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Committee closed out the year with a beautiful party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hurt, recently.

Highlights were the swarding of prizes for the best gardens entered in the contest held in May and the viewing of the movies made of the gardens by the committee photographer, Mrs. Mary Owens.

The contest was under the co-chairmanship of Mrs. Marietta Randall and Mrs. Louise Dolvey who reported that the gardens were more beautiful and better kept than ever before, thus complicating the judging for Luther Washington and Mrs. Naomi Camper, who so graciously made a tour of all the gardens as they have been doing for years. Mrs. Camper and Mr. Washington give a critique of each garden with suggestions for improvement.

Mrs. Owens had also brought along the film of the Christmas door decorations which the members and their guests enjoyed viewing also.

This year, the Garden Committee continued in the attempt to improve upon its expertise in planning its programs. Some of the researched and well reported on topics were: Flower Forcing and Propagation of Seeds, When and How to Prune, Care of Shrubbery and Flowering Trees, Care of Rose Beds and Planting Techniques, Early Spring Flowers and Their Arranging, and when meetings resume, Tubers — Planting Techniques, Final Work in the Garden, Thanksgiving Arrangements, and Christmas Decorations. The Committee is planning to sponsor a door decoration contest this Christmas.

To enlarge their horizons and for pure enjoyment, members of the committee visited the Ladew Topiary Garden on May 23, which were opened as a benefit the Greater Baltimore Medical Center.

Mrs. Pat Bell was shyly, yet proudly displaying the Anthology of poems which contains one of her selections. She writes under her pen name, (which is also her maiden name) Mattie Lee Chilcutt and her selection is entitled "Inspiration." The anthology is entitled "Echoes of Faith."

Members and guests playing games, visiting, dining from the delicious buffet, and enjoying the party into the wee small hours included:

Mr. and Mrs. Steward Owens, Miss Edna Brown, Mrs. Pat Bell, Mrs. Marietta Randall, Dr. Frederic Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Lucious Dolvey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sorrell, Bishop and Mrs Edgar Love, Dr. and Mrs. Roland McConnell, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hurt.

Missing and missed for a second year were Mrs. Mae Folkes, still on the sick list but much improved, and Howard Murphy who was out of the city. Mr. Murphy organized the group a number of years ago and has not missed many of the closing parties. Mrs. Ruby Rann chaired this activity with the assistance of all co-chairman, Mrs. Nellie Sorrell; Mrs. Louise Dolvey and Miss Edna Brown. Mrs. Isabel McConnell serves as chairman of this group for a second year.

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On Sunday ago members of Nu Xi Alpha chapter of Alpha Chi Pi Omega Sorority hosted a dawn breakfast with their husbands as honorees on Father's Day.

Anti Basileus Lena Holland was chairman of the affair which was held in the James Brown Motor Inn. Prior to breakfast the ladies had a business session. Having just returned from the sorority's convention at Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach, Fla., they discussed plans for aiding that institution's scholarship fund.

Attending were Sorors Gladys Burt, Lena Holland, Leana Campbell, Corene Tarrant, Irene Chisholm, Willie Mae Bailey, Susie Stewart, Chessie Brailey and Anna Hemphill.

Their guests were Otis Tarrant, Troy Brailey, Lesley Holland, Edward Campbell, Norman Hamlin and Frank Burt; and Mrs. NeNeal, sister of Mrs. Chisholm.

Kappa Chapter, Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, held its closing meeting at the Morgan Park home of Dr. and Mrs. Roland McConnell, a Saturday ago, with Sorors Maude Paker, Gladys McCoy, and Isabel McConnell serving as hostesses.

The meeting was a happy one for sorors were announcing the winners of their scholarship contest, making plans to attend National Convention in Oakland, California, August 15-19, making plans to start the new year with a "bang" when they reassemble in September, and among other things passing the famous "Iota" hat for contributions to the AFRO AMERICAN Clean Block Campaign, plus gifting the "Iotalings and Baby Lambds" born to Sorors this past year. They also hosted the prospective pledgees.

Scholarship winners announced were Miss Joanne Bonita McCorkle, Douglass High School; Mary McClinton, Dunbar High School and also Eastern Regional winner; Patricia Dunbar High School and also Eastern Regional winner; Patricia Graham and Vivian Thompson of C. W. Peters Business College.

Sorors planning to attend National Convention include — Vivian W. Young, president; Fannie B. Poulson, Blanche Pettiford, Mary B. Ames and Eloise E. Taylor, Oakland, California, August 15-19, 1970.

Fall plans include a card party and raffle at the Sheraton Inn on Saturday October 24 to benefit the Scholarship Fund, observance of American Education Week, which incidentally is earlier this year being observed in October rather than November and tentatively a dinner dance in November.

Iotalings and Baby Lambds gifted include: Queen Bridgette Brown, Stephen Hooper and Owen Ray.

In trying to get everything in, we almost forgot to mention that this is the Chapter's 30th Birthday. It was observed with appropriate remarks by the President and a beautiful cake decorated in the Sorority colors of Green and white served as the center piece of the delicious edibles whih followed. Iota Phi Lambda Sorority is a group of hard working business women and professional women who are dedicated to encouraging young women to enter the field of business education or business administration. Not only this but in every worthwhile civic and community, Iota Sorors are in the vanguard.

After the business meeting, the Sorors went to the back yard where the hostesses had set up tables and had loaded the buffet table with all the favorite dishes the Sorors had brought. Every dish was there, you name it, the Sorors had brought it. Diets were forgoten or only talked about for everyone enjoyed the delicious variety of food.

In addition to the hostesses, Soror's present were:

Mary Ames, Gladys Ball, June Brown, M. Elizabeth Carter Mary Ervin, Evelyn Faulk, Christine Fraser, Claudine Harden, Hazel Hyman, Geradine H. Blanche P. Poindexter, Fannie Poulation Ransom;

Ray, Mary Tucker, Blanche Williams, and Vivian Young, president. Husbands present were: Messers. James Ames, William Hooper, Roland McConnell, and Claud Williams.

Children present were: Dawn Fraser, Joy Faulk, Michael and Elmo T. Douglass, grandsons of Mrs. Ethel T. Poindexter, visiting here from Los Angeles, Calif.

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The wedding of Miss Veronica McGriff McCullough and James Roosevelt Henderson took place in the Heritage United Church of Christ, here, recently.

The Rev. Wendell H. Phillips officiated.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. White Sr., was given in marriage by Mr. Jones. She wore a gown of ivory organza and Alencon lace designed with a high scalloped neckline, long bishop sleeves and a chapel length attached train.

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Her ivory chapel length veil was an Alencon lace mantilla attached to an Alencon lace hat.

Miss Barbara White was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Ann Anastasio of Alexandria, Va., and Misses Jane Davenport, Bonita Thompson and Sylvia Truesdale of this city. Miss Maria White was junior bridesmaid.

In the formal rainbow ceremony, each attendant wore a different colored pastel gown and carried a long-stem rose dyed to match her gown. They wore arrangements of veiling as headpieces. The dresses were of crepe and featured a Victorian neckline and Bishop sleeves. Braid accentuated the bustlines and ended in prayer tassels at the back.

Patricia Craig, flower girl, wore a rose-pink dress.

Miss White wore canary yellow and a cluster of flowers as a headpiece. She carried a yellow geranium.

William White was ring-bearer, and Victor White, trainbearer.

Lawrence Williams was best man.

Ushers were Michael Liberatore, Hannibal Mickens, Jason Pack, John White Jr., Gene Trusty and Donald Holley.

The mother of the bride wore a pale pink gown, and Mrs. Henderson Sr. was gowned in blue.

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# An Appeal by BLACK AMERICANS For United States SUPPORT to ISRAEL

The crisis in the Middle East is a cause of great concern to all Americans—non-Jew as well as Jew, black as well as white. Our concern as black Americans is motivated not only by the threat to world peace which is posed by the Arab-Israeli conflict. We are also moved by the ideals of democracy and social justice, ideals which we have struggled to achieve in this country and which we firmly believe the United States must uphold in the Middle East. In our opinion, the United States can best stand by these ideals by unequivocally guaranteeing Israel's security.

While we are aware that Israel, like any other nation, has its shortcomings, it is by far the most democratic country in the Middle East. What is remarkable is that the high degree of political freedom in Israel has not diminished despite the constant need to maintain military preparedness. In contrast, countries like Iraq, Syria, and Egypt are dictatorial one-party states where the press and the courts are rigorously controlled and non-Moslem minorities are severely persecuted. Moreover, Israel has made tremendous strides toward achieving an equalitarian economic order. Its sophisticated system of educational, health, and welfare services is more advanced even than in our own country and has enhanced the quality of life for Arab as well as Jewish Israelis. The incidence of poverty in the Arab countries, on the other hand, remains appalling. The income from oil has been used to sustain wealthy sheikdoms—and often terrorist organizations as well—but rarely to alleviate the suffering of the poor.

We are deeply concerned about the plight of impoverished Arabs, particularly those who have been made refugees as a result of the three Arab-Israeli wars. But we do not feel that the continuation of the conflict serves the real interests of these people. Prolonged hostilities and inflammatory calls for the destruction of Israel can only divert precious attention, energy, and resources away from an attack on the pressing social and economic problems of the Arab people.

Some Americans, including a small minority of blacks, have expressed the feeling that the Middle East crisis is fundamentally a racial conflict between nonwhite Arabs and white Israelis. We think that this point of view is not only uninformed but dangerously misleading. It ignores the fact that approximately half the Jewish Israeli population consists of immigrants from Asia and Africa. And it also implies that there is an inherent solidarity of nonwhite people. This notion should have been laid to rest not only by the tragic Nigerian civil war, but also by the continuing brutal persecution of black Africans by the Sudanese government which, it must be emphasized, is militarily allied with and assisted by the Egyptian government. We should add in this regard that Israel, with its impressive program of foreign technical aid, has contributed far more than any of its Arab enemies to the development of black African nations.

We, therefore, support Israel's right to exist for the same reasons that we have struggled for freedom and equality in America. And it is again for these reasons that we believe that only peace and economic development can bring real justice to the Arab people. The present crisis in the Middle East endangers both Israel's existence and a better life for the Arabs. We believe that the United States has a vital role to play in ending this crisis. If it does not stand firm in the Middle East, the Soviet Union will be encouraged to increase its intervention, thereby escalating the conflict still further.

We urge the United States government to use its great influence to help bring the Israelis and the Arabs to the conference table where they can work out among themselves a just and negotiated settlement. *We also urge our government to take steps to help guarantee Israel's right to exist as a nation.* For the present this means providing Israel with the full number of jet aircraft it has requested.

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