LIFESTYLE

PARTYLINE
By Pattie Hodges

LINKS' INDUCTION

The Harbor City Chapter of The Links inducted five new members into its Chapter on June 5. This was the first induction ceremony of new members since the Chapter was established in October, 1986.

The new members inducted were Mrs. Beverly Carter, Mrs. Frances (Toni) Draper, Ms. Yvonne Lansey, Mrs. Cheryl Pappy, and Dr. Patricia Schmoke.

A private ceremony was held in the afternoon, and a reception immediately followed with connecting Links and guests of the new members.

The reception and ceremony were held at the

Dr. James A. Priest
National Grand Chi Prexy

home of Link Carolyn Syphax-Young and Connecting Link Harold Young on Benhurst Rd.

The President of the Chapter is Link Jesola E. Jones, and Link Delace W. Burch is Membership Chairman.

Other Harbor City Chapter members include Monica B. Boone, Eileen A. Carpenter, Brenda B. Coakley, Penny B. Etienne-Boone, Beth Woodland Hargrove, Carmen Holmes, C. Yvonne Holt-Stone, Jacqueline Hrabowski, Debra Marshall, Frankie E. Martin, Mattie L. Mumby, Gina L. Patterson, Marion L. Patterson, Alice G. Pinderhughes, Yvonne Davis Robinson, Robin R. Russell, Candace S. Simms, Tina P. Stepter, Lynne B. Taylor, Rita B. Turner and Carol F. White.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are in order for Dr. James A. Priest, prominent Baltimore physician, who was elected National Grand President of the Chi Delta Mu Fraternity at its 75th Annual Conclave held in Washington, DC June 22 thru June 26.

The Chi Delta Mu Fraternity was founded at Howard University in 1913 and its members felt it fitting and proper to return to its birthplace to celebrate its Diamond Jubilee Anniversary.

This unique and very prestigious professional fraternity was originally composed of physicians, dentists, and pharmacists. Three years ago they admitted podiatrists, osteopaths, and veterinarians. Its membership is composed of black professionals nationally and internationally with chapters in every major city in the U.S.

In his acceptance speech, Dr. Priest outlined a number of challenges to the members and guests at an overflow glittering formal banquet. He stated that: "God gave us a world unfinished so that we might share in the joys and satisfaction of creation." he further stated that: "God gave us the challenge of raw materials, not the satisfaction of perfectly finished things so we might not become arrogant and bored, but engage in stimulating, exciting, creative, brotherly — uplifting activities that keep us thinking, working, experimenting, and experiencing all the joys and durable satisfactions of achievements."

Dr. Benjamin S. Carson, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Pediatric Neurosurgery, Johns Hopkins Hospital, was the banquet speaker. Dr. Carson is that internationally-known neurosurgeon that separated the German born siamese Binder twins.

The Morgan State University Choir, under the direction of Dr. Nathan Carter, electrified the formal banquet with its perfectly dictioned music.

Dr. Priest is a past president of the local Iota Chapter Chi Delta Mu; Past Chairman of the Board of Directors, Baltimore Urban League; and past Basileus Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He is married to Ponjola B. Priest, who held the Bible as Dr. Priest took the oath of office.

WHITE FAMILY REUNION SCHEDULED

The White Family Network of the Baltimore/Washington Area will host the Third Biennial International Family Reunion at the Washington Marriott Hotel, Washington, D.C. July 8-10.

Relatives will be attending from Canada, Bermuda, California, New Jersey, New York and Virginia. The reunion theme is "Honoring The Past and Shaping The Future."

Activities include a Torch Lighting Ceremony, an

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(Photo by John H. Murphy, III)
NEW LINKS—June 2 inductees of the Harbor City Chapter of the Links, Inc. are (L to R): Cheryl Pappy, Yvonne Lansey, Beverly Carter, Frances (Toni) Draper and Patricia Schmoke.

800 attend AKA's spring gala

IN ON THE FUN are (from L): Connie Hankins, Norma and David Scott.

Photos by John H. Murphy, III

DOING SOME "SERIOUS" DANCING during the annual spring gala hosted by the Epsilon Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. at Martin's West Friday, June 10 are Gladys Shannon and Leonard Simmons.

DANCE CHAIRPERSON DEBORAH MCCRIMMON (C) is seen with (from L): Floretta James, Nancy Bennett, Phillis Doggett and Doris Denby.

Nearly 800 folks "togged to the teeth" thronged Martin's West on Friday, June 10.

The ladies were "hooked"—willowy in tea-length dresses and gowns of soft silks and shimmering satins with glitter, many in pink or green or combinations thereof. The men were 'distingue' in their spring tuxedos.

Gregariousness prevailed as couples sampled and resampled savory hot hors d'oeuvres and downed sippables from continuous open bar during the 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. cocktail hour.

Conversation was as bubbly as the vivaciously saucy pink, green and clear balloons which danced jauntily over tables wrapped in pink and green napery.

Dancing even more than the balloons were the hundreds who took to the floor to let their hair down to the ever-effervescent tunes of the Bob-by Felder Band.

In between courses of the appetizing sit-down dinner there was more dancing. Table hopping evoked cheerful greetings from guests who

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'Miss Talented Teen Maryland '88' crowned

(Photos by John H. Murphy, III)
MISS TALENTED TEEN MARYLAND '88—Jada Pinkett smiles through her joyous tears after being crowned Sunday, June 12 as the new Miss Talented Teen Maryland for 1988.

On Sunday, June 12 at the Marriott Hotel, Jada Pinkett, age 16, captivated the audience and the judges with her original 'Dear Daddy' dramatization and won the crown during the 'Miss Talented Teen Maryland' Pageant produced and directed by Mrs. Pinnie L. Ross.

First runner-up was Morenike Keyes, 13, dancer; second runner-up, Catrina Jones, 14, singer; third runner-up, Tonika Custalow, 14, dancer; fourth runner-up, Anita Dashiell, 15, dancer. Other contestants were singers Da Shonda Gilliard and Audrey Brown, both 15.

The 1988 'Miss Talented Teen Maryland' received crown, sash, flowers and trophy from Mrs. Ross, a $100 check from Oliver Sterling (owner of a gift shop); $100 from the Columbia AKAs via Mrs. Jean Lewis; $75 from the Columbia Kappas via Polemarch - Elect Robert Birdsong, and will have eight fun-filled days in Chicago in July where she will vie for the title in Hal Jackson's 'Miss Talented Teen International' Pageant.

First runner-up got $100 from Oliver Sterling; $50 from the Columbia Links via Celonia Walden; second runner-up $50 from the Columbia Deltas via Credella Birdsong and third runner-up $25 from the Columbia Club Dejouir, via president Eloise Lee.

All contestants received flowers, trophies and $25 from Columbia Club Dejouir via Melinda Clark; Columbia Pierians via Mrs. Walden and Columbia B & P women via Myriam Mitchell, prexy.

Super musical entertainment was provided by the Mark Elliott Trio, a spirited production number by the contestants, choreographed by Rae Ross Sandifer, stimulating solos by Michelle Fizer, 1985 Talented Teen

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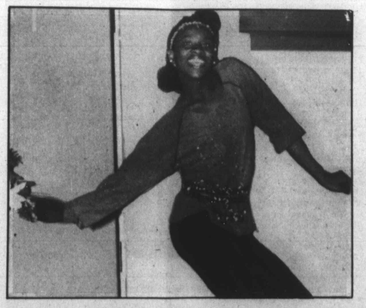

FIRST-RUNNER-UP Morenike S. Keyes does a spirited dance to Michael Jackson's "I'm Bad" during the Talent Competition.

MRS. PINNIE L. ROSS—Producer-Director of the Miss Talented Teen Maryland pageant confers with long-time pageant emcee and emcee for '88 Congressman Kweisi Mfume.

COLUMBIA CAPERS
By Pinnie Ross

NAACP ACT-SO AWARDS

The Howard County Branch of the NAACP recently held its ACT-SO Awards Program at the Oakland Mills High School. ACT-SO stands for Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics. Its purpose is to inspire black communities to encourage young people to compete in academic and cultural pursuits.

This annual competition is sponsored by the local branches for students in grades nine thru twelve. There were twelve Howard County students participating in this year's competition which will culminate at the National NAACP Convention in Washington, D.C. in July.

It was indeed a pleasure for me to serve as one of the judges for this competition. Some of the noted judges were: Alfred Jones, State ACT-SO Director; Mrs. Mary B. West, Actress; Verna L. Day, Actress; Jean Toomer, Director of the Howard County Office of Human Rights; Doris Ligon, Museum Director; Stephen Mims, Henry D. Felton, Pauline Thornton and Abraham Wright.

Gold Medal Winners were: Micheal Dunston, Altholton High School (Oratory); Ann Marie Gannon, Howard High School (Instrumental); Brian Betts, Oakland Mills High School (Poetry); Ekello Harrid, Jr., Hammond High School (Drama); Lyrica Montague, Hammond High School, (Dance); April Motley, Howard High School (Vocal Music); Chris Odom, Hammond High School (Classical Music); Stacia Strocker, Howard High School (Drawing); Winston Washington, Howard High School (Painting) and Derek Gentry, Hammond High School (Drama).

Bronze Medal Winners were: Stacia Strother, Howard High School (Painting) and Tracia Thomas, Oakland Mills High School (Drawing).

The gold medal winners are eligible to compete at the NAACP Convention for cash awards to assist them with their education.

Retired school administrator Elhart Flurry is the general chair for the Howard County NAACP ACT-SO Program and got it off to a very successful start.

However, he said that it will take approximately $4,800.00 to send the winners to the national competition in Washington. He currently has only eight hundred ($800.00) towards the expenses which include travel, lodging and food. He is asking for contributions to be sent to the Howard County Branch, NAACP, Box 622, Columbia, MD 21045 or you may call him on 301/792-7691 or 792-3706.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all the Howard County graduates who will be off to college in the fall.

Congratulations to Michelle Gay who received the Lion's Pride Scholar Athlete Faculty Award, Delta Sigma Theta Outstanding Senior Award, Alpha Phi Alpha Award, County Council Student Leadership Award, Board of Education Outstanding Senior Award, Howard County Scholar Recognition Award and the Presidential Academic Fitness Award. Finishing in the top five percent of her class, Michelle received a full scholarship at Hampton University.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

No age or time of life, no position or circumstance, has a monopoly on success. Any age is the right age to start doing. . . .

James Watson Gerard

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original family drama entitled "Up From Slavery," a Seminar on Genealogy, and Honors Banquet, and Sunday morning worship featuring ministers of the family. Guests will also visit historic sites in Baltimore, Washington, and Virginia.

The family history dates back to the days of slavery. By the end of the Civil War, Andrew and Isabella White married and anchored the family roots in the soil of beautiful Tidewater, VA.

Today, branches from those roots have spread throughout the world.

Along the way, they have interwoven with a multiplicity of interesting cultures, careers and experiences that gives the White Family the unique priviledge of being both an international and a multi-cultural group.

Honorary Chairpersons for the Reunion are Mrs. Mattie White Ashton and Mrs. Mabel White Lawrence. Co-chairpersons are Myra White Gray and Karen White.

IOTA INITIATION—33

The Iota Chapter of Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority, Incorporated recently held the closing meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. Marie Dowell in Columbia, MD.

Sorors initiated Acorn Club members. They are M's Marlene Melton, Hattie Seward, Aline Lyde, and Ella Hamilton, who were sponsored by M's Mildred Armstead, Rosalie Burkes, Elaine Alexander, and Lenora Terrell. The Acorn Club members made an exceptional presentation to the sorority.

Iota Sorors have special plans for the rest of the Sorority year. They include a crab feast, a musical dinner theatre, and a Conclave in San Diego, California.

Congratulations were extended to the 1988-1990 elected officers: Elaine Alexander, basileus; Lenora Terrell, first anti basileus; Catherine De Ford, second anti basileus; Phyllis Hawkins, recording grammateus; Vivian Bennett, corresponding grammateus; Rosalie Burkes, tamiochus; Gloria Banks, financial grammateus; Betty Wooden, epistoleus, and Denise Weems, parliamentarian.

June 1988 retirees were also cited and they are M's Vivian Bennett, Rosalie Burkes, and Hattie Seward.

The meeting adjourned and sorors enjoyed a delectable repast.

Sorors in attendance included Gladys Baird, Ethel Covington, Elizabeth Day, Imogene Douglass, Gayle Guilford, Fannie Harvey, Audrey Ingram, Shelia Jessup, Evelyn Moore, Alice Press, Ovella Queen, Arabella Ross, Betty Shelton, Dorothy C. Smith, Dorothy Stone, Joyce Sturgis, Shirley Tiller, Louise Turks, Shirley Watkins, Betty West, Marguerite Wilkins, E. Monterey Williams, and Ida Wroten.

The ELECTRICITY IS BACK!
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2,000 Masons meet in Baltimore

A SEA OF MASONS among the 2,000 who were in Baltimore Sunday, June 12 for the first St. John Day held at the Masonic Temple Sunday, June 12 applaud the program going on.

AT RAPT ATTENTION during St. John Day activities are (from l): State Treasurer Ronald Scott, Most Worshipful Grand Master Samuel T. Daniels and Stuart Simms, Baltimore State's Attorney.

GUEST SPEAKER the Rev. Maurice Blackwell drives home a point.

2,000 Prince Hall Masons, led by the Most Worshipful Samuel T. Daniels, Grandmaster, State of Maryland and its jurisdictions, were welcomed to Maryland's first St. Johns Day Services by Right Worshipful Wayne E. Paxton from the First Masonic District. The services were held on Sunday, June 12 at the Masonic Temple, Eutaw Pl.

Grandmaster Daniels opened the services by reminding those gathered that St. John, to whom every Masonic lodge is dedicated, was the harbinger of change; the advance man for Christ. Daniels found significance in the fact that the first St. Johns Day was being celebrated in the wake of significant political changes in our community.

Daniels introduced distinguished guests The Hon. Kweisi Mfume, Rep. 7th D; the Hon. Mary Pat Clarke, President of City Council; and the Hon. Stuart O. Simms, States Atty., all of whom made timely remarks.

Guest speaker, a brother Mason, the Rev. Brother Maurice Blackwell, pastor of St. Edwards Roman Catholic

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WOODLAWN HIGHLIGHTS
By Marjorie Green

VOLUNTEERISM PAYS OFF

Scholastic ability and volunteer work were two deciding factors when Jawauna Brown was named the recipient of a special grant and a four year scholarship from Hood College.

A June graduate of the Baltimore City College High School, Jawauna has chosen psychology as her major when she begins study at the Western Maryland College in September.

Her summer months will be split between work and travel. North Carolina and Florida are already on her travel itinerary.

Prior to City College she attended the Fallstaff Middle School.

During her teen years, Jawauna continuously engaged in extra curricular activities in order to broaden her skills. Peer counseling, Red Cross volunteer work and involvement in the political campaigns of Kurt Schmoke and Larry Young are just a few of the areas where she exercised her talents.

According to Jawauna, "My mother, Carolyn Cook had a strong influence on my life." She also applauded her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hill. Mr. Hill, whom she says received very little formal education, has also had a very positive affect on her life. He is the owner of Hill's Trucking Company in Dundalk and has always encouraged her and his children to do better.

Born under the sign of Cancer, Jawauna is destined for a great future.

"NICKIE" DAVIS CEELBRATES GRADUATION DAY

Graduating from kindergarten at the end of the

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald D. Mackel

AFRO Weddings

Spencer-Mackel

Baltimore is still buzzing about the festivities surrounding the recent wedding and reception of Sondra Lynn Spencer and Donald D. Mackel. It began to be a non-stop array of activities when Sondra and Donald were wed at the Wedding Chapel of Towson's Courthouse on a balmy, June Friday evening, followed by dinner for 12 hosted by the parents of the bride and groom at the Belvedere Hotel.

As part of the wedding package, Sondra and Donald were given a hotel room for the night while their parents and their wedding coordinator readied their new home for the gala reception that was to follow on the next morning.

Extensive preparation was evident as guests began to arrive for the 11 a.m. Champagne Brunch in the garden of the newlyweds' home. From the gazebo in one corner of the acre property - by the food tables laden with delicious food - and then to the gift table - were "tokens" of miniature antique frames were provided for each and every guest - the pleasures were on-going.

Music was at first provided by Gary Monroe, friend of the groom, then for two hours, the Baltimore Jazz Workshop Quartet completed the musical fare.

The delicious brunch menu was prepared by the Biddle Street Caterers and served by waiters from the Culinary Arts Institute. Champagne and citrus juice punch flowed simultaneously from the silver fountains. The tables were each decorated with filled fresh fruit baskets adorned with a single balloon.

Toasting the couple were the best man, Sheldon Lane, friend and business associate of the groom; Barry Woodley, and the bride's sister and wedding coordinator, Diana L. Spencer.

Elegant was the word most often repeated when descriptions were made of the bride. Wearing a beautiful two-piece silk chiffon dropped waist dress with matching sandals for the wedding on Friday, Sondra selected a more formal dress of imported lace for the reception. She was a picture of loveliness against the background of trees and flowers in their garden.

Diana Lynn Spencer, Maid of Honor and the sister of the bride, wore a beige linen chemise with matching accessories exquisitely adding to the garden party theme.

This motif was continued by the bridegroom as he wore a beige linen suit contrasting the dark gray Adolfo stripped suit which he had worn the evening before. Continuing this trend were the parents wearing shades of green, gray, and aqua blending together in a pretty picture of floral elegance.

Guests were treated to regularly scheduled tours of the house and continuous showing of the tape of the wedding.

The bride is the daughter of Milton and Marian Spencer of Pikesville. She is an attorney currently working for the State of Maryland.

The bridegroom is the son of Nathaniel Mackel and Mildred Jones and the stepson of Leighton Jones. He is employed as a computer specialist in the downtown area.

Out of town guests came from North Carolina and New Jersey. They were joined by nearly two hundred local guests from the Baltimore area.

Following a seven-day trip that included hotel stays in Quebec and Montreal, Canada and a brief stop at the New Jersey home of the best man, the couple is at their new Pikesville home.

Anderson-Locklear

On Saturday, June 25 Thomasa Jannel Anderson, Baltimore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Anderson (Joann) was married to Tony Vargas Locklear, Baltimore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Locklear (Roxanne).

The bride is a Northern High School and a Catonsville Community College graduate, and is attending the University of Baltimore School of Business.

Mrs. Tony V. Locklear

The groom is a 2nd Class Petty Officer in the U.S. Navy.

The bride was given in marriage, officiated by the Rev. Douglas L. Miles at Brown's Memorial Baptist Church, W. Belvedere Ave., by her grandfather, Vernon Hawkins.

Maid of Honor was Leshia Cornish, Matron of Honor, Rosette Hawkins. Best Man was Tyrone Wright, the groom's cousin.

Other attendants were Brian Smith—Tyrone Hawkins, bride's uncle; Andre Draper, bride's cousin; Darrell Covington, Jamaal Hawkins and Gregory Green, Jr., bride's cousins; Michelle Locklear, the groom's sister; Donna Worsley, Jinene Marshall, cousin; Chimeira Greenwood, cousin; Malkia Wilson, all cousins of the bride, Malika Hawkins, Flower Girl, and Julian Hawkins, bride's cousin, Ring Bearer.

A reception was hosted for the couple at the Forum, Primrose Ave. Following a honeymoon trip to the Poconos, the new Mr. and Mrs. Locklear are at home temporarily on Melville Ave.