Deltas broaden service through scholarship aid

The Baltimore Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta is rounding out 20 years or more of sponsorship for young women and men in the Baltimore Area.

Awarding more than $15,000 over the years, the sponsorship program has had several directions and an impressive record, reports Mrs. Beryl W. Williams, chairman. At first in the late 1940's small scholarships of from $75 to $200 for tuition were awarded, but rising costs of living and going to college and the availability of other kinds of support have lead to sponsorship of the recipient for the four years of college.

Through this procedure, recipients may receive funds for the first year and be sponsored with counseling and contacts in the process of receiving scholarship funds available at the college thereafter.

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The amounts of support from the sorority have varied from $100 to $1000 a year for tuition, board, room and books, depending upon the recipient's need. In some instances tuition was paid throughout the four years.

Usually two or more students are being simultaneously sponsored, although they may have begun college at different times. In the sponsorship program there have been numerous conferences with parents, relatives, friends of the recipients, high school and college counseling services as well as counseling with the recipient throughout the college experience to ascertain the amount of support the student already has before receiving funds.

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In at least one instance sponsorship has extended to graduate school, and the Local Sponsorship Committee has had contact with the National Committee on Scholarships and Standards of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.

Students in the sponsorship program have gone to a variety of colleges such as Howard University, School of Nursing, University of Maryland, St. John's College (Annapolis), Wheaton College, Howard University, Coppin State College, Morgan State College, Lebanon Valley College, Drexel University. The fields of the recipients have revealed a wide range such as English, social work, physical education, library science, engineering, nursing education and music.

The sorority has also made awards to students at Coppin State College. Kown as the Phyllis K. McKinney Memorial Scholarship Award, named for a deceased soror who had been registrar at Coppin State, the amount of $100 has been announced at graduation for a sophomore or junior as a means of enabling her to continue to graduation. Since Coppin State students receive partial tuition waivers for the field of teaching, the amount is important supportive funds for students who are needy. Selected annually by the college, the student may also contact the sorority for counseling.

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An award has been presented each year to a graduating senior in the trades at Carver Vocational Technical High School. The amount at first $25, was increased to $50. Not expected to be limited to students expecting to go to college, this amount has been used by the recipient, who might be in cosmetology, for cost of license, tools, and uniforms as she enters her field as an apprentice.

Six local high schools, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Frederick Douglass, Forrest Park, Edmondson, Eastern and Western High Schools have received funds for needy students to pay the fees for application to take college entrance tests. Arranged through the school's counseling office, these fees have provided a spring-board to enable students to be in line for scholarships or to help the school or the student's parents be aware of interest in going to college.

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There have been also emergency cases called to the attention of the Sponsorship Committee by college personnel (deans of women, etc.) and funds have been issued in the middle of the college term for students in financial difficulty.

The Sponsorship Committee has also worked closely with Direct Search for Talent, a talent-search program in Baltimore which has been sponsored four years by the national office of Delta Sigma Theta and funded by HEW-Office to Education, Special Services, and is now working cooperatively with Model Cities. Mrs. Ellen Howard, a soror and director of this program, has on file former high school seniors in the program who have been supported by funds for college and counseling for jobs as well as college by members of the Sponsorship Committee as well as other sorors.

Mrs. Thelma Cox, president of Baltimore Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta, has announced the fourteenth annual Ebony Fashion Show to be held in the Murphy Fine Arts Center in October, 1971, the purpose of which is to continue to raise money for the scholarship and sponsorship program. The sorority thanks the community for its continued support and encouragement.

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A report of the present professions of former recipients of Delta sponsorship funds reveals social workers, high school, elementary school, and college teachers, nurses, a law librarian as well as young women married, but now returning to college as well as to the world of work. Some students have in their background study and service in Europe, South America, and Africa, Peace Corps and Fulbright award.

As Baltimore Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta, reviews the many hours of counseling and other supportive services given through the Sponsorship Committee, the contributions from the community, and the personal funds from sorors, it can be justly proud of its twenty year history of sponsoring black youth bound for college and successful careers.

Serving at present are Mrs. Beryl Williams, chairman; Mrs. Vivian Washington, Mrs. Ethel Hughes, Mrs. Mary Spellman, Mrs. Nahketah Gregory, Mrs.

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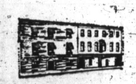

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Sgt. Maureen J. Johnson, 35, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Johnson, W. Cold Spring La., was among the 57 Army non-commissioned officers attending the Army Recruiting and Career Counseling Course at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Graduation from the course was Friday, April 23.

The purpose of the course was to qualify the NCOs for counseling young men and women on vocational training opportunities in the Army, according to Col. J. T. Pink, Commandant of the U.S. Army Adjutant General School, in which the course is conducted.

Sgt. Johnson is a graduate of Douglass High School. She will be stationed in New Haven, Conn., for two years.

MR. AND MRS. DANIEL VAUGHN of Baltimore celebrated the birthdays of both as well as their 40th wedding anniversary, recently.

Golden Anniversary Week for Hiram Grand Lodge

The Most Worshipful Hiram Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., will hold its 50th Golden Anniversary Celebration the week of May 23 to 28, culminating in the 50th Anniversary Banquet, Friday, May 28 at the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

Dr. King V. Creek, president of Morgan State College, will be the guest speaker at that event.

The week's activities will begin with a Divine Service Sunday, May 23, at the Metropolitan Church. City Solicitor George L. Russell Jr. will be the speaker.

On Monday, May 24, an Open House will be held in the Hiram Grand Lodge Masonic Temple, 1201 N. Eutaw Pl. Tuesday will see a Bazaar-Carnival at the same place.

Wednesday evening the temple will be the scene of another Open House, followed by a panel presentation on Community Concerns, to be held at the City Temple of Baltimore, Dolphin and Eutaw.

Thursday there will be a Fashion Show, held at the Arthur J. Payne Christian Center, Edmondson Ave. and Schroeder St., and Friday will close the festivities with the banquet.

Theme of the anniversary week will be "Brotherhood through mutual endeavor." The committee for the 50th Anniversary Celebration is headed by the Hon. Clarence Wycoff, Grand Master.

Coming Events

MAY 15

The Art Guild opens its 1971 season of six outdoor art exhibits with a show today, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the Homewood Campus of the Johns Hopkins University, University Parkway and Charles St.

MAY 15

Deaf persons may become members of Weight Watchers, community clubs for the overweight at 10 a.m. in the Christ United Methodist Church for the Deaf, 2401 Loch Raven Road.

MAY 17

About 150 color and black-and-white photographs selected from prints submitted to the Baltimore Camera Club from nations all around the world will be exhibited at the central Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 Cathedral Street, from May 17 through May 29.

The public is invited to view the exhibition free of charge. The photographs will be displayed in the main Pratt library's central hall and second-floor cases 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

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Mrs. McCray represents Maryland foster parents

MRS. HELEN McCRAY

Mrs. Helen McCray of 2701 Fenwick Ave. was the first foster mother to represent the State of Maryland at the National Conference of Foster Parents, held in Chicago over the weekend.

As Maryland representative, she spoke for the 2000 foster parents in this city and State.

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Mrs. McCray has been a foster parent for the Social Services for the past 13 years. She and her husband, Willie McCray Sr. became interested in aiding parentless children before they had children of their own. They have continued to help outsiders though they now have three children of their own.

They have seen their foster children grow to adulthood, and as Mrs. McCray said, "I'm now grandmother of three" through my foster daughters.

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In recent years, Mrs. McCray's interest in child rearing has turned to children who found it difficult to be maintained in average homes. "Children who authorities say are too mentally ill to be handled outside of institutions are a challenge," she says. She currently has one child who had been predicted would never be able to attend regular school classes. "He is now attending school along with my own children, and making fair progress," she says.

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Being elected the first delegate to the National Conference of Foster Parents is not the first honor in that field that has come to Mrs. McCray. She was awarded the Judith A. Hochreiter Memorial Citation for outstanding service to foster children in 1969.

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In addition to her full line of duties at home, Mrs. McCray finds time to serve as a teachers aid at Montebello Elementary School. She is also on the Council's Board of the Third English Lutheran Church as well as a member of the Evangelism Committee of that church.

She is the wife of Willie McCray Sr., a pioneer in his own right. Mr. McCray was among the police officers who led the fight against discrimination within the police department.

Coming Events

MAY 14

"Alcoholism: A National Tragedy and a New Opportunity" Morris E. Chafetz, M.D., acting director, Division of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, National Institute of Mental Health, Chevy Chase, Maryland in Lecture Room, 1-704, U. of Md., 645 W. Redwood, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

MAY 18

Chapter No. 2 Council for Exceptional Children will hold its annual dinner meeting at St. Elizabeth's School for Special Education, 801 Argonne Drive. There will be a social hour from 5:30 p.m. with a smorgasbord, dinner following at 6:30 p.m.

MAY 19

Make-up techniques and fashion tips for the female will be offered in a free demonstration-talk at the Enoch Pratt Free Library's Dundalk Avenue branch at 7 p.m. today.

OFF TO WASHINGTON —Students at Cherry Hill School No. 164 took a trip to Washington, D.C., recently, for a tour of the nation's capital. Here they are boarding buses with adult supervisors just before departure.

Training confab set by Social Services

A three-day training session on first aid, sex education, and play activities for family day care parents licensed by the Baltimore City Department of Social Services will be held at 9 a.m., Saturday, May 22, at the University of Maryland School of Social Work, 525 West Redwood St.

The 426 family day care parents now providing full and part-time care to 651 children in Baltimore City have been invited to attend.

The session will include the following subjects and speakers:

First aid — Mrs. Jean Byrd, public health nurse, Baltimore City Health Department, Eastern Health District;

Sex Education for young children — Mrs. Helena Hicks, day care specialist, Maryland Social Services Administration;

Use of play activities and toys — Miss Ethel L. Bianchi, extension agent, Home Economics, University of Maryland.

The Family Day Care Program of the Baltimore City Department of Social Services is designed to help AFDC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children) recipients and low-income families where the mother is employed, seeking employment or in training;

Or where the part-time separation of mother and child can ease family tensions and enable the family to remain together. The program offers care to children from infancy to age 16.

Woman Power sets seminar

A series of workshops for election judges will be presented 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Harlem Park Community School, 1500 Harlem Ave., and the Johnston Square Elementary Community School, 1100 Valley St.

The training program is open to the public, including existing, substitute and prospective judges.

It is designed to increase the effectiveness of judges at polling places on election days, and thus decrease chances for voting delays.

Child care services and coffee will be provided at both locations during the program, according to Mrs. Clarice LaV. Brooks, project director. Dr. Delores C. Hunt is executive director of Woman Power.

Lack of cheerleaders starts tiff

EL DORADO, Ark. — Eight persons were arrested recently following an altercation that resulted from a cheerleader election at Rogers Junior High School.

Police were called to disperse a crowd of about 150 students who had walked out of class in protest to an election in which no black cheerleaders had been elected.

Ray Miller, assistant principal at the east campus, said school officials and a committee of black pupils met to seek a solution to the problem.

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