For All We Know

By Elizabeth M. Oliver

HONOREES REPRESENTING SOME CHURCHES who received certificates and the AFRO's 92nd Year Awards were Felicia Hill, Garrett Knight, Tyra Murphy, Danae York, Angelique Simpson, Leeanna Boyd, Mary Canada, Mia Harris, Anecia Faison, Marcetta Harris, Rhonda Clark, Brenda Scott, Kimberly Blackwell, Pia Angela Taylor, Valerie T. Bollwing, Sheila Faulcon.

THE BEST CHRISTMAS PLAY EVER

Md. Baptist Young People's Yule dinner theatre

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A host of members of the Young Peoples Department of the Women's Convention Auxiliary of the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland performed "A Journey to Bethlehem" last week.

The dinner theatre presentation at La Fountaine Rouge told the story of the Christ Child's birth in song and music to the applause and standing ovations of hundreds of persons present for The Christmas event.

The seated Banquet was followed by the drama on stage complete with a real, live little King Jesus played by Michael Faulcon Jr. age five months who cooed and bubbled in the manger. His mother, Mrs. Sheila King Faulcon portrayed the Virgin Mary.

The young people represented 20 Baptist churches with their combined choirs singing the Christmas carols in a backdrop for the legend read from the Scritures. Ms. Carolyn Murphy Tabb, president, presided assisted by Mrs. King.

Mr. Hattye Jackson, the director of the Young Peoples Department, and announcer for the play was assisted by her committee, Mesdames Dorothy Boulware, director of music; Patricia Leazer, coordinator of the banquet; Ms. Tabb, Madeline Miller, director of "Journey to Bethlehem" and Ms. Doris Silver, assistant coordinator.

The honorees representing 19 churches were awarded by Mrs. Silver and Dr. Oliver who presented each with the AFRO's 92nd Year citation.

Others on the program were Ms. Tammy King, Rev. Calvin Keane, James Butler, Rev. Lorenzo Graves, president of the United Baptist Convention of Maryland and Mrs. Bessie Mason, president of the Women's Auxiliary.

Noteworthy was the presence of the pastors of the churches, past directors of the Young Peoples Department, Mesdames Betty Ford, Betty Graves, Minnie R. Washington, Maggie Green and longtime officers, Mrs. Mary Harrington and Miss Helen Benton; directors of the Young Peoples Department from the various churches and Women's Convention officers Mesdames Mary Gwaltney, Lola Hart, Ms. Green, Patricia Leazer, associate director.

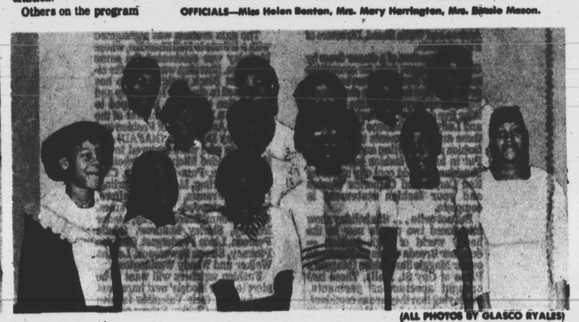
DINNER THEATRE COMMITTEE—Mesdames Dorothy Boulware, Music; Patricia Leazer, coordinator; Carolyn Murphy Tabb, president, BYPD; Madeline Miller, director of the play; Doris Silver, assistant; Hattye Jackson, BYDP director.

LITTLE KING JESUS in the manger, five-month-old Michael Faulcon Jr., and his mother, Mrs. Sheila King Faulcon who was cast as the Virgin Mary.

THE CHOIR provided the musical backdrop as it sang anthems and yuletide songs and the old familiar carols which told of the coming of the Christ Child, the wisemen and the shepherd in the fields.

OFFICIALS—Miss Helen Benton, Mrs. Mary Harrington, Mrs. Bessie Mason.

PAST DIRECTORS, YOUNG PEOPLES DEPARTMENT are Mesdames Betty Ford, Betty Graves, Minnie R. Washington, Mrs. Hattye Jackson, the present director and Mrs. Maggie Green, past director.



EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH Junior Missionary, Calvin Fountain, Tyra Murphy, Patrice Hilman, Yolanda Truss, Michelle Hopkins, Tarsha Burgess, Tory Hopkins, Tammy Murphy, Nicole Burke, Tracey Hopkins, Wanda cole, Sydney Carter, Tarsha Fountain.

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AMONG CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES were Gerard Eich, Pleasant Hope Baptist; Brenda Scott, Pleasant Hope; Betty L. Johnson, past president, Woman's Auxiliary; Ida Redd, First vice president, Womens Auxiliary; Patricia Leazer, director; Hattye Jackson, director; Kimberly Horsley, Calvary Baptist; Angela Brewster, Calvary; Helen Lewis, Calvary; Roland Brooks, New Shiloh, Turner Station; Kevin Sharpe, Calvary; India Orr, New Shiloh, Turner Station; Rev. Lorenzo Graves, pastor Calvary Baptist Church.

Participants

BEREAN BAPTIST
Rev. John A. Lunn, pastor, Mrs. Laura Sneed, Youth Director, Craig Anderson, Michael Brice, Mia Dudley, Yolanda Gallman, Terri Lunn, Keenen Matthews, Lori McDaniel, Terri McDaniel, Darcelia Pryor, Tangie Tucker, Paige Washington, Shawhett Wilson.

CITY TEMPLE
Rev. Ulysses McCleary, pastor, Mrs. Betsy Booker, Youth Director, Garrett Knight.

ENON BAPTIST
Rev. Porter Phillips, pastor, Mrs. Evelyn Glenn, Youth Director, Danae York, Stacy Smith.

CONCORD BAPTIST
Rev. Matthew R. Silver, pastor, Mrs. Hattye Jackson, Youth Director, Mrs. Doris Silver, Asst. Felicia Hill, Dana Thomas, Dimetra Rone, Tiwan Mills, Michael Epps.

EBENEZER BAPTIST
Rev. Clarence Poole, pastor, Mrs. Betty Graves, Youth Director, Tyra Murphy, Tammy Murphy, Antoine Fountain, Tarsha Fountain, Yolanda Truss.

FAITH BAPTIST
Rev. Walter E. Paige, pastor, Mrs. Laura Staples, Youth Director, Angelique Simpson, Rakisha Ellis.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST
Rev. Angus A. Smith, pastor, Mrs. Esther Brown, Youth Director, Mary Canada, Mark Brown, Renee Pierce, Ericka Keene, Ronald E. Keene, Jr.

MT. ZION BAPTIST
Rev. Mark Riddix, pastor, Rev. Barbara McFarland, Youth Director, Mrs. Elsie Humbert, Asst., Anecia Faison, Toni Boulware.

NEW SHILOH BAPTIST Turner Station
Rev. James A. Everett, pastor, Mrs. Josephine Flournoy, Youth Director, Marcetta Harris, Marguerite Brooks, Roland Brooks, India Orr.

GOOD TIDINGS BAPTIST
Rev. Ray Johnson, pastor, Leeanne Boyd.

MT. HEBRON BAPTIST
Rev. Paris Thompson, pastor, Carolyn Murphy Tabb.

MT. MORIAH BAPTIST
Rev. Arthur J. Benn, pastor, Mrs. Barbara C. Booth, Youth Director, Mia Harris, Linda O'Brien, Patricia Fisher.

NEW PILGRIM BAPTIST
Rev. Roosevelt Davenport, pastor, Mrs. Hattie Jones, Youth Director, Evonne Macon, Cynthia Feaster.

PENTECOST BAPTIST
Rev. Charles Fletcher, pastor, Mrs. Patricia Leazer, Youth Director, Rhonda Clark, James Butler, Timothy Henry, Evan Moore, David Leazer, Dwayne Leazer.

PLEASANT HOPE BAPTIST
Rev. Howard Queen, pastor, Mrs. Rosetta Davis, Christian Ed. Director, Brenda Scott.

SIMMONS MEMORIAL
Rev. William King, pastor, Debbie Erwin, Youth Advisor, Kimberly Blackwell, Clay Robinson.

ST. TIMOTHY
Rev. Carl Washington, pastor, Mrs. Matwai D. Isabelle, Youth Director, Pia Angela Taylor.

ST. PAUL
Rev. George A. Crawley, pastor, Mrs. Betty Ford, Youth Director, Sheila K. Faulcon, Michael Faulcon, Geraldine Fuller, Tammy King, Darnell Venable, Connie King.

WHITESTONE
Rev. W. H. Thompson, pastor, Mrs. Virginia Jackson, Youth Director, Valerie T. Bollwing, Diane Blackwell, Michelle Friend, Rochelle Gregory, Denise Cofield.

Mrs. Patricia Leazer, Coordinator, Mrs. Doris Silver, Asst., Mrs. Madeline Miller, Director of Play; Mrs. Dorothy Boulware, Director of Music; Mrs. Hattye Jackson, Director Y.P.D.; Mrs. Patricia Leazer, Assoc. Director; Mrs. Carolyn Murphy Tabb, President; Mrs Bessie Mason, President Woman's Auxiliary; Rev Lorenzo Graves, President U.B.M.C. of Maryland.

Alphas mark Founders' Day with unveiling, awards

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. celebrated its 77th anniversary with a weekend program that began on Dec. 3 with a candlelight service at the First Baptist church in Guilford, MD. It was sponsored by the Columbia Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha.

Guest speaker was Bro. Dr. Vernon Gray who captured the interest of the audience when he spoke on civil rights issues and reported that segregation still exists in some clubs and taverns in Howard County. He urged all persons having knowledge of any such violations to report them to the County or State Civil Rights Offices.

The annual Sunday morning worship service was held on Dec. 4, at the Epworth United Methodist Church on St. Lukes Lane and Liberty Rd.

The pastor, the Rev. Marcus Matthews, offered an inspiring service to a large turn out of Alpha men and their wives.

Bro (Dr) Clayton Stansbury, president of Delta Lambda Chapter, participated in the service by giving a brief history of this fraternity which has a national membership of over 100,000 persons.

He cited the social action programs of "Go-to-High-School Go-to-College" as well as the slogan "A voteless people is a hopeless people." These are programs sponsored by the fraternity.

He also noted that the Alphas have pledged $1,000,000 to the NAACP, National Urban Leagues and the United Negro College Fund. $900,000 of the pledge has been presented to those organizations. The balance will be paid at the next national convention.

After church services, the Founder's Day Program continured with a cocktail and dinner at the Warren Room. There members honored 15 living past presidents of Delta Lambda Chapter, as well as the honoring of other brothers who have made outstanding achievements.

Toastmaster was Bro Joseph B. Bracy who was also chairman for the program.

He presented the keynote speaker who was Bro Charles P. Howard, Jr., Esq. Bro Howard is a former president of Delta Lambada Chapter and was a former Eastern Regional Vice-President of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc.

Bro Howard traced the history of the fraternity from its founding at Cornell Univ. on Dec 4, 1906, to the present. He mentioned the many contributions made by Alpha men during the civil rights struggle. Among the Alpha brothers mentioned were: W.E.B. DuBois, Paul Robeson, E. Hope Franklin, Carl Murphy, Martin Luther King, Duke Ellington, Thurgood Marshall, W.A.C. Hughes and others.

He noted that three of the above were native Baltimoreans who gave their talents, time, energy, money and life to further the cause of justice in this country.

He challenged the Alpha men to continue this fight for justice, to advance youth.

Bro Howard stated that Delta Lambda Chapter has a rich heritage. It was founded in Baltimore, MD in Jan 1920 by 10 charter members. Perhaps the best known are Bro S.S. Booker, who was national president from 1920-1922 and Bro Carl Murphy, who was editor of the Sphinx from 1920-21. Bro Murphy has been given credit for placing this magazine on a professional level. Bro Murphy was the first president of Delta Lambda Chapter and is responsible for bringing the only National Convention to Baltimore in 1921.

Bro Howard suggested that it is time for the chapter to bring the National Convention to Baltimore again.

Bro Howard stated that during his 25 years affiliation with Delta Lambda Chapter he had found that it was the consensus of most knowledgeable brothers that Bro Carl T. Murphy contributed more to Alpha and this Chapter than any other president. Bro Howard received an overwhelming applause and standing ovation as he concluded his speech on the above note.

The presentation of awards followed with the awarding of gold and black plaques to 15 former presidents of Delta Lambda Chapter. Two 50 years awards were made and certificates were presented to members with 25 to 50 years of service.

President Alayton Stansbury was assisted by Vice President Tom Mitchell and were also made by Pres. Vincent Whitmore of Kappa Lambda; Pres. Kenneth Jennings of Kappa Phi Lambda (Columbia)) and President Henry James of Beta Alpha - Morgan State Univ. Each of these 3 chapters presented awards to outstanding brothers.

One of the high-lights of the program was the presentation of the Alpha Appreciation Award to Bro (Dr.) Charles R. Campbell - post humously, Mrs. Mildred Campbell, his widow, and President of the Alpha Wives, accepted the plaque. It was beautifully inscribed in black and gold with with words typifing Bro Campbells devotion to the Fraternity. Bro Leon Gilmore, the Award's Chairman, made the presentation of the plaque and was eloquent in his citations of Bro Campbell's many achievements. A picture of Bro Campbell was unveile veiled during the ceremonies which will be placed in a prominent location in the Fraternity House.

The program ended with the benediction by Bro (Father) Donald Wilson, pastor St. James Episcopal Church followed by the singing of the Alpha Hymn.

Bros. Paul L. Chester and Bro James T. Robinson (50-year Alpha Brothers) also received awards.

Past Chapter Presidents awarded were: Bros Maurice L. Adams, James H. Murphy, Frank E. Walker, Clifton R. Jones, Maurice D. Doles, Frank Ellis, Charles P. Howard, Jr., Pierre Davis, Alonzo Paul Moss, Robert Smith, Wesley N. Shelton, Joseph Yates, Charles . Robinson, Alonzo R. Hairston and Wilbert Walker.

Those with 25 or More Years receiving awards were: Omar Doall, Ralph Howard, Henry G. Parks, Jr. and William L. Dutch.

On The Founder's Day Committee were: Joseph B. Bracy, chairman; Martin Austin, Co-chairman; Leon Gilmore, Awards; Ramon Wright, Decorations - Reservations; Jacob Howard, III, Photography; Douglas Sands, Advisor; Kappa Kappa Lambda, Music; Beta Alpha, Coordinators of Undergraduate Chapters; Kappa Phi Lambda, Memorial Service Dec. 3 and Bro Clayton Stansbury, Coordinator for Worship Service - Dec. 4.

MRS. MILDRED CAMPBELL (C), widow of the late Dr. Charles R. Campbell, gets a buss from Leon Gilmore, awards chairperson, after his presentation of a plaque to honor the late Dr. Campbell posthumously and the unveiling of his picture, far right. Looking on is Dr. Clayton Stansbury (L), coordinator for the Alpha's worship services, and president, Delta Lambda Chapter.

DR. MAURICE ADAMS (L), chapter member, and Bro. Charles P. Howard, guest speaker for the occasion, look at the latter's plaque.

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Single PARENTING

By Kelly Hill

Gettin' ready for Kawanza, Xmas, etc.? It's time again single men and women. Are you intimately involved? Have you noticed a change in your behavior?

Just the other day, as I was walking past a department store window, I noticed my hair, my figure, etc. I said to myself! "I wonder how other people see me?"

If you have been trying to get a date and have been unsuccessful, now is the time to really get your act together.

There is nothing more gross than trying to get intimate and then suddenly notice that your date's pants may be ripped or too tight.

Betty, a single parent, felt so disappointed with her new date when he arrived and took off his coat only to see that his pants were heavily soiled.

While you are lying back in your chair, perhaps watching some old movies, take a good look at yourself and see if you appeal to yourself.

Carolyn, another single parent, said that recently while she was out on a date they had decided to watch the late night movies. While trying to get comfortable, she noticed that his stomach had actually overlapped onto his belt buckle and it looked as though he was about three months pregnant.

Kenny, another single parent who has been looking for a single companion for a long time said, "It seems as though after we had dinner, everything popped loose. Her makeup was gone, her shoes had come off, and she picked her teeth with a tooth pick like a man would do.

I felt so embarrassed, that I chose to take her home instead of continuing our evening."

As single parents you can't afford to "LOOK YOUR WORST" even during the holidays. Haven't you heard the expression "I always see my worst enemy while I am looking my worst."?

Both men and women look at each other not solely based on their looks but how well they are groomed.

So, for the single parent who may be at home eating his or her life away because of depression, you probably could look a little bit more attractive if you would "WALK PAST THAT DEPARTMENT STORE WINDOW" and get a good reflection on how other people see you.

After the holidays, when you have made those New Year's resolutions, if you are serious about keeping them, and if you really are being truthful to yourself, try attending one of Dr. Charles Faulkner's hypnosis clinics. Dr. Faulkner's hypnosis therapy sessions are used all over the world, including on athletes.

Dr. Faulkner is a syndicated columnist, and you are invited to attend a Single Parents' Workshop, which he will keynote.

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