R.S.V.P. With Marie

By Marie Phillips-Cooke
Reflections Editor

O, for the gift of each new day . . . how quickly they pass. It seems like just a moment ago this column was wishing you a prosperous and happy year, a loving and warm Valentine's Day, a refreshing and sun-filled spring. Easter. Mother's Day.

May your hearts be filled with fond remembrances of loved ones who've gone on to glory this Memorial Day.

Speaking of fond remembrances, the Original Martiniques, Inc. had its annual church worship service recently at the Fountain Baptist Church. Members say it was a perfect way to give thanks for their many blessings, especially for the sisterhood they've said throughout the years.

Pastor C. M. Tyndallis's heart was filled as the club made a contribution to his building fund. Martinique Victorine Q. Adams, president, did the honors. Following the worship experience, members dined at the Pimlico Hotel.

Those present were: Martiniques Susie Moore, Hester P. Greenway (she's a member of Fountain Baptist); Myrtle Thompson, Edna Welden, Alma Perry and Pearl Bonner. Unable to attend were: Dorothy Wicker and Helen Tucker.

Delegate's Greetings

Delegate Walter Dean (D. 5th) sent letters this week to key public officials welcoming them to the First National Conference of the Black Women's Consciousness Raising Association, Inc.

Letters were sent to Representative Cardiss Collins (D. Ill.), Representative Parren J. Mitchell (D. Md.), Ms. Len Taylor of Essence Magazine and Councilwoman Sarah Carter (D. AA). Del. Dean also sent letters to a variety of officials who will participate as panelists and leaders at the all-day conference.

Said Delegate Dean: "The theme: The Dynamic Women: Getting It All Together is a very appropriate theme for Black Women, who are increasing their involvement in a variety of social, political and economic issues."

The conference will be held June 4, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Morgan State University.

Combined Choirs

And for those who gathered May 15 at La Fontaine Bleu certainly have happy thoughts of how well the Town Choir and Aim High Chorus worked together to raise needed funds for the Anna Mae Hunter Home for the Blind and the Adult Fellowship of John Wesley United Methodist Church.

Our good (and popular) friend Mary West Miller told the story of how the two groups got together, as well as their individual directors Delores Gross and William H. Wright. Both were saluted that evening.

Frisby Society

The Herbert M. Frisby Historical Society held its annual dinner meeting this past Tuesday evening at Blue Crest. Neath where Maryland Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein, "is for his extensive knowledge of Maryland history" gave the keynote. More about the affair next week.

Champagne Reception

George Taylor of Taylor's House of Flowers in Mondawmin was in the office this week. He, too, has fond memories of a recent affair — a gala champagne extravaganza held last Sunday.

It was there that many of this town's loveliest participated in a program that was as lovely as it was beautiful.

The affair did not go unrecognized. A proclamation came out of the mayor's office that read:

"WHEREAS, Baltimore's entertainment and restaurant scene is enriched to a great degree by the conscientious efforts of various hostesses, businessmen and others who add charm and brightness to any occasion; and

"WHEREAS, many who appreciate these sterling but unsung efforts are sponsoring a "Champagne Extravaganza" to be held at Mondawmin Shopping Center; and

"WHEREAS, in addition to bringing much-deserved recognition to these ladies, the "Champagne Extravaganza" will also benefit the "AFRO-Clark Scholarship Fund," Arena Players' efforts; and

"WHEREAS, the "Champagne Extravaganza" is in every way a laudable effort beneficial to many groups and individuals across our city.

"NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE, do hereby designate May 22, 1977 as "CHAMPAGNE EXTRAVAGANZA DAY" IN BALTIMORE, and do urge all citizens to take note of this effort to sing the praises of our community's business while also benefiting two fine cultural and social institutions."

Gay Northeasterners

In Boston over the weekend were Baltimore members of the Gay Northeasterners. They joined members from 11 other chapters across the U.S., for the 4th annual convention held at Hyatt Regency.

Baltimore president, Lillian O'Daniel and her husband, Dr. Thurmon O'Daniel led the group which included Abdella and Edna Campbell, Jewell and Justen Marsan, Clarence and Bernice Monroe, James and Jacqueline Lewis, Beauline and Richard Lee, Verda Wolcome, Max Peck, Helen Lee, Hilda Riggins, Emma Bright and Walter Deles.

Preakness Activities

Preakness weekend visitors included the Joseph Overtons (Zelia), of N.Y. They were guests of honor at the annual after Preakness dinner Joe and Leona Dalton hold. The hosts were assisted by their children and in-laws, Beverly and Woody Williams, Burnette Brown, and Anita and Alexander Malone.

Others about: Carrie and Kennedy Stotts, Della and Gilbert Gray, Ellen and James Greene, Margaret and Howard Peck, Louise and Robert Parker, Veronica and Tom Greene, Lenora and Randolph Rigby, Eugene and Beulah Westcott, Carolyn and Queener Willis, Al and Drinnell Gettman, and Samuel Spencer.

Also here for the Preakness weekend from Yeadon, Pa., were Dr. and Mrs. William Harris (Jessie), who were home guests of Barbara and Sam Owings, who had friends in to greet them before and after their annual visit to the Pimlico track.

There was more good news in the Owings household over the weekend. Mrs. Owings' mother, Mrs. Ophelia Moore, was released from the hospital where she had surgery. She is doing well and looks forward to returning to her home in Lynnville, Tenn., shortly.

Mother-Daughter Luncheon

A different kind of Preakness Week activity was the mother-daughter luncheon held at Blue Crest on Saturday by the Baltimore Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, the public service sorority. Sorors and their mothers and friends with children, ranging from infants to adults were present for the event, once an annual tradition of the chapter.

Soror Bernice Washington explained it had been initiated over 25 years ago by a Delta co-founder, the late Vashti Turley Murphy. In the sixties, she said, the annual May Week activity had been abandoned. It was revived this year, she stated with the idea of

One of the highlights of the luncheon was the display of Delta talent by youngsters. Delores Conaway sang "People", accompanied by Craig Montgomery. Donna

25 ANNIVERSARY was observed by members of Morgan State University Class of 1952, which invited favorite instructors to its banquet. Standing, left panel: class president, Melvin Fox and Mrs. Fox with Dr. and Mrs. McDonald Bando. Mrs. Bando is Morgan Dean of Women. Right panel: class treasurer, William Mumby, and reunion member, Janet Wooldridge, and Mrs. Mumby, seated, shown with Dr. W. O. Bryson Jr., business instructor. Other professors honored were: Dr. Samuel Myers, class advisor, Dr. Sandye McIntyre, Dr. Richard I. McKinney. The class made contributions to Howard L. Cornish Scholarship fund and honored the Rev. Mr. Cornish, retired director of Morgan Christian Center. Its members plan further contributions to the college.

—Local club notes

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recognition of support given by the Links in both money and service to her organization.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Catherine Adams, chairman of Service to Youth Committee, the Links have contributed over $1,000 and as many hours of service to the Maryland Day Care Committee.

Mrs. Smith said that the Links "had taken a small, ailing, undernourished organization and nurtured it and helped it to grow."

This organization now has a budget of $100,000 and a program which is now a model for the nation.

Links lingered after dinner to play cards. Some members held winning numbers in the hostess' lottery.

Those Links who attended were: Catherine Adamms, May Adams, Pearl Brackett, Helen Burwell, Beatrice Butler, Robbie Chissell, Geraldine Desbordes, and Betty Harris.

Also present were: Mary Harris, Vera Hayes, Marie Hicks, Lillian Jones, Emma Michael, Yvette Murphy, Lydia Mussenden, Audrey Norris, Barbara Patterson, and Etta Phifer.

Mary Pitts, Alice Russell, Marian Russell, Bennie Ruth Simpkin, Theresa Weaver, Pauline Watts, and Ruth Glenn.

Mrs. Cardrienne Griffin is president of the Baltimore chapter.

NAACP BABY CONTEST CORRECTIONS

Errors in the previous standings in the annual NAACP Human Dolls On Parade For Freedom Contest were due to the fact that duplicate prizes are awarded in each of two categories, i.e., those that are group-sponsored, and those individually sponsored. This year's contest raised $10,822.40, largest amount in the history of the contest.

Winners in the group-sponsored category, all churches, are:

1st — Tina Rene Myers — City Temple Baptist — $730.00
2nd — Natasha C. Lewis — Calvary Baptist — $671.95
3rd — Marvin Hayes — Fulton Baptist — $544.00
4th — Joy Kimberly McCray — Gospel Tabernacle Baptist — $451.10
5th — Brian Taylor — Providence Baptist — $408.00
6th — Sherrod Whitehurst — Israel Baptist — $480.00
7th — Jamal Wesley Kelly — Sharp St. UM — $341.00
8th — Jerrett Holmes — Waters AME — $329.96

Winners in the individual group and sponsors are: —

1st — Dorian Martin, Ida Russell — $946.75
2nd — Nichole Edison, Delores & Towanda Edison — $645.51
3rd — Candase Nicole Jarvis, Lillian Jarvis — $600.00
4th — Otis Warren 3rd, Otis Warren Jr. — $407.50
5th — Latovia Lennell Brown, Doris Ross — $348.25
6th — Fenton Earl Ferguson 2nd, Janice Robertson — $325.00
7th — Enitra Nichole Arrington, Nettie Wainwright — $240.00
8th — Shayn Lafell Atkins, Viola Jackson — $226.00

Gladys P. McMillian, president
Baltimore Branch NAACP

Lorena L. Branch, Chairman
Baby Contest Committee 1977

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Dr. Regina Goff Henry, vice president; Mrs. Beauline (Decosta) Lee, recording secretary; Mrs. Marion Patterson, assistant recording secretary;

Mrs. Senora Decosta, Jr., treasurer; Dr. Thelma Bando, Mrs. Amy Tate Billingsley, Mrs. Carolyn Chissell, Mrs. Doris Cole, Marie Phillips Cooke, Mrs. Alphia Cornish, Mrs. Jean Davis;

Dr. E. Irene Diggs, Mrs. Sally Fletcher, Mrs. Marie Fraser, Mrs. Helen Lee, Mrs. Veshii McKenzie, Mrs. Christine Moore, Dr. Elizabeth Murphy Moss, Mrs. Mae Peck;

Mrs. Ida Murphy Peters, Dr. Ruth Brett Quarles and Dr. Beryl Williams.

Honorary members are: Mrs. Charles E. Stewart, Mrs. Gerrine Jones, Mrs. E. Everett Lane, Mrs. Douglass Shepperd, Mrs. Janet Shaniwell, Mrs. Carl Murphy and Mrs. King V. Cheek.

Car repair for women at YWCA

The North Area Center YWCA, Lutherville will offer an in-depth course in Tune-up and Car Repair for Women. The class will be held on Monday evenings, 6-8 p.m., June 6-27 at the YWCA Center, 31 Lan Lea Drive, Lutherville. The class will be led by Barbara Warnock, a professional mechanic and instructor.

Through demonstration and instruction, participants will examine major features of the automobile such as ignition, fuel system, timing, compression, points and condenser. The class is geared to the woman who already has basic knowledge of her car.

For information or registration, please call North Area YWCA at 252-4230.

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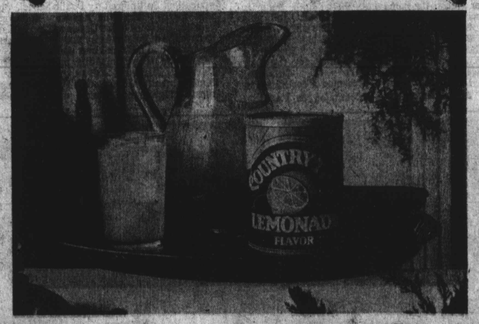

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AFRO Bridal Register

Miss Flowers plans to wed

Mrs. Lois F. Chandler and Leonard Flowers have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Wanda Flowers to Coleman R. Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Walbrook High School and is presently attending the Community College of Baltimore.

The prospective bridegroom is also a graduate of Walbrook and is a member of the Maryland National Guard.

An August wedding is planned.

MISS WANDA FLOWERS
To Wed in August

Miss Evans sets date

Mr. and Mrs. Charles David Evans of Mt. Royal Terrace have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Janet Valerie Evans to Michael Cordell Betts, son of Mrs. Doris Thompson Betts of Pemrose Ave. and the late Arthur N. Betts.

Miss Evans is a graduate of Forest Park High School and Morgan State University. Employed as counselor with the Mayor's Office of Manpower Resources, Miss Evans received her master's degree in psychology from Towson State University.

Mr. Betts is a graduate of Baltimore City College and Morgan State University and is presently attending Towson State University's graduate school. He is employed with the Department of Defense.

The couple has planned a June 25 wedding.

MISS JANET V. EVANS
Engagement told

Woodlawn Highlights

. . . by Marjorie Green

The United Baptist Missionary Convention convened last week at Mt. Hebron Baptist Church 2800 block of W. North Avenue.

The beautiful new edifice was a perfect setting for the 51st session of the statewide meeting.

The Rev. C.C. Alexander, president of the parent body and Mrs. Mary E. Harrington, president Women's Auxiliary, opened their respective sessions to one of the largest crowds in recent history;; Participants came as delegates and as spectators. Others came just to share a little of the magnificent blessing we receive each time we enter the Lord's house.

"From Roots to Fruits" was the program theme. The prayers, inspirational songs and educational and doctrinal sermons all helped to make the week-long service a memorable occasion.

According to the constitution, the clock had ticked away President Mary E. Harrington's four years as leader of the women's convention, and it was time for a new administration, headed by Mrs. Betty L. Johnson, to accept the charge

Mrs Bessie Mason, member of Faith Baptist Church moved into the first vice president's office. Mrs. Ida Redd, two-time winner of the Ministers' Wives Queen Rally at the National Convention, was elected second vice president and Mrs. Laura Whitfield, Enon Baptist Church, accepted the office of third vice president.

Both Mrs. Harrington and Mrs. Mason were recently honored.

The Women's Convention, Auxiliary to UBMC, sponsored a luncheon in Mrs. Harrington's honor at the downtown Holiday Inn, in recognition of her faithful service and effective leadership during her years as president of the Auxiliary.

Mrs. Ardelia Galmore sparked the interest in the long overdue tribute to Mrs. Harrington. Mrs. Lustrina Coleman coordinated the affair.

The Missionary Society of Faith Baptist Church sponsored the banquet held in honor of Mrs. Mason. She has served 6 years as the Missionary president. Mrs. Inez Young spearheaded this special tribute held at Faith Baptist Church.

SSA'ers among the convention goers were: Rosie Keane, Filmore Hart, Willie Mae Brown, Marian Ransom, Edna Davis, the Rev. Marion Bradley and the Rev. Arthur E. Jones.

Mrs. Rosie Keane, downtown SSA employee, was elected recording secretary. Another Social Security employee, Mrs. Maggie Greene, was elected parliamentarian. Note: (Mrs. Maggie Greene was confined to the hospital last week).

The Avalon's Club Inc. will host a vacation trip to Hawaii during the summer months. Club members are Leroy Wilkins, James Cornish, Columbus Goode, Robert Walters, Asbury Hopewell, and Winston Hall.

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Columbia Capers

By Pinnie L. Ross

The talented Sam Washington will portray "Blanche" in Tennessee Williams' award-winning play "A Streetcar Named Desire."

The roll won an award for Vivian Leigh in the film version of the play which starred Marlon Brando and introduced Karl Malden.

"Streetcar" is being presented by A New Expereince, Inc., and will run June 10,11,12,18,24,25, with a special two tickets for the price of one preview June 9, at Slayton House, Village of Wilde Lake here in Columbia.

Curtain time for the play, that is being directed by Ben Prestburg, will be 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturdays and 5 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are on sale at all Social Security EAA Centers or by calling 594-9210 Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Howard County, Maryland Human Rights Commission presented a certificate of recognition to the Columbia Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi last week at its awards dinner held in honor of the late Dr. Martin Luther King.

The award was presented to the Chapter for "furthering the cause of human rights "and" promoting better human relations in Howard County during the year 1976."

The Certificate read: "The Columbia Maryland Alumni Chapter Kappa Psi Fraternity, undertook a public spirited human relations effort involving working with released offenders in Howard County as part of their community service program.

"The endeavor consisted of eight members of the fraternity voluntarily serving as special assistants to the Howard County parole and probation Department. Each of these Kappa brothers received special training.

"They worked individually on either a one to one basis or a group basis with convicted offenders who were either released on paroll or placed on probation under the supervision of the County. The volunteers work under the direction and coordination of full time professional parole and probation officers who assign the offenders to them for continuing personal contact and follow-up.

"The effort has resulted in a three-fold benefit to the county. It enabled the case work load of the parole and probation officers to be more effectively managed and also afforded a local community organization an opportunity to con-

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SAM WASHINGTON
Portrays "Blanche" in "A Streetcar Named Desire."

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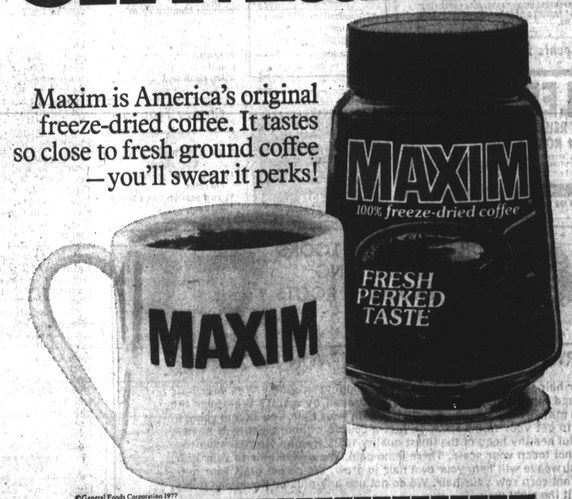

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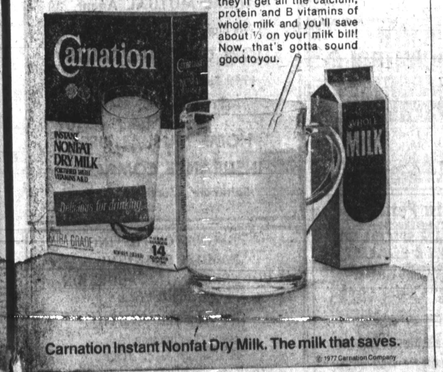

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