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MANOR CLUB

In last week's column, brief superstar's belief that while he

his hectic schedule for just one wanted) to make direct contact

all week about why he went to youth.

this place, but not that, or spent

this amount of time here, but not

superstar such as Mr. Wonder

organizations and businesses re-

to fulfill them all. He employs

what's known as an advance man

to precede his visit to a city and

make all of the necessary ar-

rangements for him to meet wit

local officials and sponsors of his

amount of socializing for himself

and members of his entourage.

This reporter was fortunate

be included in meetings with

Ron Allen knew just what he

wanted: a celebrity welcome for

Stevie's advance man —

and Baltimore.

Green and myself.

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Wonder and his manager Ira

Tucker.)

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THE MANOR CLUB 1800 N. Eutaw Pl. Baltimore, MD. For More Information Call: 728-5100 exactly what he promised to do. It was simply very difficult to know what that was because r the increasing number of people involved and the constant juggling of how to get everything done and still leave the singer

But we kept the faith. Chaka Carter and Donnie Green are to be commended for all of their efforts because finally, he was here and the day was great for him and for Baltimore.

mention was made of **Stevie** was in a predominately black Wonder's visit to Baltimore and populated city, he should (and Of course, he didn't arrive day. Questions have been flying with its people — especially its anywhere at the scheduled time! Everywhere he went there were awards and words of apprecia-

When The MANOR CLUB owners offered to be of service during the two-day visit, Mr. rive at The MANOR CLUB at 9 Allen thought THE CLUB would be p.m. but couldn't get away from the perfect place for a late night The Power Plant (a concert sponreception following the Thursday sor) until 1:45 a.m.

night concert. Would the owner Guests at THE CLUB stayed and mind? They were delighted and stayed waiting for the maestro to come. Although some wondered Following a tour of The Club's whether or not he would actualfacilities, Allen, Carter, Green ly be there, everyone went and I proceeded to the home of ahead with the party anyway.

We watched a video of Marie Henderson to map out Motown's 25th Anniversary spethe city's participation in the ac- cial, laughed and talked, sang tivities. Ron Allen then went back songs around the piano, drank to Philadelphia to long distance and enjoyed a delicious buffet the suggested plans to Mr. prepared by Chef Chambers and co-owner Ernest Jones.

Some people started to reluctantly drift out at midnight and In the next day and a half, Chake Carter, who was the con- plans changed countless times. most guest were gone by 1:30 work day) but, before the last 25 was in; the reception was Our first meeting was held at scheduled first on Thursday, then down the street came the The MANOR CLUB two days on Wednesday, and then for both limousine and the cry went up, next morning for another gruel- could have gone anywhere and before Stevie was to arrive and days. A youth rally was on, the "Here he comes! It's Stevie!"

included Mr. Allen, Miss Carter, next moment off, while everyone The next hour was a dream Manor Club co-owner Sandra who heard of his limited come true. Although extremely Dobson, photographer Donnie availability wanted a piece of his tired, the gracious Mr. Wonder chatted with guests, posed for that brief visit tired me out! One inie, Sandi, Ernie, Roy, Reggie, By this time, everyone on our pictures with everyone, and can imagine what living through and especially the man himself, small committee was truly finally had a few minutes of pure it was like for Wonder and his Mr. Wonder, public appearances frazzled and dazed. Although relaxation. Then he was off for a staff. at charitable or cultural events, changes were being made left and a visit to a city school. He and right, we always believed by wanted to do this because of the that **Stevie Wonder** would do few hours' sleep before having to I have heard "grumblings" begin another equally long day

Some of the lucky MANOR CLUB guests were: Pam Jenkins Dobson, Janice Forrest and son Bryon, Irving and Clarice Sunday Brunch Phillips, brothers Mason and Marvin Guthrie, co-owners' son, Ernest Jones, Jr., Jackie Blake, Bill Branch, JoAnn Morton, Don Waddy, Darryl Kinnon, AFRO secretary Angela Alexander and her mother Elizabeth, AFRO Account Executive India Artis, WJZ's Harold Anthony, Leon and Eleanor Brown, Dr. Lenora Caldwell, Fred and Beverly Douglas, Fred Grant, Kay Davis, Jerry Lymas, Robert Matthews, IV, Councilman and Mrs. Nathaniel McFadden, Alan Meacham, C & P's Carl

> and Lewis Marshall. Thursday night's reception, sponsored by Roy Sampson and Reggie Thomas of V-103, was equally as fabulous as the night

Smith, V-103's Reggie Thomas,

(Photo by Donnie Green)

Manor Club owner Sandra Dobson welcomes Stevie Wonder to a late night reception at the Manor Club on Eutaw

tact person between Mr. Allen One school was out, the other a.m. (after all, Thursday was a before. The guests, however, "fair share" of his time, but, we were not quite as lucky: Mr. were just thrilled and honored guests could pull off in their cars, Wonder was tired and needed that he chose to spend some time rest before leaving at 10 a.m. the with us at The MANOR CLUB. He

Whew! Just recalling and a day in the life.

ing day before his concert at done anything he wanted and we Hampton, Va. (a five hour ride). couldn't be more satisfied. What

writing about a few segments of Thanks to Chaka, Ron, Ira, Don-Mr. Stevie Wonder. It was an experience we will never forget.

P.S. The concert was fantastic. from people who felt they were See Paula Brooks' review left out or didn't receive their elsewhere in Friday Plus.

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