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Chi Delta Mu banquet-dance is festive affair

IN ANIMATED CONVERSATION — Pictured rapping away at the Chi Delta Mu banquet-dance held at Blue Crest North on Sun. Feb. 17 are (to R): Lt. Col. John C. Robinson, retired from U.S. Army; Mrs. Audrey Brooks, who received the group's scholarship award for her son, Sidney; Edward McDaniels, president, Iota Chapter and Curtis Adams, member, scholarship committee.

By Pattie Hodges
AFRO Staff Writer

The Chi Delta Mu Fraternity, Iota Chapter, hosted its annual black tie banquet-dance on Sunday, Feb. 17.

The scene for this highly enjoyable gale was Blue Crest North, Pikesville.

The festivities got underway at 6:30 p.m. when a capacity crowd gathered for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres.

At 7:30 a sumptuous dinner consisting of prime rib of beef, green beans almondine, stuffed baked apple, rolls and coffee, topped off with ice cream and cake for dessert, was served.

Lively music was provided by the ever-versatile, ever popular Bill Cummings band, replete with duclet-toned and soulful vocalist. This group really set the tone for a lively evening, with tunes that ranged from 'Oldies but goodies' to the latest in pop and disco.

Pausing for reflection, there was a banquet program which also proved to be greatly inspirational.

Presiding was Dr. Roland Smoot. Dr. Edward McDaniels, president of Iota Chapter, welcomed all and thanked them for coming.

Mrs. Charlotte Shervington, president of the Chi Wives introduced officers of that group and had all of its members to stand.

Dr. James Priest gave the purpose of the Chi Delta Mu Banquet, which is to pause, reflect on its founding once a year, to present a distinguished citizen with something worthy of saying and to present a scholarship award to a deserving medical, dental or pharmacy student. (Chi Delta Mu is composed of doctors, dentists and pharmacists.)

The most worthy speaker of the evening, also presented by Dr. Priest was Congressman Parren J. Mitchell.

In a very eloquent manner Congressman Mitchell traced the struggle of blacks from the slaveships up to the present time.

He spoke of the reconstruction era and the evils it held for blacks. He spoke of the civil rights movement and of what he calls the second post-reconstruction era following it.

He reminded the assemblage that the lives of the black masses have not changed in this country, in spite of some blacks being in key places.

He spoke of the high rate of unemployment of black youths compared to that of white youths, low family income of blacks compared to that of whites.

In speaking of black history he stated: "Our greatest contribution as blacks is that we black people show the greatest indomitability of the human spirit. We have survived and we shall prevail. Slavery did not crush us."

He stated further: "If you've been around long enough you bear scars and if you've over six you've seen racism."

He added that we will need continued incomitability of the human spirit for the future.

He reminded the group that domestic programs for black people will be squeezed if the budget is cut, that stepping up the draft is not the way to solve problem of black unemployment and that we still need some programs to aid us in our fight for a better life for the black masses.

He mentioned the covert power game, the annexing power, which he says will hurt our institutions if allowed to continue, and the attack on men who stand up to fight this.

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STATE SENATOR ARIS ALLEN and Mrs. Allen enjoy a lively dance at The Chi Delta Mu banquet-dance held at Blue Crest North on Sun. Feb. 17.

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LIVING IT UP to the superb tones of the Bill Cummins Band which played for the Chi Delta Mu banquet-dance at Blue Crest on Sunday, Feb. 17 are Ms. Ann Strickland and State Senator Clarence Mitchell, 38th District.

Camay C. Brooks marries John H. Murphy III

Cab Calloway's daughter wed to AFRO Chairman of the Board

RADIANT COUPLE — The newlywed Mr. and Mrs. John H. Murphy III are pictured here at their reception held at the Engineering Society on Mt. Vernon Place, Saturday, Feb. 16. The bride is the former Mrs. Camay Callaway Brooks. The couple had been wed at high noon that day in the St. Andrews Chapel of St. James Episcopal Church, on Arlington Ave.

RECEIVING LINE — Pictured in the receiving line at the wedding reception of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Murphy III, the's chairman of the Board of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers) are (L to R): Mrs. Zelma Martin, mother of the bride; William Martin, Mrs. Nuffie Calloway, Cab Calloway, father of the bride; Camay Calloway Murphy, the bride; John H. Murphy III, grom; Dr. Elizabeth Lambert Johns, matrons of honor and William Scott, best man.

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Camay Calloway Brooks and John H. Murphy, III were married Saturday (16th) in the St. Andrew Chapel at St. James Episcopal Church.

The bride, an elementary school principal in Arlington, Va., is a graduate of New York University and earned a graduate degree from the University of the District of Columbia. She is the daughter of Cab Calloway, renowned entertainer, and Mrs. William T. Martin of Hurlock, Md.

The bridegroom, a graduate of Temple University, is chairman of the board of the AFRO — AMERICAN Newspapers. He is the son of the late Daniel H. Murphy and Sara Murphy Neely and grandson of the AFRO founder, John H. Murphy, Sr.

Father Donald O. Wilson, who officiated at the double ring ceremony, spoke of the power of love in marriage before an assemblage of family members including:

Christopher Brooks of Boston, Mass.; Peter Brooks of Washington, D. C.; Daniel H. Murphy of Winston-Salem, N. C.; Dr. and Mrs. Everett Knox of Arlington, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. George Caverdale, Mesdames Betty Weaver, Jeanne Murphy Queen, Misses Carolyn Hopper, Patricia Hopper, and Messrs. William Knox and Thomas Fulton, all of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. William Martin of Hurlock, Md.;

Also Mr. and Mrs. Melvin James and sons, Mesdames Portia Lewis and Louise Williams and Dr. Harold Quivers of Washington, D.C.; Mrs. Cabella Calloway Langsom and son of Nashville, Tenn.; Ms. Chris Calloway and son of Los Angeles; Eugene S. Lewis of San Francisco, Col. and Mrs. Raymond C. Baugh of West Point, N. Y.;

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Fenderson, Mrs. Vera Bynum of New York City, Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Martin of Raleigh, N. C.; Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Monroe, Messrs. and Mesdames John L. Berry, John J. Oliver, Sr., Mesdames Howard H. Murphy, May W. Fortune, Theda Wilson and Mrs. Randolph Rigby.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was radiant in a traditional Mexican wedding dress of azure blue tucked cotton and lace, the bodice featuring a v-neckline and three-quarter length bell shaped sleeves. It was worn over an antique tucked and laced petticoat from the 1800s, a family heirloom.

A matching lace mantilla over an antique tortoise shell Spanish mantilla comb completed the outfit. Her bridal bouquet was of white carnations and blue cornflowers.

Her only attendant, Dr. Elizabeth Johns of Mt. Vernon, Va., was gowned in a rose-pink loom woven Mexican cotton dress with hand embroidery on the short caped type sleeves and border. She carried a small seed pearl covered prayer book.

William Scott of Washington, D. C., lifetime friend of the bridegroom, was best man.

Music was provided by the bride's son, guitarist Christopher Brooks, and included selections from Bach and Schubert.

A continental breakfast was served at the

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CONGRESSMAN PARREN J. MITCHELL addresses the assemblage at the Chi Delta Mu Fraternity, (Iota Chapter) and their guests at their annual banquet-dance held at Blue Crest North on Sunday, Feb. 17

JUDGE MILTON ALLEN and Mrs. Allen seen enjoying the festive Chi Delta Mu banquet-dance held at Blue Crest North on Sunday, Feb, 17.

HEAD TABLE GUESTS — Pictured at are (L to R): Dr. E. Walter Shervington, the Chi Delta Mu banquet - dance on Mrs. Charlotte Shervington, Dr. Roland Sunday Feb. 17, held at Blue Crest North Smoot, (standing) and Dr. Frank Sykes.

—Chi Delta Mu

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He urged all: "Do not stand idly by and see the second post-reconstruction era."

Following his messag., Congressman Mitchell received a standing ovation.

The scholarship award for 1980 was made by Curtis Adams, member of the Scholarship committee. It was presented to Mrs. Audrey Brooks, who received for her son Sidney Brooks, a medical student at Meharry. The award was a $500 check.

Following remarks of appreciation by Dr. McDaniels, Dr. Smoot recognized special guests and the committee for the affair.

Special guests were Deputy Commissioner Donald Bravatt, of Philadelphia, Pa. and Senator Aris Allen.

Other head table guests were Dr. E. Walter Shervington, past grand national chaplain and Brother Frank Sykes, elder statesman of the group.

Chairman of the committee for the affair was Dr. Luther Mathias. Other committee members were Dr. James Priest, Dr. Bernard Christmas, also chaplain, Iota Chapter and Dr. Josh Mitchell.

Dr. Christmas called for a moment of silence for Dr. Donald Bando and Dr. N. A. Harris, recently deceased.

He then gave the benediction and the evening was carried to its end with much dancing and fun. It was truly a delightful evening.

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Deltas mark 67th year

By Pinnie L. Ross

The 67th celebration of the founding of Delta Sigma Theta sorority was held recently at Fort Mead Officers Club in Fort Meade, Maryland.

Guest speaker for the celebration was Mrs. Shapelle Armstead, regional director of Eastern Region, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mrs. Kittye Wright, treasurer of the sorority, gave the greetings to the 200 guests in attendance, followed by the invocation by Mrs. Gilda Lewis, first vice president of the sorority.

Special guest appearing on the program was Robert Miller, Maryland State winner of the Optimist International Oratorical Contest.

Young Miller is an honor student at Oakland Mills High School, sings on the choir and is on the usher board at St. John Baptist Church. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller: Sr., Columbia, Maryland.

Eighteen beautiful debutantes were presented to the audience. They were guests of their sponsors.

The cotillion will take place in Columbia in early April.

Mrs. Celonia Walden, founder and chapter's first president, presented gifts to the honorees. Mrs. Alice Haskins is president; Mrs. Ruth Feldon was Founder's Day chairperson.

A special note came from Mrs. Grace Morton Dixon, Wilde Lake High School reading specialist a few days ago in reference to a very impressive Black History assembly that was held at the school in observance of Black History month.

Guest speaker for the assembly was dynamic Rev. P.M. Smith, ordained minister and associate pastor of First Baptist Church, Baltimore.

"It is not the condition but your disposition" was his theme. The faculty and students were overwhelmingly pleased.

The young attorney's messages are always developed so well that all ages are able to comprehend what he says. He is a graduate of Coppin State College, University of Michigan School of Education, and holds the Juris Doctorate.

On Sunday, February 24th in observance of Negro History, the Columbia Chapter of Jack and Jills of America, Inc. will sponsor the Eva Anderson Dancers and Baltimore Dance Theater in concert on Sunday, February 24, at 5:00 p.m. in the Wilde Lake High School auditorium.

A donation of $2.00 for adults and 50 cents for children will be collected at the door. The funds will help to defray the expenses of a summer European tour planned by Mrs. Anderson.

Turf Valley Country Club will be the scene of the annual NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner Dance, March 28th.

The executive director, Benjamin L. Hooks will be the honored guest speaker. There will be a reception at 6:30 p.m. which will provide an unparalleled opportunity for improved race relations through community involvement.

To bridge the gap that is self-evident in race relations in Howard County is a prime objective for the eighties.

All reservations must be made on or before March 10. The cost per person is $25.00.

The Mood Experiences will provide music for the dance following the dinner. An individual membership is included in the cost of the dinner.

The after dinner dance will be open only to holders of dinner tickets. For ticket information call 792-7691, 730-9493, 596-5931, 997-2568, 596-5209 —Mr. Silos Craft is president of the Howard County Branch.

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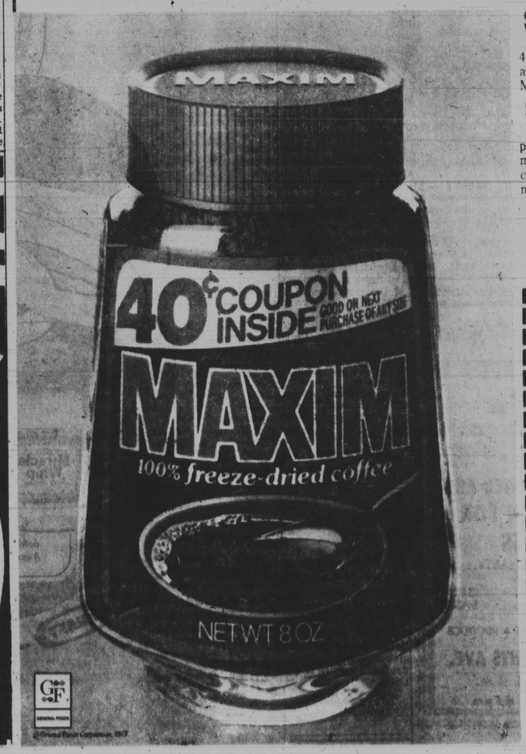

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