Big names, kids share Survival dinner bows

Honoree Jim Parker and wife Mildred

General chairman — MC Earl Banks

Honoree Dickie Burke and wife Mae

Sam Lacy, City Council head Walter Orlinsky

Winners of Scholarship awards were David Wingate (l), Rose Willis and Marc Wilson, with Sam Lacy

Special aide Gertrude Steele

AFRO chairman John Murphy, Burke

Jim Parker, Dickie Burke and Deacon Jones chat

The helping hands

The 4th annual "Evening with . . ." dinner — this year honoring Jim Parker and Dickie Burke — proved a gala event with some 1,200 persons attending in support of the Project Survival youth program.

Sharing the tributes to the former all - pro Baltimore Colt and collegiate standout, were three scholarship winners: Marc Wilson of Calvert Hall, David Wingate of Dunbar and Rose Willis of Walbrook High.

As usual, corporate sponsors contributed magnificently to the annual dinner.

Among those which have been in the "Evening with . . ." corner throughout the dinner's 4 - year existence are:

Harvey Kasoff, president, International Distributors; Jerry Pollino, Allegheny Pepsi; Joe Black, Greyhound Corporation; James Gardner, Winner Distributing; Osborne Payne, McDonalds; the Anheuser Busch (Budweiser and Michelob divisions); Miller Brewing Co. represented by former NFL great Deacon Jones; Frank Fennel, Good Humor Corp; Frank Hemphill, Crown Central, Charles Hayes, Monumental Insurance, and American Trading and Production Corp.

Among local businesses in constant support of the program are:

Adams Realty, Sparky Cleaners, Breslin Agency, Brown's Supermarket, Colts 'Corral 954, Cherry Hill Liquors, Mr. Lee's Auto Insurance and Linden Lounge.

Flair Modeling provided hostesses and Crip's Florist handled the floral effects . . . . LACY.

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Lenwood Ivey and Sen. Clarence Blount (Urban Services Agency director, commission chairman)

Asst. dir. Elva Edwards

'Survival' head Vernon Wolst

Originator Alvin Steele

By Bettye Moss

If you ask me

Hats off!

Our nod this week to two teen brothers, Carlton and Keith Lewter.

Carlton, 18, plays bass guitar, and Keith, 17, the percussions.

We watched them perform admirably on Sunday afternoon. No foolishness. They were about the business of providing accompaniment for the soloist. They looked good and did well.

Keith is a student at Douglass High. His brother attends the Youth Service Center.

Hats off to them.

Please let this column know when you observe young people doing well. We submit that too many of us adults only notice our young people when they do poorly. Hats off!

The concert

We observed the Lewter brothers mentioned above at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on W. Lafayette Ave.

They provided background music for Clinton A. Turner, the tenor. He was appearing in a concert sponsored by the Lutheran Hospital Women's Auxiliary.

Mr. Turner presented some 14 numbers. The attentive audience of over 250 gave sustained applause on several occasions and a standing ovation at the end.

For us his "His Eye Is On The Sparrow," was brought the most response. It elicited "amens" and applause from the audience. Beautifully done. Also were his "Lord's Prayer," the concluding selection, and "Rise Again."

The singer

This was Mr. Turner's second concert in as many months. He says he has had no formal training, but that he loves to sing, and does regularly with the Male Chorus at New Shiloh Baptist Church. (Until last month, he had never given a concert.)

Because his stepmother, Mrs. Thomas B. Turner (Elinor), co - chairs the Lutheran Hospital fundraiser, he said he was happy to do his part.

He calls his voice, "God's gift". He told the audience, "All that I am or ever hope to be is by God's grace . . . and I am happy to do this for the hospital auxiliary . . ."

Mr. Turner is laid off from his job at General Motors, where he was a 14 - year employee. He still keeps busy and hopeful, as evidence the warmth of his voice in concert.

Family

In addition to his parents, (his father hugged him after the concert), family members present included his wife, Dorothy, the Community College secretary; and their children, Germaine, 10, a fourth grader at Liberty Elementary; and Clinton Jr., a Morgan University freshman.

Cuff notes: Mr. Turner's accompanist was Charles Smith, the assistant organist at New Shiloh.

Co - chairing the concert committee was Mrs. Dorothy Hopkins.

The other co - chair Mrs. Elinor Turner, is an employee at Mercy Hospital and is a member of Holy Trinity. She has been a Lutheran Hospital volunteer for several years. She says funds are used to buy extras for patients and the hospital. That's nice.

Several Community College staffers were in the audience since the artist's wife works with them.

Seen: Christine and Barbara and Joseph Faw, Pauline Mermelstein and Norma and Sam Warnekow.

About people

Earlier on Sunday, Verniece and Medford Reynolds hosted their couple's club — it was an elegant dinner party with wall to wall. (And catered beautifully by Carter).

Out - of - towners present, the Mrs. Reynolds' cousins, Dr. Leslie Ward, the Springfield, Mass. dentist; and Leslie and Jean Ward and daughter, Tuesday, of Long Island.

Bill and Sara Loggins of Baltimore, now living in Los Angeles, write that they are enjoying a visit in Maidenhead, England, with their daughter and son - in - law, Shirley and Johnny Ross.

Cuff note: Mr. Loggins says this is his first visit to Europe in 42 years. Last time, he was living in 1800 block of Druid Hill Ave. here in Baltimore, when he was drafted for overseas duty during World War 2.

He adds that their relatives and other friends living in England just "devoured" copies of the AFRO he took them.

Oops! — In this space last week we forgot to mention that annual King's Landing Women's Service Club fundraiser's main charity is the YMCA's annual Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Breakfast.

Event is Sunday, May 2, at Fontaine Bleu, Glen Burnie. All proceeds go to MLK breakfast and other charities. Betty Lindsay is president.

New bachelor in town is young and handsome Rev. Alfredo L. Coye, the assistant pastor of St. James Episcopal Church.

The 34 - year - old new Baltimorean says he "loves" our town and its people. He's single and not spoken for, he says.

Note to Va. Seminary grads: Father Coye is a fellow alumnus.

Medic feted

Despite the rain and cold, a large number of relatives, friends, patients and co - workers were out to honor Dr. William M. Hall, (Billy), on Saturday evening.

The retirement dinner at Holiday Inn Belmont had a dual purpose — to say thank you to Dr. Hall for his love and care . . . for over 20 years as practicing physician - (OB - GYN), and to wish him well on his retirement.

Dr. Hall and his wife, Linda, have deserted our town, are now residing in Ft. Meade, MD, near the Army post where he holds rank of colonel and continues practice on a limited basis, plus has time to enjoy their young daughter, Christie, just nearing two.

The retirement party was sponsored by his associates: Dr. Louis Randall and Dr. Donald Chambers.

The gifts

They and staff gifted honoree with watch and silver champagne bowl. There were numerous plaques and citations, including one from fellow doctors at Garwyn Medical Center, presented by Dr. Shirley Clinton.

Proud participant on the program, Cassandra King, Dr. Hall's office manager at Garwyn for the last 19 years who presented him plaque.

She and Inez Watson, office manager at the Randallstown office, did the behind - the - scenes work. Inez's hubb, Earl Watson, presided.

Program

Honoree's daughter, Julie, a Howard U. freshman, gave impressive solo, "Believe In Yourself" (a cappella).

There were warm words by his associates — Randall - Chambers — and Dr. Pragna Desai, woman gynecologist from India, remembering how generous, helpful and kind Dr. Hall was to them when they first started practice and began association with him.

And, the honoree, acknowledging he was "excited and happy." He added, "This has been a memorable evening for me. I'm grateful. There is nothing more wonderful than people."

Son shines

Dr. Hall's son, Norman, spoke for the family. He had the audience hanging on his every word.

Excerpts: "He has given much to me, to us, and to the city of Baltimore in his professional endeavors. It is great to be in front of all of you who have worked with my father. .

"He's always told me to follow my own decisions. He's a great man, and I'm sure you all know that . . ."

In another Julie and Norman, Dr. Hall's other youngsters, now grown were present with their mother, Mil. They are William Jr., Patti, Pam and Philip. All are engaged in interesting careers.

And, in his usual graceful way, Dr. Hall paused to acknowledge presence of two of his first patients 22 years ago whose babies he delivered.

They were: two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Jones and Mrs. Nannie Pinder.

More people

Advertising Club of Baltimore saluted the 175th anniversary of the U. of Md., at a luncheon meeting in the Hyatt on Wednesday, (April 21).

UM officials led by Regent chair, Pete O'Malley, accepted citations from ad club president Clyde S. Hartlove, Mayor Schaefer and Gov. Hughes, (presented by Comptroller Louis Goldstein).

President John Toll and Chancellor T. Albert Farmer of UMAB the Baltimore city campus, told of the U's progress.

New black Regent appointee, Clarence Mitchell Jr. was seated at the head table. So was A. Paul Moss, secretary to the Regents, now in his seventh year.

In the audience, former Gov. Marvin Mandel. When he was acknowledged, there was sustained applause.

Quipped one guest, "they almost gave him a standing ovation. If he ran for governor tomorrow, he'd be a sure thing!"

Laughter

Comptroller Goldstein had the 400 plus guests in stitches. He gave the history. He rattled off the 175 - year history of Md. in ten minutes.

He read Gov. Hughes' proclamation and when he got to one from Mayor Schaefer (who was in D.C. seeking federal funds), he ran down the

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HATS off to Carlton and Keith Lewter. See, If You Ask Me

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