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Case 181: I have two kids, a girl 10 and a boy 9. We are in need and would appreciate anything you could do for us to make our Christmas a happy one.

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Case 182: Will you please help me make a merry Christmas for my family, which includes 2 adults and 6 children. Anything you do will be greatly appreicated.

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Case 183: I would like to have a Christmas basket and toys for my children. I have a boy 7 years old and a girl 5.

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Case 184: I am the mother of two wonderful children, a 5 year old son and a 4 year old daughter. I am presently on Social Services and have veen for the past five years. I am writing to ask you when the Christmas baskets and toys are given out, please remember my two wonderful children.

Case 185: I have five children, two are mine, 2 nephews and one niece. We receive a check and food stamps, but they never seem to last. I know there are many people who are more in need than I, but if it is any way possible to help us with a food basket, we could sure use the help. It is really hard at the end of the month trying to keep food for the holiday. I have 4 boys ages 17, 17, 11 and 9 and a girl, 15.

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Case 186: Could you please help me have a nice Christmas. My husband has left me and I can't get any help from social services. I have been out looking for a job but haven't been able to find one yet. If it is possible in anyway for you to help me, I would appreciate it.

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Case 187: Please send my family, four children and myself certificates to get Christmas baskets. I would be thankful for anything you can give us.

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Case 188: Please help my 10 year old daughter and me. She needs a coat and so do I. I am not on welfare, but I will not have anything extra to buy my daughter for Christmas.

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Case 189: I am a mother of three children. I would appreciate anything you send me.

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Case 190: I am in need of help for my 5 year old daughter. Iam not working at the present time and can not give her the type of Christmas I would like her to have. I was wondering if you could please help me a little this year, so she could be as happy as other little children

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Case 191: Since my husband fell off a ladder and killed himself a little over a year ago, it has been real hard. I have five children and two of them have part-time jobs. If you will just put some food on the table for my five children and me, I will be grateful. My children are ages 16, 13, 10, 14 and 8.

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Case 192: I have 4 children, 2 girls ages 6 and 2, boys 2 and 4 years old. We are in need of a food basket and toys. I am on Social Services and by the time I pay rent and bills, there is not much left. Whatever you can do to help us will be greatly appreciated.

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Case 193: My family is in need of help for Christmas. I have two daughters ages 4 and 6. Would you help us have a happy Christmas.

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Case 194: My house was burnt down and everything is gone. I would appreciate it if I could get a basket for my three children ages 4, 2 ½ and 10 months. I have two girls and the boy is 10 months. Anything you can do for them I will appreciate.

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Case 195: I am in need of a Christmas basket especially for my three children. My income is $359. a month and my rent is $210 a month, life insurance $15. and telephone $25. You can see I oon't have very much left. Please help me with whatever you can.

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Case 196: Please send my grandmother a Christmas basket. She is sick. I am an 8 year old boy in need of a pair of gloves for school. Please help.

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Girlfriends open Yuletide season with dinner-dance

LONNIE SPRUILL chats with (from left): Jackie Hrabowski and his wife Wilhelma Spruill.

IN FESTIVE SPIRITS are (L to R): Mrs. Irene Baker, Frank Coakley, Wendell Baker and Brenda Coakley, a member of the Girlfriends.

CATHERINE WILSON (C) chats with (from left): Dr. Louise Young, as Jackie Chambers looks on.

Engineering Club scene of Yule gala

The Baltimore Chapter of Girl Friends Inc., a social-civic organization, opened the Christmas season with a dinner dance at the Engineering Society Club on Friday, December 7.

The Baltimore Chapter of Girl Friends is one of thirty-six affiliates of the National Girl Friends Inc., with chapters from coast to coast.

The Baltimore Chapter's major focus has been civic. It has sponsored such fund-raising activities as debutante balls and theater parties to raise monies for Provident Hospital, the Mental Health Association of Maryland, the Negro College Fund and the Florence Crittenton Home for Girls.

Other recipients of Baltimore Girl Friend's largess have been The AFRO-AMERICAN Mrs. Santa campaign, the Clean Block Campaign and The Enoch Pratt Library. Additional, the Chapter holds a lifetime membership in the NAACP.

The National Girl Friends Inc., founded 57 years ago has 36 chapters and 992 members. It holds an annual three-day conclave and makes a contribution annually to a national charity. This year's contribution went to the United Negro College Fund.

Local chapter officers are Irma K. Roy, president, Olga B. Parker, vice president; Margaret Driver, recording secretary; Agnes W. Patterson, treasurer; Brenda B. Coakley, corresponding secretary and Theda Wilson, parlimentarian.

Other Baltimore chapter members are Eloise Bridges, Sylvia Brown, Carol Carter, Bernice Chatman, Georgeanna Chester, Carolyn King Chissell, Anne Sherrington Davis, Sarh B. Gray, Frances Flanagan Jolley, Ann Williams Lattimore, Laura J. Newton;

And Mae Parrott, Helen M. Patterson, Maixie B. Rea, Eliza Robinson, Elizabeth Stewart, Dolores Street, Carolyn Wainwright, Catheeine Law... Waters, Milagros W. Williams, Vera Williams, Catherine Wilson and Wilhelmina Young.

HELEN PATTERSON and Samuel Owings relish a whirl around the dance floor during the Yuletide dinner dance hosted Friday, Dec. 7 at the Engineering Society, Cathedral Street.

ENGROSSED IN THE MOOD OF THE OCCASION are (from left): Theda Wilson, Irma Roy, president and Margaret Driver, chairperson, Dinner-Dance Committee.

Pattie Hodges
OUR WORLD EDITOR

PARTYLINE

ELKS' PAST GRAND EXALTED RULER HONORED

Sunday, Dec. 9 from 3 until 7 p.m. an Appreciation Dinner was hosted by Friends for Deacon William F. Diggs, a past Grand Exalted Ruler, Improved, Benevolent, Protective Order Elks of the World, at Morning Star Baptist Church in the multi-purpose center, 1063 W. Fayette St.

Emcee for the program was Arnita Shorter. Following the processional, opening hymn and prayer (by Deacon William Reddick), the Occasion was given by Dgt. Julia B. Miles, Dgt. Ruler, Great Southern Temple No. 30.

A solo was rendered by Mrs. Lillie Myers, John Wesley United Methodist Church and the blessing by Dr. Samuel Ray, pastor, Morning Star Baptist.

The honoree, his family and guests enjoyed a sitdown dinner, catered by Mrs. Eula Whitehurst.

During the program the life of the honoree was given in verbal tributes paid him by his son the Rev. Charles Diggs, representing the family; Dea. E. Brown, of Morning Star Baptist, representating the church; Bro. Elmer Handy, Grand District Deputy, I.B.P.O.E. of W. representing a fraternal order, and in song, with a solo done by the Rev. Diggs.

Other remarks of commendation were given by the Rev. Calvin P. Crosson, pastor, John Wesley U.M. Church, Dr. Samuel Ray, church pastor and Pat Matthews, chairman for the affair.

Mildred N. Butcher was co-chairperson and Doris A. Alexander, secretary. Musician was Jonathan Ray.

Numerous and generous monetary gifts were made to Deacon Diggs, who thanked all graciously for the evening in his honor.

THANK YOU XMAS FETE

Whenever Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Alpha Zeta Chapter, undertakes to raise funds for its many activities, one of the constant supporters is Carrie D. Jackson. She always shows appreciation to her patrons by hosting them at a social activity ere the year departs.

For 1984 her "Thank You", was a pre-holiday after-church fun-food-fellowship which found a delightful group at her home on Liberty Hts. Ave. for much pleasure and many treats.

Room-to-room service included hot or cold (or both) home-cooked gourmet items such as "Jag-a Portugese sausage-rice-pinto bean dish; garnished potato salad and ham bits; seasoned kale-collard-turnip green combination; daiquiri meat balls, souse cubes, assorted cheeses and sandwich trays, fruit custard and delicious pound cake slices, candies, nuts, mints, chips and assorted beverages.

Assistants to the hostess were her delightful grandsons Mike and Ra, University of Maryland Air Force students; hubby Algernon Jackson, and Peggy, Margaret, Wilbert and Martha Nelson. So the hostess relaxed also.

Guests included Inez and Mark Bowyer, Alma and Robert Walker, Rowena and Bill Lewis, Ethel and Henry Hall, Anne and Jack Blaney, Lynda and Jerry Lymas, Ruth and Arnold Bailey, Muriel and Paul Johnson, Bernice and Levi Tyson, Bernice and George White, Madelyn and Marshall Fyles, Evelyn and Willie Chatmon, Queenie and Hubert Lane;

Also Mary West Miller, Bernardine Johnson, Peggy J. Washington, Margaret Waddell, Myrtice Bennett, Tonie Purdie, Emma Roberts, Martha Nelson, Rosalie McGuire, Carrie A. Johnson, Harriett V. Washington, Marion Graham, Jean Powell, Margery Prout, Leila Terry, Vernita Wise, Vondelear Haggins, Geneva Puryear, Bea Palmer, (NJ), E. Fran Johnson;

And Irvin West, Hector Lindo, Henry Philyow, Paul Hinton, Royal White, Al Patterson, Larry Pratt, James Fletcher, Harrison Vessells, Wilbert James and H. Smith.

SIG SHANG-GRI-LA

Recently, the Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Tau Fraternity, Inc. held its annual Sig-Shang-Gri-La for the benefit of its scholarship program. The affair was hosted at La Fontaine Bleu, Glen Burnie. Members of the Chapter who hosted the affair pulled out all stops to insure a pleasurable evening for all of its guests.

Music for the occasion was provided by the Esquires Band from Washington, DC. They provided golden-oldies beginning in the 50's and going through the 70's to the present.

During the intermission many door prizes were raffled and the brothers sang the Sweetheart song to their spouses and friends.

Each year, through the contributions of this dance, the chapter is able to award scholarships to students of the Baltimore City Public Schools. Additionally, the fraternity contributes to the AFRO's Mrs. Santa and Clean Block campaign.

Brother Walter Cole was chairperson of the affair. Other officers of the fraternity are Robert Griner, president; William Brent, vice president; Brawley Davis, secretary; Gary Cole, treasurer and Arthur Scribner, financial secretary.

MARY B. LEE RETIRES

Yes, "Butterflies are Free Like Mary B. Lee" was the theme of Baltimore's Mary Boston Lee's eloquent, dignified, and enjoyable retirement party, recently held at La Fontaine Bleu on Erdman Ave. After 37 years of outstanding service to the Baltimore City Public School System as a teacher, supervisor, and administrator, the principal, Mary Lee, has begun a "new life" -- Retirement.

Greeting her guests with charm and radiance, in an exquisite white knit dress, she was joined in a receiving line by her husband -- William Lee, her son -- Clayton B. James who resides in San Francisco, CA. Brenda Alexander, Chairperson and Carla Phillips, Co-Chairperson for the celebration.

While sipping cocktails and munching hors d'oeuvres, approximately 200 guests gleefully chatted during a delightful reception.

Just as Mrs. Lee was escorted to the dais and comfortably seated, she was paged to receive an unexpected telephone call. Much to her surprise, it was one of her former students who had accidentally found out about her retirement party, from his mother, and decided to call Mrs. Lee from Germany, to bring best wishes, since he could not be present. This was an extremely exciting and appreciative moment for Mary.

Moving into the program, Mrs. Joyce Vickery, committee member, extended greetings and Samuel Adams, Assistant Principal of Westport Elementary

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DEACON WILLIAM F. DIGGS (C), past Grant Exalted Ruler Improved, Benevolent, Protective Order Elks of the World, is surrounded by his family during the recent Appreciation Dinner hosted for him by friends at Morning Star Baptist Church, 1063 Fayette St. (Seen from left) are Robert Diggs Jr., grandson; Dawn Young, great-granddaughter; Mrs. Ann Young, daughter; Mrs. Indianna Diggs, the honoree's wife; India Grimes, great-granddaughter and the Rev. Charles Diggs, the honoree's son.