Columbia Capers

Twenty-four debutantes bow at cotillion

By Pinnie L. Ross

Twenty - three pretty debs' dreams became a reality just recently as they bowed into society at the Kittamaqundi Room, Rouse Building, in Columbia, Maryland.

The Cotillion was sponsored by The Columbia Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Incorporated. The affair was the third annual successful Cotillion presented by those hard working ladies of the sorority.

The young debs looked lovely and radiant in their long white gowns, each carrying a bouquet of flowers.

In keeping with their roles of poised, beautiful black women of today and the future, those young ladies had centered their goals around the old motto, "At the end of a Rainbow lies their ultimate goal."

The Debutantees were kept very busy prior to the affair. They attended a Get Acquainted Tea, a Thanksgiving Social, a cultural event at Morgan State University, Christmas Concert, a Founders Day Luncheon.

In the months of January through March they attended a Charm Clinic, learning poise, makeup and hair styling at your's truly's Charm Studio.

Also the young ladies and members of the Deltas provided transportation to shopping centers for Senior Citizens by the three housing complexes of Howard County.

The 1981 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Debutante Cotillion young Ladies were: Kim Atkinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Stewart, a junior at Hammond High School, Columbia; Lisa Marie Baker, a junior at Centennial High School, Ellicott City, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Baker; Pamela Susan Birdsong, a junior at Oakland Mills High School, Columbia and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Birdsong; Sonya Blake, a junior at McDonogh School, Baltimore, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Vincent Blake;

Also, Lisa Elaine Bracey, a senior at Howard High School, Ellicott City, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alonza Bracey; Cecily Yvonne Christian, a junior at Centennial High School, Ellicott City, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Christian; Sherri Lynette Cousin, a junior at Oakland Mills High School, Columbia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Cousin; Angelia Laverne Gray, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Vernon Gray, a junior at Centennial High School, Ellicott City;

Also Onna Patrice Harrison, senior at Wild Lake High School, Columbia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wood; Terri Lynne Haskins, a junior at Oakland Mills High School, Columbia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Haskins; Angelia Marie Lacroix, a junior at Oakland Mills High School, Columbia, daughter of Mrs. Blanche Lacroix and the late Damion Lacroix;

Other debs are: Leslie Dione Long, a senior at Meade Senior High School, Fort Meade, Md., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Long; Kimberly Iris Moron, a junior at Howard High School, Ellicott City, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moron; Sarita Singea Payne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Payne, a senior at Wild Lake High School, Columbia;

Also Mika Renee Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Phillips, a junior at Wild Lake High School, Columbia; Janice Montene Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Scott, a Junior at Howard High School, Ellicott City; Dione Richele Stephenson, a junior at Howard High School, Ellicott City, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Stephenson; Johnna Sherri Swann, a junior at Western High School, Baltimore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sqann;

Also Tayna Theresa Toney, daughter of Mr & Mrs. Jenkin Toney, a senior at Arundel Senior High School Gambrill, Md.; Kim Michele Whitfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Whitfield, a junior at Oakland Mills High School, Columbia; Gina Adelle Wilderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morman Wilderson, a senior at Atholton High School, Columbia; Kristen Suzanne Williams, daughter of Robert and the late Lula Williams, a junior at Oakland Mills High School, Columbia and Maria Antoinette Willis, daughter of Cynthia and the late Harry C. Willis, a graduating junior at Wilde Lake High School, Columbia.

Eva Anderson was the choreographer for the special dance number, after which The Baltimore Dance Company directed by Mrs. Anderson gave a presentation.

Following the favulous affair, the five hundred guests engaged a well prepared sit - down meal consisting of choice Top Round of Beef, green beans, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, rolls, cake, coffee or tea.

The meal was prepared by F & G Caterers. Flora and George L. Whorton, Baltimore, Md. who specializes in cotillions, concessions, anniversaries, wine and cheese trays. The dinner was followed by dancing until 1 a.m.

On the Cotillion committee were: June Alexander, Marion Payne, Eleanor Halman, Alice Haskins, president of the chapter, Waldena Kelly, Ozepher Wilds, Kitty Wright, Gail Judson, and Muriel Mitchell.

Mrs. Gelda Lewis and Mrs. Celonia Walden were the first chairladies of the Columbia Chapter's Debutante Cotillion.

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The ceremony was performed by Father Wayne Wigglesworth at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church.

The couple was attended by three daughters — Elizabeth. Ernestine and Charlotte Stewart, daughter-in-law Dollye Stewart and Lavarne Slade.

Yetty L. Kearney
Recent graduate

MR. AND MRS. EUGENE STEWART are pictured following the repeating of their marriage vows recently at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church in celebration of their 50th anniversary.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the couple's home.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are in order for Mrs. Yetty Kearney who recently earned her Master of Science Degree in Administrative Supervision (Elementary Education) at Hopkins University on Friday, May 29.

Mrs. Kearney, a teacher at Yorkwood Elementary School No. 219 is married to James B. Kearney. They have one son, Jamie and reside on Northwood Drive.

Mrs. Kearney is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Lockett (Everline) of Belmont Ave.

BOSSES NIGHT

The Baltimore City Educational Office Personnel (BCEOPA) presented its 'Annual Bosses Night' at the downtown Hilton Hotel, West Fayette St. on Thursday, May 21 from 6 until 10 p.m. — beginning with the cocktail hour at 6.

Master of Ceremonies for the occasion was Preston Roney, director, Youth Employability Unit.

Greetings and the Proclamation were done by Mrs. Shirley Fisher, BCEOPA president.

During dinner, soloist Mrs. Wilma Lester sang several songs in her powerfully moving voice, accompanied by Walter Barnes.

Mrs. Donna Murray introduced guest speaker Dr. Rosetta Stith, Principal, Laurence G. Pacquin Junior-Senior High School No. 457.

BCEOPA really lived up to its motto "Onward and Upward Professionally" in its selection of a keynote speaker as Dr. Stith was once an elementary school secretary, who, through hard work and perserverance, moved onward and upward to her present position.

Dr. Stith spoke of this, with all due thanks to a system in which this sort of mobility is possible. She encouraged others with ambition totake advantage of opportunities to do likewise.

She sparked her presentation with amusing anecdotes of what its like to go on a job expecting big things and then discover that you have to begin "small," work hard, hope for the best and move on up.

Special presentation — a plaque of Appreciation was bestowed upon Dr. Robert C. Lloyd, assistant superintendent, Division of Pupil Services and Develpment, Baltimore City Public Schools andlong - time supporter of BCEOPA.

There was also a 50 - 50 raffle which generated much excitment among those attending.

Special remarks were made by Dr. Anne O. Emery, assistant superintendent, Public Information and Communication, BCPS.

Secretaries and their bosses at each table were recognized and stood revealing the many schools represented.

Bosses praised secretaries and secretaries praised bosses. It was an evening of praise.

Woodlawn Highlights

Veterans Commemoration Planning Symposium held

By Marjorie R. Green

LATE LAST WEEK, THE Office of Governmental Affairs sponsored a Veterans Commemoration Planning Symposium at the Social Security Woodlawn Headquarters.

The objective of this Commemoration spearheaded by the Social Security Committee for Veterans, was to revitalize the purpose and spirit of the Veterans Day holiday, and to raise the consciousness level of the community by visual and meaningful expressions of consideration, good will, appreciation, respect and assistance for all veterans.

The attendees discussed a variety of ways to project positive images of our Veterans in week long celebrations that would involve the total community.

Ms. Janice L. Warden, acting associate commissioner for the Office of Governmental Affairs (OGA) as well as Ms. Janice Jackson, SSA coordinator for Veterans expressed an eagerness to see Baltimore launch an imaginative, purposeful Veterans Day Commemoration that would become a model for other communities nationwide.

Edwin Jackson, mayor's office, Veterans outreach; John B. Ferron, Baltimore Community Relations Commission and R. Richard Randolph, Baltimore County Community Relations Commission are serving as the Executive Planning Committee and will maintain close contact with the smaller groups.

Others participating in this joint effort represented several government agencies, business, media, and the surrounding communities.

Each of the participants left the meeting with a specific task to accomplish and report to his or her assigned group prior to a second meeting to be convened at the Social Security Headquarters in the near future.

ABWA ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On Monday, June 15, the Freedom Chapter of the American Business WMOMAN WILL CELEBRATE THEIR Third Anniversary at the Holiday Inn Belmont.

During the celebration, the club will select a Boss of the Year and honor the clubs choice of the Woman of the Year.

Highlighting the evening will be a dynamic speaker from the Wheatland Chapter of the American Business Woman, Mrs. Jane Deibler.

Mrs. Deibler.

Mrs. Deibler resides in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and serves as National District IV vice president of the ABWA.

She has been employed at Armstrong Industries for 23 years and is very active in her community. Mrs. Deibler's topic for the evening program will be 'BWA PROJECT SUCCESS.

Freedom Chapter officers are Mrs. Barbara Mitchell, president Ms. Maxine Cunningham, vice president. Ms. Cynthia Thomas, recording secretary; Mrs. Nona Everett, Corresponding secretary and Ms. Antoinette Sekou, treasurer.

GRADUATION MONTH

Mrs. Virginia Dey, Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity Staff is all smiles. Her son, Atalericao Mark Ridgely will graduate on Sunday from Towson State University. He looks forward to a career in Business Administration.

Hiland E. Carter, son of Mrs. Inetta Carter graduated from Edmondson High School this week and has registered at the Lincoln Technical Institute in Catonsville. A finatic when it comes to athletics, Hiland's career interests are in computors and electronics.

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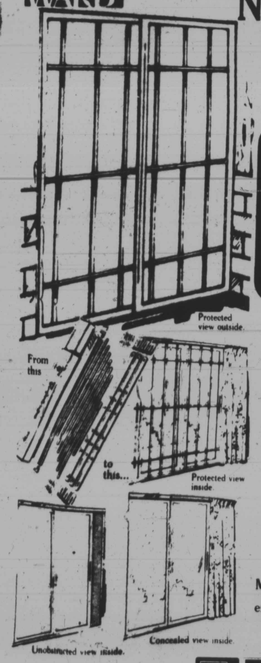

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