HONOREES feted during the recent Celebrity Awards Gala sponsored by the Maryland Women's Committee for the United Negro College Fund, Inc. at the Forum are (from left): Emily M. Bryant, retired educator, community leader; Dr. Flozella R. Clark, realtor, businesswoman, community leader; Barry N. Chapman, florist, entrepreneur; Mary M. Stevens, entrepreneur and Georgine N. Edgerton, community leader, vice president, Greater Walbrook Coalition.

AS ONE HONOREE TO ANOTHER—Georgine Edgerton shakes hands with fellow honoree Kweisi Mfume.

DOROTHY POLK (L) co-chairperson and financial secretary of the Maryland Women's Committee, is seen with Vivien Gardner, first vice president.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS for the UNCF gala are (L to R): Darscell D. Washington, Brenda B. Johnson, chairperson, Irene Shavers and Ruth Daniels.

UNCF Awards Celebrity Gala hosted

Recently the Maryland Women's committee for the United Negro College Fund, Inc. hosted an Awards Celebrity Gala at the Forum, Primrose Ave. Emcee for the occasion was Mrs. Brenda B. Johnson, who was also chairperson for the affair.

Greetings were extended by Mrs. Elnora B. Fullwood, Committee president, and following dinner, there was musical selection by Mrs. Sarah Dorsey.

Presentation of awards was done by Mrs. Lillie M. Allen and Mrs. Dorothy Polk, co-chair for the event.

Honored were Emily M. Bryant, retired educator, and community leader; Barry N. Chapman, florist, entrepreneur; Flozella R. Clark, realtor, business woman and community leader; Georgine N. Edgerton, community leader and vice president, Greater Walbrook Coalition; Hilda E. Ford, director of Personnel, Civil Service Commission; Kweisi Mfume, Councilman, 4th D., Baltimore and Mary M. Stevens, entrepreneur and co-owner of a business.

Prior to remarks and acknowledgements by Lawson Brooks and Mrs. Fullwood, the assemblage was treated to another musical selection by Mrs. Dorsey.

Active Committee Members for the affair were Elnora B. Fullwood, president; Vivien P. Gardner, first vice president; Ruth S. Daniels, second vice president; Brenda B. Johnson, recording secretary; Marion L. Patterson, corresponding Secretary; Dorothy J. Polk, financial secretary; Johnnye Mae Stevenson, treasurer and Major Bessie R. Norris, parliamentarian.

Others on the committee were: Lillie M. Allen, Chessie Brailey, Flossie Dedmond, Emma C. Dudley, A. Bernice S. Hunley, Rose E. Lewis, Johnnye McMillian, H. Jewel Moseley, Buena Vista Prettyman, Frances B. Robinson, Irene Shavers, Ida B. Swanson, Ruby M. Taylor, Cassandra B. Tuggle, D. Darscell D. Washington and Mildred A. Williams.

A. PHILIP RANDOLPH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Former Pullman Porters and the A. Philip Randolph Institute is celebrating the 97th Birthday Anniversary of A. Philip Randolph and belated 60th Anniversary of his organizing of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, (first Black Labor Union).

Mr. Randolph was the first Black Vice President of the National AFL-CIO. He was also the Dean of the Civil Rights Leaders. Mr. Randolph announced his retirement from public life in Baltimore in 1968.

The affair will be held Sunday, April 20, 1986 at 4 p.m. at Leadenhall Baptist Church, 1021-23 Leadenhall Baptist Church, 1021-23 Leadenhall Street near Hamburg Street.

The guest speaker will be Dr. E. D. Nixon, a former Pullman Porter of Montgomery, Alabama.

For further information call 669-7142 or 523-5205.

Homeowner group has new guide

The American Homeowners Foundation has announced the publicationof the first edition of the Master Vendor Guide, a directory of vendors of goods and services required by American homeowners.

The first edition, the first of a set which will cover major metropolitan markets across the country, covers vendors in the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

"The objective of the directory," according to AHF Public Affairs Vice President John Prufrock, "is to provide homeowners greater assurance that the vendors they select have an excellent record of reliability and fairness in dealing with their customers. All vendors have been carefully screened with the appropriate Better Business Bureaus and state oversight agencies, and all have been checked to confirm that they have met licensing and bonding requirements," he added.

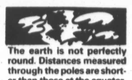
To assure continued monitoring, each member will fill out and return to AHF headquarters a performance rating on each vendor they use. Those not maintaining a consistent performance record will be dropped from future editions of the Guide.

Nearly 100 vendors are listed in the directory in such categories as appliances, cleaning, floors, furniture, lawn and garden, masonry, remodeling, utilities, walls and ceilings, windows and doors, weatherization, and miscellaneous services.

Many provide discounts to members of the American Homeowners Foundation. To assure no potential conflict of interest exists AHF accepts no paid advertising or other remuneration, directly or indirectly, from any companies listed in the Master Vendor Guide.

The AHF Master Vendor Guide is provided as a free service to its members. Nonmembers may purchase the Guide for $5.95 per copy. AHF provides a wide range of services for the American homeowner, including books on such subjects as home buying, home selling, investing in residential real estate, home ownership, etc.

Membership in the American Homeowners Foundation is $25 per year. AHF is the only nonprofit organization dedicated solely to representing the interests of homeowners and prospective homeowners in the U.S.



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The Baltimore AFRO - AMERICAN on Friday, May 9th will help you honor your Mother with a special 'MOTHER'S DAY PAGE.' You may select one of the following verses or any similar poem of your choice. Pictures may be used at a small additional cost (black & white preferred).

DEADLINE FOR THIS SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY PAGE IS APRIL 29TH

Fill in the information below and return it TODAY, or call 728-8200, Monday thru Friday.

MOTHER'S DAY VERSES WHILE SHE IS STILL WITH YOU

1-ML

In all the world there is no other,
To take the place of your dear Mother.
The first love, we know;
The last we forget,
Your love Mother, is the sweetest love yet.

2-ML

God mad lots of beautiful things:
Sunset and roses, and trees.
Birds, and starlight and loyal friends.
And, after He made all these,
He gave to the earth a gift more rare.
More loving and more true,
Of all God's gifts, the one most rare,
A Mother as dear as you.

3-ML

A wonderful mother, woman and aid,
One who was better God never made;
A wonderful worker, so loyal and true,
One in a million — that, mother is you.
Just in your judgment, always right;
Honest and liberal, ever upright;
Loved by your friends and all you know.

4-ML

Loving and kind in all your ways,
Upright and just to this very day;
Sincere and true, in your heart and mind,
Your thoughtfulness we will never leave behind.

5-ML

Dear mother, on this Mother's Day
What words can we impart
That would tell the true devotion
We have within our hearts.
No words can tell love's message
But this we know is true;
There is no other mother quite like you.

6-ML

God showers His gifts upon us
In one way or another,
But His most precious gift of all
Was the gift of you, dear mother.

7-ML

When the Lord passed out His jewels
I sure was standing in line.
For I received a precious gem,
That dear, sweet Mother of mine.

8-ML

'A PRAYER'
Dear Jesus, we thank thee
For having given us the love
Of Thy most Precious Gift,
Our Sweet, Gentle Mother.

Amen.

9-ML

A dearer mother, never lived
Nor one more fine and true,
Nor is a mother ever loved
More truly MOM than you.

10-ML

You are such a wonderful mother,
In every little way;
No wonder that you're thought about
With special love today.
No wonder our Mother's Day greeting
Is extra warm and true,
When it's sent with love and gratitude
To a mother as dear as you.

11-ML

'GOD'S CREATION'
To me you gave life, and reared me through trouble
and strife.
Your kind love with me you shared,
Even when I made times hard to bear.
You are one of God's greatest creations
So on this day of dedication,
Let me say 'I love you Mother',
Like I could love no other.
'Happy Mother's Day.'

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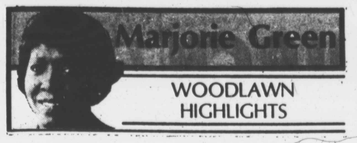


Marjorie Green
WOODLAWN HIGHLIGHTS

SKI JUNKET

In recent years outdoor skiing has become a popular sport for brave and daring Baltimoreans of all ages representing various walks of life and economic backgrounds. Most of us who prefer the safer indoor winter games are content to watch television shows that feature the experts on skis streaking down the snow-covered slopes or soaring through the air balanced by two long ski poles.

Two of the most enthusiastic skiers I know are Dr. and Mrs. John Gambrill (Arnetta). In late February of this year, the couple joined a party of 34 vacationers who boarded a charter bus enroute to Kennedy International Airport in New York. Upon arrival, the group boarded a DC-10 Yugoslavia airline passenger plane.

Twenty four hours later they landed at an airstrip in Zagreb, Yugoslavaia where they were met by their tour guide who directed them on a shuttle flight to the Sarajevo ski resort area and then up the mountains by bus to their home away from home, the Hotel Bistrica.

The snow was falling and the temperatures were hovering slightly below zero when the group settled in the small fairly new hotel built specifically for the 1984 olympic visitors.

Each morning after breakfast the group would head for the snow covered slopes to participate in a couple hours of ski instruction.

In the afternoon they boarded shuttle busses to the city of Sarajevo where they would go on a shopping spree. Some of the best buys according to Arnetta were the heavy ski boots, Elan skies, crystal and hand knit sweaters. The tourist also took sight-seeing trips to the cities of Mostar and Dubrovnick, which is a city surrounded by stone walls. On one occasion they braved a fast moving bob-sled ride similiar to the ones seen on the Wide World of Sports television program.

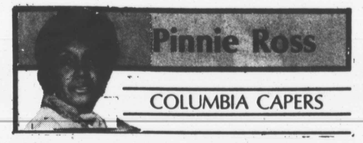
The evenings were spent relaxing or participating in the hotel program activities with other guests. A talent show, costume party and beauty contest were among the fun games directed by the hotel program director.

Arnetta, a personnel staffing specialist with the Federal government and her husband John, an Ophthalmologist, are already making plans to visit the Copper Mountain in Denver for another holiday of skiing next year.

Some of the Vacationers traveling on the Yugoslavia trip with the Gambrill party were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Williams (Patricia), Ms. Mimi Mazur, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Robinson (Margaret), Mr. Ronald 'Skip" Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. David Cousins (Ann), Ms. Ilene Hawkins, Ms. Dorothy Cooper, Ms. Pamela Butler, Ms. Elaine Franklin, Ms. Joyce Tanner, Mrs. Gertrude "Trudy" Edwards, Dr. Basil Morgan, Donald Hall, and Alfred Hammond.

RETIREMENT DINNER

There is still time to make reservations for the Retirment send-off for Jackie Taliaferro. The affair will take place at the Quality Inn, Route 40 on April 18. For information contact Gwendolyn Fleshman, 597-4332 or Janis Battle, 597-0769.



Pinnie Ross
COLUMBIA CAPERS

NANBPW CELEBRATES FOUNDERS' DAY

The Columbia Club of NANBPW celebrated its Founder's Day with an Awards Luncheon last Saturday at the Wilde Lake Interfaith Center in Columbia.

"Celebrate with the Young and Gifted" was the theme chosen for the affair which centered around gifted and talented teens and young adults in Columbia.

The committee members gathered early to decorate the room and tables and to be ready to receive the food prepared by club members.

As the guests entered the room there was a large banner in red and yellow on a white background that read, "NANBPW CELEBRATE WITH THE YOUNG AND GIFTED," April 5, 1986. It was beautiful, so much so that several people peeped in the door and commented on it.

The table cloths of red linen sported white bud vases each with a yellow flower, and each rested on green fern centered on each table.

Favors, compliments of Jacqueline Banks and Linda Outlaw, were at each guest's place. The beautiful linen and other items were compliments of Delores Richmond, caterer and faithful member Muriel Mitchell, who is a reading specialist in the Montgomery County Schools and a caterer as busy as can be receiving the food.

The delicious food included collard greens cooked with ham hocks, chicken cooked in a variety of styles, mouth-watering potato salad, tossed salad, macaroni salad and corn bread muffins as the main course.

Now the dessert was just too much. It included pineapple upside down cake, a beautiful jello mold, lemon pies, banana cake and homemade pound cake.

Yes, you guessed it, most went back for seconds, especially the collard greens and who wouldn't. Thanks to all the members who helped to make the celebration a success.

President, Sylvia Cook-Martin presided, Cordelia Birdsong gave the invocation, Daphanie DeShields, Founder and President of the Columbia Young Adult Club gave the history of the Club. Muriel Mitchell gave the history of the chapter;

It was then time for the young and talented to perform, and they put on a beautiful performance. Participating on the program were five young ladies who were no strangers to the Columbia community. They were Michelle Fizer, Lakeshia Anderson, and Angela Clay, all singers; Valeria Manning, who is a genius with the flute and Angie Marie Hancock who is a wiz at the piano.

The special guest was Dionne Oliver, Miss Talented Teen Maryland for 1985, who performed her winning Romeo and Juliet skit. It was a program townstolk are still whispering about.

Each year awards are presented to deserving club members and the community leaders who fit the criteria set by the national organization. This year the awards went to the future generation. The recipients were: Janet DeShields was so honored for her outstanding service in the business community. She is the manager of the Lady Bug store in Columbia and was recognized as the manager of the Store of the Year with the highest increase in sales.

Valeria Manning was a recipient for outstanding achievement in all aspects of life. Academically she holds a 3.9 average in her senior high school and participates in the talented and gifted English and physics program and is an all county athlete.

Laurie Hoes received the professional award. She is an international intelligence officer with a dept. of foreign travel and language experience. Third Vice President Doris Brown received the Club's Distinguished Service Award.

The Young Adult Club was recognized for its dedication to the purposes of NANBPW. A special leadership award was presented to Daphanie DeShields who is the Young Adult Club founder and president.

A beautiful rose should be given to the hardworking door prize committee. Cordelia Birdsong was the chairperson and the members were Dr. Vera Wilson, Jacqueline Banks and Mary Bracey.

The members of the awards committee included Delores Richmond, chairperson; Celonia Walden and Doris Brown.

The Founders' Day Celebration committee included yours truly, chairperson; Fambridge Payne, Muriel Mitchell, Clemma Carrington and Loretta Green.

It was a beautiful celebration and the theme could not have been more appropriate, "CELEBRATE WITH THE YOUNG AND GIFTED."

EVENING OF ELEGANCE

Those fabulous Link ladies will be stepping with poise and elegance when they present their benefit "AN EVENING OF EMERALD ELEGANCE" on Saturday, April 26 at the Turf Valley Country Club.

The affair will begin at 7 p.m. and last until midnight.

Highlights will be dinner, music, fashion show, casino games and auction. Black Tie. It's going to be a fun night. Pay $60.00 per couple and join the fun.

Jeanne Cooper is the Chairperson for the Affair and Sandra Gray is the Columbia 'Links' president.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY
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The Expecting Grandparents Class

"The Expecting Grandparents Class," is a free Union Memorial Health Talk on Wednesday, April 30, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the hospital's Memorial Auditorium, 201 East University Pkwy.

Part of the hospital's Health Talk series, this session covers grandparents' role, trends in childbirth, infant care in the 80's and a film on delivery.

Free parking is available at The Union Memorial Parking Plaza, 34th and Calvert Streets, one block east of The Johns Hopkins Homewood campus. Advanced registration is required. For more information on the Health Talk series, or to register call 554-2268.

Vanessa D. Morgan to wed

Vanessia D. Morgan Engaged

Marion Morgan and Mrs. Winifred Morgan, 11905 Bion Drive, Ft. Washington, MD have announced the engagement of their daughter, Vannesia D. Morgan to Ronald H. Smith, Green Meadow Dr., Columbia, MD., son of Nathaniel Smith and Mrs. Mary L. Smith, Lauretta Ave., Baltimore.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Du Val Senior High School and the University of Maryland at Baltimore School of Nursing.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of the Baltimore City College High School and the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Miss. Morgan is the granddaughter of Mary Boyington of Landover, MD. Ronald H. Smith is the grandson of Bertha Gamble of Lynchburg, SC.

The wedding will take place Saturday, May 31 at the First Baptist Church in Landover, MD.

Who will vie for 'Miss Black Preakness?

Do you live in the Park Heights - Forest Park Area? Then, you should consider your qualifications and talents, and submit a photograph and the following information to: "IDEAS" - 5900 Park Heights Ave., Apt. 106, 21215.

Send a Biographical sketch of your accomplishments in the past 23 years; your skills in acting, modeling, sports, etc; what championships you've received or honors (and what they were for); mention your source of spiritual, enlightenment, and what (if any) Beauty or Popularity Contests you've participated in.

Deadline date: May 8th.

P.G. seeks to set up panel on youth

'Prince George's County Executive Parris Glendening last week submitted to the County Council legislation to create a Prince George's County Commission on Children and Youth. "Nearly a third of our population is under 18 years of age," Glendening said.

Under the proposed legislation, the County Executive would appoint a 15-member commission, subject to confirmation by the County Council. At least five members would represent public and private agencies serving young people. One member of the Commission would be less than 18 years old. The adults will serve for three-year terms and the youth for a one-year term.

The Commission would be served by a five-member staff, charged with carrying out the recommendations of the Commission.

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