feeling," Hagen says, "that they would have liked me to say, 'Dan Ellsberg's

Hagen, too, was questioned

kind of an odd person; he stands on his head in his office every afternoon.' Many other people, the prominent and the relatively obscure alike, have been the FBI has combed through

this city's two vast university communities in what appears to new, intensified

### Pakistan Asks N. Intervention Hearing at 7 RAWALPINDI @ - Official

Pakistani sources said Tuesday their government has proposed that the U.N. Security Council send inspectors to India and Pakistan in an attempt "to prevent an outbreak of fighting.

The sources said that Agha Pakistan's permanent representative to the United Nations, made the suggestion in a letter given to the president of the Security Council Aug. 11 in

The Security Council representatives would inspect "the area of tension," the sources said.

investigation of the central agents. One, a free-lance figure in the Pentagon Papers journalist, found that they

The investigation has produced a rare suspense for an otherwise lackadaisical Cambridge summer Usually, those contacted by

the FBI immediately get on the phone to warn others that the agents may be coming. Few will speak to a reporter on the telephone, suspecting that their lines are tapped. Breakfasts, lunches and dinners are consumed with speculation and second-guessing about what the Boston grand jury may be doing and who will be subpoenaed

Underground Headlines

The case is almost constantly in the headlines of Boston's two semi-underground newspapers, which are widely read here. One of them, "Boston After Dark," gave its readers a practical warning last week: 'Important: If you are approached by FBI agents, you do not have to talk with them. Beware of lying to G-men. The Bureau assumes that those who lie are trying to protect someone. If you receive a subpoena to appear before a grand jury, be sure to contact a lawyer for

Among those most visited by federal agents are photocopying firms which do a booming business in a university town. The MIT branch of the

Gnomon Copy Service, a 10-minute walk from Ellsberg's office, apparently has been a special focus of investigation. Agents have particularly inquired about people employed there last

A Good Customer

It is well-known that Ellsberg. like hundreds of others in the academic community here, was a good customer at Gnomon. But, as the FBI has un-

doubtedly learned in its interviews, it is difficult to establish what anyone copied at any particular time, since customers with private material are often permitted to operate Gnomon's Xerox machines themselves at night.

Speaking over the unrelenting click of a photocopy machine last week, George Lye, manager of the MIT branch of Gnomon, stressed that he was none too eager to co-operate with the investigation. "It's not for us to enforce laws," he said

Some of Ellsberg's personal friends say that they pointedly refused to talk with visiting

# Sewer District

The Town of Cheektowaga public hearing on a sewer district plan for the town will be held at 7 p.m. today, not at 6 p.m. as previously reported, Supervisor Daniel E. Weber confirmed Tuesday.

the town board will be at 2:30 About 30 per cent of Ireland's

The next regular meeting of

labor force works in agricul-

Ireland's labor force numbers



Founder and president of Eric County Unit of Cancer Society at annual meeting

# Cancer Unit Drive Reaches All-Tim eHigh, Nears Goal

to reach its goal of \$294,800 by the August 31 deadline.

James J. Daly Jr., treasurer the Erie County Unit of the | ed were American Cancer Society, re-\$297.206 has been raised to date.

Dr. Sames Essered

The meeting honored Dr Samuel Sanes, a founder of the unit | 1947 who twice served as its president-in 1948-50 and

again in 1950-52. The Rev. Deach E. Richardson, who was vice president of the unit during Dr. Sanes' second term, was the speaker. He praised Dr. Sames as a "humanitarian, teacher and phy-

Dr. Walter T. Murphy, chief Crusade reached an all-time of radiation therapy at Bufhigh Tuesday and is expected falo General Hospital was reelected president of the Erie Other officers, also re-elect-

William N. Fahey, Alan P. Bagley, James S. McCarry, vice presidents; James J. Daly Jr., treasurer; and Mrs. Wilfred S. Steward S. Dr. Richard G. Cooper, Mrs. ported at the annual meeting in William N. Fahey, Alan P. Hetel Statler Hiltoin that Eagley, James S. McCarry.

Jr., treasurer: and Mrs. Wilfired S. Stewart. secretary.

Elected to the unit's Board of Directors were: Dr. Gerard P. Burns. Mrs. Galet H. Carrithers, Mrs. James G. Hurley. Thomas M. Leous Jr., Dr. Harry E. Petzing, Dr. Alfred M. Stein; Dr. Louis A. Trippe. and Bret Vincent.

Re-elected to the board were: Earl J. Basehart, Dr. Penald E. Batt. Mrs. James Milliam N. Basehart, Dr. Penald E. Batt. Mrs. James M. Mrs. Norman Gelber. Edward L. Hengerer Jr., Mrs. Charles E. Huber. Dr. Richard G. Coopel. Mrs. William N. Fahey, William L. Kasting Jr., and Dr. Geraid P. Murphy

Elected to the Representative Assembly were: Mrs. Buron D. Ahpreen, Dr. James E. Allen, Michael Burke, Thomas W. Burke, Charles J. Clauss, Malooim A. Clinger Jr., Kevin D. Cox. Miss Paggy D'Arcy, RN, Peter D. Dietold.

Jane Pratt, an MIT graduate student who uses an office at the Center for International Studies to work on her doctoral dissertation about Vietnam, says she had several mysterious phone calls in the early part of the Ellsberg investigation

asking to discuss Ellsberg with her, she said. But each one refused to leave his phone number or to provide the name of an editor with whom she might check his identity, she added. Miss Pratt, who said she went

the investigation, suspects that the FBI was the source of those Others close to Ellsberg

been asked about him

Wassily Leontief, a Harvard economics professor who supervised Ellsberg's studies, said he had expected a visit from the FBI when he heard about the

Leaving him out, Leontief "shows that it's a

Of those known to have been contacted by the FBI who are willing to discuss it, Popkin's session appears to have been the most extensive.

He said that in personal ques tions the agents stressed words like "emotions," "stability" and "psychiatric" as well as "unduly," "overly" and "unnecessarily." Like Hagen, Popkin said he had the impression that the agents were trying to elicit negative comments about Ellsberg.

Popkin said he feared the agents were trying to implicate him in the Pentagon Papers case, too, with remarks like, "Gee, professor, you know about the war. What do you think about this Vietnam

about the pacification program in Vietnam, Popkin has taken part with Elisberg and others. Pentagon Papers, in Harvard and MIT seminars on the war. Most typical of the agents' visit, he said, was a series of questions where they seemed to

to the press. 'I guess Ellsberg must have done this for money," Popkin remembers one of the agents saying. He said he argued bitterly with the agent, pointing out that he did not think Ellsberg would do things that way. "Well." countered the other

for making the study available

agent as the argument sub-"I guess he must have done it for glory.

stopped contacting her when she insisted upon having a lawyer present for any inter-

People claiming to be newspapermen would call

sailing to avoid involvement in

phone calls. express a bemused disappoint ment that they have not yet

### Visit Expected

investigation.

selective thing. This proves that it is not a very thorough investigation."

### Feared Implication

Currently working on a book

be exploring Ellsberg's motives

SAFE CYCLERS—Cindy Sweet and Michael J. Wolf were two of the graduates of a summer course in safe motorcycle driving at Williamsville North High School. Course instructor Donald R. Sherer gave certificates of achievements to his pupils Tuesday.

## Walawender Off Democrat Ballot

A State Supreme Court action Tuesday eliminated a Democratic party primary fight for nomination of a candidate for a Lackawanna City Curt Judge-ship, but a Republican primary battle on Sept. 14 remains between the same two candidates.

Justice Joseph P. Kuszynski ordered the designating petitions for Attorney Norman F. walawender, a Democrat strickenf for insufficiency. Admit Defects This took place after

Walawender stipulated through his attorney. Leonard F. Walentynowicz, that at least four of his petitions, containing a total of at least 100 signatures, were defective. They said several women helping Walawender's wife circulate petitions had inadvertently subscrived to swore they witnessed the

signatures on the wrong ones. Walentynowicz admitted that would be a "fatal defect" in the petitions, and concurred with the justice's calculation that the petitions would be at least one or two names short of the necessary 439. The Board of Elections certified 537 of 683 signatures submitted. Walawender's petitions had

ficient valid signatures, being fraudulent on the basis of subscribing witnesses not having seen certain signators affix their names and containing alleged forgery.

### Allegations Withdrawn

The challenge was taken to court by Attorney Arcangelo J. Petricca, designated by all four major political parties as candidate for the Lackawanna judgeship. Petricca was represented by attorney Carlo M Perfetto.

The Walawender-Walentynowicz's stipulation was made nor the basis of a pre-hearing agreement by Petricca and withdraw their alleggations of illegality, fraud and forgery. Asst. County Atty Anthony C. Vaccaro, representing the Board of Elections. joined in all the stipulations.

Walawender remains a Republican primary challenger of Petricca. Candidates for the judiciary are allowed by state law cross-file in primary

There are almost 40 residents per square mile of land in Fin-



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