W.O.M.A.N. Inc. holds fundraiser for Provident Hospital

JOY, JONI AND BRANDY, air stunning fashion by Encore and Limited, a Harborplace Clothier, during the recent benefit for Provident Hospital's pediatric ward sponsored by W.O.M.A.N., Inc. at the Twenty (20) Grand Club in Northeast Baltimore.

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W.O.M.A.N. INC. PRESIDENT Mrs. Mary W. Conaway, speaks to the assemblage during the benefit fundraiser for Provident.

Judge Robert M. Bell and Dee Frank M. Conaway were the featured guests recently at the W.O.M.A.N., Inc. benefit for Provident Hospital's pediatric ward.

The event, staged at the Twenty Grand Club in Northeast Baltimore, also featured a fashion show with 15 attendants modeling styles furnished by Encore and Limited, a Harborplace clothier.

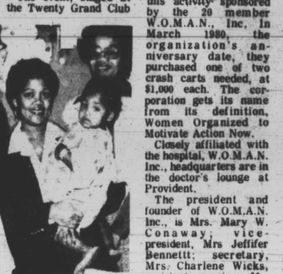
The pediatric ward benefits annually from this activity sponsored by the 20 member W.O.M.A.N., Inc. In March 1980, the organization's anniversary date, they purchased one of two crash carts needed, at $1,000 each. The corporation gets its name from its definition, Women Organized to Motivate Action Now.

Closely affiliated with the hospital, W.O.M.A.N. Inc., headquarters are in the doctor's lounge at Provident.

The president and founder of W.O.M.A.N. Inc., is Mrs. Mary W. Conaway; vice-president, Mrs Jeffifer Bennett; secretary, Mrs. Charlene Wicks, assistant secretary Ms. Carol Johnson; treasurer, Ms. Anne Cook; assistant treasurer Mrs. Geraldine Jackson, and parliamentarian, Ms. Rosalyn Burton.

The organization will be celebrating its third year in March 1981.

CHRISTMAS CHEER — Members of W.O.M.A.N. Inc. who met at the Pediatric Ward of Provident Hospital, their pet project where they decorated a tree with mittens and stuffed animals for the hospital's in-patients are (L to R) Marlene Jackson, Parthenia Oliver, Patricia Bullock, Jennifer Bennett, secretary; Anne Cook, assistant treasurer; Mary Conaway, president and Phyllis Conaway.



Woodlawn Highlights

Aris Allen to keynote EEO MLK Breakfast

The Equal Employment Opportunity Office (EEO) in the Health Care Financing Administration sponsoring a memorial breakfast commemorating the 52nd birthday of the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on Thursday, Jan. 15, 1981.

The breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. in the cafeteria of the East High Rise building in Woodlawn.

The Honorable Aris T. Allen, Maryland state senator, will be the principal speaker.

Delegate Larry Young will also make remarks.

The Dunbar High School choir and the Shades of Black gospel group will entertain.

Ms. Georgia Goslee, television Channel 13 Sunday Live hostess, will serve as Mistress of Ceremonies.

Congratulations to Mrs. Dorothy S. Jones, supplemental security income redetermination clerk. Mrs. Jones was the recent recipient of a cash award totaling $735 for a job-related suggestion which resulted in many hour and dollar savings in the SSI program.

Mrs. Jones entered on duty with the Social Security Administration five years ago. Prior to SSA, she was employed 13 years at Ft. George Meade.

She is a member of the Metro West Building's newly-chartered Toastmaster Club.

Send get well wishes to Ms. Vickie Hill, who is a patient in the greater Baltimore Medical Center on North Charles Street.

Vickie underwent surgery earlier this week and is improving well enough to receive visitors.

Her room number is 4411.

Mrs. Eliza Dancy, library technician in the electronic data processing section, retired Dec. 26, 1980, after working 38 years with the Social Security Administration.

Mrs. Dancy, who is a native of York, Pennsylvania, started her federal career as a GS-2 clerk in the Chandler Building on Pratt Street. An avid racing fan, she resides in northwest Baltimore.

It is interesting to note that Mrs. Dancys daughter, Mrs. Crystal Matthews, has been an employee at SSA for 32

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Columbia Capers

P.J. Mitchell guest speaker at Scholarship Breakfast

By Pinnie L. Ross

The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter, Columbia, will hold its sixth annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Breakfast, Sunday, January 11 at 8:30 a.m. in the Kittamaqundi Room of the Rouse Building.

The guest speaker will be the Honorable Parren J. Mitchell, Maryland's first elected black Congressman. Prior to being the first elected black Congressman, he was Executive Director of Baltimore's anti-poverty program and a member of the faculty of Morgan State University.

The proceeds from the breakfast will be used to provide college scholrships to Howard County residents. Recipients of the 1979 awards will be recognized during the January 11th breakfast.

For further information regarding the breakfast, telephone Leanor Gray, chairman, 461-3375.

Fran Jamison at B&P Meeting

The Columbia chapter of Business and Professional Women held its monthly meeting Jan. 3rd at the home of Delores Richmond, 9417 Kilmarnock Road.

The ladies were honored to have as their guest speaker Fran Jamison, psychologist at Howard Community Colleee. She reported on her recent research paper "Mental Health for Black Women."

She received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities last summer and did her research in California.

Speaking of the Columbia Chapter of Business and Professional Ladies," all work and no play," as the old saying goes," makes Jack a dull boy."

It was fun time at the lovely home of member Yolanda Brook as she graciously welcomed the ladies in her beautiful Manor Lane home for a brief meeting and Christmas fun party.

It was a long stretched out lane, Manor Land that is, not much different from her driveway, but members managed to find it and pack the lengthy driveway with their cars.

The ladies chatted for a while before being ushered to the lar ge club cellar where the brief meeting and fun was held

Sylvia Cook Martin, a Library of Congress executive in D.C., was in charge. She asked that each member interview each other, after which they were asked to tell the members about their findings in the interview.

There were lots of surprises coming out of some of the interviews. information about members and their families, their original homes.

Christmas carols were being played in the background softly, during that portion of the program. Another surprise came when members displayed their talents, in drama, poetry, singing and games.

Speaking of talent, Jacki Banks, a city school teacher, stood up and sang "O Holy Night". What a beautiful voice she has. She received many compliments. Celonia Wallace is program chairlady and Ernestine Duberry is president of the Columbia section.

Mrs. Brooks is a CPA and her husband is an attorney.

Links hold Yule Season gala

The Columbia chapter of Links, Inc., had their fabulous annual Christmas party last week. This year, it took the flavor of an "International Holiday Party."

The party was held at the home of Dr. & Mrs. (Jean) Cooper, and got underway at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Links president Lula Wade, with cocktails and finger pick-ups.

Special hostesses for the cocktail hour were Lula Wade, Doris Waters, and Ada Woodland, after which the group traveled to the Coopers' for a sumptuous dinner with the international flavor.

The delicious menu consisted of roast beef(English), prepared by Ricki Hill, seafood casserole tetrazzini (Italian) prepared by Jean Cooper, mandarin vegetables (Chinese), prepared by Rose Mary Davis, and broccoli, onion and cheese casserole prepared by Maxine Pierce. (American).

Fresh fruit in wine was prepared by Ozella Webbb, and for dessert there was old-fashioned English ice cream, prepared by Janie Skinner and Mable Beale.

It was so delicious and well prepared that the husbands went back for seconds along with some of the wives.

It was truly an enjoyable evening.

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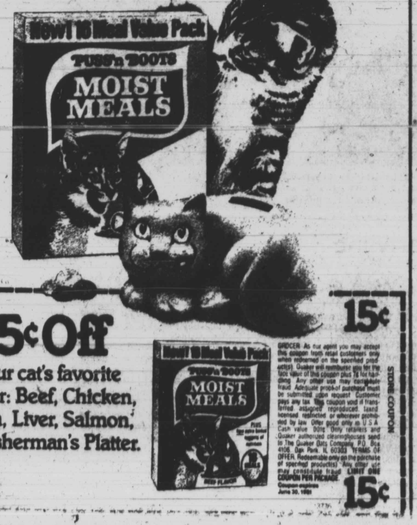

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If you ask me...

By Bettye Moss

Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Billingsley and family are in their own new home in the 4200 block St. Paul St.

Mrs. Billingsley, (Amy), confirms that the Morgan State University first family made the move during the Christmas holidays.

The new residence, a four bedroom brick, is just what they need for a family which includes two teenage daughters. It is five minutes away from campus.

Cuff notes: The on-campus president's house was never designed for a young president with children. It has only two bedrooms. Now it will be used for special campus activities.

With the departure of the Billingsleys from their campus home, only one Baltimore area college president now lives on campus — Dr. Calvin Burnett, at Coppin.

All other area college presidents occupy their own residences off campus.

Billingsley's new neighbors include Dr. and Mrs. Keiffer Jackson and family, directly across the street.

Around the corner, Dr. and Mrs. Raphael Cortado, (he's president of Community College of Baltimore).

Davis sate, returns to El Salvador

Baltimore - native E. Lloyd Davis has returned to his State Department post in troubled El Salvador in South America.

He was home for the holidays, had an opportunity to see daughter, Cathy, before she left for a State Department assignment in Mexico.

In El Salvador, Mr. Davis is the administrative aide in charge of finance and general services at the American Embassy.

Mrs. Davis (Becky), had been there with him, but she was back in the States early in the fall when the United States asked American families to return home.

During the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Davis were in the city for reunions with family and friends.

Cuff note: He returned to El Salvador January 3. Next day came television and newspaper accounts of more killings in El Salvador civil war, and word that a Maryland man was among the victims.

Mrs. Davis' phone rang off the hook and she was in a state of shock until word came that the Marylander killed was not her husband. Afterwards, Lloyd called to say that he was safe.

Lloyd Davis

People, things

Continue get - well cards to University Hospital for Dr. Ben amin Gordon, the dentist.

Cheer to Dr. Frederick Dedmond, the beloved longtime Morgan State professor. He remains ill at his Whittier Avenue home. Royal Weaver is home after another leg operation. t a testimonial set for La Fontaine Bleu, Glen Burnie.

Tickets are $20. For info, call Doris Jones, 265-5731 or Bernice McDaniels, 433-9344.

Testimonial co-chairs are Cassie Robinson and Caroline Murray.

Congratulations to Brooks and Pearl Waters. They observed their 25th wedding anniversary at their Calhoun St. home on Saturday evening.

Here from Washington, Prince Hall Grand Master William Barnes.

Mr. Waters is the retired teacher and longtime Masonic leader. Recently, he received two honorary degrees from Edward Waters College. At the Supreme Council sessions this past fall, he was presented its highest award.

More honors came to him this week. He was inducted into the Eagle Scout Fraternity of Boy Scouts. He was the first Eagle Scout in the BaltimrBaltimore area, having been made in 1934, when he was affiliated with Metropolitan Methodist Church troop.

Other out - of - towners at the anniversary celebration included his sister and brother, Julia and John Woodland of Randallstown; a nephew, Thomas Brown Jr. of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Waters' kin here included her sister, Mrs. Susie Jones, and niece, Alfreda Finley, both of Chesapeake Beach, Md.

Also, sister - in - law, Mrs. Virginia Prout of Huntingtown, Md., and her daughter, June.

Former YMCA King's Landing campers cherish the name of Virginia Prout. She was the popular cook there for years.

Her daughter, June, was a camp counselor. Today, she is a medical technician at Howard University Hospital in D.C.

More people, things

The Liberty Heights Ave. home of Mrs. Anna G. Bennett and her sister, Mrs. Susie J. Reid, was alive with people on New Year's Day.

It was the 81st consecutive year the family has held open house, a tradition begun by their mother, Mrs. Mary Gross, and continued for years by their late brother, Charles G. Bennett.

In attendance, family friends, neighbors and fellow members of Sharp St., Methodist Church, where they have been active for years.

Mrs. Bennett is the retired teacher. Miss Susie is the retired housekeeper. (Lapides family)

More holiday gatherings — The Larry Gibsons' (Diana) annual party on New Year's Day at their Eastview Place home marked the sixth birthday of son, Stevie...

Grownups had as much fun with the trains as the dozen youngsters about.

Out in Columbia a Sunday ago Col. and Mrs. Patrick Whitfield, (Mattie), had open house and marked her birthday.

Here from Richmond, her sister, Margaret Davis with her friend, Ed Brown.

Bernice and George White's annual at their Callaway Ave. home attracted a lively group which admired her unique holiday decor. In the crowd — fellow execs at Social Security and U.S. Senator and Mrs. Paul Sarbanes, (Christine).

Big Sisters' annual at S and R did a nice thing. Members invited guests to bring canned goods for the AFRO's Mrs. Santa.

They did ... loads of goodies, which were turned over to Mrs. Santa the next day. Lil Slater chaired affair. Iris Williams is president.

More people

Real dandy indeed was the openhouse hosted by the W. Emerson Browns (Donna), on the 28th.

Their new home in Worthington Valley is the California - style contemporary which was featured in an area magazine recently. It is located atop a hill, providing unusual view of surrounding wooded area.

Lionel Jiggetts was at the piano. Guests moved from room to room, tasting the variety of dishes for which the hostess is famous. (Her Yule log, chocolate cake, sirloin tips, and oysters drew raves.)

She received guests in a very becoming black hostess gown trimmed with gold.

More people doing nice things for others: — Members of St. Martha's Guild of St. James Episcopal Church held their holiday meeting at the new N. M. Carroll Home for the Aged on Arlington Ave. near the church.

They tell of a delicious meal with residents of how beautiful the quarters are and how friendly are the residents and employees. ("We enjoyed a delicious home-cooked meal in a relaxed atmosphere").

Guild members also gave gifts to residents at the Anna Mae Hunter Home for the Blind and contributed to the home's fuel fund. Mrs. Emma Best was chairman. Mrs. Nellie Bowie heads the Guild.

Among other guests at the activities mentioned above, Mrs. Donald O. Wilson, (Theda), wife of the St. James Church rector.

She and her two sisters, Edith Wells and Jessie Wilkerson, East Orange, N.J., postponed their holiday trip to Florida because of the illness of their father, William Morris, also of E. Orange.

He is a patient at Hopkins Hospital.

Not so happy

Scallions to the culprits who cut down trees in Hanlon Park to make Yule trees for themselves.

Residents of the area are seeking. They have worked through their improvement association to keep the area beautiful. Hanlon Park is off of Gwynns Falls, near Longwood, in northwest Baltimore.

William T. Rideout, Jr.

Not so happy was the holiday season for many Baltimore area residents who buried loved ones.

Remember the family of William T. Rideout Jr., He was buried Dec. 28, following last ites at Grace AME Church in Catonsville, where he was a lifetime member.

Mr. Rideout was a retired postal worker. In his early career, he earned the name, "Smiling Bill," because he was the friendly n and kind driver for the old Druid Laundry.

Survivors include his wife of 48 years, Maria Taylor Rideout; a daughter, Lillian Hawkins; a son, William T. 3rd; three grandchildren, and a brother, Robert C. Rideout.

Gladys Jackson Parker

At the Monday morning rites for Gladys Jackson Parker, Enon Baptist minister, Rev. Porter Phillips remembered her as a kind and unassuming person Who gave much for otherwsothers.

Mrs. Parker was the retired Social Service Department supervisor, who was stricken during a Christmas day family dinner.

Rev. Phillips praised Mrs. Parker as a devoted church worker and cited instances where she adopted needy youngsters and provided them with necessities from her pwn pocket. He recalled her devotion to family as well.

We first met Gladys when she was a student at what was then Morgan College. She entered fresh out of Douglass High, where she was valedictorian of the class of 1931.

She finished Morgan with honors in 1935, and two years later joined this newspaper's staff as proofreader, a post she held for 10 years.

Over 40 years ago, Gladys was a charter member of Big Sisters of Baltimore Inc. and worked diligently in its programs until family and job responsibilities forced her to suspend her activities.

Last year, when the group observed its anniversary, charter members were invited to return. Gladys did and her presence was welcomed. We hosted the October meeting together.

Members of Big Sisters were honorary pallbearers and served family dinner after the services. Delta Sigma Theta sorors, led by Baltimore president, Charlene Cooper Boston, conducted special rites.

Surviving Gladys are her husband, Calvin; daughter, Sheryl Lynn; and a sister, Anna James.

More sad notes

Mrs. Caronius Lee Mello, Dec. 30 last rites at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, where for many years she taught Sunday School and sang on the Gospel Choir.

Before she retired in 1974, she was a 30 year employee at Hutzler's Department Store.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. William Harris, (Elizabeth); daughter and son - in - law, Joyce and Leonard Bridgeorth; and 6 grandchildren; and 5 great grands.

New Year's Eve rites held at Union Baptist Church for George Henry Jones, 76.

He was manager of the Two J-J Social Club, whose members were pallbearers.

Previously, he had been employed as a Pullman porter with the Pennsylvania Railroad, and as a detective. He was a Hiram Grand Lodge Mason.

Survivors include: wife, Myrtle Houston Jones. They were married at Union in December 1947, by then pastor, Rev. Baxter Matthews.

Rev. Matthews assisted at the last rites conducted by the pastor, Rev. Vernon Dobson. Also surviving was a stepdaughter, Myrtle Houston; sisters, Mrs. Josephine White, Philly; and Mrs. Carrie Jones Baltimore.

Leon D. Gross, 62, was eulogized Dec. 28 at Shiloh Christian Community Church.

He was the Enoch Pratt Library employee.

Relatives recall that Mr. Gross and his wife, the former Mary B. Murray, reared five children of his sister, Ruth Gross, following her untimely death. A sister, Mrs. Florence D. Grimes, and a brother, Hiram Gross, also survive.

Day-after-Christmas rites were at March Funeral Home for Carine Inez Holly, 39, whom many called "Tiny."

She was the Western Electric (Broening Highway) employee. The Rev. Marcus Wood, Providence Baptist officiated.

Survivors: son, Michael; her mother, Mrs. Vernon Holly (Gladys); grandmother, Mrs. Inez Ellison; brother, Vernon F. Holly Jr., sisters, Sheila A. Curtis and Julia S. Carter.

Carine Inez Holly

More holiday - time sadness — Mrs. Lillian Kelly Habersham, 63, the retired teacher, was eulogized on Jan. 4, at First United Apostolic Church. Bishop Monroe Saunders officiated.

Survivors, husband, James A Habersham; son, and daughter, Rodney and Tracey Kelly; sister, Gladys Allen; and 2 brothers.

Fifty - nine immediate kin survive Mrs. Beatrice Hawkins Bailey, 85. She was eulogized on Dec. 28, at St. Francis Xavier Church where she was a member for over 40 years.

Beatrice H. Bailey

She died on Christmas Day in a Washington hospital.

Mrs. Bailey was a member of the Father Gillard Retreat Club of the old St. Francis Church. She was also a member of the Ladies Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary, serving as its treasurer for many years.

Known as "Bea" to family and friends, Mrs. Bailey was employed by the Maryland Country Club for 33 years, retiring in 1975.

Survivors: son, Bernard Bailey Jr., daughters, Dorothy Sims, Marian Eubanks, Inez Ambrose and Jean Redd; a brother, Edward Hawkins; and 22 grandchildren; 30 great grandchildren; 1 great grandchild.

YWCA kicks off program

The week of January 12 will kick off a variety of winter program offerings by the YWCA Madison Avenue Center located at 128 W. Franklin Street.

In addition to its program at the downtown location, the Madison YW offers slimnastics at Provident Hospital and YWCAerobics at Garrison Jr. High School and Wayland Baptist Church.

For more information about the Madison YWCA's program call 685-1460.

and Mrs. Franklin C. mas greens and poinsettas in the church, the red and white vestments of the acolytes, red gowns worn by the bridesmaids and varying shades of red flowers used by all bridal attendants.

The bride is the grand - daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson and the late Mr. and Mrs. Edgar A. Smith of Baltimore.

Hutzler Brothers, a and is currently a systems analyst for Vitro Laboratories, is affiliated with the M sons and Phi Theta Phi International Honorary Commerce Fraternity.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Springs, Maryland after the bride and Rita San Francisco, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bowler, Norton, Pa., Mrs. William Mason, Petersburg, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jordon, Suffolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Anderson, Norfolk, Va.

Former dean dies

PHILADELPHIA-A former assistant dean of women at Cheyney State College, died December 21 at Bryn Mawr Hospital, in suburban Philadelphia.

Miss Edith Gibbs, was 74, and lived in Ardmore, Pa. Before coming to Cheyney in 1965, Miss Gibbs worked as an administrator at various colleges. She was dean of women and director of religious education at Barber-Scotia College, Concord, N. C.; dean of women at Maryland State College and director of the women's residence centers at Tennessee State College and Morgan State College. She retired from Cheyney in 1971.

She was the first black field worker for the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church and was president of the Missionary Society of Bethel AME Church in Ardmore and of the area Missionary Society.

More Partyline

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Her Bowers Ave. home was festively decorated and teeming with vibrant spirits as the many guests who came at 2 p.m. enjoyed Sandy's usual superb hospitality, as she circulated among them in her gaily colored caftan.

Sandy got many congratulations on her beautiful engagement ring and bethrothal to Arthur Boseman.

Delicious luncheon fare was stuffed shrimp, barbequed meat balls, parsley potatoes and tossed salad and rolls, with fudge cake and fruit cake rounding out the meal.

There were lots of sippables too.

Special delicious drink of the occasion was an unusually delicious strawberry pina colada.

Recorded background music consisted of soft jazz to some of the latest hits.

As a party treat this year, Sandy gifted each of her guests with a lovely scarf — and o-oh, those scarves in a myriad of colors and designs they delighted the ladies who oohed and aahed their pleasure upon receiving them.

At 7 p.m. when I made my departure, several guests were still lingering to rap and to enjoy themselves — filled with the laughter and the joy of the holiday season.

Attending were Marjorie Jennings, Gerrie Lovick, Connie Carter, Sheryl Woodland, Valerie Dean, Nellie Taft, Beverly Reid, Delores Lashley, Marguerite East, Alice Hall, Isolene Crowner;

Also Dr. E. Fran Johnson, Sheila East, Greta Parker, Andrea Abraham, Lydia Starks, Elizabeth Demby, Emma Dudley, Sylvia Stewart, Vivian Bailey, Carolyn Savage, Althea Cornish, Jackie Merchant, Sandy Barnes, Sylvia Lewis, Benita Edwards, Doris Johnson, Elise Collier, Audrey Tisdale and Ernestine DeVance.

Holiday fashion commentary

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Those enviable petites: Vashti Christmas in layers of flowered chiffon, Bea Wright in tan imported cotton with layer upon layer of ruffles and certainly on of the prettiest dresses of the season, Gwen Seaborne in a silk gown of bold horizontal stripes, Nancy Barrick in flowing and stunning tubular silver and brown knit, not to forget Roberta Scott in gold lame.

Louise Lawson and Anethia Williams appeared to favor flattering sequinned caps, while Robbie Chissell and Delores Sykes leaned toward printed silk outfits.

Evelyn Haysbert was looking very elegant in grey jersey, and Vivian Pendleton's tan long full-skirted peau de soie with its velvet striped chiffon ruffled neckline blouse made her absolutely regal. Then there was Dorothy Clinton, much like a southern belle in her ecru ante-bellum styled gown.

The younger set, including Elise Jude Mason, Paula Jones and Karen Watson, almost in "uniform" with silk, satin or velvet pants with matching jackets or flowing tunics.

Betty Williams' formula for dressing smart for the season was "buy a dress for the holidays, wear it as often as possible, until you are virtually sick of it, give it to the Goodwill before the next year and deduct the value from your income tax". Her peach-colored knit with which she wore perfectly matched leather sandals was a classic. So was the deep turquoise knit handmade and worn by the striking Emma Bright.

With the rash of house burglaries, more folks appeared to be wearing their jewelry when not at home. Margaret Driver's exquisite hand had a ring on every finger, and Jean Wilson was wearing antique gold rings on a chain around her neck a la old high school days— very chic. Just a lot of pins, pendants and necklaces being worn and adding to the elegance of the parties.

1980 was laid to rest in good fashion by many of the local ladies.

Will Mrs. Nancy Reagan set a new fashion trend for '81?

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