KAPPAS AID CHARITIES — When members of Baltimore Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity held a dinner dance on Saturday evening, members paused to present funds to charities. Here, Dr. G. James Fleming, a member and Mrs. Gwendolyn Mickle, chairman of the Fleming Scholarship Fund, accept $300 check from J. Edward Dingle, left, and Dr. James Fennimore Cooper, polemarch. Kappas also gave $400 to their own Cultural Exchange Youth Program involving early school age children and teenagers; and $300 to the Louis E. Harmon Scholarship Fund to send children to the YMCA Camp King's Landing.

WOODLAWN HIGHLIGHTS

Flexitime, new concept for SSA employees

By Marjorie R. Green

Flexitime, a new concept in the eight-hour work day is rapidly spreading through Social Security Central Headquarter. Under the flexitime procedure the employee works eight hours but determines his own arrival and departure time. Departure time is determined by the time of arrival and the length of the employee's lunch break break.

According to management three are many advantages to the new flexitime schedules. Tardiness is virtually eliminated because the employees day begins when he arrives Many employess arrive early so they can leave early.

Others welcome the extra time in the morning that can be used for getting the children ready for school. Absences are less frequent because employees can handle personal affairs before or after their selected work day.

Public service is increased because flexitime allows the office to be open longer hours. Here's hoping we will soon adopt the suggested four-day work week.

A recent visitor in town was Loisetta Norfleet Smith, former Social Security employee now living in San Diego, Calif. She was on leave from her job as a Medical Records Technician at the Naval Hospital in Palm Springs to attend a workshop in Kansas City that had ended a few days prior to her call.

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It was heartwarming to hear her reveal that she subscribes to this newspaper and reads this column each week. Before going back to Calif, she planned to visit with relatives in N.J. and then join friends and her son Gary on a camping trip in Las Vegas.

Hugh McKenna, associate commissioner of Operations, announced his plans this week to retire from government service effective July 31.

SSA Toastmaster Albert Jones is making plans to travel to Fla. on June 27 to attend his son Courtland's wedding.

Something tells me I'm getting old when I look at the long list of 1975 30-year employees that I know personally.

They are: Ellen M. Edwards, Lamar Quarles, Delia Saundars, Lorene Smith Carrie Stotts, Rosetta Waters, Allen Waffles Avis Fragan, also Clarence Frazier, John Harvey, Sallie Johnson, Dorothy Jackson, Virginia Jones, Willaim Jones, Delores Seaberry, Herbert Spencer, and Virginia Warren.

Congratulations to a beautiful group of people. May the coming thirty years be your very best years.

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Mrs. Helen Tucker, first lady Veep for A.F.G.E. Local 1923 will entertain the Martiniques club and a few old friends at the Playboy club penthouse on Saturday.

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Newest member on the Concord Baptist Church Usherboard is SSA's Phyllis Reaves.

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In the mailbox this week was a thoughtful letter from Robert A. Turpid Jr., director of Alumni affairs at Virginia Union University. The letter expressed gratitude and thanks to those friends who have supported the Miles W. Connor Chapters successful alumni program.

Credit goes to Vice President Harlow Fullwood, Jr. for calling attention to the fact that the chapter's success could not have been accomplished without the loyal and devoted support of friends who care.

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R.S.V.P. With Marie

By Marie P. COOKE
Reflections Editor

Functions a plenty have been going on around town — so many in fact, we haven't had enough space in this section to print them — let's play "catch up" this week.

Going back to a couple of Fridays ago, this writer and friend were guests of the Kappa Silhouettes at its Preakness Warm-Up ... it was there we really got into our Preakness thing. You probably recall the photo we ran a couple weeks back of the group's officers, Elva Edwards, president; Carolyn Cole, vice president; Bernice Brown, treasurer; Virginia Watkins, corresponding secretary and Amelia Chase, financial secretary.

Other members of the local chapter are:

Bernice Brown, Carolyn Boston, Berine Bundara, LaNae Caldwell, Armelia Chase, Carolyn Chissell, Bernice Clapp, Flo Davis, Dandra Dingle, Delores Douglass;

Connie Hankins, Mary Hood, Blanche Johnson, Gloria King, Kathy Lebow, Daisy Matthews, Betty Mellow, Mary Patterson, Iris Reeves, Barbara Green, Geralding Sampson, Margaret Smith;

Pat Speight, Maureen Tatum, Alise Thomas, Margaret Smith, Mary Urguhart, Allenette Valentine, Linda Vaughn, Gwen Woolford and Joyce Wilkins.

The affair was a perfect way to start the weekend. — members and their Kappa counterparts left no doubt in anyone's mind that the Preakness was not far behind (like the next day). The girls and their hubbies, sweethearts were all dressed up — like jockeys of course — brightly-colored silks and the like.

But that's not all.

The Silhouettes had asked their patrons to wear silks and jockey hats. Many of them did and that made the affair real Preakness-like. Some came in complete jockey attire — from head to toe — ridin' boots and all.

So we left the Silhouettes at Martin's West and motored to the Hunt Valley Inn where my mom was honoring her hubby, A.P. Moss on his birthday. The Mosses were at the Inn doing their Preakness thing with the Upper Ten Club ... it was a weekend getaway.

We sang and danced and toasted the honoree (he toasted with his glass full of real soda pop).

The 10th annual awards presentation of Arena Players held last Friday p.m. sparked the spring season ... unique, in that it appealed to all types of folks. It combined the arts with society and visa versa. A black tie affair it was, nonetheless everybody was comfortable in the relaxed setting.

There was a cross-section of Arena Players supporters there—the young and the not-so-young — rich and poor — black, white and so on. Surely all of the 380 guests had something good to say when they left Blue Crest North that evening.

Undoubtedly, they talked about the honored guests, Esther Rolle, "Good Times" star, who brought the house down with her remarks (see: If You Ask Me by Bettye Moss, opposite Editorial page in this edition).

And, guests got good vibrations when Ronnie Dunkin received the Performing Arts and Lorraine Hansberry Scholarship awards and Allen Quille and Samuel Hecht, the civic awards. (See their pictures in this edition).

"Good Times" star, Esther Rolle was among those guests of honor at the 10th annual Arena Players Awards gala held last Friday at Blue Crest North. Here she is pictured talking with Wallace Gray, during cocktail hour. (Reflections photo by Benjamin M. Phillips)

Everybody who is involved with the Arena Players deserves a round of applause or even more, but Samuel Wilson, president; Irv Turner, manager-director, Camilla Sherrard, board chairperson, and Catherine Adams, a woman who wears many hats, are particularly worthy of all the good things life has to offer — their hard work and countless volunteer hours should never go unnoticed. They are making the "Impossible Dream" possible.

It's a boy for J.C. and Maxima Shay, formerly of Lafayette, La., now making their home here. Uriah Key arrived Monday at Sinai, weighing 6 lbs., 7 ozs. Baby's big sisters, Leah, 5, and Naomi, 2, officially welcomed their little brother to the family. Dad is the P.R. man at University of Baltimore — mom keeps busy with the little Shays at their Pickwick home.

Mrs. Elaine M. Davis was honored at a reception in her Vickers Rd. home by her mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Steele, (Gertrude). Mrs. Davis received a master's degree in education from Towson State College on Sunday. She is a 4th and 5th grade teacher at the Benjamin Banneker School No. 113.

Guests included her friends through the years — elementary, high school, college and during her seven years as a teacher. Among them were the Conrad Yorkshires, Linwood Fosters, Samuel Owingses, A. Paul Mosses, Otis Warrens, Clarence Shields, Wyatt Cogers. Mr. Coger also received his master's on Sunday.

Also, Madeline Davis, Joyce Mason, Mary Demory, Margaret Wilson, Laura Priestly, Mary Hines, Marlene Elliott, Vera Martin, Rosalyn Perry, Florence King, Thomasine Coleman, Ellen Gordon, Mildred Taylor, James Simmons, Harvey Thompson, Ronald Dobson, Boisey Armond, Raymond Simmons; the honoree's father Baernard Campbell and son, James W. Davis.

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GRAD HONORED — Mrs. Elaine Davis shown here at a reception in her honor. Mrs. Davis received her Master's degree in Education on Saturday from Towson State. L to R: Bernard Campbell, honoree's father; Mrs. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin (Gertrude) Steele, mother and stepfather.

Coming to Reflections: "From This Day Forward..." June 20

The husbands of these women were among those program participants at the 10th annual awards presentation sponsored by Arena Players last Friday evening. At left is Mrs. Samual Hecht, whose husband received a civic award. Right is Mrs. George Russell — her hubby made the presentation to Mr. Hecht.

(Reflections photo by Moss)

Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" will be presented outdoors at Evergreen House on June 13, 14 and 15 as the final production in the first half of Theatre Hopkins' two-year anthology of American theater.

This will be the tenth annual production sponsored jointly by the Evergreen Foundation and Theatre Hopkins to be staged in the upper garden of Evergreen House, 4545 North Charles Street.

Bridal Register

Ms. Ruth J. Snowden has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Mary Catherine to Bruce Tyrone Johnson, son of Mrs. Lillie C. Johnson Hyde, all of Baltimore.

Miss Snowden is a secretary in the Real Estate Department at the Mercantile -Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Baltimore. Her fiance is a Spec. 4 in the United States Army and is currently serving at Fort Carson, Colorado Springs, Colo.

The couple plans to be wed on June 21 at the Cathedral-Basilica of the Assumption Church in Baltimore.

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