IF YOU ASK ME

By Bettye Moss

BONNE COEURS CLUB members who hosted fun party on Friday, left to right, front, Zelma Douglas, Leone Felton, president Graham. Rear, Clara Thomas, Alverta Stewart, Gladys Foster, Viola Randolph. Not pictured, Susie Dyett.

Smile Orchids

She's attractive, has a friendly manner and engaging smile which you notice the minute you're in her presence.

Twenty-two-year old **Charla Simms** is a senior at Morgan State University, where she is majoring in accounting. She works after school as a corporate service rep for a local bank.

Cuff note: Our paths crossed this week when she was doing an errand for her mother, **Mrs. Etta Simms,** the Pimlico Middle School teacher. Dad is **Charles Simms,** the retired Beth Steel employee.

Smile orchids to **Mr. and Mrs. Simms,** too. Daughter, **Charla** is the fifth child they've seen through college.

The **Simms** family attends St. Cecilia's Catholic Church, where dad sings on the choir and is president of the Holy Name Society. Mom is the head lady (president) of the Ladies of Good Council.

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Smile orchids to the smiling couple we watched holding hands during their Sunday evening dinner . . . learned later why. They were **Dr. Thomas Hubbard,** City College of Baltimore science prof., and **Julia Wheeler Taylor,** of Durham, N.C. They volunteered they are engaged and proudly displayed the ring.

Cuff note: Mrs. Taylor is chairperson, president and chief operating officer of Mechanics and Farmers Bank in the North Carolina City.

She is one of the 100 "best and brightest Black women in corporate America" in the current issue of **Ebony,** which notes that Mechanics and Farmers has assets in excess of $86 million. The photo of her on page 31 does not do her justice. She is a vibrant person, full of enthusiasm when you meet her in person — and Sunday she and Dr. Hubbard were attractive in black outfits.

Bonne Coeurs

Orchids to members of the Bonne Coeurs Club. They hosted a delightful dinner party on Friday evening at the Fountaine Rouge. Friends admire members for their kindness and caring for others.

Guests fellowshipped, dined and danced to music provided by Riley. (They just loved that Electric Slide!).

Organized 40 years ago, the club meets monthly for dinner and chatter and members-business and professional women-take time to help others.

They support the AFRO's Mrs. Santa and have added the Bea Gaddy homeless project to their charity list, as well as Covenant House.

Leone Felton is president of the club. Other members are: **Zelma Douglas, Susie Graham, Clara Thomas, Alverta Stewart, Gladys Foster** and **Viola Randolph.** Another member, **Susie Dyett,** is ill and was unable to attend.

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More orchids to these smiling guests at the party: **Lemuel** and **Reva Lewie,** the retired educators who are excited about her upcoming month - long exhibit of sculpture and paintings which opens at the Howard Community College in Columbia on February 9.

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And to these guests, **Beulah Pratt,** the retired nurse, and **Eva Creigler,** the retired social worker, both members of Payne AME Church.

(Was it really in 1942 when Mrs. Creigler began work as an AFRO Proofreader and later went on to pioneer among the first female composing room employees?)

About People

Plenty of sunshine to **Royal Weaver,** the Callaway Ave. good neighbor. He's been moved to Children's Hospital, where he's getting therapy and learning about what to expect when he gets an artificial leg. He's been in excellent spirits, so keep up the cheer - write him, Children's Hospital Room 211, 3825 Greenspring Ave., Baltimore, Md.

Scallions to thieves who broke into Douglas Memorial Church at Lafayette and Madison Ave., a Sunday ago — same night as the testimonial honoring pastor, **Rev. Marion C. Bascom** for 40 years of service.

They made a hole in the kitchen wall, stole petty cash and office supplies which they loaded in the church's Camp Farthest Out bus and drove away. The bus was later recovered. No arrests at time deadline.

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One S . . . one S, please — Frederick Douglass High School named for the Md. - born abolitionist has two s-'Douglass'.

Douglas Memorial Church honors the memory of its founding pastor — the late Frederick Douglas, the minister from 1925 - 48.

He was a former minister of Bethel AME Church who withdrew to form what he initially called Cosmopolitan Church. Like his successor, **Dr. Bascom,** Rev. Douglas was an ardent worker in the community and encouraged his church and others to take an active role in the fight for freedom.

His church members renamed the church for him in 1938, while he was still active, just as Douglas members last month renamed the church's 49-apartment complex for **Dr. Bascom.**

Remember

Thinking-of-you cards to the family of **Miss Ethel Ashby,** member of an old East Baltimore family. She died Sunday at the age of 69. She donated her body to science. Memorial services are Saturday, 11 a.m. at Locks Funeral Home.

Survivors: Sisters, **Thelma Webster, Cleo Diggs, Hazel Tabb** and **Delores Parker.,** all of Baltimore.

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Remember please the family of **Isoline Sherard Crowner.** She was the Dennlyn Rd. resident who died Jan. 8 at the age of 73.

Funeral services were Jan. 13 at Trinity Presbyterian Church, where she was ordained a deacon and an elder.

She was remembered as "a warm and giving person," who loved her work, her church and her family and friends.

Mrs. Crowner was for 30 years supervisor of recreation at the Montrose School for Girls. She was active in a number of civic and social groups including the We Moms, Just Twelve, For-win Ash Federated Garden Club, National Council of Negro Women and Alpha Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, whose members conducted special fraternal rites.

She also volunteered her time with the Girl Scouts, Church Women United, Negro College Fund, the YWCA and the NAACP.

Survivors, daughter, **Jestina West,** son-in-law, **Larry R. West,** granddaughters, **Natalie** and **Adrienne West.** Also sisters, **Marjorie Oden** and **Gainel Handy,** and brothers, **Roscoe** and **Lawrence Sherard,** all of Atlanta.

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More people remembering: Morgan Christian Center was packed Friday evening, as relatives, friends and former co-workers and church members gathered to say farewell to **Lucille Ward Chapman Brown.**

She was the former Morgan employee who died at the age of 77.

Members of Cornerstone Church of Christ served as ushers. Cornerstone's **Rev. James Kearse** and Heritage's **Rev. Wendell Phillips** delighted with intimate stories of Mrs. Brown's fortitude even when she was in pain - she kept a smile.

Rev. Phillips suggested she "left a legacy of loving and caring."

Cornerstone's founder, **Rev. Dr. Logan Kearse** recently suffered two strokes. He was escorted to the chapel to pay respects. (**Mrs. Brown** was identified as a charter member).

Fellow members of the Big Sister Club which she cofounded 52 years ago were honorary pallbearers. One of them, **Vivian Burnett** read an original verse; (*"Her faith and endurance were something beautiful to behold..."*).

Survivors: Husband, **J. Sidney Brown,** daughter, **Barbara Clark;** grandchildren, **Judith, Bruce** and **Nancy Clark;** and a brother, **Theodore R. Brooks.**

Annapolis

Annapolis from a 10-year-old's viewpoint — we asked ten-year-old granddaughter, **Shannon,** to put down in her own words about her recent visit to Annapolis. She did it, and on a computer, too. Here is what she wrote:

"On Monday, January 29th, my father (Rev. Ronald E. Braxton) took me to a B.U.I.L.D. rally in Annapolis, Maryland. B.U.I.L.D. is an acronym for Baltimore United in Leadership Development. It consists of religious and community representatives.

"It was a cold, rainy evening. We left from Waters A.M.E. Church which is located on the East side of Baltimore.

"The purpose of the rally was to talk to the legislators, the people who run the government.

"Baltimore City pays a large amount of taxes and is not receiving a fair amount of tax money to support education. B.U.I.L.D. wants more tax money for Baltimore City Schools.

"Some of the people at the rally were Congressman Mfume, Mayor Kurt Schmoke, Senator Larry Young, and Delegate Hattie Harrison. They talked to us about the importance of education."

Steven M. Edwards

Final rites for Mr. Steven M. Edwards were held Jan. 4 at Mount Ararat Baptist Church.

He was born Nov. 2, 1962 to the late Joseph B. Edwards and Susie Anna Edwards, and as a young child displayed signs of his strong will and courage.

A member of Mt. Ararat Baptist Church, "Stevie," as he was affectionately called, was active in the Boys Scouts, Echoes, Intermediate Ushers and Junior Choir.

After graduation from Poly Tech in 1979, he joined the U.S. Army where he served for five years and obtained the rank of Sergeant. His military career was documented with many certification awards for outstanding performance of his duties.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Susie Ann Edwards; stepfather, Mr. Sammie Austin; brothers, Joseph M., Leroy, Timothy and Allan Edwards; sisters, Mrs. Loretta Edwards Paylor and Ms. Gloria Edwards.

Interment in Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery.

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11:00 Anthem (s)
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MINISTERS: Dr. Samuel Ray, Senior Minister
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—A Word

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can give Him the glory right now . . . We can bless His name right now, We can dance before Him right now . . . We can sing a new song right now . . . We can lift up holy hands right now . . . Right now . . . Right now! Right now! Glory to God in the highest! Our God reigns!

There's none like unto You, oh Lord among the Lords. I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul, wait thou only upon the Lord . . . I trusted in the Lord and I am helped. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord . . . Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.

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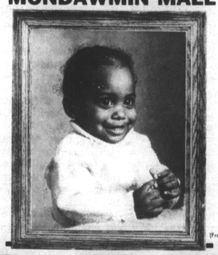

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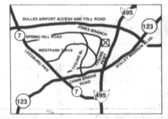

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