Woodlawn Highlights

Vet named one of Ten Most Outstanding

By Marjorie R. Green

In a special awards program that took place this past week in the Hubert H. Humphrey building in Washington, D.C., Leon Jackson, a thirty - nine year veteran in Federal Service was honored as one of the ten most outstanding employees in the Department of Health and Human Services.

Jackson was recommended for the departmental recognition because of his outstanding work performance as a technical assistant in the Health Care Financing Administration in Woodlawn.

His work involves handling and adjusting complicated health insurance cases. He is also responsible for responding to congressional inquiries received from members of the congress on behalf of health insurance beneficiaries.

Jackson's career dates back to 1941 and the old Candler Building on Pratt Street where he started as a GS-1 Social Security clerk.

Leon lives in the Howard Park area of Baltimore city with his wife, the former Miss Betty Stewart. They are the parents of three daughters and one son.

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Another recipient of the HHS Secretary's Special Citation was Eugene S. Roberts, who last October received the Social Security Administrations outstanding handicapped employee award.

Roberts was singled out for this years HHS Outstanding Handicapped employee award because of this consistent outstanding accomplishments.

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The Baltivox Toastmistress Club recently held an impressive outdoor installation ceremony and dinner at the Woodlawn home of Charter President Phyllis Banks.

The ceremony was conducted by Helen Robinson, a former president of the Baltivox Club. Irene C. Sawyer was installed as the new club president.

Other officers installed were Louise Bankins, vice president; Mildred Ayers, treasurer; Olivia Williams, secretary; and Vera Garner, club delegate.

Woodlawn Toastmistress Carol Walker was the guest speaker for the occasion. Members of the club recently attended the Regional Conference held in Raleigh, N.C. The Woodlawn Toastmistress club will hold their Annual Installation Banquet at Thompson's Sea Girt House on York Road, Wednesday, August 5, 1981.

Reservations can be made by calling Dorothy Chavis, 342-8309 or Lenora Jones, 732-1692.

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Douglass classes of '46 mark 35th year

REUNION PLANNING COMMITTEE which coordinated the celebration weekend to the Douglass High Classes of '46 held at Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn recently are: Front Row: Pat J. Mitchner (Bus. Mgr.), Norma R. Wood (Asst. Sec'y), Eloise A. Jonnson, Mildred T. Smith, Ruth T. Love (Co-Chrpn.). Middle Row: John P. Lyles (Co-Chrpn.), Ruth W. Cotten, Olivia P. Weems (Treas.), Jeanne O. Saunders (Editor), Corletha C. Ferebee,, Dorothy P. Wilshire (Fin. Sec'y); Back Row: Anne C. Snowden (Sec'y), Esther D. Stokes, James A. Smith, Ora P. Brooks; Not pictured are: Jasper Grady (Sgt. at Arms), Richard Wills, Cynthia C. Harvey, Clegg A. Blackwell.

The February and June 1946 graduating classes of Douglass High School joined together for a 35th reunion weekend at Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn on July 10th, 11th, and 12th.

Graduates came from the states of Washington, California, Michigan, Connecticut, Virginia, New York, Maryland and the District of Columbia and occupied 36 rooms at the inn.

The reunion festivities began on Friday evening with a Get - Acquainted Party, where old friends became re - acquainted and danced to the music of Bill Cummings.

Saturday's activities included a late morning Brunch and an evening Dinner Dance.

Brunch was followed by a Fashion Event with moderator, Artartus Jenkins presenting the stunning designs of Jacqueline Britton.

The Saturday evening dinner program, attended by 147 graduates and guests, included remarks by Mrs. Mary West Miller, who took time out from her Arena-Playhouse performance in "God's Trombones" to be with the classes of 1946 as their guest teacher.

The featured speaker for the evening was Henry "Hank" Parker (June '46), Treasurer of the state of Connecticut and one of the 100 most influential Black Americans listed by Ebony Magazine.

Jean Batts Owens (February '46), current principal of Douglass High School, accepted the $500 scholarship award for Lillian Motley ('81) presented by the classes of '46.

Following the dinner program, the festivities continued with dancing to Bill Cummings' music.

On Sunday morning the graduates gathered for worship. An inspiring message on "The Role of the Black Church" was delivered by Fr. Maurice J. Blackwell of St. Edward's Catholic Church.

The theme selected for the reunion was "Profiles of Progress". In the events of the weekend, the graduates were reminded of their past, commended for their progress to the present, and given a mandate and a challenge for future directions of leadership in the struggle for survival and progress of all Blacks.

Now that the party is over, the Douglass High School Classes of 1946 will accept the challenge.

More Partyline

Wilson Davis retirement

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Wilson Davis of this city was feted by his co - workers from Armco Steel Co. for 33 years of service at a retirement party hosted recently at Johnny's Lounge, Riggs Ave.

It was a beautiful affair, which lasted from 2 until 7 p.m.

The honoree and his guests feasted on delicious foods, cocktails and enjoyed lively party chatter and reminiscences and danced to pretaped disco music.

Davis received a gift of a fishing rod with all of the accessories; (fishing is one of his hobbies). He will receive a watch from Armco Steel at a later date.

Mrs. Davis (the honoree's wife) could not attend her husband's retirement because of illness, but gifts were also presented for her — a wallet and key set from Armco workers.

Among the guests and family members out to celebrate with the honoree were John and Carlton Manning (owners of the lounge); Victoria, Denis, Jeneleen and Novella Everette and Martha Randall (nieces); Debbie Everette, (in - - law); nephews Thomas, Rodney and Reginald Everette;

Also Ken Cook, James J. Jenkins, G. Covington, Bernadette Fowlkes, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stade, Arthur Boyd, James S. Perkins, Earl Steele, J. Jarvis, Leon Battle, Otis Tally, Eddie Hammond, E. K. Holmes, Camellia Battle, Charles White, E. M. Nonce, Patricia Brown;

Also, Alexander Thomas Jr., Norman Truitt, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Fowlkes, Edgar L. Summers Sr., I.C. Jackson, Ernest Steptoe, Jefferson T. Hurron, Aaron Lyon, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Jones and L. Carr.

Brian Morton's graduation fetes

Congratulations are in order for Brian Walter Morton, one of the 1981 graduates honored recently by the Rev. Dr. Leroy Fitts, officers and members of First Baptist Church, 525 Caroline St., of which Brian is a member.

Brian Walter Morton

Morton received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics from the University of Maryland this year.

Celebration of his achievement was further extended in the Presbury St. home of his mother, Mrs. Marion W. Morton. Festivities were also held at the Pasadena, Md. beach home of his father and stepmother, Lawrence and Delores Morton.

His aunts and uncles also proudly participated in the recognition activities for Brian. Dr. Dolores Morton Spriggs and hubby Emory hosted a dinner party at their Longwood St. home for him.

Mrs. Grace Morton Dixon and hubby Horace hosted a luncheon at their Columbia, Md. home and William and Bettye Morton hosted a pool party at their Liberty Heights Ave. home.

Brian is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Morton (Mary), owners of the Lawrence Morton Express Co. and the late Mr. and Mrs. Walter Welborne.

His friends and family are very proud of their graduate and wish him good luck in his future endeavors.

Columbia Capers

Retirement tribute set for Rosa Clanton

By Pinnie L. Ross

A Retirement Tribute for Rosa Clanton, sponsored by The Committee for Rosa Clenton, will be hosted Sunday, August 2, at Martin's West, 6817 Dogwood Rd., cocktail hour 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. — Dinner 8:30 - 9:30. Subscription is $15.00 per person.

A special program is being planned for this special occasion. Featured on the program will be Bill Cummings and his all Sts. Choir along with Joe Green and The Star Dust.

The honoree, Mrs. Clanton, has given 36 years total with Health, Education and Welfare and Social Security Administration.

Mrs. Edith House will co - emcee the program.

For further information regarding the Tribute for Mrs. Clanton, call 298-8314.

In my mail box came a beautiful pictorial post card from a lovely young lady, Tomal Webb, daughter of Dr. Harvey Webb and Dr. Ozella Webb.

She has taken a trip around Europe. She said, "I first landed in Belgium, then to Holland, Denmark, Germany and now in Switzerland.

Good weather and the food is fantastic. Tonight, I'll be leaving for Spain and France. Will see you in middle of August. Tell my parents and brothers I love them and miss them very much."

Miss Webb is a recent graduate of The University of Pennsylvania with honors (cuff note) What a nice graduation gift — with honors from The University! She deserves it and it couldn't have happened to a nicer young lady.

Young, brilliant Wardell Lindsay, Commissioner of the Human Rights Commission, is the coordinator of a resolution condemning hate - group and terrorist activities, supporting prompt law enforcement against persons who engage in such activities and establishing a new network of neighbors.

Participants in the network of neighbors will visit the victims of hate - group and terrorist activities to assure them of the goodwill and concern for their well - being of most of the Howard County Community and offer them psychological support.

Edward Young is Chairman of the Human Rights Commission and Mrs. Jean W. Toomer is Executive Secretary.

Dr. James F. Cooper has been ill, but doing fine now. He is recuperating at home. Drop him a Get Well card at 10533 Catskill Court, Columbia, MD 21044.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

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Kay Andrew

Women's Clubs group holds regional meet

WASHINGTON

The Northeastern Region of the Federation of Women's Clubs an affiliate of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc. is holding a convention in Washington this week at the Executive House Hotel, Rhode Island Ave., N.W. Many interesting events will take place in connection with the event. Members and guests from Massachusetts, Vermont, Delaware, Rhode Island, New York, Maryland, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maine, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbian have gathered for the convention which began Wednesday, July 22 and will end July 25.

The National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc. is the oldest national black women's organization, and was born at the first National Black Women's Summit in Boston in July, 1895. This year, another National Black Women's Summit is scheduled for Howard University July 30-31, 1981 with the technical assistance of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

The NACWC was a result of the uniting of the National Federation of Afro-American Women and the Colored Women's League of Washington, D.C. Mrs. Mary Church Terrell was its first President. The NACWC was incorporated July 26, 1904 and its National Headquarters is located at 5808 - 16th Street, N.W. The present national president of the organization is Mrs. Otella Champion.

On Wednesday night The Washington and Vicinity Federation of Women's Clubs presented Citizens Night at the convention. Invited guests included Mayor Marion Barry, City Council Chairman, Arrington Dixon; D.C. delegate Walter Fauntroy and Eugene Kinlow, president of D.C. Board of Education.

A poolside reception for delegates, guests and members of the Washington and Vicinity -Federation of Women's Clubs followed the program.

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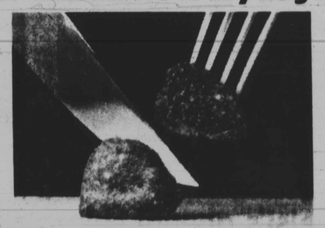
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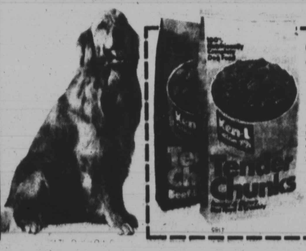
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Baltimore Kappas celebrate 60th year

FIFTY YEAR KAPPA BROTHERS pictured during their 60th anniversary celebration are (L to R): William A. Spencer, Randolph Tucker, Alonzo E. Lancaster, Robert C. Tarter, John W. White, Jessie O. Dedmon, Harry Parker, John E. Patterson, Ernest Bamhill, Roland Henson and Joseph A. Bush.

GRAND CHAPTER HONOREES pictured during the recent 60th anniversary celebration of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity held at the Belvedere are (L to R): I. W. E. Taylor, G. James Fleming and Tommy Carter.

AFRO Photos By Mark Gail

Margaret - Ann Howie
Studying abroad

"Sixty Years of Significant Achievement" was the theme of the sixtieth anniversary celebration of the founding of the Baltimore Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, hosted Sunday July 12.

The affair, held in the Charles Room of The Belvedere, Charles and Chase Sts., featured an open bar, delicious dinner and an inspiring program of speeches, presentations of awards and a rededication to the principles of Kappa Alpha Psi.

The program opened with a call to order by retiring polemarch William "Box" Harris, followed by the presentation of the Toastmaster of the afternoon Brother Robert Jacobs.

Brother Jacobs did a yeoman - like job in keeping the program moving as well as interspersing humorous anecdotes and introducing guests.

Guest speaker for the occasion was Past Grand Polemarch and Laurel Wreath Wearer, Dr. W. Thomas Carter.

In his remarks Dr. Carter spoke glowingly of his fifty-two years in Kappa and mentioned his many personal relationships with members of the Baltimore Alumni Chapter through the years.

He also encouraged members of the Chapter to "keep on keeping on" for the next sixty years.

Awards were presented to Kappa brothers who have achieved in Health and medical services, education, government, law and law enforcement, military service, business, the arts and public service.

Eighteen brothers received the 'Polemarch's Appreciation Award.' These citations were read by retiring vice polemarch Ernest R. Murphy and awards presented by Polemarch Harris.

Brother Alonzo Lancaster was given a 'Special Recognition Award' for over fifty years of continuous membership in the Baltimore Alumni Chapter.

At the conclusion of the program, Polemarch - Elect Donald E. Rigby led all brothers in the Oath of Rededication.

Special guests at the celebration were Brothers Clarence F. Nelson Jr., Eastern Province Polemarch; Richard Scott, Polemarch of the Harrisburg, Pa. Alumni Chapter; Al Brinkley, John Ingram, Norris Lamb and Gus Owens of the Newport News, Va. Alumni Chapter;

Also Benni Singleton, polemarch of the Silver Spring, Md. Alumni Chapter and James Carter, Walter Fowlkes and Ray Hall of the Washington, D.C. Alumni Chapter.

One hundred and thirty Kappa men attended the banquet and most of them adjourned to the Kappa House on Liberty Heights Ave. for old - fashioned Kappa fellowship.

Committee members for the affair included Donald E. Rigby, chair; Walter Carr, Clarence J. Harris, Robert Jacobs, Ernest Murphy, Richard Robinson and I. W. E. Taylor.

Seton High grad studies abroad

Margaret - Ann Howie, daughter of Mrs. Ida W. James of Baltimore, and Mr. Michael Barry Howie of Randallstown; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie C. Howie and the late Margaret G. Holliday of Baltimore has been selected by the Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. to participate in its summer program abroad.

Miss Howie will study advanced French for six weeks at the University of Dijon. She began this month.

The course work will include extensive reading and translation, as well as study of literary excerpts. Classes meet five hours daily.

In addition to intensive study of the French language, Miss Howie will have the opportunity to learn of Burgundian culture and cuisine.

She also has the option of traveling to other parts of France, such as Paris, Autun, and the Loire Valley.

A 1980 graduate of Seton High School in Baltimore, Miss Howie formerly held the position of editor for her school's yearbook.

She was also active in several of her alma mater's clubs, including the Orchestra, newspaper, debate club, baton twirlers, Math tutors and English aides. Miss Howie formerly volunteered as a librarian's aide for the George Peabody Library and a Candy Striper for Maryland General Hospital.

She has written articles for Enoch Pratt Library's publication "You're the Critic," and also served as an editor for this magazine.

Last year, Miss Howie was selected to serve as a page for the Maryland State Senate.

Margaret - Ann presently attends the Johns Hopkins University, where she majors in English.

She is currently involved in the Hopkins' Christian Fellowship, the Black Students' Union, and the Pre - Law Society.

She volunteers her services at the State's Attorney's Office in its Grand Jury Unit because of her interest in a future career in law.

Miss Howie is enthusiastic about her summer study, as are her friends and relatives. "Everyone's been as excited as I am," she says. "It's made me very aware of how much the Lord has blessed me." Miss Howie left for France on July 3rd, before which her family and friends gave her a "Bon Voyage" Party.

Kyra Ross weds

The wedding of Miss Kyra Deborah Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott P. Ross of Randallstown, Md. to William David Cooper Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Cooper Sr., of Monrovia, Liberia, was held Sunday June 28.

The minister Mr. Richard Frankel, performed the ceremony under a flowered bridal arch on the lawn of the bride's parents, witnessed by the immediate families.

Miss Jocelyn Hart of Greensboro, N.C., was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Alisa Myhand of Detroit, Mich., Thalia and Sharon Cooper of Liberia, Robin Kane and Traci Harris of Baltimore, Md.

Gregory Lucas, of Baltimore, served as best man. Ushers were E. Mark Ross of Randallstown, Md., Ronald Cooper, Tulasi Markham, Quannah Holmes, all of Liberia; Michael Roberton of Southfield, Mich. and Craig Hall of Baltimore.

Mrs. Marion Hart, a close friend of the bride's family, coordinated the wedding.

A reception, attended by more than 300 friends and relatives, was held at the Inter - - Faith Center in Columbia, Md.

The Leroy Hawthorne Quartette furnished the music.

The Coopers will live in Gaithersburg, Md., where the bridegroom works for Semix and the bride works for General Electric.

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