IF YOU ASK ME

By Bettye Moss

Smiles Orchids

Smile orchids of the week to Dr. Lucia S. Hawthorne, the Morgan State University professor who is advisor to the prestigious honor society, Pi Lambda Psi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu.

We watched Dr. Hawthorne preside at the Sunday afternoon 49th annual induction ceremony when 17 students were welcomed into the honor group. All had averages of 3.8 or above out of a possible 4.0. Ceremony was in Martin Jenkins building on campus.

Dr. Hawthorne challenged the inductees to use their college degrees in careers of community involvement and in education.

The honorees, who looked so serious as they listened to the challenge and received their official papers, deserve plenty of orchids too. They are: **Paul Archibald, Corliss Barnes, Mary Cills, Henrietta Cox, Louise Flamer, Robert Holliday, Lisa Jones, James Miller, II, Alfred Murock, Margaret Oliver, Casonya Riley, Ingrid M. Robinson, Stacy Sellers, Jerry Stamper, Michele Thompson, Deidre Williams and Kim Williams.**

More Orchids

Plenty of sunshine in the voice of **Miss Marsha Young.** She's the deputy press secretary to Baltimore City **Mayor Kurt Schmoke.** We heard her and admired her manner when she extended the city's greetings at the founder's day celebration of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's Baltimore Metropolitan Alumnae Chapter Sunday afternoon at the Forum.

Seems only yesterday when she was the Western High School student doing an internship on this newspaper. Today she's a journalism graduate of Swarthmore and Syracuse. A true role model.

Smile orchids to Baltimore Circuit Court **Judge Mabel H. Hubbard.** She lived up to her reputation as a dynamic speaker, kept the Delta audience in the palm of her hand for 40 minutes on edges' and not a sould whispered or moved as she urged the audience to teach young people to believe in themselves.

And she used anecdotes—which brought laughter and "all rights" as she told the importance of faith, and "somebodyiness."

More orchids in **Lisa Marie Thornton**, the Coppin State student who received the sorority's undergraduate excellence award.

Del. Fulton

Lots of orchids for Delegate **Tony Fulton** (D-40th), who was presented the sorority's community service award, and charmed the predominately female audience when he acknowledge the presence of his wife, **Dr. Jacqueline Fulton** (He called her "the number one Delta in my life.").

Cuff note: The Service award cited **Del. Fulton** "outstanding" service in MD Legislature and in particular his support of bills to improve health services for young and old.

More smiles to **Mrs. (Dr.) Fulton.** She's the very gracious chief of pediatrics at Constant Care and West Baltimore Community Health Centers.

The Fultons have two daughters — **Shelley**, 8, and **Christina**, 5.

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Deserving of orchids and standing ovation are members of the sorority—their chapter is just two years old, yet their program was first-rate and attracted a capacity crowd.

Nods to Kathy McLaughlin, president; **Robin Gadsden** and **Jerlean Miller, Blanche Love** co-chairs of the celebration and to all the young women members of the chapter.

Editor's note: Did someone's smile make your day. Let us salute them. Write Smiles, If You Ask Me, Baltimore Afro-American, 628 N. Eutaw Street, Baltimore, Md. 21202, and smile, please.

Love to Jim

Some 900 persons gathered A Sunday ago to say thanks to a special person — **James T. Dorsey,** whom almost everybody fondly calls **Jim Dorsey.**

Love was bursting out all over the Martin's West Ballroom as speakers praised Jim for his devotion to his lodge, his church, to people, and the Baltimore community.

The event was sponsored by Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Maryland Masons, led by Grand Master **Samuel T. Daniels,** and Mt. Olive Lodge No. 25, led by Worshipful Master **Charles E. Nelson.**

The evening was a mutual admiration society. The Grand Master praised the honoree for his loyal and dedicated service — 41 years a member, 33 years on the board, 19 years as deputy grand master, the post he held when he retired last month and was designated emeritus.

Douglas Memorial Church minister, **Rev. Marion C. Bascom,** was his usual eloquent self. He observed "it is fine to give thanks to a man who has always stood for causes . . . a man who is part of the salt of the earth."

He added, "How good it is to see the kinds of friends surrounding you here tonight. We thank God for your loving spirit . . . that you walked into our lives which would have been very empty if we didn't know you."

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The honoree turned the tables and credited the Grand Master for arranging the evening's salute and praised the contributions of his beloved fellow Masons and church and civic associates.

Modestly, he told the gathering, "I've enjoyed every minute of the time I've served . . . there are very few people here tonight I can't call by name . . . this has been a great night, and I will never forget it."

The crowd of 900 will never forget it either. For at one point, Jim Dorsey brought them to their feet when he presented the $4,500 previously given him during the program to Douglas Memorial Church, the Druid Hill YMCA and Payne AME Church. There was another standing ovation when it was announced that additional funds from sale of a testimonial book would also go to the Y and the two churches — an estimated $4,000 more in his name.

The proceeds are from sale of the 34-page book with a variety of photos illustrating the life of Jim Dorsey who marks his 81st birthday on March 15.

Among the historic photos in the book — Jim Dorsey in with **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.** and other civil rights leaders on King's visit to Baltimore to help plan strategy for integration of public facilities.

TWILAH SAYS. . .

By Twilah Scarborough

"NCNW"

"The National Council of Negro Women of the "Greater Baltimore Section" hosted its national International Women's Day and Maryland Women's History celebration. Celebration on top of celebration — well it happened — March 4 in flying colors at the Park Heights Street Academy.

Theme for this year was "Youth Assess International Recognition of Women."

Welcome greeting was given by newly elected president of the NCNW, Verna Day. Participants on the same agenda were Ardena Dixon, Lucille Johnson, Sheila Moore and Beryl Williams.

Highlighted events were interpretive African American Dancers by Sallah and Company.

There were lots of breathtaking exhibits on display. The exhibitors did a super eye catching display. Everyone in attendance raved over the exhibits.

Moving right along into another mood, the NCNW just recently held a Black Heritage celebration sponsored by the Baltimore Club of the Negro Business and Professional Women's Club Inc. The affair was held at the Heritage United Church, 3601 Liberty Heights Ave. Edna Russell, president of the club, gave an inspiring welcome address.

The Arena Players held its performers and acts - totally together. Baltimore's own gifted Stephanie Cole performed a beautiful interpretive dance to the tune of Steal Away.

The entire show was a show stopper - not leaving off the show's accompanist Charles Arnett.

Following the program, the committee held a delightful reception. The Baltimore Club since its founding in 1941 is dedicated to improve the quality of life for women and youths through its various programs of service to the community.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Brisk Walking is No Sweat

That's right - Brisk Walking is no Sweat when you walk with friends and co-workers in the 1989 Spring Brisk Walking Campaign sponsored by the YWCA of Greater Baltimore and the Baltimore City Health Department.

Spring kick-off celebration will be held Monday, March 27, 12:30 p.m. and 1:20 p.m., at the Washington Monument. Kick-off festivities will include a raffle for all preregistrants, registration information and forms for interested walkers, appearances by local celebrities and city officials and entertainment by the Charm City Band.

Walk sites are the War Memorial Plaza, the Convention Center Plaza and the State Office Building. For more information call 396-4720. Ask for Charles Stahler.

Super Cities Walk

The Maryland Chapter of The National Multiple Sclerosis Society will hold its Super Cities Walk on April 9. 41 chapters will participate nation wide in the Society's first one day walking event to raise funds for and awareness about the Society's fight against Multiple Sclerosis.

The 15 mile walk will weave through Towson beginning and ending at Towson State University. There will be rest stops along the route with refreshments available for walkers.

For more information on how you can participate, call the Maryland Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at (301) 821-8626.

Caregivers of the Elderly

The Geropsychiatry Unit, University of Maryland Medical Systems, is sponsoring six-two-hour seminars for families caring for elderly parents or relatives.

Caregivers will receive information and emotional support as they provide care to their family member.

The six-hour workshop begins Wednesday, March 29, 6 pm. to 8 pm. at the Institute of Psychiatry and Human Behavior, University of Maryland Medical Systems, 645 West Redwood Street.

The public is invited. Information and registration, call Dr. Harnett, 328-6909 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:40 p.m.

Dunbar Alumni

Dunbar Alumni Association will sponsor a Disco Lineup of Decades of Classes for the 1990 Celebration, 50th anniversary of the school, Saturday, March 25, 7:30 p.m. - 12 midnight at Community High School, 1400 Orleans St.

Contact R. Keene, 235-7593.

The Color Purple

The Maryland State Black Psychiatrists Association invites you to attend a psychoanalytic interpretation of The Color Purple, Friday, March 17 at Arena Players Inc., 801 McCulloh St. at 6:15 p.m.

Presentation by Dr. Maxie T. Collier. Limited seating. For advance tickets write to MSBPA, Post Office Box 23717, Baltimore, MD 21203-5717.

Community Forums

He walks through neighborhoods and talks at community forums. Baltimore Mayor Kurt K. Schmoke believes in going straight to the source - the citizens of the city. In February, Mayor Schmoke began a series of Community Forums, held in conjunction with the Mayor's Stations.

Upcoming forums are scheduled March 16 at Pimlico Multi-Purpose Center, 3319 W. Belvedere Ave at 7 to 9 p.m.and March 18, hosted by Rosemont, Alexander T. Hamilton Elementary School, 800 Poplar Grove Street Auditorium from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

For further information contact Clint Colemah, 396-1654.

Leadership Forum

Dr. Grady Dale, Jr. and Associate Staff of Urban Psychological Services will hold The 1989 Leadership Forum On The Black Child - Challenges For The Present - Strategies For The Future, Friday, April 7 at the Palladium Conference Center, 2900 Liberty Heights Ave., 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

For more information call 383-0336.

Silver Anniversary

United Cerebral Palsy's Delrey Development Center has scheduled its 25th anniversary celebration for Thursday, March 30 from 7 to p.m.

The celebration will honor Mary Lietuvnikas. "Miss Mary," as she is affectionately known, was Delrey's director from its opening in 1964 until 1984. The 1500 students who graduated from Delrey over the last quarter century are invited to attend the celebration. Former staff members and the community are also welcome. Reservations are required. Call 744-3151.

American Association of Univ. Women

The Baltimore branch of the American Association of University Women will hold its March general meeting, Thursday, March 16 at 7:30 p.m., Fourier Hall Lounge, Second floor, College of Notre Dame of Maryland.

Sally Grant, Commissioner for the Maryland Commission of Women, will speak. Call 944-3885 for more information.

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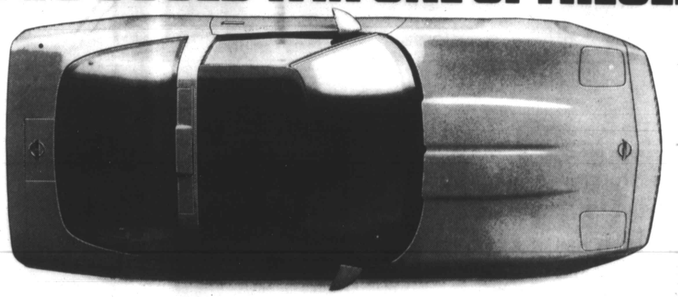

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