LIFESTYLE

Social Notes

By Paula Brooks
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Mid-town Lions D.C.

Looking back on the past year, the members of the Mid-town Lions Club can feel a profound sense of accomplishment under the inspired leadership of King Lion Carl Lashley and a sound Board of Directors.

Among the accomplishments made by the club during the 1988-89 year are the following:

1. Provided vision, glaucoma, and hearing examinations to community residents a total of six times.
2. Supplied food to families at Thanksgiving for the 8th consecutive year.
3. Helped Martha's Table provide services to the homeless and others in need.
4. Provided eyeglasses for 3 people.
5. Provided financial support to Lions District 22-C Eyebank, the Camp for the Deaf, and the District's Student Band and Scholarship Program.
6. Donated the proceeds of Sickle Cell fundraiser to the Howard University Center for Sickle Cell.
7. Continuation of the Kelly King Memorial Scholarship Fund.

This has also been a period where inter-club relationships with foreign and domestic clubs were strengthened through the visitation program. Members made visits to overseas Lions Clubs and, in turn, several visits were made to the Lions of Midtown Washington. Such activities help foster the international aspect of Lionism.

Lion Walter Ramsammy's tenure as Deputy District Governor has been a point of pride for the club. He has brought considerable goodwill and positive recognition to the club through his personal dedication.

The year culminated with the club's receipt of the Distinguished Club Award from outgoing District Governor, Sydney L. Pennington.

Matinee Ensemble

Beautiful...was the afternoon when the Saturday Afternoon Matinee Ensemble, a literary club, held its closing activity at Jeannier's in Broadview Towers with Ruth Brown as hostess.

A delectable luncheon was served followed by a lively discussion of current events led by member Lucy Swain.

The highlight of the program was a most interesting review by member Thelma Bell of the book "The Hornes" which is a biography of the family of Lena Horne as written by her daughter Gail Lumet Buckley.

Those guests enjoying the activities were Hazel Bailey, Eva Jeffries, Ann Levy, The Honorable Lena K. Lee, and Hazel Barrett.

Members present were Esther Bailey, Pres., Thelma Bell, Ruth Brown, Sarah Darkins, Hermione Harden, Maizie Henson, Gloria Barnes Johnston, Anne McIver, Odell Payne, Lucy Swain, and Roslyn Wood. Iona C. Collins was absent.

County Awards

Gloria R. Marrow, along with twenty-seven other county residents recieved the Baltimore County Executive's Office Project Recognition Award 1989.

Channel 11's Rod Daniels was the Celebrity Honoree award recipient. The Baltimore County Children and Youth Council developed the ceremony and dinner fourteen years ago to honor those Baltimore county citizens who have volunteered their services, time and assistance to young people of the county.

Mrs. Marrow, a teacher and public school administrator at the Frederick Douglass High School, began her volunteer activities in the county over fifteen years ago as a Cub Scout den mother in Randallstown.

Over the years she has been a key initiator of various organizations including the Baltimore County chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., The Baltimore County chapter of Jack and Jill, Inc., co-founder and charter member of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Womens Clubs, Inc., and several others.

As a member of these groups she has initiated and been instrumental in planning activities designed to establish cultural educational and recreational programs.

It has been noted that Gloria exemplifies the spirit of youth assistance and is a shining example of a role model for the entire community.

Gloria was nominated by her husband, James H. Marrow, who said it was time someone recognized her for the time she spends away from home.

Joining her in the celebration at the Towson Sheraton Hotel were her children Vernon, Kevin, and Angela; her niece Angela Williams; Cynthia Thomas, Sherri Kober; and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams.

Douglass High Reunion

Douglass Senior High School Class of February 1949 will hold a forty year Reunion Celebration Meeting on Saturday, July 8th at 11:00 A.M. at the Amalgamated Transit Union Hall, 126 W. 25th St.

For additional information call 466-5057.

Joy Hall Block Party

A block party was recently held as a fun and novel way to raise money for the personable Easter Seals Poster Child. Attendance was great, and the crowd was entertained by a clown and a marching band.

If you've seen Joy in any of her personal appearances, you know she's a very talented and warm young lady. Her introduction of Bobby Brown on the Arsenio Hall show was vibrant and full of enthusiasm! It's quite possible that this little lady will have a big future in the communications industry.

Front row left to right, Lorraine Mitchell-granddaughter, Joy Hall, Janet Hall-mother. Back row Talutha Patterson, Mary Alston, Monique Alston.

Upper left, State's Attorney Stuart Simms was on hand to show his support.

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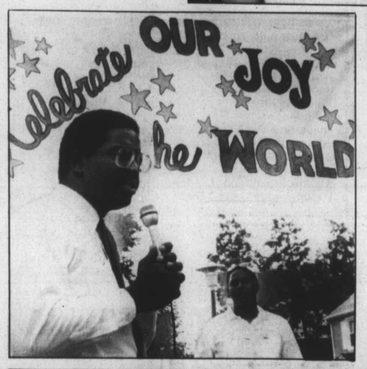
Lower left, Joy Hall and Janet Hall thank everyone for their kindness.

(Photos by Ricardo Gray)



Clown Saleem Wooden puts smiles on faces at block party

Links Induction

Induction ceremony of Harbor City Links, Inc. Left to right, Gina L. Paterson, President, Kimberly Statham and Annette March-Grier, new members, DeLace W. Burch, Membership Chair.

The Harbor City Chapter of the Links, Inc. recently held induction ceremony of new members Annette March Grier, and Kimberly Statham. Gina Patterson gave the occasion, and DeLace W. Burch presided over the ceremony. The toast to the new Links was made by Jesola E. Jones, and gifts were presented by Beverly B. Carter. A reception followed.

Link executive board includes immediate Past President Jesola E. Jones; President, Gina L. Patterson; V. Pres. Frankie E. Martin; Rec. Sec., Mattie L. Mumby; Cor. Sec. Rita Braxton Turner; Tres., Carolyn Syphax-Young; Finan. Sec. Yvonne Lansey; Parl. Carmen Holmes; Arch. Frances M. Draper;

Program chairpersons include Beverly B. Carter, The Arts; Marion L. Patterson, International Trends and Services; Monica Boone, National Trends and Services; and Jacqueline Hrabowski, Services to Youth.

COLUMBIA CAPERS

By Pinnie Ross

UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND HOLDS COUNTY'S MEETING

Last night I attended the first meeting for county chairpersons at the Belvedere Hotel. As the Howard County Co-Chairperson, it was more than a pleasure to represent our county in the stead of our Chair, Dr. C. Vernon Gray, who was attending a Howard County Council meeting.

It was a very informative meeting where a number of county UNCF Chairs and Co-Chairs were present to receive new information, policies and procedures pertaining to the upcoming celebration of the Lou Rawls "Parade of Stars" Telethon. We also received a host of information on fundraising ideas, problems and suggestions.

Last year Maryland counties raised over $40,000 for UNCF and we are very proud here in Howard County to say that our contributions exceeded $8,000. This amount is the highest we have ever reported in the five years that we have participated as a county.

According to our young and talented area director, Wendy Moore, last year's effort set a national precedent for UNCF. Maryland was the only state to take the lead and demonstrate that county based campaigns can be successful.

My good friend, Flossie Johnson, is the coordinator for Maryland Counties and deserves an orchid for the outstanding work she did coordinating Maryland new counties.

Further, you must know that the State of Maryland raised $271,000 with the very able leadership of state chair Ruth Daniels for UNCF. Ruth is a very strong person in her conviction that UNCF is a most important tool to help educate our youth. General Chairperson for the Maryland UNCF leadership, Dr. Levi Watkins, Jr. has served since the inception of the Maryland Campaign.

Mark your calendars for January 6, 1990, the date for the next Lou Rawls "Parade of Stars" UNCF Telethon. The WBAL Channel 11 telecast begins at 6:00 PM and ends at 1:00 AM.

"A MIND IS A TERRIBLE THING TO WASTE." At the conclusion of our meeting last night we were surprised with gifts of appreciation for our previous work with the UNCF Campaign. The beautiful canvas tote bag housed a Lou Rawls "T" Shirt and an engraved UNCF crystal mug.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

ALL THE BEAUTIFUL SENTIMENTS IN THE WORLD WEIGH LESS THAN A SINGLE LOVELY ACTION.

James Russel Lovell

Ledbetter-Wilmore

"One in the Spirit' sung by Sandra Peal, set the tone for the recent wedding of Melvern Angelia Ledbetter and Robert Charles Wilmore, at the Epworth United Methodist Chapel, with Rev. Horace L. Wallace officiating.

Melvern is one of 3 daughters of Mary and Will Ledbetter, of Old Mill Estates, Randallstown. She holds an A-1 sales position with the Otis Warren Realty Co., and is a long-time employee with the Social Security Administration.

Robert is the only son of Robert and Muriel Wilmore, of Baltimore. He is a Federal Government employee.

Matron-of-Honor, Susan L. Cooper and Guilbert Parker (Chicago) led the processional of 4 bridesmaids and ushers, who included: Vera and John Borum, sister of the groom and her husband; Shaunielle Ledbetter and Barnett Lloyd; Della Jordan and Wayne Berry; Chrystal Johnson,sister of the bride, and Shawn Hopson. Junior bridesmaid was Kathleen P. Cooper; Junior usher was Christopher Forte.

Pastoral Greetings and the marraige vows followed the sentimental duet "From This Day Forward," rendered by Jocelyn Smith and organist Warren Dorsey.

The double ring ceremony was then followed by the couple's Unity Candle Lighting Ceremony and Communion. "My Tribute: To God Be the Glory," was stirringly rendered by William Boyd of New Elizabeth Baptist Church. Other accompaniment was performed by Rikki Johnson, classical Guitarist.

Hostesses included: Lenora Mills, Trumain Ambush, and Serena G. Mills. The bride wore white summer satin, its 6 foot train encrusted with flowerettes made up of white sequins and seed pearls in each scallop of the hemline.Her fitted bodice was likewise trimmed with patterns of sequins and pearls that produced droplets of larger pearls.

The same pattern was carried out on the semi-puffed mutton sleeves, and around the modestly low neckline. Holding the bride's tiara styled long, veil was a Japanese styled headband encrusted with a profusion of tiny sequins and pearls. She wore a blue lace garter.

The gold and white color scheme was continued for the bridesmaids gowns. They were elegant in long white and goldthreaded lace material, set off by a three-quarter length sleeve and a large fabric rose at the knee.

The gowns were styled with a twelve inch peplum made of gold lame. Each of the ladies wore a white satin pump, trimmed with a small gold rosette. The ushers were resplendent in black Tux, white pleated front shirts topped with a thin gold lame bowtie, and a gold cummberbund.

The wedding was coordinated by sister of the bride-Susan Cooper. Flowers were by Clay Florists, and the wedding reception was catered by Michelyn Caters. Dee Delectables catered the rehearsal dinner.

Engaged

Saunders/McClenon

Grace McClenon and Dwayne Saunders are proudly announcing their engagement. The wedding is planned for July 29th at Faith Christian Church, N. Hilton St.

Grace works in the Federal Probation Dept. in the District of Columbia, and Dwayne is a supervisor of Revisions in Columbia, Md.

Grace McClenon and Dwayne Saunders

Heggie Newlyweds

Happy newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Heggie look forward to years of love and happiness after being joined in holy matrimony on June 17th at St. John's A.M.E. Church in Baltimore.

Rev. Theodore M. Amenhotep of Shiloh A.M.E. Church performed the ceremony. The bride, the former Joy L. Jones, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip and Kathy Bishop of east Baltimore.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. William Heggie and Ms. Gertrude Bowers, also of east Baltimore. The loving couple spent their honeymoon in Virginia Beach, Va.

Paul and Joy Heggie

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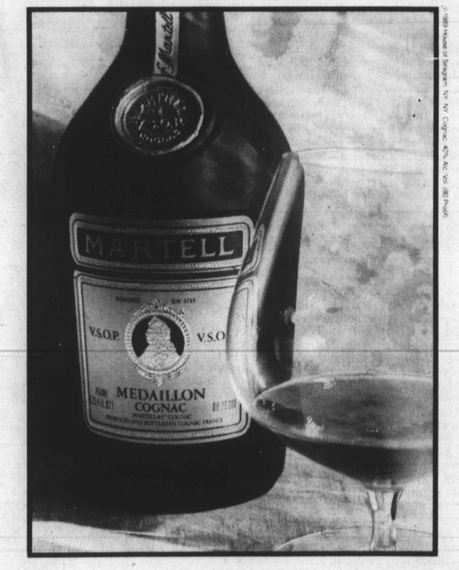

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