For those of us who think the Night in Las Vegas affair was just another "social" event are surely in the wrong . . . black folk in Baltimore will benefit from the tireless efforts put forth to raise money for several ongoing charitable projects in the area by the men of the Baltimore Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

Kappa committeemen, headed by Randy Edwards, made sure the affair resembled Las Vegas' Strip . . . to the max! Some 850 guests who came from various parts of town, Columbia, Annapolis, Silver Spring and D.C. crowded the game tables and watched (and w-i-s-h-e-d) as the wheels spun around — and around — until they finally stopped. . . .

But the excitement didn't end there. Lawanda, the Stripper made a guest appearance and, I must add she shed her wear (outer and under), with the exception of three gold threads which covered some essential parts. Howard Tutman, Kappa's public relations person, says Lawanda wasn't just the average stripteaser, she was actually booked through an agency. "She added to the flavor of the Las Vegas atmosphere," says Tutman. "We didn't want to make it a phony Las Vegas." In fact, he recalls, "It was somewhat refreshing to have something a little different."

Kappa men are notorious for having a good time, however, they do get down to business. Members contribute their time and money to meaningful programs and projects both in the city and the frat. Proceeds from Las Vegas Night, which by the way is the only annual fund-raiser sponsored by the local group, will go into three programs:

Dr. Louis E. Harmon Memorial Fund which provides camperships to the YMCA's Kings Landing Camp; to establish a revolving student loan fund at Morgan State University and Coppin State College (additional funding to come from the National chapter) and to provide funding for Kappa's own project, Guide-Right, known in Baltimore as the Kappa League. (See "O, Say Can You See," an in-depth look at the Guide- Right Program" by Marie Phillips Cooke, coming soon to Reflections).

Those K-men who served on the Las Vegas Night Committee were Gus Chase, chairman, hosts; Claude Erkhardt, games; Howard Tutman, publicity; Raymond Speights, William "Box" Harris, Richard Perkins, Jay Watkins, Garfield Bennett, George David, John Contee and Ralph Cole.

KAPPA LEADERS—Among those seen at the Sixth Annual Night In Las Vegas sponsored by the Baltimore Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity were from L to R: Howard Tutman, publicity chairman; Roy T. Lyones, Silver Spring; Henry Alston, polemarch, Annapolis; Dr. James Fennimore Cooper, polemarch, Baltimore; Dr. Oscar Mims, polemarch, Washington, D.C.; Randy Edwards, chairman, of the affair, and Col. Clyde Ligon, polemarch, Columbia.
(Photo by Arthur Snowden)

Provincial Council Meeting

Some 200 Kappa brothers and their female counterparts will be in town April 9-11 for the Eastern Provincial Council Meeting to be held at the Ramada Inn in Security Park. Among the activities scheduled are an open dance on Friday; luncheon sponsored by the undergraduate chapters and a closed formal dance on Saturday. Kappa wives and sweethearts, known as the Silhouettes, will be meeting, too. We'll have an announcement of their activities next week.

Speaking of the Silhouettes, the Baltimore Chapter held its annual Soul Food Dinner on Saturday at the Kappa House . . . and soulful it was! In fact, it was almost like a party.

Many of the supper patrons purchased their dinners (chitterlin's, chicken and other good things) and ate them right in the dining quarters. Afterwards, some of the folk stayed around and conversed over cocktails, the basketball game and "Rufus."

Silhouette members had prepared an enormous quantity of food, enough for 350 dinners. And, they sold out! The group is under the leadership of Betty Mello; Carolyn Cole is vice president; Carolyn Tutman, recording secretary; Gloria King, corresponding secretary; Bernice Brown, treasurer. Members are: Berine Bundara, Virginia Watkins, Amelia Chase, Allenette Valentine, Cathy LaBohne, Mary Patterson, Marita Donaldson, Kathleen Jacobs, Blanche Johnson, Florenia Davis, Geraldine Sampson, Margaret W. Smith, Margaret J. Smith, Delores Douglass, Daisy Matthews, Jeanne Cooper and Elva Edwards.

Coming next week: "Lawyers Wives' Fashion Show," "Blue Ribbon Tea Report" and more.

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Love and warmth spread throughout the Constellation Room at the Civic Center on a recent Saturday, which happened to have been Valentine's Day. The occasion was the wedding reception in honor of Mrs. Helen N. Evans and Francis E. Martin who were married late last year.

Out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Robinson, Virginia Beach, Va.; retired Sgt. James Martin, Portsmouth, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Elizabeth Riggs, Miss Mary R. Davenport, Joseph Davenport, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. William Miller, Amityville, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Land, Gaithersburg, Md. and Mr. andbMrs. Charles Diggs, Upper Marlboro, Md.

Mrs. Ruby Glover Penny, a friend of the family, sang several special numbers for the couple. She was accompanied by Hugh Walker, drums; Phil Harris, bass; Freddie Thaxton, organist and Marvin Cadell, saxophonist.

Have a nice day . . . every day!

Community Calendar

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p.m. and dinner 7 p.m. Guest speaker, Mrs. Thelma T. Daley, national president.

March 27

Tri-State Elks Cotillion, Lord Baltimore Hotel, 9 p.m.

Founders' Day Program and lunch in the famous Madison Avenue YWCA Dining Room, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Theme: "Black Women in the YWCA of Baltimore." Registration and coffee, 9:30-10 a.m. Program at 10 a.m.

Activities include a film, panel of distinguished speakers; salute to outstanding YWCA volunteers (certificates to be awarded); exhibit of original fashion and dance representative of key years in YWCA history (1896-1976), directed by Gwendolyn Biddle with other designers and dancers under her tutelage, and lunch.

Black Women's Consciousness Raising Association, Inc. holds "Open House Seminar," at the Dunbar Community School, 1400 Orleans St.; 1:30 p.m. Guest speaker Linwood J. Bridgeforth. Topic: The Secrets to Obtaining Your Own Credit and Keeping It.

Thirty-third Annual One-Day Conference of the Maryland League of Women's Clubs, Sheraton-Baltimore Inn, Broadway and Orleans St., 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Reservations from Mrs. Manon J. Jackson, 728-2884 or Mrs. Ruth Marshall, 825-9338.

March 28

"Charles Manson, Demoniac," the fourth in a series of lectures on the theme, "The Great Experiment: Successes and Failures" by William R. Mueller. A Bicentennial event sponsored by the Enoch Pratt Free Library and funded by a grant from the Maryland Committee for the Humanities and Public Policy, at the Pratt Library's Peabody Department, 17 E. Mount Vernon Place, 2 p.m.

Alpha Zeta Chapter, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. opens "Stork's Nest," Lafayette Square Multi-Purpose Center, 1501 W. Lafayette Ave., 4 p.m. Public invited. Mrs. Devera J. Whiting, chairwoman; Miss Mary E. Fields, basileus.

The Pastor's Aides celebrate Annual Day, Perkins Square Baptist Church, 2500 Edmondson Ave., 3:30 p.m. Mrs. Bernice B. Lewis, guest speaker.

March 31

The Northwestern Sr. High Alumni will challenge Baltimore Colts in benefit basketball game, Northwestern Senior High Gym, 8:15 p.m. Call Denise Lucas, 945-5770.

April 2

Maryland Licensed Practical Nurses Association sponsors Annual Spring Dinner Dance, Martin's West, 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Call Mrs. C. Jenkins, chairperson, 435-4319 or MLRNA office 467-2010.

April 3

St. Mark's United Methodist Church holds Bicentennial Bazaar, Liberty Heights and Garrison Blvd., 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

April 4

Ebony Dames present Second Annual Fashion Show, Johns Hopkins University's Interviewing and Listening Room (Glass Pavilion), 3-5 p.m.

Recognition Service for Mrs. Bernice S. White, Emerald Gardens, 4210 Primrose Ave., 4 p.m. Call Mrs. Mildred Williams, 265-7874.

Reunion services for past and present members of the Virginia Raynor Memorial Choir at Concord Baptist Church, 4 p.m.

April 7

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. presents the premiere showing of the film, "Countdown at Kusini," Charles Theater, 1711 N. Charles St., 8 p.m. Proceeds to benefit the Madison Avenue Branch of the YWCA and other charities. For ticket information call 945-3330 or 367-1116 or a member of the sorority.

April 10

Strip Neighborhood Alumni Reunion, Blue Crest North, Reisterstown Rd., 9 p.m.-2 a.m.

April 11

Pittsburghers of Baltimore hold first new membership social meeting at 5 p.m. For additional information call 728-8565.

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. . . by Pinnie L. Ross

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Birthday wishes are more certainly in order for Dr. George Taylor, who received many wishes from over fifty invited guests last Saturday night.

The party was a secret to the guests, but not to the honoree. Dr. Taylor greeted the many guests at the door. They gathered in the modern decorated living room for a quick chat and then to the spacious club cellar where the real happenings were held. Mrs. Taylor (Mary) graciously made everyone feel very comfortable as she truly displayed her quality of real Southern hospitality.

Guests didn't hesitate to be served, for they knew that the tasty food Mary prepares is usually out-of-sight. The menu included Southern style baked chicken, well-seasoned greens, Smithfield ham, delicious shrimp salad, hot steahing rolls, birthday cake and cofee.

The lively group sang Happy Birthday to Dr. Taylor — how old are you now? But he never answered. (Cuff Note): After you pass 21 years of age you need not answer.

Mrs. Taylor is comptroller of the Black Child Development Institute in D.C.

The Philadelphia Chapter of Links Inc., presented a Kaleidoscope in Arts recently. The affair was held at the Crystal Ballroom in the Benjamin Franklin Hotel. Attending the affair from the Columbia Chapter was Suzanne Price, who makes the annual affair each year. According to Mrs. Price, the fashion show was simply beautiful.

Speaking of fashion shows — the Baltimore Lawyer Wives presented their annual show at the Governor's Club Saturday, and was it nice. The room was filled to capacity with a lively and beautiful audience of well-dressed people. Designer ons were shown by Baltimore leading designers, including

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Plans October wedding

Marion Thomas Clements and Mrs. Catherine Walker announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Yvonne Clements to Gregory E. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard (Clara) Moore.

The bride is a graduate of Morgan State University and is employed as a social worker for the city of Baltimore. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clements of Hopewell, Va. and the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Taylor of Va.

The bride's fiance is also a graduate of Morgan State University and has studied at the University of Maryland Law School. He is also employed as a social worker for Baltimore city and the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Sr. of Columbus, Ga. while the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Walter Character and the late Walter Character.

Noel Woodard was best man and Miss Denise Johnson was maid of honor.

MISS SARAH Y. CLEMENTS
To wed August 7

George Braxton of Hanover, Va. and the late Arthur Casey and Mrs. Rena Casey of Washington, D.C.

The couple will wed on Aug. 7 at the Whitestone Baptist Church followed by a reception at Martin's West.

Carriker- Johnson

Miss Evelyn DeLois Johnson and George Edward Carriker were married recently at the home of the bridegroom's brother-in-law, Archie Marks Sr. in Atlanta, Ga. The Rev. Grady Murphy of Atlanta officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Johnson Sr. of Columbus, Ga. while the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Walter Character and the late Walter Character.

Noel Woodard was best man and Miss Denise Johnson was maid of honor.

Engagement told

Mr. and Mrs. Lonzza B. Cutchin announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Vanessa D. Cutchin to Randolph Harris Perkins son of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Franklin E. Perkins of Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Cutchin is a graduate of Western High School while her fiance is a member of the United State Air Force and a graduate of Southern High School. He also attended Morris Brown College in Atlanta, Ga.

The couple have planned an October wedding.

Wright-Richardson

In the floral setting of her home, Miss Emma Richardson was recently united with James R. Wright by the Rev. H. Plowden in a double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David R. L. Richardson and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hampton Wright of Glover, S.C.

Maid of honor was Mrs. Ellen Ellison along with best man M. Baker.

Scarborough-Moore

Miss Valerie Laverne Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moore of Guilford Rd., Jessup, Md. recently repeated wedding vows with Keith Scarborough, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Carter of Alexandria, Va.

MRS. KEITH SCARBOROUGH (former Miss Valerie Moore)

The couple were united at the main chapel of the Fort George G. Meade Army Base followed by a reception in Jessup Community Hall.

Bridal attendants were: Mary Smith, matron of honor; Cynthia Moore, maid of honor; Marie Boston, Valerie Brown, Cloretta Moore, Varalyn Moore, Christine Crawford.

Bestman was Alvin Parker along with ushers, Stanley Moore, Philip Moore, James Moore, Charles Moore, Freddie Mott and John Boston.

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Woodlawn Highlights

. . . by Marjorie Green

A few weeks ago while on a job related trip to the Health, Education Welfare building in Washington, I had the opportunity to talk with two interesting Social Security employees.

Melvin Gordon, transportation driver with 16 years government service held my attention with stories about experiences as he has had since joining SSA's transportation pool seven years ago. Six of those years were spent driving the daily run to and from Philadelphia.

According to Mr. Gordon his two daughters aged three and seventeen are the big interests in his life when he isn't working or engaged in his favorite bowling games. Mr. Gordon was born in Mississippi but spent most of his early childhood in New Orleans. He and his family attend First Baptist Church. Reverend Julian Price is the minister at First Baptist.

Andrew Henson, back up man for SSA's Washington messenger was less talkative. He came to SSA three years ago and immediately became a member of the Social Security Basketball team. It wasn't by accident that he mentioned that his team has been city wide champions for the past two years.

Andy is married to the former Joetta Farrar, one son, two year old Andrew Henson II. The family worships at the Kingdom Hall on Mulberry Street.

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