Baltimore Marketing Association holds 13th Awards Dinner

ELMER YOUNG JR., Keynote Speaker for the Baltimore Marketing Association (BMA) Awards Dinner held on Friday, Dec. 5 at the Downtown Hilton Hotel, is flanked by (L to R), Frank Maddox, BMA honoree, Sandra East, BMA president; Angie McClain, chairperson of the Awards Committee and toastmistress and J. Albert Maddox, BMA honoree.

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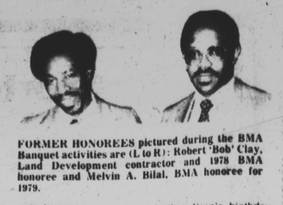
BMA STUDENT HONOREES pictured (L to R): Lillie O. Drummond, Univ. of Md. Eastern Shore; Glenda R. White, Bowie State College; Tyrone D. Moore, Morgan U. Anastasia E. Parker, Walbrook Senior High School and Joyce Coates, Coppin State College.



FORMER HONOREES pictured during the BMA Banquet activities are (L to R): Robert 'Bob' Clay, Land Development contractor and 1978 BMA honoree and Melvin A. Bilal, BMA honoree for 1979.

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The Baltimore Marketing Association (BMA) held its 13th Annual Awards Dinner at the Downtown Hilton Hotel, Friday, Dec. 5

Toastmistress for the occasion was Angie McClain, chairperson, Awards Committee.

Following the invocation by the Rev. Theodore Jackson Sr., Grigg Memorial Community Church, head table guests were introduced.

Greetings were extended by Sandra East, BMA president. Zerita Thornton, executive secretary, BMA, gave a brief history of the organization and the purpose of its Awards Dinner.

Following the consumption of the delicious dinner, Ackiel Muldrow II one of BMA's founders, introduced guest speaker Elmer Young Jr., Senior vice president, First Pennsylvania Bank Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa.

Young called for "A push for excellence in the challenging 80s." He spoke of the social ills of dope, racism, poor housing and the economic chaos and double-digit inflation.

He asked what Baltimore is doing about the effect of "environmental and social trends on businesses" stating that BMA is reaching out to help our brothers and sisters as well as to improve themselves.

He stated that the public looks to organizations like BMA to help. He stated that we blame 'Whitey' for our problems but we are often our own worst enemies.

He stated that we need to get blacks into the corporate level of business, to check on what our companies are doing to help our community. And that community relations work should be a priority.

He concluded "We need a true commitment in order to bring about change, training for youth involved in the business world and in getting the poor in upward mobility positions."

Following his remarks past BMA honorees were acknowledged. Those present were Raymond Bassett, vice president, Parks Sausage, 1969 honoree, E. Gaines Lansey, president, Ideal Savings & Loan Association, 1973 honoree; Otis Warren Jr., Century 21 and Mary Warren, 1967 honoree, Robert Clay, Contractor, 1978 honoree and Melvin A. Bilal, Blanheim, 1979 honoree.

The 1980 BMA honorees were J. Albert Maddox and Francis J. Maddox, owners of Time Printers, Druid Hill Ave. They received plaques for outstanding service for the black community and expressed their thanks to BMA.

The organization's John Speppard Jr. Scholarship Awards of $500 each went to Glenda R. White, Bowie State College, Joyce Coates, Coppin State College, Tyrone D. Moore, Morgan State Univ. and Lillie O. Drummond, University of Maryland, Eastern Shore. They all also received $75 bonds, and were selected on the basis of academic achievement, civic work and leadership ability.

The High School Achievement Award was received by Anastasia Parker, Walbrook Senior High School, who got a $75 bond and a Certificate of Achievement from BMA. All awards were presented by Shepherd McDuffie.

BMA, founded in 1967 has consistently devoted itself to enhancing careers and entrepreneural opportunities for minorities.

They also honor each year a business person who has achieved well and been of service to the community. Additionally they recognize, honor and assist deserving students in college and in high school who are bent on careers in the business and professional realm.

Prior to the benediction, Ms. East presented the AFRO's Mrs. Santa with a $75 check.

She also introduced Harold Young, immediate past president and read proclamations from the mayor and the governor declaring December 5 as BMA Day in Baltimore.

Additionally she mentioned the BMA's support of Sojourner Douglass College's call for all blacks not to spend any money on Martin Luther King's birthday, in honor of him and his works. Other officers of BMA are Thomas Dean, first vice president; Shepherd McDuffie, treasurer.

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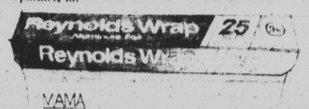

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