Unique — Mrs. Marguerite Linton of Ellicott Drive was hostess to the club at a party celebrating the second anniversary, recently.

The ladies entertained their husbands and a few guests.

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Black culture bill passes in Senate

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ANNAPOLIS — The House of Delegates received Thursday a Senate bill to establish a commission on Black History and Culture.

The SB 185, sponsored by Sen. Verda F. Wecome (D., 4th, Balto.) would establish a commission of seven members appointed by the governor from persons who are authorities on black history and culture.

The commission's primary function would be to examine the possibilities of establishing a museum of black history and culture and to consider where such a center should be located.

The commission would also make an interim report to the governor and General Assembly not later than Oct. 1.

ALL TENNIS PLAYERS, a mother and her three daughters share a common interest in "the game." Two of the daughters are "champions" and the owners of nearly 100 combined trophies. Reading from left to right are: V. Patricia (Pat), a champion; Carol, a beginner; Mrs. Myrtle Koger, the mother and former player; and Ann, a champion.

Kogers a family of tennis champs

By LULA SHEFFEY

The AFRO's "Solid Citizens" of the week are a mother and three daughters who share a common interest: they are tennis enthusiasts, with two "tennis champions" and nearly 100 trophies among them.

Mrs. Myrtle Koger is the mother of Ann, 18, V. Patricia (Pat), 17, and Carol, 16.

The three sisters are members of the United States Lawn Tennis Association (USLTA), and Mrs. Koger is a past member of the Baltimore Tennis Club.

For 22 years, Mrs. Koger has been employed by the city school system and is a fourth grade teacher at the Gilmor Elementary School No. 107.

Active in club work, she is publicist of Big Sisters, Little Sisters, Inc., a charitable organization, and formerly worked with the Girl Scouts and the Neighborhood Youth Corps, and was a Camp counselor and director.

A native of Sommerset, Pa., she moved to Baltimore in 1941, and graduated from Douglass High School.

She received a Bachelor's degree from Coppin State (Teachers) College.

Continuing her studies, she has taken courses at New York University and the University of Maryland.

She is married to John F. Koger.

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Her interests include reading, club work, playing pinochle, camping (she is a science nature-bug), and has done lots of reading in religion and philosophy.

She enjoys working with the children at school and feels she shares a good relationship with her pupils.

She tries to understand and seeks a human potential in life, Mrs. Koger explains.

"One of the most important problems facing families and the world today is being able to live together in worthwhile community and being able to enjoy and appreicate the abundance life affords all of us."

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The formative stage when little girls' lives are associated with dolls and playing games of pretend, wasn't the case for Ann and Pat.

Since around the age of 10 years old, they were on the tennis court in Druid Hill Park playing the game, beginning at 10 a.m. and usually playing until the evening hours (during the summer months).

Because of the encouragement and tutelage of several well-known tennis pros, namely, the late Babe Jones, Charles Carroll, Rip Williams, Dick Hobson, and the renowned Maurice Swartzman of Baltimore, Ann has won over 50 trophies, either as winner or runner-up.

Ann comments. "Although I have had some success along the way, my biggest achievement came when I was 16 years old."

She played in and won the Maryland State Championships the City Championships, and the JayCee Championships (here she won a trip to the International Championships in Florida).

A partial listing of some other of her trophies are as follows:

In 1966, Doubles and Singles Winner in the Baltimore "News American" and Bureau of Recreation Championships, and the State Junior Championships, girls 16 and under.

In 1966, Doubles Winner in the Middle Atlantic Tennis Association, girls 16 and under.

Women's Doubles Championships Winner (Bessie Stockard and Ann Koger) in the American Tennis Association (National).

In 1966, Winner in the Baltimore City Girls Championships.

Winner in the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce Tennis Championships, girls 16, championships.

A four-times singles winner in the American Tennis Association (National): Girls 18 and under (1968); Girls singles, 16 and under (1966); girls singles, 14 and under (1964); and girls singles, 12 and under (1962).

And winners in the junior Chamber of Commerce, Maryland State Championships, girls 14 and under (1964).

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A freshman at Morgan State College, it is her ambition to teach physical education.

Ann is a member of the American Tennis Association (ATA) and a past member of the Baltimore Tennis Club; also a former member of the Junior Whiteman Cup Team (the tops in a tennis area or section).

Like her sister, Carol, she loves to cook.

She has traveled the Eastern Seaboard numerous times with her father.

The sisters love sports and are active in swimming; they enjoy tobogganing and sledding, softball and badminton.

For two years or more "Pat was separated from tennis. She simply "lost interest" and was involved in the domestic side of things, like sewing.

Of course, she later returned to tennis.

An outgoing type, Pat has many interests. She has a hankering for the "World of Fashion."

At one time she attended the Patricia Stevens School of Modeling and the Diane Kane School of Modeling.

A senior at Western High School, she is active in school activities, and is in "Honors English" (Advanced English).

She is a member of the Black Culture Club and is school photography-editor for "Westward Ho" school year book.

Looking forward, Pat anticipates entering Morgan State in September.

She was recipient of instructions from some of the same pro's who taught Ann; she is also a member of the American Tennis Association.

Aside from being a tennis champion, she was winner in the Badminton Tournament Finals in 1968.

Last summer, Pat played and was winner in the Girls' Division of the Baltimore Opens, and played in the National finals.

In part, her trophies include:

In 1968, Consolation Winner in the American Tennis Association Junior Tournament, girls 16 to 18.

In 1962, Runner-up in the Netman Cold Tennis Club, girls 15 and under.

In 1962, runner-up in Doubles with Ann in the Interscholastic, girls 14 and under (Hampton, Va.)

In 1967, runner-up in the American Tennis Association National Junior Championships, girls 14 to 16 and under.

Though she has traveled the tennis circuit with her mother and sisters, Carol has only recently become involved in "the game."

She is working hard at learning the game.

Carol is a junior at Forest Park High School where she is a member of the badminton and Spanish Clubs.

Roller skating and attending rock 'n roll shows is a fun thing to her.

"Soul food" is Carol's specialty, she has been cooking for a number of years and enjoys it.

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Edna Weldon, Susie Moore, Dorothy Wicker and Alma Perry.

Helen's extra guests were:

Messrs. and Mesdames James Green, Jeffries Carey, Richard Willis, James Parker, James West;

Mesdames Dorothy Wright, Lloyd Hartz, Mildred Johnson, Sara Carter, Margaret Chase, Dollitte Robinson; Misses Rose Wallace and Helen Moss;

Theodore Johnson, Thomas Allen, Irvin Brown, Fred Weldon, James Bonner, William Mayner, Collin Pullen, Joseph Morow, Phillip Johnson, Charles Rainon.

Methinks there's a lot of campaigning going on by the Just Us Twelve Club. They have three members; all members also of the Maryland League of Women's Clubs and seeking election or re-election to office in that State-wide organization. They are Phyllis Walston, Marion J. Jackson and Emma Dudley, the current president of MLW.

And they have three vibrant candidates there! But regardless how the trend goes at the conference, you can always forget other things and just look at President Dudley. Come the conference, Emma moves into the hotel, luggage filled with high fashion togs, and come each session changes steps up in a fresh number that looks as if it has first been editorialized by Harper's Bazaar.

But back to the Just Us Twelve. They are all hot up, too, over a planned trip to Jamaica this summer. Elizabeth Demby and Bessie Womack are making arrangements for this.

Clarissa Matthews was hostess to the club, Saturday, at dinner at two. They sought to cheer Carrie O. Johnson, who recently lost her brother, by the gift of a beautiful chrysanthemum plant.

Attending the session were Bessie Womack, Carrie O. Johnson, Emma Dudley, Phyllis Walston, Mary Jenkins, Margaret Gassaway, Elizabeth Demby, Wilia Mae Deshields, Marion J. Jackson, Clarissa Matthews and Jane Harrison.

Members of Pi Chapter of Tau Gamma Delta Sorority have wrapped up arrangements for their hat show, scheduled for March 30, when they will show hats by Designer Ida Williams, at Mount Zion Church. Delores Handy is chairman.

This group includes Clarissa Matthews, basileus; Thelma Elsey, Martha Thompson, Margaret Gassaway, Edith Harris, Mary Jenkins, Lillian Lewis, Thelma McCoy, Juanita Mills, Bunny Vista Pretyman, Florence Queen.

Also Phyllis Walston, Frances Lee, Evelyn Robinson, Ruth Salisbury, Blanche Strong, Flossie Johnson, Lois Rosedom and Margaret Summerville.

List on your calendar:

Citation of three clergymen's wives at a luncheon at Friendship International Hotel, Sunday, when Modes Royale cites Mrs. Winfield A. Showell of the First Apostolic Faith Church; Mrs. John R. Dyson, wife of the minister of St. Matthews United Methodist Church; Mrs. Clinton R. Coleman, wife of the pastor of the Pennsylvania Avenue AME Zion Church; and also Mrs. Mercie Foster of Union Baptist Church.

List also a reception honoring Mrs. Lillian M. Murphy, recently retired from the post of director of secondary schools, Western Division, in the Baltimore School System. This will also be on Sunday afternoon from three to five in Blue Crest North.

Tomorrow (Saturday) Lambda Kappa Mu sorors will begin the closing of Lambda Week with a meeting at Chesapeake Restaurant, and on Sunday will worship at Sharp Street United Methodist Church.

Sunday afternoon at five, Pi Omega chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity will hold its 15th annual Talent Hunt at Lemmel Junior High School.

Sunday afternoon at five, Deltas plan a back-up attendance at the concert of ther protege, Janice Tilgham, who will be presented at Sharp Street United Methodist Church. Come Sunday, the 23rd, the sorors have scheduled a "Delta Happening" at Cylburn Mansion, Green Spring Ave. The Alumnae Chapter will be joined by Alpha Gamma and Zeta Epsilon for this affair. Time is 5 p.m.

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met at the home of Mrs. Laura Marable with co-hostesses Mesdames Agnes Brown and Rosebud Chisholm.

Others present were:

Mesdames Eye Ayres, Tripp, Minnie Bethea, Elise Thomas, Viola Planter, Eva Jeter, Gwendolyn Smith, Gladys Felton, Kathleen Hinton, Annie Mae Brown,

Mesdames Ollie Mae White, Dora Robinson, Vera Christian, Olivia Bates, Ovella Queen and Evelyn Roller; and Paul Roller.

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Thrifty — The savings club members were guests of Mrs. Mary Sturdivant and Mrs. Larraine Thompson, Monday evening.

The club is planning a tour to Niagara Falls this summer.

Waverly Wiggins and George Gaymon are co-chairmen of this project.

Attending the meeting were:

Mesdames Mary P. Davis, Madeline Perry, Marie Wiggins, Viola Lee, Josephine Pittman, Dorothy Ward;

Messrs and Mesdames James Skinner and Thelmon Brown; George Gaymon and Selmon Brown.

CONFERENCE HEARING

Child welfare has too many 'hang-ups' with community

The 35th annual Eastern Regional Conference of the Child Welfare League of America was in session last week, at the lord Baltimore Hotel.

The three-day conference began on Thursday.

The League is a federation of private and public child welfare agencies in the United States and Canada.

The Easterns Regional Conference includes the states of Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico and Virginia.

The conference committee is elected from boards of and staffs of agencies throughout the region.

Through its programs and services, the league "seeks to protect and promote the welfare of children."

The conference fulfills its goals by "helping child welfare agencies and the communities of the nation to provide essential social services for children and their families."

According to Miss Frances Mansfield, presiding conference chairman, "the Conference was planned to be relevant to pressing needs and issues faced by all in the areas-agencies, staff, board members, communities. The plight of the Black Child, The Poverty Stricken Family, Delivery of Services, present issues, methods of care, questions about methods which are of urgent concern to all in the total community."

The main speakers for the Conference included Dr. Salvador Minuchin, director of Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic; Dr. Milton A. Galamison, vice president of New York City board of Education; and Sterling Tucker, director of Field Studies, National Urban League.

Other presiding participants included Dr. Dollie R. Walker, education specialist, Community Relations Service, U.S. Department of Justice (conference vice-chairman); and Parren J. Mitchell, professor of Sociology, Morgan State College.

Institutes, discussion groups, topical meetings were set up on a first-come first-served basis.

Walter Carter, community coordinator, Model Cities Program, was guest speaker for one of the panels.

During the afternoon session, Mr. Carter pointed out "hang-Ups-In-Citizen Participation."

"The failure to bring about active community groups where participants can reach their full potential can be associated with a number of reasons: Social Work naivete regarding the nature of governmental functioning and resistence."

"That public agencies are more concerned with 'good public relations' than informed discussions of their problems."

In addition he saad, "We have allowed a creeping sense of neutrality to invade the community as we moved in, rationalizing that we did not want to 'impose values on people.'"

The panel on "Hang-Ups" included Lewis M. Gwynn Jr., coordinator of Johns Hopkins Child Life Program; Mrs. Dorothy Stern, community worker; Mrs. Naomi Lawson, Northeast Neighborhood Club; Mrs. Mildred Kingston, community worker; and Mrs. June Ross, (chairman) director of Community Relations Service, Department of Education, Baltimore City Schools.

High school talent sought by Morgan SGA

What Morgan State's student government calls "making sure we can offer something to the kids in the inner city," is an Inner City Talent Hunt scheduled for March 26.

The show will be held in the Carl Murphy Fine Arts Building and is open to all high school seniors. A spokesman for the student government told the AFRO that first prize will be a full year scholarship to Morgan. Two second prizes will be awarded for one semester scholarships.

Miss Kitty Broady of WEBB radio is community co-ordinator for the talent show. Her job is "getting in touch with the business community and making announcements," according to the Morgan spokesman.

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