



Maryland's  
350th  
Anniversary

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A Royal  
Visit

MARYLAND'S 350TH ANNIVERSARY:

The Visit to  
Maryland  
of  
Their Royal Highnesses  
The Duke and Duchess of Kent  
for  
Charter Day  
June 21-23, 1984

*Front Cover: Their Royal Highnesses  
and Governor and Mrs. Harry Hughes  
at the entrance to Lord Baltimore's  
World in St. Mary's City, Maryland.*



*During his visit, The Duke of Kent's Royal Standard  
flew aloft from Paca House.*

## FOREWORD

In 1634, 140 English men and women first arrived aboard the ARK and the DOVE in a strange wilderness called Marie Land, to carry out the terms of a Charter granted in June of 1632 to Lord Baltimore by King Charles I. In doing so, these hardy souls began an extraordinary experiment in religious freedom and toleration, an experiment destined to change the course of history and to pave the way for true democracy, both in America and around the world.

In 1984, at the invitation of Governor Harry Hughes, Their Royal Highnesses The Duke and Duchess of Kent arrived in Maryland to honor the achievements of those first visionary settlers and to participate in festivities commemorating 350 years of Maryland's rich heritage. During their visit to Maryland, Their Royal Highnesses reaffirmed the close friendship between the United States and Great Britain, an alliance built on the shared principles of individual freedom, equality, and democracy, an alliance which continues to offer hope to all the peoples of the earth.

The following selection of photographs is a visual record of this historic visit. It cannot begin to record the grace and warmth of Their Royal Highnesses, nor the enthusiasm of the welcome they received.

# ANNAPOLIS

June 21

*On their arrival in Annapolis, The Duke and Duchess took a turn through the Paca House gardens with Mrs. Pringle Symonds, Mrs. St. Clair Wright, both of Historic Annapolis, Inc., and Lt. General Orwin C. Talbott, Chairman of the Maryland Heritage Committee.*



Their Royal Highnesses The Duke and Duchess of Kent, arriving in Maryland on June 21, stopped first at the historic Paca House in Annapolis, where they would reside for the duration of their visit. At Paca House Their Royal Highnesses were introduced by Historic Annapolis, Inc. to the flavor of colonial Maryland at its best.



After settling in at Paca House, The Duke and Duchess of Kent drove to the State House where they were welcomed to Maryland by Governor and Mrs. Harry Hughes. During the welcoming ceremony, The Duke of Kent unveiled a special exhibit containing the House of Lords' copy of the Maryland Charter, which will remain on loan in the State House for one year. Governor and Mrs. Hughes then gave Their Royal Highnesses a brief tour of the State House, which included a visit to the Old Senate Chamber where General George Washington resigned his commission in 1783, and the Treaty of Paris was ratified in 1784 officially marking the independence of the United States from Great Britain.

*Governor and Mrs. Hughes pause with Their Royal Highnesses in the State House Courtyard.*



*At the unveiling, Governor Hughes presents The Duke of Kent with replicas of early accounts of Maryland. The Duchess of Kent, Governor and Mrs. Harry Hughes, and State Archivist, Dr. Edward C. Papenfuse, look on.*

From the State House, Their Royal Highnesses walked to another historic site, St. John's College, to attend a reception and lunch held in their honor by Mayor Richard Hillman and the Aldermen of the City of Annapolis.

Mayor and Mrs. Richard Hillman (left) and Dr. Edwin Delattre, President of St. John's College (center), talk with Their Royal Highnesses before lunch. General Luke Finlay of Annapolis (far right) looks on.



General Talbott escorts the Royal Couple to St. John's College.



The Duke of Kent responds to Mayor Hillman's welcome.

Following lunch, Admiral Larson gave Their Royal Highnesses a guided tour of the United States Naval Academy. The tour included visits to the Chapel, the Crypt of John Paul Jones, and Bancroft Hall. A tour of the Harbor followed.

*Commander Kendell Pease (right) describes interior of the U.S. Naval Academy Chapel to Their Royal Highnesses (left) and Rear Admiral and Mrs. Charles Larson (center).*



Touring the harbor aboard the Admiral's Barge, the SEVERN, are The Duke and Duchess of Kent, Commander Pease, Lt. Commander William Luti, and Admiral Larson.



Delivered safely by the Admiral's Barge to the City Dock, The Duke and Duchess of Kent paused to exchange greetings with many of the Annapolitans who thronged Market Square to catch a glimpse of Their Royal Highnesses. Afterward, Mayor Hillman accompanied the Royal Couple on a walking tour of Cornhill Street, led by costumed guides.



The Duchess of Kent talks with Midshipmen, (left to right) Second Class Karen Freeman and Yamara Isaza while visiting dormitories in Bancroft Hall.

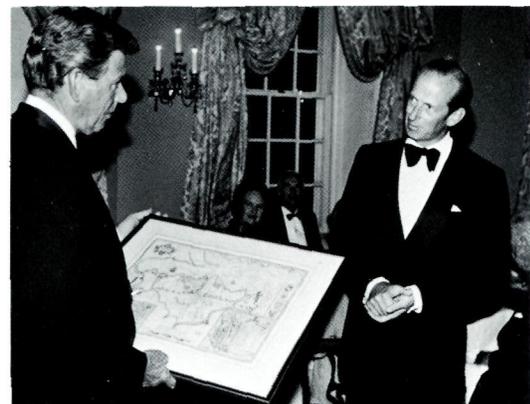
Ms. Midge Smith, in colonial dress, explains the history of Cornhill Street to The Duchess of Kent and Mayor Hillman, while Ms. Penny Evans, also in colonial attire, describes the houses to His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent.

The evening of June 21 saw Their Royal Highnesses The Duke and Duchess of Kent arriving at Government House for a State dinner given in their honor by Governor and Mrs. Harry Hughes. The menu introduced The Duke and Duchess to the epicurean delights of the Chesapeake Bay. A personal flavor was added by the serving of bluefish caught by the Governor himself.



The Royal Party leaves Paca House for Government House. Their Royal Highnesses are in left foreground. Her Majesty's Ambassador to the U.S., His Excellency Sir Oliver Wright is behind Lady Wright, (right middleground).

Governor Hughes entertains The Duke and Duchess of Kent with a royal trumpet solo!



His Royal Highness, The Duke of Kent, presents Governor Harry Hughes with a framed historical map of the Isle of Wight.



Lively music sets feet tapping! Left to right are: Mrs. Harry Hughes with Ambassador Wright, and The Duke and Duchess of Kent.

The State dinner was followed by entertainment, featuring the Peabody Ragtime Ensemble. The highlight of the evening came with a guest star performance by the Honorable Harry Hughes on trumpet!

# EASTERN SHORE

June 22



How could Their Royal Highnesses The Duke and Duchess of Kent visit Maryland without seeing Kent Island? On the morning of June 22, they did just that, going to Stevensville for a tree planting, followed by a tour of Christ Church, the oldest parish in Maryland. Greeted by Dr. Robert Schleiger and the Queen Anne's County Commissioners, Their Royal Highnesses were also warmly welcomed by the parishioners. Schoolchildren presented The Duchess of Kent and Mrs. Hughes with bouquets of spring flowers. Later, The Duke and Duchess each took a turn at spading earth onto the newly planted tree.



*The Duchess of Kent and Mrs. Harry Hughes are presented with bouquets at Stevensville.*



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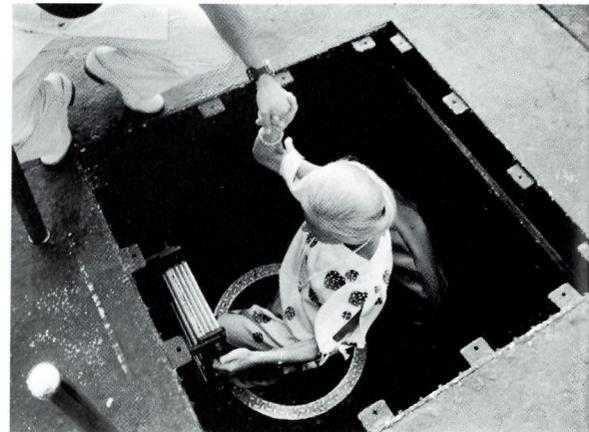
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Arriving at the World Trade Center in Baltimore, The Duke and Duchess of Kent were greeted by Mayor William Donald Schaefer, Mr. Walter Sondheim, and Mr. Mathias DeVito, who escorted Their Royal Highnesses on a tour of Harborplace, while describing the revitalization of the Inner Harbor and Baltimore City. Following an excursion through Festival Hall, The Duke and Duchess paused briefly to board the British submarine, the HMS OTTER, docked in the Inner Harbor for Maryland's 350th Anniversary.



*Their Royal Highnesses tour Harborplace with Mayor Schaefer and Governor and Mrs. Hughes.*

*General Talbott, who escorted Their Royal Highnesses throughout their visit, presents Mayor William Donald Schaefer to The Duke of Kent. Mr. Matt DeVito of the Rouse Company is on the Mayor's right; on his left is Mr. Walter Sondheim.*



*Her Royal Highness, The Duchess of Kent emerges from HMS OTTER.*



*The Duke and Duchess of Kent tour the Gallery with Mayor Schaefer and Ms. Hilda Mae Snoops.*

After introductions to Maryland history, agriculture, medicine, and urban revitalization, a glimpse of Maryland art was in order. Accordingly, Their Royal Highnesses visited the Walters Art Gallery where Mayor Schaefer gave a reception and dinner in honor of the Royal guests.



*Senator Charles McC. Mathias is presented to Her Royal Highness by Mayor Schaefer at the Walters Art Gallery. In the left foreground are Senator and Mrs. Paul Sarbanes.*



June 23, 1984 arrived at St. Mary's City Historical Park with bright sunshine and azure blue skies for the major celebration of the Anniversary Year. The day was tailor-made for the tens of thousands of visitors who came to participate in the commemorative festivities.

*Their Royal Highnesses and Governor and Mrs. Hughes are met by the Honorable John Hanson Briscoe, Chairman of the St. Mary's City Commission, and Mrs. Briscoe.*



*Governor Hughes presents a proclamation to Mr. John Arundell of Hook House, England. Anne Arundell, wife of Cecilus Calvert, once lived in Hook House.*



*Luncheon at "Brentsfield," home of General and Mrs. Robert Hogaboom.*

Their Royal Highnesses The Duke and Duchess of Kent arrived shortly after noon with Governor and Mrs. Harry Hughes. Attending a lunch hosted by the Honorable John Hanson Briscoe and Mrs. Briscoe, the St. Mary's City Commission, and the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland at General Hogaboom's House, the Royal Couple had a splendid view of the flotilla in the St. Mary's River and of the DOVE. The DOVE is a replica of the pinnacle which, together with the ARK, transported Maryland's first settlers safely from the Isle of Wight to the shores of the Chesapeake Bay.



*The Duke and Duchess of Kent talk with members of the Company of Pikemen and Musketeers.*

## ST. MARY'S CITY

June 23

Their Royal Highnesses toured Lord Baltimore's World with Governor and Mrs. Hughes. Lord Baltimore's World was a living history pageant specially produced for the 350th Anniversary. It recreated, with authentic sets, scripts, and actors, the 17th Century World left by the colonists to journey to Maryland. The pageant also depicted the Atlantic crossing as well as the experiences of the early settlers shortly after their arrival in the New World.

*The Duke and Duchess of Kent join actors portraying persecution of Catholics in 17th Century England.*



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Prior to the evening's entertainment, Their Royal Highnesses attended a dinner given in their honor by General and Mrs. Orwin C. Talbott and the Maryland Heritage Committee. The Maryland Heritage Committee was created by the Maryland General Assembly to organize and coordinate the Anniversary celebrations State-wide.



*Bidding farewell to Their Royal Highnesses are (left to right) President Melvin A. Steinberg of the Maryland State Senate, Mrs. Nell C. Talbott, and U.S. Senator Paul S. Sarbanes. The Duke of Kent is behind Her Royal Highness. At far right is General Talbott.*



Charter Day ended with a rousing concert performed under the stars by the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra. Included on the program were stirring pieces by both British and American composers. Their Royal Highnesses also viewed an extraordinary display of fireworks over the St. Mary's River.



*The Reviewing Stand during the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Concert, conducted by Alan Balter. The Good Year Blimp is just above right side of reviewing stand.*

Concluding their visit to Maryland for the 350th Anniversary, The Duke and Duchess of Kent left Paca House June 24 to return to England for royal duty—the opening of the Wimbledon Matches. However, they left behind glowing memories and the warmth of a kinship which has grown even stronger through their visit to Maryland.

*Back Cover: Throughout their stay in Maryland, Their Royal Highnesses' Rolls Royce displayed the proper spirit with the 350th commemorative license plate!*

*This commemorative booklet was printed through the courtesy of friends of Maryland's 350th Anniversary, including the Exxon Company, U.S.A.*

*The Honorable Harry Hughes, Governor*

*Chairman: Lt. General Orwin C. Talbott  
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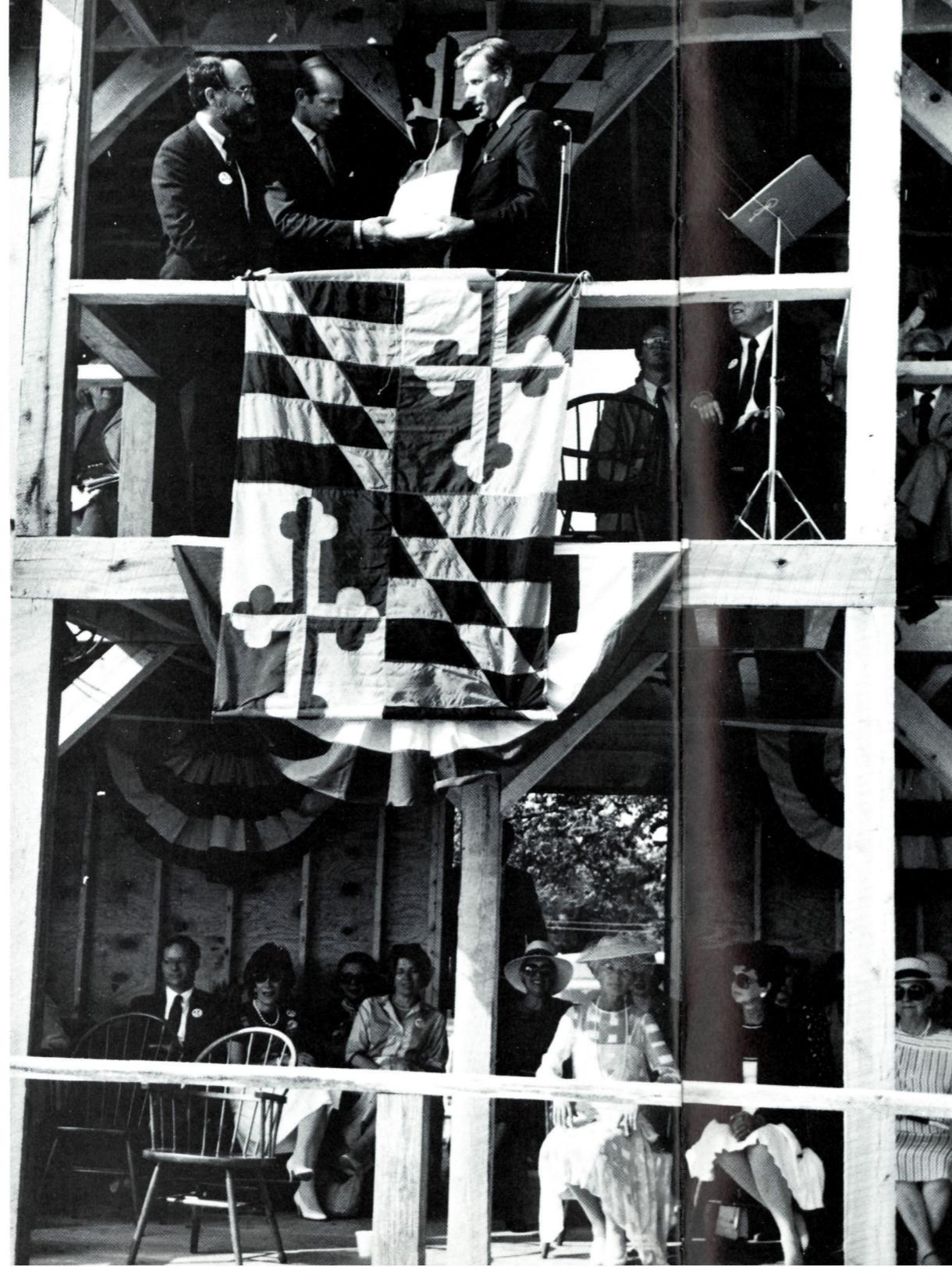
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