Artist, three Maryland families honored at unveiling of portraits in Annapolis

Event benefits Banneker-Douglass Museum

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A gala banquet at the Bay Ridge Inn in Annapolis marked the appearance of descendants of three Maryland families and witnessed the unveiling of the portraits of their forebearents Dr. Lillie Carroll Jackson, Baltimore freedom fighter; John H. Murphy Sr., AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers founder and Harriett Tubman, the Moses of her People.

The event was sponsored by the Banneker-Douglass Museum Foundation in cooperation with the Maryland Commission on Afro-American History and Culture.

Miss Mary V Wiseman, treasurer, announced that the proceeds from the dinner go to benefit the Museum which is located in historic old Mount Moriah Church in Annapolis.

The museum opening date has been set for December, 1981, and will feature Afro-American arts and crafts; a Hall of National Greatness honoring black Marylanders; a gallery of black maritime history, lectures, films and a reference library of black history in Maryland.

R. Allen Irvine presided and gave greetings at the banquet.

Sen. Aris T. Allen, member of the Banneker-Douglass board, brought the welcome.

The protrait artist, the famed Hughie Lee-Smith of New York, gave the main address following introduction by Carroll Greene Jr., the executive director of the Maryland Commission.

A representative of each family spoke after the unveiling of the portraits.

They were Mrs. Geraldine Tubman, a great, great niece of Harriett Tubman, John H. Murphy III, nephew of Mr. Murphy and Mrs. Juanita J. Mitchell, a daughter of Dr. Jackson.

Portrait artist Lee-Smith received a large plaque of commendation from the Maryland Commission and an honorary citizenship award from Baltimore's Mayor Schaefer.

Other awards of pewter plates went to each of the three families from Mrs. Geneva Puryear who represented Mayor Schaefer and the citizens of Baltimore.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of plaques to Miss Wiseman, C. LeRoy and Mrs. Marian Carroll and Mrs. Lulu Hardesty, the president of the Museum Friends. Dr. Roland C. McConnell, chairman, Maryland Commission and Mr. Greene made the presentations.

Mrs. Yevola S. Peters, the Museum president, presented the portraits to the Maryland Commission. Mrs. Honori M. Daniels accepted them in the absence of Sen. Verda F. Welcome, a commissioner.

Miss Wiseman made an appeal for contributions for the Museum. Music was by Mrs. Teresa A. B. Calvin, soloist accompanied by Mrs. Lois Haley Blackstone.

Members of the Museum Foundation are:

Aris T. Allen, T. Norwood Brown, William L. Calderhead, C. LeRoy Carroll, Marian W. Carroll, James C. Cooke, Jr., Vanderlip Conway, Leonard Elenowitz, Arthur H. Fawcett, Carroll Greene Jr., Lynn Grigsby, Jeffry Henderson, Carroll Hynson, Allen Irvine, Arie Lee Pace, Yevola S. Peters, Robert Powell, Mary V. Wiseman.

The Maryland Commission commissioners are;

Harry R. Hughes, governor; Benjamin Quarles, chairperson emeritus; Roland C. McConnell, chairperson; Phebe R. Jacobsen, vice chairperson; James J. Fuller, Louis R. Harlan, Mary S. Johnson, William H. Kiah, Elizabeth M. Oliver, Verda F. Welcome, Angeline F. Williams, Carroll Greene Jr., executive director.

The Commission is an Agency of the Department of Economic and Community Development.

AWARDS by Md. Commission on Afro-American History and Culture Carroll Greene Jr., executive director and Dr. Roland C. McConnell, chairman (LEFT PANEL) went to portrait artist Hughie Lee-Smith and RIGHT PANEL, Mrs. Geneva Puryear representing Mayor Schaefer of Baltimore presented pewter plates to Geraldine Tubman, Juanita Mitchell and John H. Murphy III, representatives of the three famgus Maryland families.

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(L TO R) Ernest Tubman, great, great nephew; Mrs. Geraldine Tubman, great niece; Mrs. Ernest Tubman and son, Gordon, who is the great, great, great nephew of The Moses of Her People, Harriett Tubman, the Eastern Shore freedom fighter who took to freedom over 300 slaves on her Underground Railroad.

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DESCENTS OF AFRO Founder John H. Murphy Sr. shown in the portrait by Hughie Lee-Smith are (L TO R) John H. Murphy III, AFRO Board Chairman; George B. Murphy Jr., retired Washington AFRO editor; Elizabeth Murphy Oliver, AFRO city editor; James H. Murphy, retired AFRO circulation manager.

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THREE GENERATIONS of the Dr. Lillie Carroll Jackson family are in this photo along with the portrait (L TO R) Miss Lisa and Clarence Mitchell IV, Mrs. Juanita J. Mitchell; 101st Sen. Clarence M. Mitchell Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell and children, George Jr. and Karla Mitchell and and Sen. Clarence M. Mitchell III. RIGHT PANEL — Baltimore descendants of Harriett Tubman include Mrs. Anita Stewart, her nieces and nephews and cousins, some of whom were present when the WWII Liberty Ship Harriett Tubman was christened.

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Rev. Harold Carter celebrates 25th anniversary

The week - long celebration of the congregation of New Shiloh Baptist Church begins this Sunday at 11 a.m. at the church, Lanvale and Fremont Avenue.

The occasion is the 25th anniversary of the pastor, Dr. Harold A. Carter who began his ministry in 1956. Sermons by guest preachers are scheduled each evening from Monday, March 9, through Sunday, March 15, when the minister's son, Dr. Harold A. Carter Jr. will give the 11 a.m. sermon.

A highlight of the week is the Saturday, March 14, 25th Anniversary Dinner at 5 p.m. at the church.

The dinner speaker is Dr. Louis Loyd Anderson, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Selma, Ala.

MONDAY — March 9 — Rev. Lewis McDonald, pastor Oak Grove Baptist Church, Bel Air, Md.

TUESDAY — March 10 — Rev. Ralph David Abernathy, pastor, West Hunter Street Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

WEDNESDAY — March 11 — Rev. Walter Thomas, pastor, New Psalmist Baptist Church, Baltimore.

THURSDAY — March 12 — Rev. J. Earl Adkins, pastor, Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

FRIDAY — March 13 — Rev. Louis Lloyd Anderson, pastor, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Selma, Ala.

Young Carter, the speaker for Sunday, March 15, is a student at Eastern College, St. Davids, Pa. and recently ordained at his father's Baltimore church.

PLENTY FOOD AND CLOTHES are ready for the needy without charge in a stockpile placed at the Emergency Center at 822 N. Caroline St. by the Concerned United Methodist Ministers of Baltimore and Vicinity. The Center is open Tuesday and Thursday each week, 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. or call 922-7656 - 523-1982 or 448-0446. (L TO R front row) are Revs. Kelly L. Jackson, Yusef Ahmed, James E. Smith, Roscoe C. Williams, James Wooten and Walter Cox. TOP ROW — Revs. Herbert E. Sye, James Parson, Irvin Lockman, Alfred E. Statesman, Douglass Sands and G. Sylvester Gaines.

MRS. MARTHA CLARK, (4th L) honoree at the Feb. 21 birthday party and fellowship banquet at Loyola College, is surrounded by her relatives and fellow members of Ebenezer Baptist Church and persons who were on the program of music, reflections and greetings. (L TO R): Mrs. Virginia Ruffin; the pastor, Rev. and Mrs. Clarence Poole; Mrs. Clark, her son, George Stokes; her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Patterson; nephew, Charles Austin Jr., niece, Mrs. Dorothy Barrett; Rev. Poole's mother, Mrs. Marie Jennings. TOP ROW Left Panel — Kevin Patterson, G. Edward Patterson, George Patterson, Titus Green, Robert Daniels. (RIGHT PANEL) Mrs. Bettye S. Graves, William Thornton, Mrs. Maggie Talbot, Mrs. Dorothy Ransom, Mrs. Myrna Fouch. TOP ROW — Rev. Mrs. Amanda Williams, Robert Ransom, Mrs. Bertha Bailey.

Jacqueline Cody weds Dennis Downing

Mrs. Dennis Downing

Mr. and Mrs. Emery L. Cody Sr., 4700 block Kimberleigh Rd., announces the marriage of their daughter, Jacqueline, to Dennis E. Downing, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Downing, 3800 Grantley Rd.

The new Mrs. Downing is a senior at North Eastern Law School in Boston, Mass.

The bridegroom is an accounting student at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County Campus.

Mr. and Mrs. Downing will reside in Baltimore after Mrs. Downing's graduation in June.

Jennifer Banks engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Faison have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ms. Jennifer A. Banks to Stephen Allen Brown Sr., son of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Brown.

Ms. Banks, a graduate of Coppin State College, is presently employed by the Baltimore City Public Schools.

Mr. Brown, a graduate of City College, is self-employed.

An April wedding is planned.

Miss Sweetheart, Mr. Mt. Royal contest held

The Mt. Royal Recreation Center located at 120 W. Mosher St., held its first annual 'Miss Sweetheart and Mr. Mt. Royal Contest' recently in the auditorium of Mt. Royal Elementary School No. 66, Mt. Royal Ave.

Youngsters aged 6 to 12 vied for the titles 'Miss Sweetheart and 'Mr. Mt. Royal.

The winners were Crystal Dyer, 'Miss Sweetheart'; Anika Middleton, first runner - up; Jacquetta Teal, second runner - up and Gyl Johnson, third runner - up.

Winner in the male segment was Scot Johnson, 'Mr. Mt. Royal'; Kenyetta Bell, first runner - up; Paul Bryant, second runner - up and Darryl Johnson, third runner - up.

Other contestants were: Yoland Welsh, Melani Fenwick, Tonya Gay, Khea Mallory, Sandra Breeze, Berita Bennett, Shelly Dungee, Crissoi Smith, Frida Berrigan, Tanea Robinson, Alexis Lee, Marni Fenwick, Nicole Simmons;

Also Ericcia Davidge, Hope Abney, Stacy McKinnon, Nina West, Marvelle Welsh, Cherise Brooks, April Bell, Joey Evans, Jayfus Dosell, Eric Marner, Thurron Mallory and Donald Smith.

MISS SWEETHEART CONTESTANTS AND WINNERS pictured during the First Annual Miss Sweetheart and Mr. Mount Royal Contest sponsored by the Mt. Royal Rec Center recently are (front row, L to R): Yolanda Welsh, Anika Middleton, second runner-up; Nicole Simmons, Shelby Dungee, Cherie Brooks, Crystal Dyer, 'Miss Sweetheart' and Alexis Lee. (Back row, L to R): April Bell, Sandra Breeze, Berita Bennett, Crissa Smith, Gyl Johnson, fourth runner-up; Marvelle Welsh, Jacquetta Teal, third runner-up, Tonya Gay and Yolanda Streater.

MR. MT. ROYAL — Winners and contestants in the Mr. Mt. Royal segment of the contest are Joey Evans, (standing, far left), Scott Johnson, Mr. Mt. Royal; (standing far right); Paul Bryant, third runner-up (seated, front) and (back row, seated, L to R): Donald Smith, Kynyetta Bell, first runner-up and Jayfus Dosell.

Addison Enterprise, new promoter for Miss Black America-Md. Pageant

The "Miss Black America" - Baltimore, Maryland Pageant, a showcase for the beauty, talent and poise of black women between the ages of 18 and 25 has been scheduled for Sunday, April 26, 1981, in the auditorium of Coppin State College, 2500 W. North Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21216.

The schedule was announced by the promoter "Addison Enterprise," with appointments of Dolores Addison, Pageant Director, Meredith Addison, Assistant Director and Yvonne Addison, Assistant Directress.

According to "Addison Enterprise," local contestants will vie for top prizes and the title of "Miss Black America" - Baltimore, Maryland; the winner will later compete for the national title in Jamaica.

The national finals of the "Miss Black America" Pageant scheduled for later this year, will be televised throughout the country over a major television network. It was televised last year by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC).

Eligible young women interested in participating in the Baltimore, Maryland Pageant should apply for an application at the following address:

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Winning for most original was Gregory Johnson, who came in a wierd, outer-space type outfit and called himself "The Sun God." Second prize winner in that category was Raymond Lucas, who came as a computer. Would you believe that the apparatus attached to his chest actually blinked on and off? Third prize went to Vernon Ross, who came as a very realistic African witch doctor.

Garnering prizes as best couples were Ben and Pat Logan, two very colorful clowns; Joseph and Helen Williams, who were a sultry "Sultan and his lady" and Mr. and Mrs. Osbourne Payne, in their quaint "Gentleman and his Lady" outfits.

Best group winner was the bevy of ladies and gents, all decked out in super-funny red and white, old fashioned nightgowns with long night caps, who carried lighted candles and yawned continously while on parade. They had named themselves "Let's Go To Bed."

Second place group winner was the "Quaint Que Que Clan," which, in their purple robes and hoods made a perfect black counterpart of the Ku Klux Klan. When I asked them, prior to the competition where their cross was, they replied, (in jest, of course), "We don't have one but if we did, we'd burn it." Third place group was that lively, fake fun-toting crowd called 'Safari!'

Prizes in each category were $100, first prize; $50, second prize and $25, third prize.

Following the parade, the partying went on — and on.

The Mardi Gras '81 was the first year of a three-year revitalization program designed to return the fundraising event to a status it had previously held — with most people wearing costumes instead of formal attire, in order to put the 'old Mardi Gras' spirit back into the affair. If this year's Mardi Gras was any indication the effort was a tremendous success.

Monies from the fundraiser benefits the chapter's scholarship fund.

Chair for the affair was James Grant. Co-chairing were Benjamin Whitten, Eddie McDaniels, William Gant and Ernest Custis. Pi Omerga chapter officers for '81 - '82 are Lloyd Alston, basileus; Judson Wood, anti-basileus; Daniel Lyle, KRS; Harold Hart, Keeper of Finance and T. Russell Hopewell, Keeper of Property.

Theatre & Gospel Festival

On March 7, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Eta Zeta chapter, Bowie State College will present the chapter's 1st Annual Theatre & Gospel Festival in the Martin Luther King Center at Bowie State College.

This cultural presentation will feature the musical talents of Larry Bland & The Volunteer Choir.

Also, Theatre & Company, under the direction of its Artistic Director, Tony Darnell Cosby, will present a theatrical salute to Dr. Martin Luther King. In memory of his remarkable contributions.

We welcome you to come and share with the brothers of Alpha an evening of Performing Arts.

Black author explodes myths about black women

Sharon Harley author-instructor

Afro - American instructor Sharon Harley has spent the better part of her academic career crusading for the role women have played in black history.

That recognition, she says, has been painfully slow in coming. Though both black history and women's history have gained a relatively firm academic footing since the civil rights movement of the early 1960s, the formal study of black women's history is still in its infancy stage.

Harley, an instructor at the University of Maryland, and colleague Rosalyn Terborg-Penn were the first ever to pen a history text on the subject. Their book, 'The Afro-American Woman: Struggles and Images, published in 1978, provided the first real proof that enough historical documents existed for a full course — if not a series of courses — on black women's history.

The text is a string of essays focusing on the experiences of black American females from 1620 until 1950.

For the past two years now, Harley has been teaching the course that some say couldn't be taught. And, the interest is booming on the College Park Campus.

More than 70 students regularly sign up for her course, 'The Black Women in America.' The course enables students to tackle such topics as black female sexuality, work experience and myths.

'Ah, the myths,' she says with a sigh as she stocially counts them off. 'Which ones are you familiar with? The black superwoman, shall we start with that?'

'Historically, you may be surprised to discover that the majority of black families are headed by two parents, both of whom are wage earners. Black men, despite bouts of unemployment have consistently earned more than their wives.

'And just like white women, black women have traditionally deferred to the men in their lives,' she says.

The black woman's struggle for equality has been thwarted not only because of racism, she says, but because black men have at times blocked the development of their own women.

Harley is interested in the development of all black women — the headline makers and educated elite, as well as the former domestic servants and sharecroppers.

She has interviewed native Washingtonians and has pored over old census records, employment records, and even minutes from black temperance meetings at the turn of the century.

Her search for black women's history has led her to use documents more traditional historians have ignored.

'A sore point she addressed as a keynote speaker at the first National Black Women's History conference last year.

'We are learning about the black woman's struggles in the factories and in the homes of America, she says. 'You ask me why the black woman is only beginning to embrace women's liberation. Why should she want to get off the pedestal when she's never been on it?'

Church Hospital seeks youthful volunteers

Church Hospital is currently recruiting young people for its summer Junior Volunteer program. Students must be between 15 and 17 years of age.

The Junior Volunteer is trained to function in both medical and non-medical areas throughout the hospital giving them a good background in the Health Care Field. This can help them in the job market later on.

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