Ebony Fashion Fair time nears

EBONY FASHION FAIR PREVUES — Left, wild and sassy with a classic air is Bill Blass' black and white stenciled calfskin zebra stripe jacket, black and white cotton turtleneck sweater, stenciled black and white dot belt, black wool pants complemented with leather gloves and stockings. Right, shimmering elegance for evening in metal mesh designed by Ferrara for Whiting and Davis — cocoon halter and skirt in ambre' shades of pink lilac and glistening silver.

The 23rd Ebony Fashion Fair will appear in Baltimore at Murphy Fine Arts Auditorium, Morgan State University on Sunday October 12, 1980 at 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

This famed traveling fashion show is produced by Ebony Magazine and is sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. for the benefit of its Scholarship Fund.

Mrs. Eunice W. Johnson, producer and director of the show, personally selects fashion from the exclusive collections of famed designers such as Halston, Stephen Burrows, Bill Blass, Christian Dior, Yves St. Laurent, Lavin, Chloe, Lancetti, Sndre' Laugh, Valentino, Tita Rossi and Missoni.

Mrs. Johnson is meticulous and thorough in purchasing the most spectacular fashions available for Ebony Fashion Fair audiences.

More than 200 exquisite garments complete with the latest accessories, 11 female and 2 male models, commentator, music director, stage and business managers and wardrobe stafftravel from coast to coast on a special chartered Greyhound Bus.

Because of the unprecedented demand for sponsorship of the show by charitable organizations around the country, Ebony Fashion Fair now tours two seasons — the East and Midwest from September through December and the Southwest from January through May — appearing in more than 174 cities.

The theme of this year's show is the Free Spirit.

This year Ebony Fashion Fair has stopped at all of the international fashion posts to bring you looks that reflect the freedom in dress that's so important now. No longer is one dominant look for the well-dressed.

Take your choice from American designers who understand that American women need clothes with nine lives — clothes that figuratively dash from a suitcase on a business trip, to the first afternoon session, cocktails and on to dinner.

Fashions this season are designed to act on a multi-level range. In these economically plagued times, all designers are showing collections that are built on versatility and dressing to take on a new freedom never experienced before.

Now you can see why we have chosen the theme, THE FREE SPIRIT, for this year's EBONY Fashion Fair.

Mrs. Haywood Demory, general chairperson of the benefit performance indicates ticket sales are exceptionally well and expects an even larger attendance than last year.

1980 Officers of Delta Sigma Theta are Charlene Boston, president; Hazel Parks, 1st vice president; Leah Hasty, 2nd vice president; Mary Demory, 3rd vice president; Kathie McLaughlin, recording secretary; Roslyn Smith, corresponding secretary; Maggie Wiggins, treasurer; Rosemary Atkinson, asst. treasurer; Paulette Spencer, financial secretary; Gwendolyn Lindsay, assistant financial secretary; Antoinette Thornton, journalist; Thelma Cox, historian; Esther Williams, parliamentarian; Doris Nash, sergeant-at-arms; Dorothy Barrick, chaplain.

Ticket Chairpersons are Mrs. James Foster and Mrs. Alphonso Parks. For ticket information, call the Pauline Brooks Boutique or call 655-5401, 323-1239, 945-3330, 664-0291.

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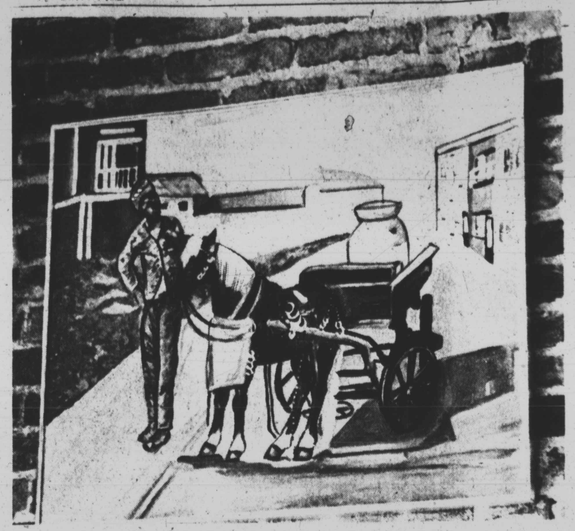

ARAB is the name of this oil painting by Morris H. Graham which was part of the joint Art Exposition by Graham and Thomas H. Stocketti on Sun., Sept. 14.

Joint Art Expo at Gallery 620

On Sun. Sept. 14, the opening of the Joint Art Exposition of Morris H. Graham and Thomas A. Stockett (AFRO-AMERICAN Artist), took place at their Gallery 620 N. Eutaw St. from 1-5:30 p.m.

Guests who came viewed a variety of paingings in oil, acrylic, wood-cut prints and water colors.

Also on view were many highly interesting objects of wooden sculpture and jewelry.

While browsing and admiring the work of Art, guests enjoyed tasty refreshments.

Among those attending were: Mark Gail, Arlette M. Graham, Johnny Brown, Valerie Graham, Diane Robinson, Tyrone N. Barlow, Mohammed S. Bey, Karen Giddiens, Rolanda Graham, William T. Mitchell;

Also Lillie Stockett, Nathanel Evans, Roger Mason, Harry Stokes, Charles Griffin, Joan Datcher, John Neal, Martha Crowford, Emily Barnes, Frank Levine, Mrs. Eulalie F. Owens Arnold Douglass, Rosie B. Adams, Eddie Brock, Denise Ragland, Thomas Stockett, Joanne Stockett:

Also Clarence E. Water, Allette, Mrs. Green, Pattie Hodges, Linda Stockett, Brad Speen, Bruce Harrell, Thomasina Stockett Addison, Ann Graham, Ernest Brown, Anna Kerber, Marie Strozier.

Sphinx's beloved Myrtle Kess to be honored on Sunday

Ms. Myrtle Kess, who has been a fixture at the Sphinx Club for most of its 34 years of existence, will be honored 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday, at the club by a small army of her friends and many of her 'children.'

She is a lifelong family friend of the founder of the Sphinx, Charles P. Tilghman, with whom she attended elementary school in East Baltimore.

Mr. Tilghman described Ms Kess as a "member of the family," who helped raise his two sons, Ronald and Randy, and was a constant companion of their mother, the late Mrs. Exeira Tilghman.

Distinguished by exuberant personality, boundless energy and a machine-gun style of speech, Ms Kess befriend hundreds of strangers who later became devoted members of the Sphinx.

Ms. Kess earned the nickname of "Mother of the Sphinx" because she also help raided many children of club patrons, many of whom are now successful professionals, who never fail to visit their adopted mother.

Until retiring two years ago, Ms Kess was a librarian for the city public school system and carved a reputation as a "no nonsense" librarian and instructor.

Before joining the school system, the "Mother of the Sphinx" traveled the world as governess for children of wealthy families.

Regardless of how long her travels kept her abroad, Ms Kess was certain to return to her home bast the Sphinx and bring the patrons up to date on the latest in customs, fashions, and trends in foreign lands.

The theme of Sunday's tribute is "Myrtle's Day, To Know Her Is To Love Her."

Despite her serious illness, which has plagued her for a year, the "Mother of the Sphinx" still finds time to counsel her 'children' and let patrons know, in no uncertain terms, what is expected in terms of decorum and conduct in the Sphinx Club.

But then, that's what mothers are for, especially when to know them is to love them.

MYRTLE KESS, well-known Sphinx Club personality, is pictured here in earlier days. She is known as the "Mother of the Sphinx" and will be honored there on Sunday, Sept. 20 by her friends.

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AFRO Weddings

NEWLYWEDS — Mr. and Mrs. Dunnie Green Coates are pictured following their lawn wedding at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coates. The bride is the former Sharon Kim Brown, daughter of the late Reginald T. Brown and Mrs. Margaret Brown, who is supervisor of the Telotype Dept. of the Baltimore AFRO AMERICAN.

RECENTLY WED — Mr. and Mrs. Randolph M. Jordan were recently wed in Baltimore. The bride is the former Miss Janis Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Smith (Deborah), the granddaughter of the late Rev. Janis Smith and Mrs. Lula Smith. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Randolph A. Jordan (Bernice). Mrs. Bernice Jordan is a proofreader with the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers.

RECENT BRIDE pictured here is the former Ms. Margaree Long. She was recently wed to George Lee, Circulation Manager for the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper.

Shannon E. Braxton christened

One of the lovely and tender occasions of the past weekend was the christening of little Shannon Elizabeth Murphy Braxton.

Shannon, born June 20, 1980, is the daughter of the Rev. Ronald E. and the Rev. Marie Phillips Braxton.

She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy Phillips Moss, the late Frank W. Phillips Jr. and Alonzo Paul Moss; on the paternal side she is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Braxton Jr. (Virgie Overton).

Her great-grandparents are the late Dr. Carl and Mrs. Vashti Turley Murphy and Frank W. Sr. and Mary Brown Phillips.

She is the great-great-granddaughter of the late John H. Murphy Sr. (founder of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper) and Martha Elizabeth Howard Murphy.

Shannon received her Holy Baptism on Sun. Sept. 14 during the 11 a.m. service at Allen AME Church, 1130 W. Lexington St., where her father is pastor and her mother, associate pastor.

Officiating during the baptism was the Rt. Rev. John Hurst Adams, presiding prelate, Second Episcopal District, AME Church. Assisting were the Rt. Rev. Harrison J. Bryant, retired AME bishop and former pastor of Bethel AME Church and Presiding Elder Walter L. Hildebrand.

Shannon was a little doll in a lovely white christening dress which has quite a history.

It had previously been the christening dress of her mother, her mother's sister Rachel, brother Benny Phillips and an uncle, Carl Smith.

Standing at the baptismal font with Shannon, in addition to her parents and maternal grandparents were her godmother, Thyrkield Barnes, of Baltimore, a steward of Allen AME Church and daughter of a late presiding elder and Mrs. Virgie Brakton (Shannon's paternal grandmother) of Norfolk, Va. and daughter Rosalyn.

Shannon's godfather, who is the Rev. James Blake of Charleston, S.C., pastor of Greater Mt. Zion AME Church, was unable to attend.

Most impressive was the Baptismal Program, the front of which bore a delightfully cute picture of Shannon.

Inside was a letter from Grandma Moss, giving history of Shannon's entry into the world, and the pride of grandparenthood, along with an ode to Shannon, written also by Mrs. Moss.

Inside too was a letter from the Rev. and Mrs. Braxton, expressing joy and pride in their baby's birth, the reason for the name she was given and a family tree which bore the names of Shannon's forebears on both the paternal and maternal side, with pictures of parents, grandparents, great-grandparents and great-great-grandparents.

There was even a segment on the godparents and why they were chosen.

What a treasure for little Shannon to read — she having a miniature family history.

Also present for Shannon's christening were Mrs. Harrison J. Bryant, Mrs. John Adams (wife of Bishop Adams), Mrs. Walter Hildebrand (wife of presiding Elder Hildebrand).

Following the christening and church services there was a dinner hosted at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Braxton at the parsonage on Krone Court for the presiding elder, Bishop Adams, former Bishop Bryant and their wives, for Shannon's godparents and other close family friends.

Later on Sunday, a reception was held in Shannon's honor at the home of the Mosses, on Forest Park Ave.

Guests enjoyed punch, cake and munchies.

Though she had taken a spill earlier at church

Mrs. Moss was a valiant hostess.

Relatives and friends about included the baby's paternal grandmother, Virgie Braxton of Norfolk, and her daughter, Rosalyn; and great aunt and uncle, the Herbert Joneses of Long Island; and the baby's great-great-great maternal cousin, Mrs. Edna Rawlings.

Also the Benjamin Phillipses, I. Henry Phillips Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Davis; also, Judge and Mrs. William Murphy, Mrs. Howard H. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. D. John Peters, Carl Murphy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John Lane, Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy III, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Murphy, Mae E. Dyson;

Also Dr. Thelma Bando and her mother, Mrs. Katherine Perry; Mrs. Mildred Campbell, Mrs. Donald O. Wilson, Mrs. Gertrude Hawkins, Judge and Mrs. Ben Foreman, Mrs. Otyce Free, Dr. and Mrs. Edward McDaniels and Ophrah Winfrey, Christine Moore, Sallie Fletcher, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Owings, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reaves, Mrs. Pinkney Howell, the Earl Andersons, Wendell Suttons, Mrs. Charlotte Swan;

Also Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Smalley, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hillen, Mildred Taylor, Mary Ellis, Dr. and Mrs. Roland Patterson and daughter, Doris; Alsbk Cee Cee Stokes, Mrs. Agnes Underwood and daughter, Cynthis; the David Wrights, Mary Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. William Mumby, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dyson, Clarence Hendeson, Rebecca Sydnor, Marilyn Hoper, Elizabeth Murphy Oliver, Dr. Daniell Nicolas and children, Betty and Richard and Jerry Richardson.

BAPTISMAL SCENE at Allen AME Church was Jan-uble-ated Shannon Elizabeth Murphy Braxton, daughter of the pastor, Rev. Ronald E. Braxton. Infant's mother, Marie Murphy Phillips Braxton, is shown with baby and godmother, Mrs. Thyrkield Barnes. Bishop John Hurst Adams presided at the baptismal services.

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Coming Events

Fashion Modeling

Additional Fashion Modeling Classes for youths ages 15 and above will begin at Nec Center II September 30 at 6:30 p.m.

The Beauty Course will cover professional techniques of make-up, grooming, sitting, executing hairs, carrying accessories, runway modeling, and modeling photographs. Classes will be one hour in length for eight weeks. Class size will be limited. Registration may be made by calling 377-4040 between the hours of 9 and 10 p.m.

Douglass High class of '26 meets

The Douglass High School Class of 1926 will meet on Sat., Sept. 20 at Meushous Restaurant, Security Blvd., at 1 p.m.

The class celebrated its golden anniversary June, 1976 and at a gala affair.

The members of the class are still going strong with various activities.

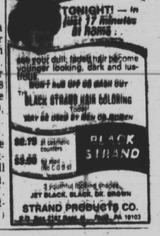
DISCO BIRTHDAY PARTY

Come Disco with Us! A Birthday Party in honor of Charles T. Washington sponsored by Rosalie V. Watson and St. Peter Claver Hall, 1546 Freemont Avenue Friday, September 19, 1980, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Free food — BYOB. Tickets $5.00 in advance — at door $6.00. Free setups. For tickets, call Charles T. Washington, 363-1573 Rosalie V. Watson 727- 3947 (between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.)

The group is organized to give a scholarship to a deserving student — a graduate of Douglass High each year in memory of the late principal Dr. Nathan A. Hawkins.

All members are urged to attend this meeting.

Mrs. Evelyn T. Payne, president.



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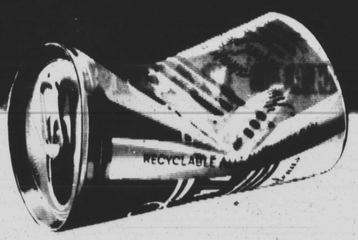

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