SIGMA PI PHI — Dr. and Mrs. Theodore C. Patterson hosted members and wives of Gamma Boule, Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, recently with cocktails at their home which preceded dinner and the melodrama, "The Drunkard," at Minnicks Dinner Theatre in Dundalk. Among those enjoying the evening are (L to R) Mesdames Rebecca Davis, Yvette May, Lena McKinney, Ida Nicholas, Theda Wilson and Doris Cole.

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On Saturday, March 3, a party was hosted by two swinging bachelors. Keith Mathews, prominent local attorney with Foster, Mathews and Hill, and Sam Harris, a production supervisor at Baltimore County General Hospital, really put it all together in a big way.

The scene was Keith and Sam's fabulous split level apartment located on Monument Street in one of the old mansion - type homes (replete with spiral staircase) in the Mount Vernon area.

Over 100 bubbly guests came and went from 11 p.m. until 5 a.m., and partied back on both levels of the hosts' lovely apartment.

For the palate there was barbequed chicken, homemade potato salad and a macaroni and tuna salad combination dish, compliments of host, Sam, and Carla Robinson, guest. There were also various punches and an array of wines and beers.

Host Keith, had arranged and, pre - recorded disco music given to him by John Wells, guest. This made it possible for everybody to dance Gatsby style, non - stop throughout the entire evening. And dance they did.

Among those seen having loads of fun discoing, chatting, sipping and dining were: Eddie Wright of Indianapolis, Ind., an executive with General Motors, Dina Warren of Ohio, and executive with IBM and Arnold Quickly, of our local WJZ - TV.

Other Baltimoreans there were: Norris Ramsey, Greg Dean, Susan Whysh, Askew Gatewood, Melody Hardy, Michael Winder, Debbie Meadows, Allen Eason, Robin Ockimey, Jim Burton, Melanie Davis, Alexander Wright,

Also, Angela Flemming, owner of a local floral service company, Sandy Dorsey, Charles Holmes, Camile Blackwell, Warren Johnson, Carolyn Clark, Robert Blount, Josephine Mallory, Lonnie Morton, Joyce Jordan and Lawrence Outlaw.

20 years of service

Ernestine "Tina" Jackson of West Baltimore was honored for 20 consecutive years of service as an employee of the Rustler Steak House division of Gino's Inc.

Mrs. Jackson was guest of honor at a dinner at The Orchard Inn in Towson, Md. on March 14.

Her family and executives from the restaurant company helped share the event.

Mrs. Jackson began as an hourly employee at the Ameche's drive - in restaurant at 5800 Reisterstown Road on Feb. 5, 1959 and 13 years ago transferred to the Rustler Steak House at 5511 Baltimore National Pike.

Spring disco

Northwest Baltimore Youth Services is planning a "Bustin' Loose at a Spring Thing" adult disco at O'Dells on Sunday, April 8, from 5 to 10 p.m.

A donation of $6 per person includes munchies, punch and set - ups.

Youth Services is a program which provides counseling services and activities for youth and their families in the Park Heights and Pimlico areas. Proceeds from the disco will be used to supplement the program activities budget.

For more information call 578 - 8100.

YWCA begins spring programs

The Baltimore County YWCA Spring Program is beginning the week of March 26.

Classes in exercises, painting, disco, social dance and swimming in addition to classes for pre-school and school-age children will be featured.

The Center is located at 501 Westminster Pike, Reisterstown, with courses also being offered at the First Christian Church, Lake and Roland Aves., and at the Carriage Hill Village Apartments, Randallstown.

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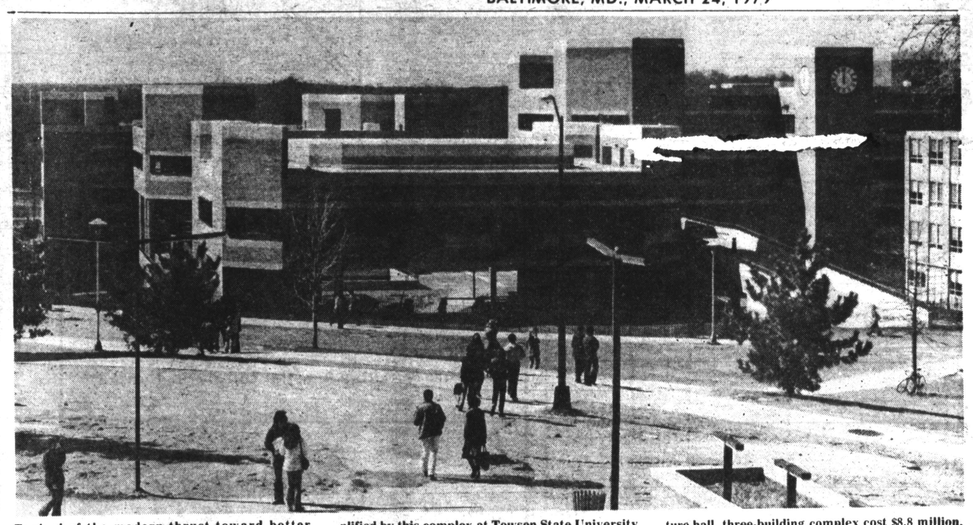

Typical of the modern thrust toward better teachers, and better places to teach is exemplified by this complex at Towson State University in Towson, Md. This educational-psychology-lecture hall, three-building complex cost $8.8 million, and was dedicated in September 1977.

NEA meet focussed on 'rights'

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A three day conference, sponsored by the National Education Association, focused on the increasing pressures and influence of the resurgent New Right on U.S. education and in related areas.

Under the direction of the NEA's Teacher Rights division, the meeting, "Rise of the New Right: Human and Civil Rights in Jeopardy," was held February 23-25, 1979, at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Leading figures in social research, politics, communication, education and other fields addressed the meeting which more than 600 persons attended.

In addition, scores of experts in various areas — including minority relations, book censorship, taxation and the schools, the so-called "right to work" campaign, constitutional rights and privacy, women's rights, affirmative action and similar topics — participated in seminars, with opportunities provided for audience participation.

The meeting was the 17th national conference on human and civil rights in Education held by the 1.8 million-member NEA, the nation's largest organization of teachers and other educators.

In commenting on the significance of the event, NEA President John Ryor said:

"The meeting takes on particular importance this year when education — indeed, human and civil rights all across the spectrum of our national life—is under increasing attack from ultra-conservative or neo-right forces who believe that the tide of politics and public sentiment is now in their favor.

"It is increasingly urgent that the nation's citizenry, and not only educators and politically 'liberal' persons, become more aware of these developments.

Firm steps must be taken to counter the efforts of those who not only seek to turn back the clock, but who would instill practices and standards that attack the very roots of the enlightened, democratic tradition. This is what our 1979 conference is all about."

Ryor, after a short address introduced the keynote speaker, Dr. Jean Houston, of New York, a faculty member of the New School for Social Research, President of the Association for Humanistic Psychology, a writer and a lecturer.

Houston examined some generalized public feelings of anxiety, disaffection for the liberal social activism of recent years and reaction to governmental excess and corruption as contributing to the public," "anti" attitudes that now appear widespread.

In addition, she described a climate of self-involvement, the "looking-out-for No. 1" psychology that she regards as today's isolated individualism, as part of th phenomenon.

A second major address was delivered by Rep. Ronald V. Dellums (D.-Cal.), dealing with the impact of the New Right on educational and social programs aimed at improving opportunities for minorities.

A representative from California's 8th District for the past eight years, Dellums — whose Congressional responsibilities have also included investigating racism in the military — also analyzed how right wing rhetoric disguises racist attitudes.

Cartoonist, social commentator and author of such works as **Sick, Sick, Sick: A Guide to Nonconfident Living, Harry the Rat with Women** and **Carnal Knowledge**, Jules Feiffer enlightend a luncheon audience with an address, "How Not to Talk to Each Other."