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Jack and Jill Founders' Day spans four generations

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JACK AND JILL MODELS — Pictured modeling during the fashion segment of the 42nd Annual Founders' Day observance of the National Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. and the 34th observance of the local chapter at the Provident auditorium on Sunday, Jan. 27 are (L to R): Talmira Hill, Kevin Johnson, Felicia Hill and John Holmes. Models are in the 15-year-old and up age group of Jack and Jill.

The Baltimore Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc. celebrated its 42nd annual Founders' Day observance of the national chapter and its 34th observance of the local chapter on Sunday, Jan. 27.

The occasion, a Family Tea, was attended by more than 200 Jack and Jill children, parents and grandparents who gathered at Provident Hospital auditorium.

Mrs. Catherine Howard presided. She introduced Mrs. Shirley Hill, president of the Baltimore chapter, who gave the greeting.

The invocation was given by Mrs. Anastatia Benton, chairperson for this Founders' Day. A brief memorial prayer for deceased Jack and Jill members was offered by Mrs. Ruth Sheffey.

The occasion was given by Mrs. Howard. She spoke of the foresight of a group of mothers who pooled their wits, wisdom and resources to create a media of contact for and with children to form what is now Jack and Jill of America Inc.

Historical reading was done by Mrs. Peggy Brown.

Mrs. Anne Davis introduced charter members of the Baltimore chapter, including Mesdames Zadee Koger, Sadie Marshall Douglass, Francis Hill, Nellie Moore, Blanche Hughes, Doris Oswell and Charlotte Shervington.

Each charter member was presented a long-stemmed red rose by Melis a Wood, Michele Johnson and James Benton III.

A piano selection, "Born Free," was performed by Cheryl Johnson of the 13 and 14-year-old age group.

A teen fashion show, with clothes ranging from the Wild, Wild West style to business attire to after 5 was presented under the direction of Mrs. Mazie Rea.

Narrating the show were Elise Bridges and Susan Hunt, from the 15-year-old and up age group.

Models in the show, from that same age group, were Jill Carter, Leon Bridges, Kim Chambers, Chuck Howard, Angie Patterson, Mitzie Rea, Donna Neal, Renata Sheffey, David Owens, Trina Howard, Michele Bailey, Steven Russell, Tymara Hill, Kevin Johnson, Felicia Hill and John Holmes.

Jeffery Russell of the 13 and 14-year-old age group was lighting technician and William L. Griggsby was musical coordinator for the fashion show.

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NICOLE BENTON, of the 13 and 14 year-old age group of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. does a lively tap dance at the organization's Founders' Day observance held on Sunday, Jan. 27.

YOUNG MEMBERS — Pictured here are a group of youthful members of Jack and Jill of America Inc., who were among the more than 200 who attended the organization's Annual Founders' Day observance held at the Provident auditorium on Jan. 27.

JACK AND JILL HONOREES who received plaques for outstanding services to the Baltimore chapter throughout the years at the Founders' Day observance on Jan. 27 are (L to R): Mesdames Muriel Johnson, Juanita Gates and Gloria Stokes.

Local Sigma Gamma Rho sorors host informative workshop

The Northwest Region Mid-Winter Workshop of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. convened in Baltimore at the Holiday Inn Downtown on Saturday, Jan. 26.

Soror Christine Triggs, N. E. Regional Syntakes, presided. Soror Reba B. Matthews, basileus of Alpha Alpha Sigma Chapter (Baltimore) gave greetings to the visting sorors.

Approximately 150 Sigmas attended the one-day workshop. States involved were Maryland, Virginia, the District of Columbia, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York.

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LINKS' PRESENTATION — Pictured making a monetary presentation to the Carl Murphy Scholarship Fund at their January 26 meeting at 400 N. Charles St. are (L to R): Mrs. Kay Carter, chairperson; John Eruphael, African student at Morgan U. and president of the International Student Association (he received the contribution), Mrs. Peggy Crawford, the association advisor and Mrs. Vera H. Hayes.

The Regional Syntakes Soror Triggs of Newark, N. J. spoke on the purpose of the conference, which was to plan for implementation of the national theme "Community Action," along with local Sigma's theme "Greater Service, Greater Progress" which emphasizes the sorority's desire for full participation in the American way of life.

Sigma's "Plan of Action" affords the opportunity to encourage and promote leadership skills, continuing education, enhance in all members a sense of personal commitment in support of national affiliates and projects and to develop a sense of moral support in the local community on educational and civic issues.

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Other workshops were involved with membership development, national youth projects, Sigma's activities, vocational guidance, national programs, planning, policy and procedures, recommendations, the status of women and historical repertoire.

During the luncheon period the undergraduate hostess chapters, (Beta Tau, Gamma Mu, Gammi Rhi and Eta Xi) entertained the visting sorors.

Alpha Alpha Sigma, the Baltimore chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc., acted as host chapter for the workshop.

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RAPT ATTENTION — Listening carefully to the information being given at the N.E. Region mid-winter workshop of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority are (L to R): Sorors Genatre Penny, Phyllis Lucy and Patrice Reiger.

Partyline

D-J 41 Committee hosts festive pre-Valentine's Day Party

The annual holiday party for the D-J 41 Committee members and their guests was hosted last week by the Myles A. Robinsons (Augusta) in their Castle Moor Road home.

Mrs. Robinson was charming in her print chiffon floor-length skirt, topped with gold nylon-rayon quiana.

The Valentine's Day theme was displayed throughout, including the traditional cupid's arrow labeled "D-J 41 Committee."

It was a typical cold February night, but it was Fourth of July inside.

Brows were mopped, ties unloosened and coats shed as members and guests boogied to taped expertly prepared by Myles, host disc jockey.

Clara Slowe Thomas and Tileston Venable stole the show when they were able to continue dancing throughout an 18-minute sound track.

Other committee members in attendance were Antoinette Braxton Hill, Morris Brooks, Edna Gover Ruff, Margaret Hargrove Turner, James Jeffries, Lonnie Johnson Carr, Helen Keyes Harden, Viola Martin Butler, Della Mickle Baylor, Gertrude Muir Steele, Anna Patterson Hines, Anthony Ward, Alice Emanuel Stubbs, Eva Williams Cook, Thomas Edgar Williams and Agnes Yates.

Guests included Jesse Winfield, Joseph Hines, Ellsworth Turner, Paul Hill, Alvin Steele, Strelsa Jeffries, Geraldine Williams, Amelia Soden Brooks, Marguerite Barksdale, Earl Ruff, Roy Wilson, Charles Thomas and Margaret Brown.

Committee members not in attendance were Millard Dorsey and Helen Torrence Ellerbe of Washington, D.C., Josephine Harris Wagner, Irene Lee Alexander, DAniel Carroll Palmer, Ruth Price Stewart and Mary Watkins, who is confined to University Hospital. A gift of love was sent to her by the partygoers.

The VAGS

The VAGs hosted friends with a post-holiday party recentlyheld at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Hall, Furnace Branch Road in Anne Arundel County.

Members who entertained were Mesdames Alberta Simms, Queenie Lane, Rose Lewis, Rugh Brown, Elizabeth Parker, Odell Payne, Gladys Knot, Elizabeth Spicer, Mildred Gambrill, Francis Bibbs, Gloria Barnes, Ida Swanson, and Misses Frankie Lane and Mildred Williams.

Guests included Mesdames Vivian Hall, Nellie Williams, Vashti Ganges, Dorothy Wiggins, Rosa Lee Fields and Carrie Terrill.

Also Spencer Lewis, William Parker, Hubert Lane, LeRoy Smith, Isadore Hall, Norman Pierson, Cecil Johnson and Glenn A. Fields.

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