Columbia capers

By Pinnie L. Ross
AFRO Columnist

Good things are being said about the Friday night affair sponsored by the Columbia Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority at the Rouse Building, Kittamaqundi Room.

It was the group's annual Red and White Ball for the benefit of the scholarship fund and community service projects. The occasion was another elegant affair that brought over 500 beautiful people out to enjoy the tasty buffet prepared by Gorsure and music by the J and B Five Combo.

It was an evening of relaxation — why not? The lovely hostesses made sure that their guests were comfortable and that they got to meet each other.

Red and white are the Delta's colors and were exemplified by the audience assembled in all shades of reds and whites.

Leading the fashion trend was charming Mrs. Ruth Felton, president of the Chapter, glittering in a two-piece ball gown ensemble, which was an eye catcher.

It was styled in a princess cut, which nipped her waistline and flared at the bottom. It was sleeveless and cut low at the neckline. The dress was covered with glittering rhinestones. The matching evening coat had long sleeves, fully covered all over with rhinestones. An elegant ensemble on a charming president — what a combination.

Wearing the white story was Mary Day, she chose an eggshell color, peasant-style dress. It had a cowl collar with long puffed sleeves; bits of piping accented the front.

Pamela Johnson, slender and radiant, wore a striking gown which had lace sleeves and a deep plunge at the bust. It had yards of material at the bottom.

Dr. Iola Smith looked pretty as always. This time she wore a slinky, fitted, white, long-sleeved mohair gown.

Wearing a gorgeous red chiffon gown was stunning Mrs. Thelma Daley, national president, who, in my opinion, is strictly the high-fashion model's type.

Her gown flowed with an overtrain of chiffon. The perfectly fitting gown had a U-shape design in black on the material.

Rosalyn Scarborough looked like a petite princess in a two-piece red gown with matching long coat.

Among some of the Baltimore guests attending the affair were Mrs. Bernice McDaniels, Mrs. Alice Penderhuges, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Gibson, Dr. and Mrs. Roland Smooth, Dr. and Mrs. Billy D. Davis, Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Grey, and many others. Dr. and Mrs. Samuel (Gloria) Massey of Laurel also attended.

The party didn't end at 1 a.m. at the Rouse building, because some of the members climaxed the affair with breakfast for their guests. Like the delicious, well-seasoned breakfast served by Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Colvin.

It surely was enjoyed by Dr. and Mrs. Billy D. (Barbara) Davis, Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Grey, Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ross. By the way, all of the breakfast food came from the Colvins' farm.

The church of St. John the Evangelist, American Baptist, chartered another first in the annals of Columbia history last week in sponsoring the new city's first religious revival service.

The weekend revival brought many community leaders out to hear the inspirational messages preached by the Rev. Cramford Loritts, a nationally known Evangelist serving with the American Missionary Fellowship. He is a native of Philadelphia. The Rev. Mr. Loritts and his wife, Karen, are graduates of the Philadelphia College of the Bible.

Gospel songs of the combined choirs of Morning Star Baptist Church, Catonsville, and St. John's Adult Gospel Choir, under the able direction of Dr. Leroy Giles with lovely Mrs. Daisy Caldwell accompanist (Cuff Note: An orchid to Mrs. Caldwell for substituting for pianist Mrs. Fredericka Mathews who was in concert with Morgan State University Choir at the time of the Revival).

The Spiritual Awakening Revival included the young people, who performed a religious comedy, Saturday evening, after which a rap session was held involving the youth and the minister; on Sunday, a feast and communion were shared with 40 members of the First African Methodist Baptist Church, Philadelphia.

The Revival Service was coordinated by Dr. Jesse Paul Clay, a stalwart at St. John's Baptist Church. Dr. Clay is the assistant president for Academic Affairs at Howard University.

Sigma Gamma Sorority held a gala dinner-dance recently. Among those women who were responsible for the success of the affair were (L to R) Myra Curtis, chairperson; Geraldine Dobson, basileus; Sara Rose, Martha Allen, Rheba Matthews and Allie Lee. The affair ws among those held recently which marked the opening of the social season.
(Reflections photo by Benjamin M. Phillips)

MATURE LOVE — Last Saturday at Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church, Rev. and Mrs. Stuart Turner celebrated their silver wedding anniversary. (AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Phillips)

Children's book writer to speak here Nov. 16

Virginia Hamilton, noted writer of children's fiction who this year has won both the prestigious Newberry Medal and a National Book Award for her latest novel, "M.C. Higgins, the Great," will deliver the seventh annual Annie J. Duff Lecture at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 16, at the central Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 Cathedral St.

VIRGINIA HAMILTON
noted writer of children's fiction

The public is invited to attend the program free of charge.

Born in Yellow Springs, Ohio, Miss Hamilton attended Antioch College and Ohio State University, worked 15 years in New York City at various pursuits including writing short stories and singing, and began her distinguished career as a writer for children in 1967.

She believes that black children need more knowledge about their history and a sense of tradition, and the books she has written for children and have been acclaimed as stories that give dignity to black heritage.

They include "Zeely" (1967), "The House of Dies Drear" (1968), "The Time-Ago Tales of Jahdu" (1969), and others.

With husband — poet, anthologist, and educator Arnold Adoff — and two children, she now lives in Yellow Springs and continues to write.

Woodlawn Highlights

By Marjorie R. Green
AFRO Columnist

Cynthia Harvey knows what it's all about on both sides of the coin. She has achieved the type of success at SSA that all of us who started at the bottom, taking one grade at a time have dreamed of attaining.

Cynthia began climbing the ladder toward success 16 years ago when she started working as a machine operator in what is now called the Bureau of Data Processing.

She has worked in the Bureau of Disability Insurance as a Post-Entitlement clerk, Disability Examiner Training Instructor, Claims Authorizor and Staff Development Coordinator.

She just recently received a promotion as a GS-13 Career Counseling Supervisor in the Division of Training and Career Development.

Not only has Cynthia been successful at SSA, but her success reaches out into the community, her home and her church.

She is the "First Lady" of the New Testament Baptist Church where her husband Reverend Harold T. Harvey is the pastor. At home she is the mother of two teenage boys, Keith and George. George is her foster son of six months and he has added new dimension to the Harvey household.

Along with four other young women, three of whom work in Woodlawn, Cynthia is a member of the Aquarians Civic Club. The Aquarians; Elsie Ogolona, Lorraine Lucas, Gertrude Flowers and Margaret Hudgins are committed to helping people. Presently they are sponsoring a young student attending Coppin State College. Their future plans include adopting a senior citizen.

When asked what advice she would give to the young people of today, she answered "Exercise will power and determination to ahead. Step out in good faith, be [illegible] isn't going to put anything on you that you can't handle."

On Sunday, Oct. 23 there was an annual celebration in the home of Bobby Earl Kendall Johnson. It was around 4 P.M. that Kenny

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Catonsville Notes

By Liz Williams
AFRO Correspondent

The Baltimore County Board of Recreation and Parks is holding its annual Senior Citizens Conference at Simmers Run Senior High School on Saturday November 15, from 9 a.m. 3 p.m.

Some 25 members from the Grace Golden Age group are expected to attend. The bus will leave the Church parking lot at 8 a.m.

At the Wednesday Lunch Plus Program, a film was shown "Eat To Your Heart's Content." The catch is that you will have to eat the proper foods otherwise you will have discontent.

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Mrs. Myrna Powell was a recent speaker at Morning star Baptist Church. She was sponsored by Bobby Hawkins and his family. The occasion was Family and Friend Day which had the audience 'on fire" at the end of her talk. My informant tells me that she was one of the most dynamic speakers that she has ever heard).

This writer knew Myrna when she worked as a speech therapist in the Baltimore City schools, but understand now that she is a member of instruction and staff development in one of the regions.

Several weeks ago the suburban Mass Choir under the direction of the Rev. Vera Robinson at Church. It was so well received in the community that other groups are going to present this choir of 70 melodious voices.

Leon Dorsey's group, for the benefit of Men's Day at Morning Star Baptist

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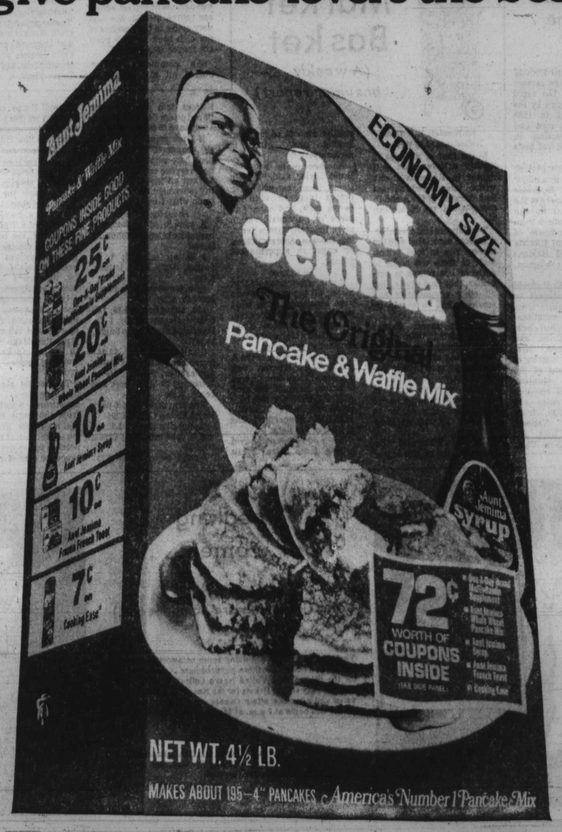

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VYING FOR TITLE — Here are some more contestants competing for the title of Miss United Negro College Fund. Pictured from L to R: Marlene Carris, Donna C. Waters, Audita Campbell, Lori Love, Jane M. Clark, Thomasine Thomas, Teres Cunningham, Carole Bailey and Vanessa Parker. Crowning of the queen will take place on Sunday, Nov. 9, beginning at 7 p.m. at Martin's West. Mrs. Milton B. Allen (Martha) is the UNCF Women's comittee chairperson. Call 233-7559 for information.
(Reflections photos by Benjamin M. Phillips)

Miss UNCF gala Sunday, Nov. 9

The United Negro College Fund will soon benefit from the hard work of their 30 young women, ages 16 to 22, who are actively competing for the title of "Miss UNCF."

The contest which will end Sunday, Nov. 9, in the Annual UNCF Gala is being sponsored by the Maryland Women's Committee. It will be held at Martin's West, 6 p.m. Tickets may be purchased by contacting either a contestant, member of the Women's Committee or 486-7978 or 466-8526.

Proceeds from the sale of admission tickets, votes, and ads in the souvenir journal go directly to the United Negro College Fund which provides money to be used for operating expenses by its 41 member institutions.

These private, fully accredited four-year colleges and universities use the money raised to expand scholarship and other forms of student aid;

To provide adequate and competitive salaries for faculty and staff;

To purchase new teaching and laboratory equipment;

To increase library and research facilities.

These institutions, many of which date from the

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Afro Bridal Register

Gregory-Johnson

Mr. George E. Johnson, Sr. has announced the marriage of his daughter, Miss Linda Louise, to Robert Gregory, Jr.

Mr. Gregory is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Gregory, Sr.

The marriage was performed on Oct. 4 at the Christ Edmondson United Methodist Church. A reception followed at the Elgin Lounge.

Serving as the bride's attendants were:

Miss Carol J. Harris, maid of honor; Miss Shirley P. Young, Miss Mary E. Buchanan, Miss Kim R. Gregory and Miss Norma L. Cox, bridesmaids; Nicki Walker and Terry Alston, flower girls.

Mr. Gregory's attendants included:

Byron Gould, best man; Samuel Gregory, Fennie Wright, Louis Campbell, James Artis, ushers, and Chris Baskerville, ring bearer.

The new couple is now at home on Lucia Ave. following a wedding trip to St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

Meachem-Pack

In a double ring ceremony, Miss Portia Noreen Pack spoke marriage vows with Rodell Wilbert Meachem, Jr.

The marriage was performed on Oct. 11 by the Rev. George Baynard at the Shiloh Christian Community Church. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Jack Graves. She is also the daughter of Mrs. Geraldine Pack.

Serving as the bride's attendants were:

Ms. Jacqueline Spann, maid of honor; Miss Phyllis Williams, Miss Julia Wilson, Miss Victorine Coupling, Miss Theresa Talley, Miss Pamela Meachem and Miss Patrice Meachem, all bridesmaids.

Flower girls were Tyese Greene and Shellece Talley.

Mr. Meachem's attendants included:

Paul Winder, best man; Robert Williams, Raymond Banks, Michael Stewart, Barry Johnson, Robert Green and Sydney J. Nicholson, Devin J. Pack served as ring bearer.

A reception followed in the church hall and another at the Black Image nightclub.

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Ms Angela Viola Jones has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Beverlyann Jones to Walter Ellis Reed.

Miss Jones is the granddaughter of Mrs. Cassina M. Jones and the late Mr. Frank W. Jones Sr.

She is a graduate of Forest Park High School. She attended Morgan State University where she received her bachelor's of science degree in Elementary Education. Miss Jones was on the dean's list while attending Morgan.

She is presently attending Graduate School at Towson State College and plans to receive her degree in Early Childhood Education. She is a member of the Baltimore Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and teaches in the Baltimore Public School System.

The bridegroom-e'ect is the son of Mrs. Lucy Jane Reed and the late Mr. George Reed.

Mr. Reed is a graduate of Douglass High School and received his bachelor's of arts degree in history from Morgan State University. He is presently vice-president of Beta Omega Epsilon Fraternity Inc.

In addition, he recently received the "Distinguished Service Award" from that organization. He has held several offices including president, vice-president, secretary, dean of affairs and editor of the newsletter.

Mr. Reed is employed by the State Department of Human Resources.

They are both members of Sharon Baptist Church. A June wedding is planned.

MRS. ROBERT GREGORY JR.
(former Miss Lynda Louise Johnson)
Reflections photo by Benjamin M. Phillips IV

MISS BEVERLYANN JONES
engagement announced

Alpha Chi Pi Omega meeting

Mesdames Lena Holland, Gladys Burke and Lee Anna Campbell were in Charleston, S.C. recently attending the Southeastern Regional meeting of the Alpha Chi Pi Omega Sorority. They joined delegates from Maryland, Washington, D.C., Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Mrs. Holland is basileus of the Baltmore chapter of the sorority.

Marriage Licenses

KARAS-HUMPHREY — David W., 18, 3410 Pinewood; Anna L., 17, 509 E. 39th.

WALLACE-GUSHEE — William M. 22, 7933 Wynbrook; Terri D., 20, 220 Poplar.

NWARO-ODOMENAM — Wilfred O., 28, 9111 Belgian; Margaret A., 25.

FARROW-GUIK — John R., 19, 521 Riverside; Raschelle A., 16, 4100 Bellegrove.

TURNER-JOHNSON — Howard L., 25, 814 Mt. Holly; E. B. Johnson, 23, 5053 Summer.

DUNN-STORCK — Gary B., 20, 3200 Commonwealth; Ruth F., 19, 1729 Wentworth

WILLIAMS-BANNING — Paul, 26, 2420 Lauretta; Arnita, 26, 2301 Monticello

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