## THE NIGHT LIFE

By Bonnie Matthews Butler

This week's 'PAT ON THE BACK" salute goes out to Orpha Lampkins, barmaid and William "Wash" Washington, general manager of the Sphinx Club in

Orpha, the mother of three. has been at the Sphinx Club for almost 30 years and has been an integral part of making the club a friendly place to stop in.

Orpha is the widow of William Lampkins who was an outstanding athlete at Morgan State University and in her spare time she's known for her involvement in the community. Anytime someone is in trouble and needs

y known, has been at the Sphinx by Ricardo Gray) Club for over twenty years and is always available to help the Anytime anyone is in need, Wash. The Nightlife reaches out basketball star at Morgan State to volunteer his help and and manages to keep his athletic support. physique throughout the years.



some help, Orpha is usually Orpha Lampkins (right) serves patrons at the Sphinx Club while there helping in anyway she can. William "Wash" Washington (2nd from left) and Randy "Wash," as he is affectionate- Tilghman, owner of the club (2nd from right) look on. (Photo

So, here's to Orpha and a fun place to go.

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patrons. "Wash" was a track and "Wash" is usually the first person to give them both a "PAT ON THE BACK" for being themselves and helping to make the Sphinx Club

> The "Summerfest on the Bay," held annually at Fort Smallwood Park is on this year. The date is scheduled for August 12. This is the event that honors local musicians and the same will occur this ticipating call 448-2600 and 448-4140. The committee is looking for vendors and musical groups so of you'd like to be considered, be sure to call the

\* \* \* happen this Saturday at RFK Stadium in Washington, D.C. and this year's event promises to be the best yet.

One of the entertainers scheduled is the dynamic Patti LaBelle. Patti called us to talk about her appearance at the "fest" as well as to share with us what's going on in her life.

She has just released a new album on MCA Records called "Be Yourself" and according to her, it reflects they way she handles her life.

"I try to live a good clean life. I love performing, no problem. I'm always up and ready to sing since it's something I love doing."

Patti is currently in rehearsals for a play on Duke Ellington's music called "Queenie Pie" where she plays Madam C. J. Walker. She's also working on a story about Mahalia Jackson where she'll play the title role.

Born on May 24, 1945 (she has always been upfront about her age) in West Philadelphia, Patti has always had a close relationship with her family.

Her mother, who died of heart

and the contraction of the contr

Patti said her mother told her. Her father, Henry Holte is in Saturday. a nursing home in Albany, Georgia suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

She has an older brother Thomas Hogan who lives in the Inner Harbor, Harrison's has Florida and two sisters who are an eastern Shore theme with a 40 now deceased, Vivian Rogers foot skipjack located in the and Barbara Purifoy. Another atrium in the lobby. sister Jackie Padgett is currently struggling with cancer and is who own the original Harrison's running Patti's merchandising Chesapeake House on Tilghman

"She's gives me strength," said Patti of her sister Jackie. "She'll kick this thing, I believe. She gives me strength that she I'm so positive.

And with all of this tragedy in one family, most people wouldn't be as positive as Patti LaBelle were Robert DeSheilds, who is. But, believe me, she's as up represented the city; City counon the phone as she is on stage. cilwomen Agnes Welch and Beginning this September, Pat- Sheila Dixon Smith (with hub-

ti will come back out on the road by); Rick Langford and his lovefor an "Evening with Patti ly wife, Louise Johnson, Jake LaBelle." This is important to her Oliver, publisher of the Afrobecause "I'll get to do the thing American and Eddie Applefeld, the way I really, really want to do promoter for the Lexington Normally, when she's appearing at a festival or on a show with

numerous other acts, she can on- of the Jerry Butler show held ly do about 45-50 minutes of recently at the Meyerhoff. Normaterial. With this show, she can mally, shows of this size bring give the audience at least 2 hours lots of backstage headaches but One of the things Patti hates is them.

closing shows. "I never like to close a show. A lot of people fight for the position. I don't."

"Baltimore and D.C. are like a without a hitch. 'needle to a junkie' to me. I'm ad- Great job, WWIN and B&P dicted to Baltimore and D.C. They Productions.

see her success. "Fool, you're go- told me in closing. You make us ing to work yourself to death," feel real good Patti and we look forward to seeing you "live" this

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Stopped by the VIP opening of Harrison's Pier 5 and must say, this place is elegant. Located in

Owned by the Harrison family, Island, this place is something you'll want to visit.

The crab cakes served at the opening were some of the largest and tastiest we've had in a long time. (We've tried them for just about every place imaginable).

Spotted enjoying the festivities

this show was not typical of

Despite the problems with the sound system when the first two acts, The Delfonics, and Chi-This lady is no egotist. She's Lites appeared, we simply let talented, versatile and just plain the promoters know there was a nice and the Baltimore and problem and immediately they Washington area is her favorite. fixed it and the show continued

Superfest concert when it

visits their city."

## Budweiser (Continued from Page 3)

The 1989 Budweiser ment Marketing. "We urge Superfest tour will celebrate everyone to enter early and its 10th anniversary with conattend the Budweiser certs in the following cities:

DATE	CITY	LOCATION
June 17 June 18 June 24 June 25 July 1 July 3 July 8 July 14 July 15 July 21 July 29 August 5 August 12 & 13 August 18	Washington, D.C. Philadelphia Houston Dallas Los Angeles Oakland Greensboro, N.C. Chicago Detroit Miami New York New Orleans Atlanta St. Louis	RFK Stadium The Spectrum The Summit Reunion Arena L.A. Coliseum Oakland Coliseum Greensboro Coliseum Rosemont Horizon Joe Louis Arena Miami Arena Giant Stadium Louisiana Superdome Lakewood Amphitheater The Arena

## 'Woodlands, WETLANDS AND WASHINGTON' TO AIR ON WETA

60-minute "Woodlands, Wetlands & the park and its Rock Creek.

habitat and wildlife, and what residents. impact encroaching urbanization outdoors columnist, is host.

its 100th birthday September 27, valley and native flora and

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he worked with a wide range

of rap/R&B/funk artists. Some

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three natural areas in "natural" park in the east and the deer. metropolitan Washington in the third national park in the nation. documentary Birds, deer and fish still occupy 1982 by The Wildfowl Trust of

ville, Maryland. Angus Phillips, nesting site for Bald Eagles. The forests — natural enclaves —

D.C., it is one of the largest Shore. Named for the horsehead- Virginia. natural urban parks in the na- shaped peninsula on which it is including: Wood Ducks, Snow Outreach Department Geese, Emperor Geese and 998-2829.

of his best-known credits i

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album, tracks on Billy Ocean's

"Tear Down These Walls,"

As an arranger his projects

"Make It Last Forever" LP.

The Sanctuary was founded in North America, a private conser-Washington," on Tuesday, June Mason Neck National Wildlife vation group, to advance 20 at 8 p.m. (The program will be Refuge is located in southern wildfowl research and education. repeated Saturday, June 24 at Fairfax County, Virginia near Trails and blinds are set up for Woodbridge and Lorton. In the non-disruptive observation of The program will examine how mid-1960s it was the proposed wildfowl, and a wildfowl educaeach was established, their site of a satellite city for 20,000 tional exhibit and center has been established.

In conjunction with this promay have on the areas. The three As the area was a nesting gram, the staff of WETA are: Rock Creek Park in ground for the American Bald Magazine has developed the first Washington, D.C.; Mason Neck Eagle, local citizens lobbied comprehensive regional map of National Wildlife Refuge in Fair- federal, state and county significant national parks, state fax County, Virginia; and authorities to preserve the area. parks, local sanctuaries, wildlife Horsehead Sanctuary in Grason- Today Mason Neck is still a refugees, national and state woodland and marshland areas ever developed. The regions Rock Creek Park will celebrate host waterfowl, beaver and deer. covered are Delaware, the Horsehead Sanctuary is in Gra- District of Columbia, Maryland, 1990. Located in Washington, sonville, Maryland on the Eastern New Jersey, Pennsylvania and

One hundred and twenty location, with 1,754 acres. As early as located, the 310 acre wetland is tions are listed on the map which 1866 citizens promoted the home to migrating and captive is entitled "Wilds Around establishment of a park at Rock birds. Visitors have an opportuni- Washington." If you would like a ty to enjoy a variety of species, free copy, call WETA's Program

> have included Doug E. Fresh's "The Show" and Bobby Brown's MCA album, "Don't Be Cruel." In addition, he was grooming younger brother Markell's talents, playing keyboards on the debut Atlantic EP of Markell's group Wrecks-N-Effect. During this same time, Teddy was ready to assemble his most important band thus far. He found the right partners in Aaron and Damion Hall.

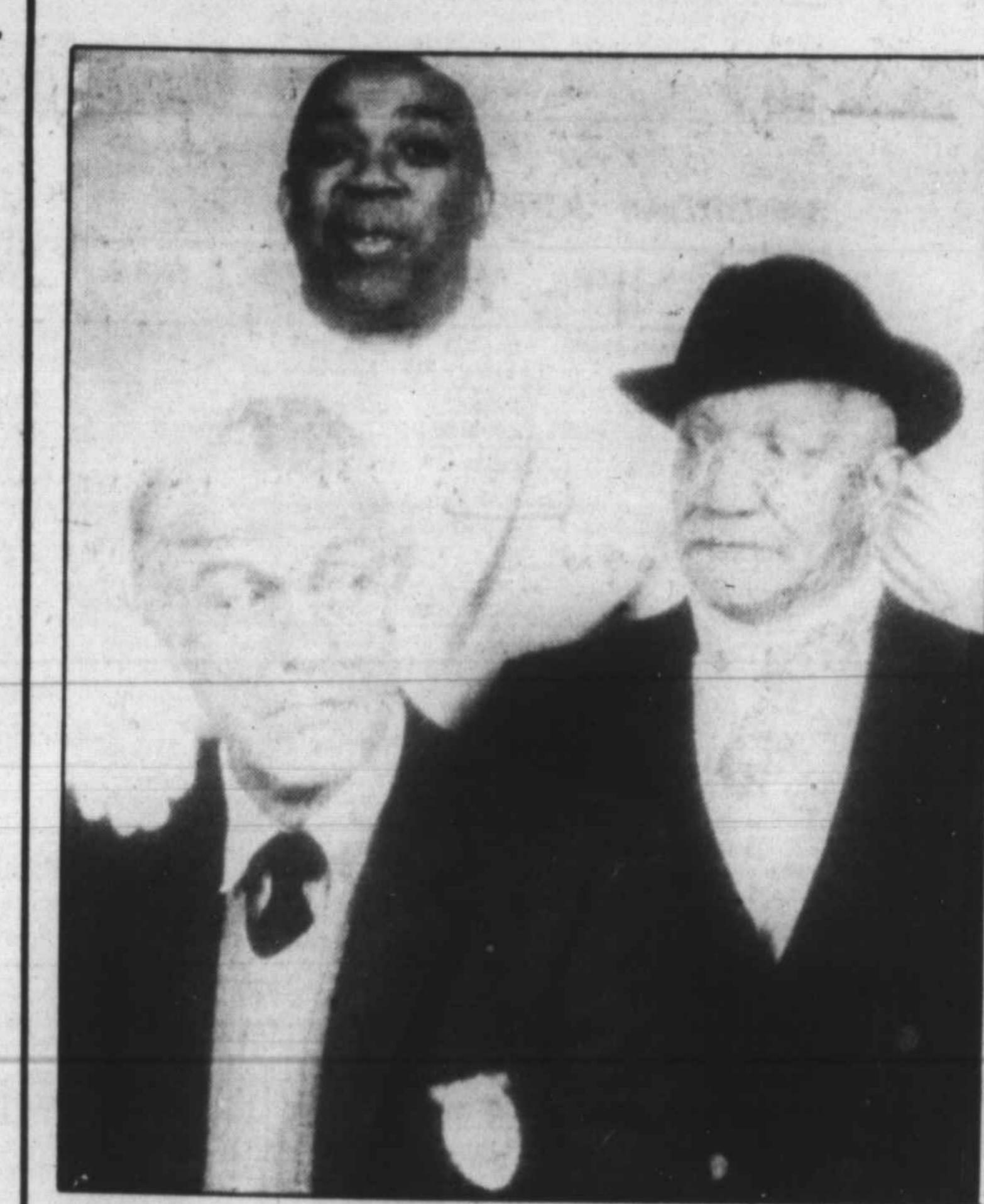
Like Teddy, Aaron had grown up with music, singing and playing bass and keyboards since childhood. After singing in church, he performed with a variety of gospel groups, including the Daryl Douglas Singers, the Bethel Gospel Tabernacle and the James Cleveland Convention.

Last year, he recorded the live "Hold On" LP with Hezikiah Walker and the Love Fellowship Crusade Choir. When his longtime friend Ted-Aaron made the leap to popular music.

Also coming on board was Aaron's brother Damion, who was in his second year at Virginia State University when he got the call from Teddy. He, Aaron and an older brother had sung as a gospel trio years before. Singing and playing drums during his school years, he performed at many high school talent shows and won many contests as a vocalist, in cluding The Delta Star Search.



Whitney Houston and her mother, Cissy Houston, light up the stage at Radio City Music Hall during the "Songwriters Hall of Fame 20th Anniversary ... The Magic Of Music" airing Thursday, June 22 at 9 p.m. on CBS.



Dick Van Dyke stars as Nolan, the cop who accidently kills honky-tonk piano player Ivory (Redd Foxx) and Geoffrey Holder (in white) is the angel who gives them the word from above — it's not time for Ivory to go, so he's going to be haunting Nolan for a while in "Ghost of a Chance," a comedy to be rebroadcast on Friday, June 16 at 9 p.m.

"Working with Teddy has been very comfortable for Aaron and me" Damion says. "We've known him for so long, he's part of the family, like a brother."

TV Talk will RETURN NEXT WEEK.

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