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Reception hosted for Attorney Kenneth Johnson

ALL SMILES — Attorney Kenneth Johnson (C) smiled proudly by several friends and associates during a reception hosted in his honor Dec. 19 at the Dennlyn Road home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Mary) Robinson. Here he is joined by Mrs. Sylvia Law and Clarence Bishop, chief of staff for Rep. Parren Mitchell.

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RECEPTION GUESTS — Among the more than 30 people who attended the affair for Kenneth Johnson, who is seeking a judgeship on the Supreme Bench, were Linda Cummings, Marietta Goodman and Lois Gilliam.

ENJOYING THE AFFAIR for Johnson were Charles Taylor, Geraldine Johnson and Jacqueline Hardy.

THE HONOREE was joined by several friends including (L to R) John McDonald, Mrs. Yvonne Davis-Robinson and Mrs. Isoline Crowner.

Partyline

Monumental has party at Grey Rock

By Portia F. Badham
AFRO Staff Writer

The Monumental Bar Association, the city's black organization of attorneys, held its first annual Christmas party Dec. 23 at the Trinitarians' Grey Rock Mansion in Pikesville, just above the beltway.

The 20-room plus mansion reachable by a long winding road, is fabulously decorated and adorned in period furniture and architecture.

At least seven fireplaces were ablaze to keep the guests warm and add a cozy atmosphere. The party was limited to the first level.

More than 400 guests turned out for the affair and feasted on such goodies as chicken, peas, macaroni salad, cheeses, dips, chips and of course, a variety of spirits. Company's Coming provided catering.

Elijah Cummings, president of the Monumental Bar Association, stated that the mansion was chosen over other local spots because it provided a "cozy and intimate" atmosphere. "That's what we were looking for," he said.

The Trinitarians, a religious group, has been renting out the beautiful facility for at least 15 years.

Cummings added that the Christmas party will "definitely be an annual affair."

The Black Student Union of the University of Maryland held a Kwanzaa Celebration for black alumni of the school Dec. 26 at the Soul Shack.

The 7 p.m. until affair included buffet dinner and music by A & A Productions.

New Year's Eve drinking tips

The New Year is upon us, the time of year when we begin making up our New Years Resolutions, baking the traditional goodies, and thinking about that New Years party for our friends.

According to Bull Run Alcohol Safety Action Program's Party Pack, you have a responsibility to your friends other than serving good food and drink. You want your freinds to enjoy themselves but you also want them to be around to attend your next party. If you serve alcohol, remember these tips on keeping the life of your party alive.

Always food with alcohol. Attractive and good - tasting snacks are always a hit, but they also help slow down the rate at which the body absorbs alcohol. High protein foods such as cheese and meat are especially good because they stay in the stomach longer.

Never mix drinks without measuring first. If you pour alcohol straight from the bottle, you will be mixing double or triple drinks each time. Always have a jigger handy.

When serving alcoholic punch, use a fruit juice or tea as a base. Carbonated mixer is absorbed much faster by the body.

Some of your guests will prefer not to have an alsohol drink. Always have non - alcoholic beverages avaiable.

Don't be a pusher! Don't rush to refill an empty glass. Guests will accept drinks often just to be polite.

About an hour before your party is to end, serve more food and hot coffee. Neither coffee nor any other drink will sober you up, only time will do that. But by not serving more alcohol, the alcohol already consumed will be given extra time to be absorbed.

If your guests seem to be drinking too much, engage them in conversation to slow down the absorption rate and mix their next drink with water rather than a carbonated base.

When the party is over, try these suggestions if your guests are showing the effects of too much alcohol.

Offer to drive your guest home; Suggest they stay overnight. You may be inconvenienced, but you may save their life; and Try to take the car keys away. They may resent this, but they will thank you later.

force to keep your friends from driving. Call a cab or have another guest drive them home, and if all else fails, call the police. This may sound very drastic, but everything possible must be done to save a life. The sight of the police uniform will probably cause your friend to act a little more rationally.

Remember, you have the ultimate responsibility for what happens to your guests and friends don't let friends drive drunk.

MGM brings holiday treat to area nursing homes

MGM (Manifested Guild of Models) is presenting a number of holiday fashion shows in the Baltimore area.

The show was been performed at the Lincoln Convalescent Home, the Federal Hill Nursing Home, and the Lafayette Square Nursing Home.

The show includes festive holiday fashions and refreshments for the guests.

A show will be held at the Waxter Center, Feb. 27. MGM feels this a good way to set the spirit of giving and sharing with others, especially during the Christmas season.

Models in the group include Patricia Wheaton, Jerome Lawson, Cheryl Ford, Loretta Bolling, Marguerite Hollingsworth, Yvette Young, Bernadine Talley, Daliya Patience, Cheryl Fleming, Arthur McGill, Janelle Jackson, Diane Lewton and Patricia Young.

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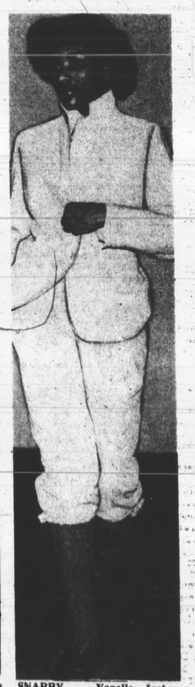
SPORTY — Cheryl Flemings jogs through in a two-piece velour sport outfit during MGM's holiday fashion shows at several nursing homes and senior citizen homes.

SNAZZY — Loretta Bolling bundles up in a warm cowl neck sweater and plaid wool skirt.

SUAVE — Jerome Lawson looks stunning as he models a two-piece suit.

SEXY — Cheryl Fleming shows off a two-piece Oriental silk pant outfit.



SNAPPY — Yanelle Jackson steps lightly in this knicker suit gathered at knee length.

Constant Care holds annual holiday event

Constant Care Health Center, held its traditional Christmas party on Dec. 18. As usual, the gathering was characterized by delicious food, excellent music, enthusiastic dancing and lively conversation. It was an afternoon of spontaneous fun for everyone.

Mrs. Nettie Carey, Constant Care's chief of dentistry, was chairperson of the Christmas party planning committee. Food was prepared by the Arts and Flowers Catering Service, and music by "Diane and the Ravenettes."

Additional entertainment was provided by Constant Care's own employee chorus who gave soulful renditions of "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

The chorus, which seeks other invitations to sing, is directed by Dr. Cornelius Washington, pastor counselor, and Mrs. Deborah Dock, accountant.

A high point of the gala activity was the presentation of a Lalique crystal vase to Dr. Harvey Webb, Jr., Constant Care's Executive director, by the senior management staff members.

In his presentation speech, Gregory Williams, Constant Care's associate director for financial affairs said that the two lions' heads on the base of the vase symbolized " . . . the strength that Dr. Webb has brought to Constant Care."

"Dr. Webb," said Mr. Williams," is responsible for the fact that, despite depressed economy Reaganomics, Constant care has survived as a first class health facility."

Warren Dorsey, president of the Constant Care board of directors, and Dr. Webb's wife, Dr. Ozella Webb, were on hand for the presentation.

Another enjoyable event at the party was an "All The Way Live" fashion show in which Constant Care employees modelled their own evening wear, furs, lingerie, office clothes and casual attire.

The witty and indescribable Carl Jackson of the marketing department was a fabulous narrator. Models included Alease Dawson, Barbara Jukes, Bernice Hall, Evangella Gibson, Grace Wallace, and Catherine Johnson.

The Constant Care Christmas party was planned by a committee composed of Nettie Carey, Falomi Nkrumah, Janice DuPree, Bertha Autry, Joseph Naplachowski, Alease Dawson, Bernice Hall, Carlton Jackson and Verdel Elliott.

ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED — CCHC's Glee Club sang Christmas carols during the party which was held Dec. 18. Members of the Glee Club include (L to R) Catherine Johnson, Folami Nkrumah, Joyce Bryson, Mary Beard and Elise Taylor.

CCCHC CHRISTMAS PARTY COMMITTEE included (back row, L to R) Carlton Jackson and Verdel Elliott; (Middle row, L to R) Nettie Carey, Janice Dupree, Bertha Autry and Alease Dawson; (Back row, L to R) Folami Nkrumah, Joseph Naplachowski and Bernice Hall.

MRS. CHARLOTTE CAMPBELL — The former Miss Jones married Rodney Campbell in services Dec. 5 at First Christian Church. The daughter of Rev. and Mrs. George W. Jones, she is a teacher in the Baltimore City public schools and is a graduate of Western High School and Towson State University. The father of the bride performed the ceremony. The groom is the son of Mrs. Marietta Campbell. He is a graduate of Walbrook High and Towson State University and is employed as a librarian in Baltimore County. The new couple will reside in Randallstown, MD.

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A GIFT FOR THE DIRECTOR — During the Constant Care Community Health Center's Christmas party, the staff presented Dr. Harvey Webb Jr., center director, with a gift.

Uof B walk-in registration

Walk-in registration for undergraduate and graduate courses at the University of Baltimore will be held Monday through Wednesday, Jan. 18-20 on an alphabetically assigned day-and-time basis, in the UofB Academic Center, Charles Street at Mount Royal Avenue.

Undergraduate admission requires 56 transferable credits from another college or university, while graduate admission varies by program.

The UofB School of Business offers 18 undergraduate concentrations and articulated studies leading to the B.S. in business administration, and five graduate programs, including the M.B.A., the M.S. in accounting, business, and economics, and a women's certificate program in management.

College of Liberal Arts programs include 10 undergraduate majors and eight master's degree programs (applied psychology, criminal justice, public administration, publications design, sociology, taxation, urban recreation, and legal studies).

The College of Liberal Arts also offers interdisciplinary concentrations in aging, political economy and urban arts.

Complete schedules and catalogs may be obtained by calling the UofB Admissions Office at 659-3011n.

Catonsville to hold early registration

Early registration for the spring semester at Catonsville Community College will be held Monday through Friday, Jan. 4 to 8, from 9 a.m. to noon and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. (except Friday night) on the CCC main campus, 800 S. Rolling Road.

Spring semester classes begin Monday, Feb. 1.

CCC offers courses in over 30 programs leading to an Associate of Arts degree or a one-year certificate. CCC students successfully transfer to four-year institutions or enter career fields immediately after graduation.

Spring classes will be held on all three CCC campuses, the main campus, the Northwest College Center, 110 Painters Mill Road, Owings Mills Road, and the Carroll County Branch, 300 S. Center St., Westminster.

In addition, courses are offered at the Hunt Valley Industrial Park.

In cooperation with the Maryland Center for Public Proadcasting, CCC broadcasts courses over channels 67 and 22, as well as cable-TV 4, the college's own cable TV channel.

A broad array of interesting and vital courses are offered through the Weekend Program. Courses to improve job skills, introduce new hobbies or complete a college program are held on Saturday mornings and afternoons and Sunday afternoons.

For more informatior on the Spring semester at Catonsville Community College, call the college's Records Office at 455 4555.

Essex extends registration

Registration for the Winter Session at Essex Community College will still be accepted the first two days of the session.

Enrollment will still be open in a number of classes on those two days, Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 4 and 5 in the registrar's office, Room A 217 in the administration building on the campus.

Office hours are 9 a.m. through 7:30 p.m. both days.

The session opens Jan. 4 and runs through Jan. 30, offering courses in all academic disciplines at the college.

For information, call the registrar's office at Essex Community College, 522-1734.

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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT — Darren Green, 18, receives a scholarship from Leon Bridges who was representing the Baltimore chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Green, a graduate of Polytechnic High School in his first year at Hampton Institute, received a full three-year scholarship to major in architecture. Bridges, past president of the Baltimore chapter of AIA, initiated the scholarship program 10 years ago and nominated the student for the award.

Fashion Commentary

By Camay Murphy

If you are at all superstitious it is best not to let your New Years start too good. A slightly troubled New Years night will lead to a happier coming year. The following troubling thoughts or problems may be helpful for New Years Night.

Problem: Do you nap before going to your New Years Eve party or stay awake and look tired? If your eyes have a tendency to puff and your face a tendency to pick up those sleep creases from pillow cases etc., it is better for you to rest on a slant board with witch hazel eye pads on your eyes or if it takes you at least 3 hours to get fully awake then it is better to stay awake and drop in your tracks at about 3 a.m.

Another little trouble can be what to do about food and drink. Do you eat an early dinner and then be ravenous for the rich, and heavy food of the late evening or eat a later dinner, and feel stuffed for the remainder of the evening? The traditional black-eyed peas, chitterlings, egg nog, etc., can add a bit of unwanted roundness to that tummy tum tum. It is best to eat lots of small meals and resist the temptation of stuffing. Drinks are practically a necessity to wash down all that food, but the rule of thumb is same as for the eating, leave some brethers in between.

There is no problem about what to wear on New Years Eve. It is your time to "rag," and squeeze into the most revealing, voluptious, sexy, dynamite dress you have. Something shiny, slinky, sequined, silky with splits everywhere. This will put your escort on "red alert" especially when after a few drinks at about 3 a.m. when you jump up on a table top to "do your number." O.K. so you had to leave the party early, but remember trouble on New Years night means happiness for the rest of the year.

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