LIFESTYLE

PARTYLINE
By Pattie Hodges

SCHOOL DAZE GRADUATION PARTY CELEBRATES REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT

Spike Lee could not have planned a party any better, and the EU band could not have played the "School Daze" theme song any better! The graduation party given this summer in Columbia, Maryland by Dr. and Mrs. William Rice for their daughter, Tammala, was indeed an incredible celebration.

Because of Tammala's extremely impressive volunteer community service record, as well as her outstanding academic achievement, her parents honored her with a fabulous "School Daze Graduation Party" that people are still talking about.

Over 400 guests showed up in Columbia for the party, with less than one week's notice, and showered her with gifts. Most of the college students who came to the party attended Morehouse and Spelman, since Tammala graduated from Spelman, but there were also students from Howard, Hampton, Princeton, Yale, N.C. A. and T. State, U. of Maryland, U. of Virginia, Indiana U., and Clark.

The guest list of adults, however, read like a Who's Who of the Washington, D.C. — Baltimore — Columbia area. Other guests came from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Missouri, California, North Carolina, Georgia, and Mississippi.

Although Tammala is only 20 years old, she has spent a tremendous number of volunteer hours in Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Columbia, and Atlanta working with various community groups and organizations. In her own self-styled way she has attempted to address some of society's problems and social issues.

She has worked over the past eight years with elementary school underachievers, at-risk teens, retarded persons, hospital patients, nursing home patients, welfare mothers, teenage mothers, homeless persons, anti-apartheid groups, and legislators.

Tammala has received several awards and citations for her humanitarian deeds. Her mother (Donna Rice) says, "Tammy (nickname) truly believes young people can make the world better — they can!"

In spite of her active involvement in community activities, Tammala was still an honor student at Spelman and graduated Cum Laude with double major in Biology and Psychology. She was admitted to six medical schools but she plans to attend Howard University Medical School in the fall.

The guests were wined and dined in grand style in a beautiful garden setting, extravagantly decorated. There were pink, blue, and yellow flowers and balloons everywhere. Tammala's floral print dress was covered with large pink, yellow, and blue flowers which matched the color scheme of the decorations.

Thomas McClurkin, Public Relations Director for Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke, brought very warm wishes on behalf of the mayor. Herbert Reid, Legal Counsel for D.C. Mayor Marion Barry, telephoned best wishes from the Mayor. Elizabeth Bobo, the Howard County Executive, sent a plaque recognizing Tammala's achievements, which was presented by community leader Sherman Howell.

Senior Edward Kennedy, for whom Tammala did an Intership, sent a letter of congratulations. Senator Paul Sarbanes also sent his

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TAMMALA RICE (L) is all smiles with proud mom, Mrs. Donna Rice during the recent celebration of Tammala' Cum Laude graduation from Spelman College.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Palmer mark 25th year

Youths vie for 'Poise and Confidence' prizes

ALEXANDER JOHNSON receives a trophy during the finals of the Poise and Confidence Workshop sponsored by the Department of Recreation and Parks and held at Calloway Hill Recreation Center in June. The workshop had taken place prior to the finals at Northern High School. Presenting is Suzette Wynn, workshop coordinator. (Seen in back, from l): Shirley Duncan, director, Balto. Cultural Planning and Cheryl Verrett.

Photos by John H. Murphy, III

TAWNYA RICHARDSON happily receives her award.

AIRING FASHIONS WITH PIZAZZ are (from l): Kimberly Lee and Lita Henry.

Club Dejouir Conclave goes international

PINNIE L. ROSS, (L) founder, Club Dejouir, exchanges pleasantries during the Club 33rd Annual Conclave held recently at the Columbia Inn with (l to r): Pmeoda and Donald Rozier, Richmond, VA; Jesse and Nancy Kensler and Jim and Lorraine Dorsey, Columbia.

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LIVELY SOCIALIZING is done by (from l): Joseph and Frances Hayes, Richmond, VA; Nancy Bond, Petersburg, VA; Edwina Watkins, president, Baltimore City Chapter and Warren and Laurice Juggins, District of Columbia.

LIVING IT UP are (l to r): Maurine McKinley, Constance Rotan, Eloise Lee and Ethel Hill, Columbia; Beverly Brown and Betty Harris, Norfolk, VA.

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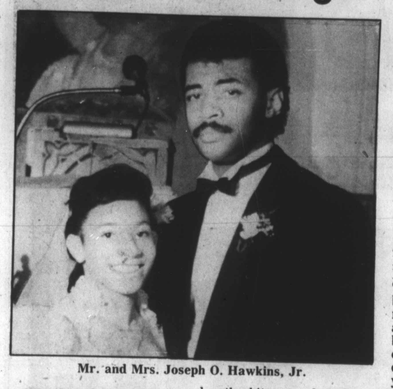
AFRO Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O. Hawkins, Jr.

Middleton-Hawkins

Sharron Middleton, daughter of Mrs. Esther Middleton and the late Herman Middleton was married recently to Joseph O. Hawkins, Jr. son of Mrs. Beulah Hawkins and Joseph O. Hawkins, Sr. at Mt. Hope Baptist Church by the Rev. Claude Hill.

The bride wore a white peau de soie gown with mutton sleeves, lace inserts encrusted with seed pearls and a long flowing tulle train. She carried a bouquet of white roses. Her headpiece was attached with seed pearls and roses.

She was given in marriage by Norman Jackson, Sr.

Matron of Honor, Dolly M. Todd and bridesmaid Tenea Jackson wore gowns of rose lace and carried flowered fans of rose and white. Flower girl, Angel Brunson wore full-length white organdy and carried a basket of rose petals.

The groom, Joseph O. Hawkins, Jr.; his best man, Odies Mann, and groomsmen, Terry Parker, wore black tuxedos with white rosebuds in their lapels.

Ushers at the church and reception were Misses Sharon Rollins, Shenita Chester and Anthony Rollins, Jr. and John Chester, Jr.

Hostesses were Mesdames Eugenia Foxx, Gloria Hicks and Mary Jackson. Mrs. Veronica Brooks was coordinator of the wedding.

The bride is a graduate of Western High School and Villa Julia College. She is employed by Fidelity and Deposit Trust Co.

The reception was held at McCulloh Homes Auditorium which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The couple honeymooned in the Poconos.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Thomas

Scott-Thomas

The nuptial knot was tied between Sheila Doreen Scott, 1627 Woodbourne Ave., daughter of Mrs. Carrie M. Scott, and the Rev. Kenneth Charles Thomas, Brooklyn, NY, son of Mrs. Estola Thomas, Mound Bayou, MI Saturday, July 9.

The double-ring ceremony, held at Memorial Baptist Church, Caroline and Preston Sts., was officiated by the Rev. Calvin E. Keene, Associate Minister, Memorial Baptist, at 5:30 p.m.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother Michael Lamont Scott, wore a long, white, satin gown, with a bodice of organza and alencon lace, encrusted with seed pearls, a scooped, scalloped neckline below a mandarin collar which flowed into netting from below the collar to the bodice. Her headdress, designed and made by hand, consisted of a cap adorned with lace and pearl appliques. She carried handmade silk flowers.

Matron of Honor Mrs. Sharon Queen, Baltimore, (bride's sister) wore a violet taffeta and lace dress with lace sleeves, a long lace bodice and full taffeta, tea-length skirt. She wore white lace gloves. Bridesmaids Carleen Keen, Barbara Allen, Anne Keene and Burline Dantzer, all of Baltimore, and the groom's niece, Ms. Patricia Gant, Bronx, NY, wore mauve colored taffeta and lace dresses. Flower Girls Erin V. Wilson, Lauderhill, FL, wore a violet lace taffeta gown and carried a basket of lilac petals.

Best Man was Moses Deese, Bronx, NY. Groomsmen were Stephen and Wayne Gant, Bronx, NY; William Givens, III, Brooklyn, NY; Russell Lawton, Elizabeth, NJ and Terrence Thomas, Mound Bayou, MI. Ring Bearer was Jamaal Queen, Baltimore, nephew of the bride.

A reception was hosted for the couple after the ceremony at Martin's Eastwind, from 7 until 11 p.m.

The bride is a graduate of Western High School and Coppin State College.

The groom holds a B.S. Degree from Mississippi Valley State University and a Master's Degree from the New York Theological Seminary.

The couple honeymooned for five days in Athens, Greece and took a three-day cruise of three islands. They are at home on Woodbourne Ave.

Out of town guests included Rev. and Mrs. Kelly (bride's aunt and uncle) Darlington, SC; Mrs. Alvera Crocket, groom's sister, Memphis, TN; Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Ft. Lauderhill, FL; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Craid, New York; C. Michael Mellor, Brooklyn, NY; Charles Prater, Los Angeles, CA; Mrs. Katherine Betts, Yonders, NY; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Joseph, Ulrique, NY;

From Baltimore: Rev. and Mrs. Harold Harvey; Mrs. Marion Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Diggs, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Gay, Mrs. Elsie Colona, Ms. Lorraine Lucas, Ms. Rosada Thompson, Mrs. Gertrude Flowers, Mrs. Joan Parker and Mrs. Rosie S. Keene.

COLUMBIA CAPERS
By Pinnie Ross

CLUB DEJOUIR

"LET'S GO INTERNATIONAL" was the chosen theme of the Columbia Chapter of Club Dejouir, Inc. when they hosted the 33rd National Conclave recently at the Columbia Inn.

Washington, D.C., Richmond, VA, Philadelphia, PA, Baltimore, Petersburg, VA and the Norfolk, VA chapters landed in the lobby of the Columbia Inn Airport on Friday. They were greeted and embraced by the host chapter members who were wearing airline stewardess' outfits of black skirts, white blouses coordinated with a specially designed scarf in black, yellow and white, the chapter's colors. The beautiful scarves were designed by my very good friend and sister Lorraine Dorsey.

ITINERARY

The Friday night "Tropical Island Night" commenced with a sit down dinner at 7:30 p.m. with a colorful tropical bill of fare. The room was decorated in island motif which included carvings in fruits presented by the hotel chef.

The evening was indeed tropical. As the guests entered the ballroom they were presented with colorful leis, after which they enjoyed the hospitality of the bar (tropical drinks) danced to the music of a steel band, observed the fire dancers and participated in a limbo contest.

The Saturday morning business meeting was called to order by our charming national president Charlotte Churn of Philadelphia. She continued to express the importance of each chapter supporting the arts locally and nationally. Our annual $1,000 contribution to the United Negro College was presented during the business session.

While the lovely DeJouirs were attending their business meeting, the Diques were off enjoying the cultural and sports activities available in the Columbia Area.

The National Service Award was presented to DeJouir Addie Bland of Baltimore, a lady who gives tirelessly to the needy and to her church. Orchids to Addie.

LUNCHEON FASHION SHOW

The luncheon that followed the business meeting was entertaining and exciting. The guests were entertained by world-famous Herb Kenny of the Ink Spots fame. His rendition of 'Paper Doll' and other Ink Spots favorites were wildly applauded by the ladies.

The ladies received one hundred percent silk scarves in a variety of colors from the host chapter.

After an overnight flight from Geneva for a business meeting and an entertaining luncheon, a short flight took the ladies to Paris for the latest in fashions for those very fashion-conscious ladies.

An "International Fling" was the title given to the fashion show with representatives from the various counties participating in the show. All seven chapters had representatives that turned and stepped high on the runway and enjoyed every moment.

The show climaxed with special guest male model Elliott Wallace of the Travis Winkey Modeling Studio, Kelly Jackson, former Miss Talented Teen Maryland, Kelly Young, daughter of DeJouir Ruthie Young, Carla Frazier and Michelle Fizer all professional models affiliated with Pinnie's Charm Studio in Columbia. The models, wearing red, white and blue waved American flags as they slowly danced to Ray Charles' rendition of America The Beautiful. The show was coordinated by my very good friend and sister Lorraine Dorsey.

INTERNATIONAL DINNER DANCE

Prior to partaking of an elegant dinner at 7 p.m., our Columbia Chapter president Eloise Lee made a champagne toast, assisted by Dique Earl Young. A total of 200 dignitaries from around the world came dressed in formal attire of their native country. The ladies were absolutely beautiful.

Flowers were presented to President Lee and your truly as founder, Columbia Chapter, Club Dejouir.

A black tie and white glove dinner service was provided by the hotel staff.

FANTASTIC FAREWELL

There were lots of surprises in store for the guests. Each lady received a clear lucite desk clip with pads, all engraved with Columbia Chapter Club DeJouir.

All National officers received flowers. A Special gift was presented to the Richmond Chapter, the Columbia Chapter sponsor. The gift, an elegant silver punch bowl with cups will be cherished by the Richmond Chapter members for years to come.

The morning was climaxed with a special presentation written by Dique Bill Burgess and directed by Dique Earl Young. It was a hilarious rap presentation followed by a farewell song written and directed by yours truly entitled, "We Did It Our Way."

Thanks to all the Columbia DeJouirs and their supportive Diques. It was truly a success and we did it our way.

President Eloise Lee, general chair, Maurine McKinley handled registrations; Delores Burgess, special activities; Lorraine Dorsey, luncheon and Pinnie L. Ross, brunch.

Other stars were Hazel Ervin, Gladys Bush, Hazel Rayford, Nancy Kensler, Constance Rotan, Gertie Snell, Ruthie Young, Helen Fitz-Patrick and Ethel Hill.

Connie and Tommy Edwards, Ethel and Bill Loving and Joyce and Harmon Melton, Oh how we missed you.

—Partyline

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regards. Howard County Council Chairman Vernon Gray and School Board member William Manning came to the party to offer their congratulations as well.

Other presentations were made by Dr. Charles Trotman, Board Member of the Howard University Medical Alumni Association; Mrs. Nettie Jones, Tammala's godmother; and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Daniels, her grandparents. Dr. and Mrs. Rice thanked their friends and family for the overwhelming response to the party, as well as the expressions of love and support given to Tammala over the years. They also recognized all of the recent graduates, from other schools, who were present at the party.

The spine-tingling music and show, provided by the popular "Mood Experience Band," created an atmosphere of sheer merriment. The college students enjoyed dancing to the electrified Top 20.

This party was truly a celebration to be remembered!

ANNIVERSARY FETE

Friday, June 4 was a banner day for Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Marshall (Marsha). It marked the celebration of their 25th year of marriage. The couple was united in matrimony June 2, 1963, and are still "glad we are together."

Family members and neighbors ad friends gathered at the Marshall's home at 1648 Warwick Ave. at 7 p.m. to join them in their celebration, and did not depart until midnight.

The couple toasted each other in champagne before the evening's end and received congratulations and well wishes from family and friends.

Joseph Marshall works for Giants Foods, Inc. and his wife for the Baltimore Mattress Corp. They have three offspring — Dominick, 26; Tonya, 24, and Frederick, 22.

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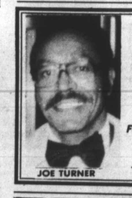

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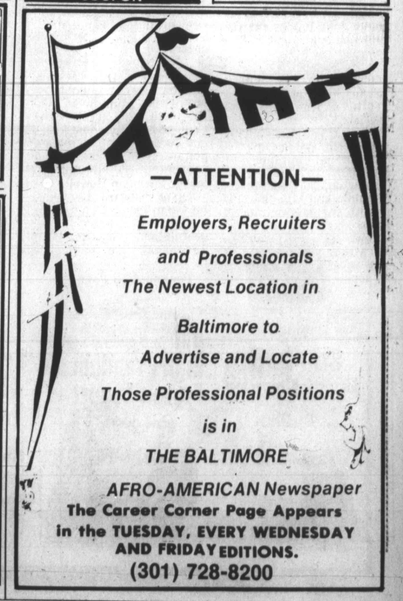

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