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SOCIAL NOTES

By Pattie I. Berry

Drifters Celebrate

The Baltimore Chapter of Drifters, Inc. had a "Love In" in February at the home of Drifter Mildred Taylor. Members were happy to see each other since this was their first meeting of the new year. After the meeting dinner was served. Then it was on to a fun-filled evening including Drifters and Driftwoods (husbands of the Drifters).

Baltimore Drifters are Delores Baden, Pauline Blackwell, Rose Hall, Mildred Harris, Florence Herbert, Margaret Land, Bernice McDaniels, Mae Medders, Mary Pitts, Julia Stanell, Mildred Taylor, Harriet Trader and Hattie Wells.

Founders' Day

Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority, Inc., Iota Chapter, will celebrate Founders' Day Saturday, March 25 at the Forum, Primrose Ave. from 12 noon until 4 p.m.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Benjamin S. Carson, Director, Pediatric Neurosurgery, The Johns Hopkins Hospital.

The Sorority will also honor Bea Gaddy for her community work. The theme for the chapter's Founders' Day 1989 is "Improving the Quality of Life: Focus on Youth."

Baltimore's show choir presents

Citizens' Celebrating Baltimore, Baltimore's first show choir, presents its latest production, "The Royal Years," a musical journey in song and dance covering the years 1937 through the 1970's the years of the Royal Theater, Baltimore's showplace for Black entertainers.

The show includes the music of Duke Ellington, Fats Waller, Ella Fitzgerald, the Ink Spots, the Mills Brothers, Dinah Washington, Sarah Vaughn, Lady Day, Nat "King" Cole and many others.

The entire performance is done in period costumes which include glorious gowns, spats and hats. It opens with a show-stopping performance of "Sentimental Journey" to include a moving train on stage.

There is a flashing marque and the show tune, "Those Royal Years," (written especially for the show) which will send the audience home whistling. Faithful to the Royal Theater, the show includes a "Jewel Box Review."

Citizens is a non-profit group of volunteers. The group represents the city on many occasions. It is sponsored by the Baltimore Dept. of Recreation.

The show will be performed on stage at Northwestern High School on Saturday, March 18 at 7:30 p.m. Donation is $8.50. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Lanaya Williams
Violinist

Kalil Lloyd Smith
Saxaphonist

Society's Showcase

The Baltimore Chapter of The Society, Inc. will present its Showcase II of young artists on Saturday, March 25 at the Engineering Club, Mt. Vernon Place. Showcase participant Lanaya Williams is a 12 year old violinist and a 7th grade student at Bryn Mawr, (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Waady Williams) who has trained with noted violinist Ann Lane Vasaugh and played in the Children Helping Children concert at the Meyerhoff in 1988. Showcase participant Kalil Lloyd Smith is saxaphonist in the McDonogh School Band where he is a 6th grader. He is the son of Rebecca and Winston Smith. Watch for more participants in next week's column.

For additional information, call Showcase chairperson Janet Woolridge, 664-6106.

PART OF THE CAST from the "Royal Years" which opens Saturday, March 18 at 7:30 p.m. at Northwestern High School are seen here. They are members of the Citizens Celebrating Baltimore Choir which will do the performance.

J.U.G.S. mark 22nd year at Founders' Day fete

(Photos by Ricardo Gray)

MEMBERS OF THE J.U.G.S. Inc. (Justice, Unity, Generosity, Service) seen during the celebration of their 22nd year at a Founders' Day fete at the Regatta are (L to R): Carolyn Glasco, president; Bernice Hardy, chairperson; Eleanor V. Gwynn, Betty Dorsey, Carleen Wilkes, Ina Bryant, Juanita M. Smith, Helen Boyette, Rosemary Atkinson, Frances Stith, Jean L. Griffin, Bridget Dean, Mattie Slowe, founder; Jeanne Saunders and Shirley Gregg.

RECIPIENTS OF THE GROUP'S GENEROSITY are (from L): Dr. Nathan Carter, Director of the Morgan U. Choir who accepted scholarship awards for music students ($500 each); Lagretta Patterson, treasurer, Emmanuel Christian Church Food Co-op; Charnita Edwards and Shango Lewis of the Morgan Choir who will receive the scholarships; Edward Lynch, administrator, Baltimore Fuel Fund; Carolyn Brown, Fuel Fund president, and Victorine Adams, Fuel Fund's Chairman of the Board. At far right is Carolyn Glasco, present J.U.G.S. president, presenting a monetary award to Mrs. Adams.

Sunday, February 26 marked the 22nd year of the J.U.G.S., Inc. (Justice, Unity, Generosity and Service). The officers and members celebrated with an impressive Founders' Day luncheon held at the Regatta, Reisterstown Rd. on that day at 1 p.m.

Bernice Hardy, chairperson for the occasion and National J.U.G.'s, Vice President, presided. The moving occasion was given by Frances Stith, co-chair.

Dr. Nathan Carter, director, Morgan University's Choir, was presented a Scholarship Award for music students in honor of the late Herbert Stith, late husband of Frances Stith. Student recipients of the awards, Charnita Edwards and Shanga Lewis, thrilled the assemblage with two musical renditions. Other music was provided by Elliott Harrington, who did a solo, "Deep River."

The J.U.G.S. also presented a generous award to the Baltimore Fuel Fund. Receiving this was Mrs. Victorine Adams, Fuel Fund Board Chair, accompanied by Edward Lynch, Fuel Fund Administrator and Carolyn Brown, Fuel Fund president, Lagretta Patterson, treasurer of the food coop at Emmanuel C.C. Church, also received a donation.

The J.U.G.S., on the receiv-

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Sigmas' Eastern Regional Conference held here

From Thursday, March 9 thru Sunday, March 19, the Baltimore Alumni Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. (Zeta Sigma Chapter) hosted Sigmas' 75th Eastern Regional Conference here in Baltimore, "The City That Reads."

The co-host chapters included Gamma Chapter, Morgan State University; Delta Delta Chapter, Coppin State College; Delta Mu Chapter, Bowie State University; Theta Omicron Chapter, Towson State University, and Zeta Upsilon Chapter, University of Maryland Baltimore Campus.

Phi Beta Sigma was founded at Howard University on January 9, 1914. It has now grown to over 80,000 members of over 500 graduate and undergraduate chapters. The states making-up the Eastern Region are: Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Brothers from all over the country attended this Diamond Jubilee Conference and came from as far away as

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(Photos by Richardo Gray)

SIGMA BROTHER J. HARDIN LACY (L) presents awards during the Awards Banquet segment of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity's Regional Conference hosted here last weekend to (from L): John "Jake" Oliver, Publisher, Baltimore AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper; Mrs. Enolia McMillan, National President, NAACP; Meldon Holllis, Chicken George executive and local attorney and Congressman Kweisi Mfume, who was guest speaker for the banquet. The banquet was held on Friday, March 10, at 7 p.m.

IN HONOR OF THEIR FOUNDERS Sigma brothers dedicated a cake alit with 75 candles.

Macedonia Women host luncheon-fashion show

(Photos by Richardo Gray)

THE WOMEN OF MACEDONIA posing happily during their luncheon-fashion show hosted Saturday, Feb. 6 at the Forum, Primrose Ave. are front row, (from L): Mrs. Ardena Dixon, president of the group; Janice Armstrong, Fannie Poulson, Margaret Coombs, Delores Clayborne, Ovella Queen; (Back row, L to R): Helen Saunders, Odessa Garrys, Maman Washington, Stephie Barnes, Earline Ford and Ruby Lee.

Over 600 guests attended the Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show sponsored by the Ladies Guild of Macedonia Baptist Church on Saturday, February 25. The event was co-chaired by Mesdames Odessa Garrus and Janice Armstrong.

Fashions for the occasion were presented by an exciting independent local group known as Blair and Models.

Proceeds from the Annual activity which was held at The Forum, will be used to defray the high cost of heating the Church located at the corner of Lafayette and Fremont Aves. in West Baltimore. Mrs. Ardena Dixon presides over the host Ladies Guild.

A MODEL FROM BLAIR—A local fashion outfit, airs a nifty dress during the fashion segment.

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Germany. The conference headquarters was the Omni International Hotel located in downtown Baltimore.

Hundreds of brothers registered for the conference, along with Sigma's sister organization, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Sigma's wives and sweethearts and many other persons.

The conference opened with the Eastern Regional Board having its Board Meeting on Thursday evening. Bro. T. Harding Lacy, Jr. is the Eastern Regional Director. Later that evening there was a Regional Director's reception which included music, wine, cheese and fruit.

Dr. Guilbert A. Daley was the Conference Chairman and Bros. Marvin 'Doc' Cheatham and Eustache' St. Pierre Greaves served as co-chairmen. Bro. Scherod C. Barnes is the President of Zeta Sigma Chapter, and Eastern Regional Director of Social Action.

On Friday the conference was officially opened with a robed ceremony. The first plenary followed immediately thereafter. A public ceremony was held after the first plenary session with the guest speaker being the Honorable Kurt Schmoke, Mayor of Baltimore City.

Proclamations were received from Governor William Donald Schaefer, Mayor Kurt Schmoke and City Council President Mary Pat Clarke.

The Second Plenary Session included the Oratorical and Debate Contest. Monetary awards were given.

The most impressive event of the conference was the Diamond Jubilee Banquet which had the Honorable Kweisi Mfume, Congressman from the 7th Congressional District of Maryland as the guest speaker.

Congressman Mfume delivered a tremendous speech which challenged Sigma to continue being a leader in helping humanity as cited in Sigma's motto: "Culture for Service and Service for Humanity."

Professional singer Bro. Leslie Jackson was the guest singer and those in attendance gave him three (3) standing ovations.

During the Banquet awards were presented and some of those included the Bigger and Better Business Award presented to the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper which was received by Chairman of the Board Jake Oliver; the Social Action Award presented to Mrs. Enolia McMillan, National President of the NAACP, and local President of the Baltimore Branch NAACP; and Meldon Hollis

Later that evening and into the early hours on Saturday was the Disco Extravaganza/Step Competition. The event was attended by over 1,000 people from all over the area. The highlight of this event was the Step-Competition which was won by one of the co-host chapters, Zeta Upsilon Chapter.

Early Saturday morning the Awards Breakfast was held for all those registered for the conference. Numerous awards and citations were given during this buffet-style breakfast. The third Plenary session saw the most impressive Omega Chapter and Rededication Ceremonies. Both of these activities were splendidly done by Bro. Father Maurice Blackwell, Pastor of St. Edward's Roman Catholic Church. Bro. Father Blackwell is a member of the host chapter, Zeta Sigma.

This conference was cited for many firsts, which included: first computerized conference, largest number of past and present National and Regional Officers recognized, most progressive opening for a conference, most attractive conference bags, two most impressive pieces of paraphernalia (an electrical cake and mace), most impressive conference banquet, fastest registration process, most congenial host, most centralized site in reference to a city and its many attractions, quickest return for a conference picture, most extensive pictorial coverage of a conference, best assistance given for hotel reservations, largest number of host chapter brothers registered, and most accessible conference for transportation to and from.

Saturday afternoon saw the Sigma Wives hosting a Luncheon/Fashion Show and the brothers hosting an Undergraduate Luncheon. Bro Marvin 'Doc' Cheatham, National Director of Social Action was guest speaker for that luncheon.

Later in the afternoon the fourth and final Plenary Session had the election of the Eastern Regional Board. The newly elected officers are: T. Harding Lacy, Jr., Eastern Regional Director, Iota Sigma, Richmond, VA; Robert Greaux, Vice Regional Director, Theta Tau Sigma, Burke, VA; Vincent Vereen, Associate Regional Director, Alpha, Washington, DC; Bernard Hull, Eastern Regional Treasurer, Alpha Sigma, Washington, DC; Dr. Lawrence Miller, Eastern Regional Secretary, Alpha Sigma, Washington, DC; Alan Caine, Director of Bigger and Better Business, Theta Upsilon Sigma, Rochester, NY; Richard Fields, Director of Education, Zeta Kappa Sigma, Boston, MA; Scherod Barnes, Director of Social Action, Zeta Sigma, Baltimore, MD, and Crawford Smith, Director of Publicity, Zeta Delta Sigma, Hampton, VA.

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ing end themselves, were presented the Mayor's Citation by group's vice president Betty Dorsey, and the Governor's Proclamation by their Business Manager Rosemary Atkinson. Both documents declared Feb. 26 as "J.U.G.S. Day" in Baltimore and in Maryland.

Other highlights of the event included a delectable luncheon, a toast from Calvin Glasco, husband of prexy Pat, in honor of the 22nd anniversary of the group, and words of appreciation from president, Pat, and founder Mattie Slowe, who hosted all afterwards at her Randallstown home.

Other officers and members of the J.U.G.S. are Shirley Gregg, treasurer; Helen Boyette, corresponding secretary; Eleanor Gwynn, recording secretary; Bridgette Dean, financial secretary; Velma Greer, Jean Saunders, historian; Ina Bryant, Juanita Smith and Carleen Wilkes.

WOODLAWN HIGHLIGHTS

By Marjorie Green

EVELYN FAULK HONORED

SSA Legislative Reference Analyst Evelyn B. Faulk was among several Baltimoreans recently honored by the Business League of Baltimore at its Annual Booker T. Washington Awards Dinner.

The League is a local chapter affiliate of the National Organization founded in 1900 by Booker T. Washington. Local businessman, Steven Pace is president of the Baltimore group.

The event, attended by approximately 150 persons, took place at The Forum Caterers on Primrose Ave. in Northwest Baltimore.

An active member of the Leadenhall Baptist Church in South Baltimore, Evelyn was chosen by her Sorority Sisters to represent Iota Phi Lambda because of her involvement in youth projects, economic development and affirmative action initiatives. She also serves as the Eastern Regional Director of Iota Lambda Sorority in an area that encompasses 19 chapters

Born under the sign of Libra, Evelyn's work does not stop with her sorority activities. She is a member of the National Council of Negro Women, a volunteer for Meals On Wheels, and acts as the Director of Orientation for the Baltimore Chapter of Top Ladies of Distinction.

An avid reader, the honoree also states that she loves to spend time working in her garden, but she is quick to admit that she hasn't experienced much success as an amateur gardener.

HAPPY BBIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Everybody but everybody showed up to wish the legendary Verda F. Welcome "Happy Birthday" at a special reception given in her honor by Edward T. Lewis, president of St. Mary's College of Maryland and many of her friends early this month.

They all gathered at the Palladium Ballroom to extend best wishes, eat cake, sip wine and view an impressive exhibition depicting life in St. Mary's County.

The former pastor of Centennial United Methodist Church, the Rev. Mamie Williams-Munjoma was in town for the event. We chatted with the Rev. Mrs. Mary Conaway, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bailey (Vivian) Mr. and Mrs. Harry Archer (Bernetta), George Buntin, Mesdames Jacquelyn Westbrook, Narda Terry, Kay Merrill, Mildred Forehand, Betty Boone and Madeline Murphy, who has just authored a new book.

Councilwoman "Jackie" McLean was seen graciously working the crowd. Also States Attorney, Stu Simms, Dr. and Mrs. George Woodland, Mr. and Mrs. "Dickie" Burke, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Boone, John Ferron and many, many others who joined Mary Sue Welcome, Esq. in the singing of the Birthday Song. A Tribute to a remarkable woman on the occasion of her 82nd birthday.

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