OUR WORLD

Local Guardsmen host 50th anniversary fete here

Photos by Eric Grandy

GUARDSMEN ALL — Members of the Guardsmen caught enjoying the 'Evening of Elegance' dinner dance hosted Friday, Nov. 25 at the Hyatt Regency are (from left): Rick Cummings and Dr. Raymond L. Gray, both of Baltimore; Dr. Vernon G. Baker, Teaneck, NJ; Dr. Thomas L. Day, New York and Miami, FL and Dr. R. Chester Redhead, New York. The 'Evening of Elegance' was just one of the many entertaining and interesting events which were a part of the group's 'Harborlights' 50th anniversary weekend celebration.

OUT-OF-TOWNERS taking part in the lively camaraderie are (L to R): Frank Royal, Richmond, VA; Margarie and Hannibal Howell, Norfolk, VA and Pamela Royal, Richmond, VA.

LOCAL GUARDSMEN of the Baltimore Chapter who were hosts for the weekender include (L to R): Warren Weaver, Charles Brown, Howard Collins, John Wood, William "Rex" Harris, Robert P. Diggs and John Maupin.

STEPPING TO THE TUNES of the Bobby Felder Band of Washington, DC are this crowd of Guardsmen and their wives who hailed from 15 chapters along the Eastern Seaboard and Detroit, as well as Baltimore.

LAUGHING IT UP are (from left): Judy Anderson and Carol Boone of Richmond, VA.

IN LIVELY CONVIVIALITY are (from left): Elwood Boone and Ralph Anderson, Richmond, VA and John Maupin, Baltimore, MD.

Guardsmen and their ladies from 15 chapters along the Eastern Seaboard and Detroit celebrated the 50th anniversary of the founding of the chapter at the Hyatt Regency over the Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 25-27.

Some 160 Guardsmen and their ladies were treated to two nights of entertainment with "Harborlights" as the theme.

Friday evening found the brothers and their escorts enjoying a formal dinner dance. They were treated to Maryland seafood, other entrees delightful desserts and cordials.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of plaques to the five living active charter members: John M. Wood, Robert P. Diggs, Clifton S. Murray, Edward A. Williams and Richard Cummings.

The remainder of the evening was spent dancing to the music of the versatile Bobby Felder Band of Washington, DC.

A short meeting was held Saturday morning during which delegates from the several chapters participated in the discussion of agenda items of national interest to the Guardsmen.

Saturday afternoon was spent attending a fashion show in which members and their wives served as models for fashions from Pauline Brooks Boutique, and the men wore the latest from a fabulous White Marsh men's store.

Damita Jo made a guest appearance.

In a setting depicting the Baltimore harbor, old and new, the informal evening affair was accented with a sumptuous buffet of Maryland favorites—oysters, crabs, beef and delightful sippables.

To further create a carnival and fair atmosphere wheels of chance were spun with the donations going to charity.

Music for the evening was furnished by Dennis Fisher with the lovely Jennifer Jones as soloist.

The highlight of the evening was the rendition of a set of numbers by the young lady from McMahon's Talent Search who has been a consistent winner until this week — T. Renee Crutcher.

In addition to this an interpretive male and female dance group entitled the Baltimore Dance Theatre and a magician thrilled the audience to standing ovations.

Sunday morning audience were exchanged over a country-style breakfast. The next conclave for the Guardsmen is in Detroit, MI in the spring of '84.

The Guardsmen originated with a group of barely post-teenagers from Brooklyn, NY, who were anxious to see that young people displayed the proper social graces at various functions. This one chapter eventually had 14 other affiliates, with the added functions of serving the community and developing a spirit of camaraderie among men of mutual interests.

Local chapter officers are; William A. Harris, President, Charles G. Tildon, Jr., Vice President; Charles E. Brown, Secretary, Guy M. Bragg, Jr., Treasurer, and Howard G. Collins Jr., Financial Sec'y.

Other members are; Benjamin L. Brown, Sidney O. Burnett, Jr., Richard H. Cummings, Robert P. Diggs, Walter T. Edmonds, William M. Farmer, Raymond L. Gray, William M. Hall, Harold Jay Jennifer, Jr., David T. Mason, John E. Maupin, Jr.,

Also; Marcus W. Moore, Sr., Stephen P. Moore, II, Clifton S. Murray, Joel W. Newton, Norman E. Parker, Jr., George L. Russell, Jr., Warren W. Weaver, Edward A. Williams, John M. Wood, Donald E. Patterson and Kenneth L. Thompson.

The Weekend Committee include; John E. Maupin, Jr., Chairman, Benjamin L. Brown, Charles E. Brown, Robert P. Diggs, Raymond L. Gray, Joel W. Newton, Norman E. Parker, Jr., George L. Russell, Jr., Kenneth L. Thompson, Warren W. Weaver, and John M. Wood.

CLIFTON MURRAY (R), one of the founders of the Baltimore Chapter, chats with Dr. Spurgeon Webber of Charlotte, NC.

partyline

By Pattie Hedges
AFRO Women's Editor

ROSE T. KINNEY — RETIRES IN STYLE

Rose Tyson Kinney, often described as a lifetime student, retired as Regional Office Specialist in Planning and Research Community Affairs, for Baltimore City Public Schools.

Her retirement tribute, held at the Forum, was a warm meaningful affair, with a program appropriate for the honoree which was appreciated by all.

Clad in a lovely custom made full-length gown of ecru lace over pink silk crepe, the honoree, with two white orchids on her wrist heard messages of congratulations from the East-West Center, Hawaii, Thailand, Indonesia and Japan. A telegram was delivered from Rose's Chinese mother and father.

Due to illness Miss Kinney has not been able to drive herself around. Contact persons from three of her professional-civic organizations will maintain a file of volunteer drivers from among their memberships and fill her driving needs on a rotating basis.

The Kinney Service Corps will consist of volunteers from the Du Bois Circle, the Negro Business and Professional Women's Club and Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority.

Daniel Rochowiak, Regional Superintendent read greetings from Mrs. Alice Pinderhughes, Superintendent, BCPS, and spoke movingly of the mutual love and respect he and Miss Kinney share.

Special presentations included the Governor's Citation, the Mayor's Citation and the contribution of $500 sent to the Educational Foundation of the American Association of University Women to be used for International Fellowships.

This "Named Gift" in Miss Kinney's honor reflected her staunch support of the Educational Foundation and women's educational goals, as well as her strong interest in international affairs and travel.

She also received a 13-inch color television, the unique gift of her personal transportation system, an original poem written by Dr. Maxine Wood, a letter from Dr. Banks, a former counselor who lauded Miss Kinney's personal and professional qualities.

As each tribute was made the presenter placed a long-stemmed red rose in a vase which was later presented to Miss Kinney. Very befitting since the theme of her fete was "Only A Rose."

The honoree expressed her appreciation and joy for the honors bestowed by former students, professional associates, classmates, club members and friends.

Miss Kinney received her A.B. Degree from Morgan State and her Master's Degree from NYU. She also received a Certificate of Advanced Studies in Education from JHU and pursued additional graduate studies at the University of Pennsylvania, Maine and Maryland, Towson U., Temple U., and the University of Hawaii.

She has also traveled extensively and learned as she went — Europe, Asia, Africa and the Caribbean were the areas she studied. Her experience in Asia was unusual in that she was active with the East-West Association and TIP (Teacher's Interchange Program).

Little wonder she has been dubbed a lifetime student. More power to her as she continues to pursue an active life in her retirement.

Rose Tyson Kinney
Retirement Honoree

Scenes from the Eubie fete

CELEBRATING EUBIE at presentation of Eubie Blake Memorial Collection at Maryland Historical Society. Far left is Mrs. Lillie Myers, close friend with her husband, James, played host to Eubie and Marian Blake at their Morgan Park home over 20 years, and through the years traveled extensively with him, throughout the United States. It is because of Lillie and James that the Blake Collection now is in Baltimore to inspire young scholars. Next are New Yorkers, Ms. Naomi Alleyne, Marian Blake's secretary and assistant manager; Ms. Delma Marchand, Marian Blake, niece and (R), Mrs. Nancy Hoffman, wife of Elliott Hoffman, Eubie's lawyer and close friend.

CLOSE FRIENDS of the Eubie Blake's who attended reception and enjoyed musical presentation by John Young, pianist; Richard Katz and the chorus of The School for the Arts under Nathan Carter were Mrs. Dorothy Cashburn, sisters from New York and Mrs. Mathilda Gray of D.C.

GUESTS paying tribute to Eubie Blake were from (L) Mesdames Ruth Rosedom and Martha Allen.

PRESENTATION of Eubie Blake Collection was made to Louis Hecht and Dave Simon (above), members of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Historical Society.

SIGMA GUESTS — Lt. Col. Ret Eugene Freeman and Mrs. Freeman (Pearlie Mae), of Joppatowne.

MORE SIGMA GUESTS — Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Byrd Jr. (Laura), with James Benton, right, whose wife, Anastasia, hosted table. Her dad, the late Dr. G. Franklin Phillips, was longtime chapter member.

SINGING FRATERNITY SONG are members of the Zeta Sigma Chapter, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, during their annual Orchid Ball hosted Wednesday, Nov. 23 at Martin's West are (L to R): Eustache Greaves, past president; Joseph Wiles, Dr. Douglas Camper and Leroy Gibson.

PROMENADE TIME — Getting ready for the grand march at Phi Beta Sigmas' Orchid Ball, left, Guilbert Daley, president, and Willie Nichols, treasurer, as fellow members look on.

Sigma's Orchid Ball — a holiday highlight

Members of Zeta Sigma Chapter, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity hosted their annual Grand Orchid Ball on Thanksgiving Eve at Martin's West.

The black tie affair this year featured a candlelight sitdown dinner, with music for dinner and dancing by the Jimmy Smith Orchestra.

During intermission, members of the chapter paid special tribute to Mrs. Myrtle Faithful, co-founder of their sister sorority, Zeta Phi Beta.

Other highlights — grand parade by members, singing of the fraternity hymn and a special salute to their lady guests, were presented leis of orchids flown from Hawaii.

Dr. Guilbert A. Daley, president, led the promenade. Edward Wilkins chaired the ball committee. Other members of the committee: Willie Nichols, treasurer; Tommy Ervin Joseph Wiles, Lawayn Weaver, Eustace Greaves.

Other chapter officers are: Scherod Barnes, vice president; William Davis, Gregory Hall and Earl Smith, secretaries; Edward Wilkins Sr., business manager Marvin Cheatham, parliamentarian; James Scofield, sergeant-at-arms; and Percy Alston, chaplain.

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Woodlawn Highlights

By Marjorie R. Green

MLK CONTEST

Jobs, Peace and Freedom will be the theme for the Martin Luther King commemoration essay contest to be held in conjunction with the January program sponsored by the Office of Disability Operations.

The program proposal was approved this week by Arthur Simermeyer, Associate Commissioner for the Office of Central Operations, SSA.

The contest, patterned after the one held at Metro West last January and open to school age relatives of the Office of Disability Operations and the Office of Central Records Operations employees, is expected to attract elementary, junior and senior high school students who will compete for $100 bonds at each of the academic levels. The prizes will be donated jointly by the AFGE Local 1923 and the Employees Activities Association.

Winners will be announced during the MLK commeration program to be held in the Dickinson Building. Deadline for entries is December 22, 1983.

ODO TO GET NEW IMAGE

In an effort to improve the image of the Disability Operations in the Social Security Administration, Hulda Lieberman, Director has appointed various committees to spearhead programs commemorating the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., the slain civil rights leader, the Black History Month and the Dickinson Building Mitten Tree Project.

ODO is also cedited with leading the SSA components in contributions to the Combined Federal Campaign Drive.

Ms. Lieberman has invited the new acting Commissioner Martha McSteen to meet with approximately 100 Dickinson Building employees this week so that the employees can share their concerns and expectations with the new acting Social Security Commissioner.

Ms. McSteen will also view the Odo Mitten Tree during her visit. The Mitten Tree Project is supported by many of the employees who donate mittens to be distributed to disadvantaged youngsters.

WELCOME BACK

Ms. Ruth Benson, Disability Trainer is back on the job after a brief stay in the hospital. She is currently teaching a Disability Examiners class.

RECENT MOVE

Mrs. Barbara Huff recently accepted an assignment in the Dickinson Building Labor Relations Office. Barbara formerly held a position in the Office of Central Records Operations in the downtown Metro West Building.

NAACP MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Baltimore City Branch of the NAACP has extended the Fall membership drive until December 19th. There is still time to aid in the struggle for Freedom.

Remember a loved one or a friend at Christmas by gifting them with a membership in the NAACP. Freedom Ain't Free. Join the NAACP. For information call 366-3300.

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By the way...

By Joe Black

There is no denying that Black America needs more doctors, but oftimes there are roadblocks in the path of those striving to make it to and through medical school. Well, in my travels, I have learned of a program that may help to overcome some of the problems. It's the Medical Opportunity for Competitive Minority Students.

Medical Opportunity for Competitive Minority Students is a facet of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest University. This is not a giveaway program; there are some requirements such as a minimum of 90 undergraduate semester hours, with 8 semester hours each in general biology, general chemistry, organic chemistry, and physics considered as minimum science preparation. Each applicant must take the Medical College Admission Test that is sponsored by the Association of American Medical Colleges. The MCAT is given twice a year in the fall and in the spring. Applicants are encouraged to take the test in the spring so that the test can be taken again in the fall should an improved score be needed.

Financial aid through loans, or other forms of assistance, is available to students who would not otherwise attend medical school.

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