If you ask me

By Bettye Moss

Hats off!

Salute this week to Ricardo Wayman. He's chairman of the Student Government Board at Community College of Baltimore.

Plus, he's in his second year as work - study student in mental health and supervises student activities in student life at Liberty campus.

We heard Mr. Wayman speak extemporaneously at the Monday evening, (June 28), reception for departing CCB president, Dr. Rafael Cortada. Event was at L'Ecole on S. Gay St. (He leaves soon to head a Calif. college).

What we admired is the manner in which he stood straight and tall and how he credited the president with keeping an open door to listen to students.

"He has been more like a friend . . . he will be hard to replace," Wayman observed.

In these days when students, faculty and presidents often are at each others' throats, this was a rewarding testimonial.

Hats off to young Wayman.

Please send nominations to this column's Hats Off section. We seek here to salute young people who do well because so often we adults only notice them when they perform poorly.

About people

CCB board chair, Charles Tildon, presided at the farewell reception for Cortada. Faculty, staff and board members joined in farewell remarks and contributed to handsome gift — desk set.

The L'Ecole is a part of the Community College program. There, students get practical experience in preparing tasty dishes they learn about in class. (The food was delicous - roast beef - shrimp, etc.).

Correct name is Baltimore International Culinary Arts Institute. (BICAI). Roger Chylinski is executive director. Wayne Clark is in charge of sales and marketing.

Nice gesture: A BICAI student, Bisa Dawes, sang during the reception. She has a pleasing voice. At the piano, Will Nauman.

Pleasant person met: Mrs. Mary Thompson, a CCB trustee. She's proud that her daughter, Andrea K. Thompson, is studying for her bar exam. She finished U. of MD. law school, is clerking with Cummings and Smith.

A large number of family and friends gathered at Enon Baptist Church on Tuesday evening for memorial services for Ernest Gardner, a 40 - year member of the church.

Survivors: His wife, Lucille W. Gardner; sister, Florence Ringgold, brothers; Herbert Gardner, all of Baltimore and Dr. Thomas Gardner, NY.

Emmy Winner note: — The Bill Britt who won the Rocky Mountain Emmy Award for his spot news story on a three - alarm fire (televised June 12), has Baltimore ties.

He is a graduate of Baltimore's Polytechnic High, holds a bachelor's in journalism from Ohio State.

Presently, he is on staff of KBTV in Denver, CO. Formerly, he was with WBAL here in Baltimore, and with WPTV in Palm Beach, FL.

His parents are William Britt Sr., the retired Baltimore insurance manager, and Mrs. Britt, (Eugenia), the city school secretary.

Get well cards to Mrs. Theodore Hythe, (Margaret), longtime We Wives member. She's recuperating from pneumonia.

And to Dr. Roland N. Patterson, NY school exec who formerly headed Baltimore city schools. He's in St. Luke Hospital, 114th and Amsterdam, New York, 10027.

Baby notes

Sunday (June 27) was a big day for three Baltimore families, whose newest additions were christened.

Dr. and Mrs. Jessie Weaver (Allie Pinderhughes), had their second son baptized at St. James P.E. Church, two - month - old Christopher Brandon, oldest brother is two - year - old Justen Michael.

Dad is a dentist, Mom is a lawyer. Paternal grands here from Ahoskie, NC., were Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Weaver, and daughter, Catherine.

Maternal grandmother, Mrs. Alice Pinderhughes, hosted wall - to - wall reception at her Hilton Rd. home afterwards.

The H. Russell Frisbys Jr., (Grace), had their first born baptized at Grace Presbyterian Church. She's the Montgomery Co. teacher. He's the FCC lawyer. Paternal grands are Mrs. Kathryn Frisby and the late H. Russell Frisby Sr. Maternal grands here were Dr. and Mrs. James T. Jackson of Kensington, MD.

Proud great-grandpop in attendance, Baltimore educator, historian and world traveler, Dr. Herbert M. Frisby.

Receptions followed in the church hall and at the parents' Columbia residence.

Also on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Ricki Young, (Minnie Grant), of Highland Park, NJ., returned to her Baltimore hometown for the baptism of their first born, Grant Michael Adams, at Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church.

Mother is daughter of Mrs. Mabel Grant Young and the late Dr. J. P. Grant. She and stepdad, Dr. Elroy Young, hosted receptions at church and at their Forest Park Ave. home.

Paternal grands here were Mr. and Mrs. William Adams of NY.

Cuff note: Assisting Rev. Reginald Daniels at this christening was the Rev. Harold G. Nixon, former pastor here who more recently has been in Hudson, NY. He and Mrs. Nixon, (Samona), are now making their home here in Baltimore.

More people

Janulyn Lennon performed in Boston at NAACP - ACT - SO.

Janulyn Lennon and Curtis Parker, members of the Arena Players Youtheatre were among nine regional winners participating in the NAACP- ACT-SO competitions in Boston this week.

Classes for Arena Players Youtheatre are being held at the Eutae Marshburn School at 1624 Eutaw Place thru Aug. 7 while the Playhouse is undergoing $500,000 in renovations.

Proud mother here from Columbia, SC., was Mrs. Irene Reid, in attendance at the Thursday evening, (July 1), salute to her son, Kurt Schmoke.

He's the candidate for Baltimore city state's attorney in the September Primary. Event was at the Hyatt.

Note to AME's: Mrs. Reid is the wife of Rt. Rev. Frank Madison Reid, beloved bishop of the AME Church.

One of the loveliest weddings in our town a week back was the June 19 ceremony which united two young lawyers, Patricia Davidson and Martin Welch, an assistant city solicitor.

Event was at Trinity Presbyterian Church with the bride's uncle, Rev. Joseph Howard of DC officiating.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Edith Howard Henry and the late Dr. Walter Davidson. He is the son of Mrs. Palestine Welch, and the late Harry P. Welch of Catonsville.

The bride's mom and stepdad, Dr. and Mrs. Irving Henry, hosted reception at their Hilton Rd. home.

Here for the event, a large number of Howards — including Mrs. Lloyd Davis, (Becky) from Santa Domingo, where her hubby is U.S. attache; and their daughter, Kathy, with the State Department in Madrid.

Next day, a number of relatives were in DC on a sad mission . . . for funeral services for a favorite aunt, Mrs. Lucy Wortham Jones, a retired Detroit teacher.

Mrs. Jones' father was the late Rev. Plummer Wortham, one time pastor of Payne AME Church here in Baltimore.)

Cuff note: The bride's mom and stepdad, Dr. and Mrs. Henry were also guests that same evening at that elegant Seafarers' bash held at the Acquarium (What a beautiful place to have a party).

Skip Dungee headed the arrangements. Seafarers' members are boat owners and enthusiasts. Lionel Jiggets provided music.

Mrs. Marshall

Often in our busy lives we fail to take time to remember that many a senior citizen fought against great odds to help make things better for the next generation.

Mrs. Elizabeth Marshall

The thought occurred as we learned of the death Juen 2, of Mrs. Elizabeth Elmira Hillen Marshall.

Reason: She devoted a substantial portion of her 86 years helping others, fighting to desegregate schools and for equal opportunity.

Most importantly, she had the courage to speak out — eloquently - at City Hall, at the School Board. Nobody scared Mrs. Marshall!

When age slowed her down, she used the telephone. Many a public official, hearing her voice, shook in his or her boots. She made you listen - her voice was confidential and caring.

In a 1976 interview, she was described as "a marathon telephone conversationalist."

AFRO files show that Mrs. Marshall was active in helping to integrate assignment of principals for Baltimore City public schools in the 60s.

At that time, there were no black principals except at all- black Douglass, Dunbar and Carver High High. The superintendent was Dr. George B. Brain.

"House of Fire"

It was Mrs. Marshall, along with the late NAACP warrior, Dr. Lillie M. Jackson, who spearheaded the huge mass gatherings at school board meetings.

At that time, Mrs. Marshall recalled in a recent interview, "we talked to the AFRO, and the late Carl Murphy. He told me, 'you're going like a house of fire' . . . you have served this town like it has never been served before. The AFRO supported me, and I have never forgotten it . . ."

In addition to fighting injustices, Mrs. Marshall was active in her neighborhood club which she helped organize. She lived at 2543 McCulloh until March 1981, when she moved to Los Angeles with a son.

She was organizor of the 13th Ward Civic League, worked with the late GOP leader, Marse S. Callaway to help get black policemen, and volunteered endless hours with the YMCA, the YWCA, Community Chest and the NAACP.

In Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church, where funeral services were held June 8, she was alifetime member and a deaconess.

Her husband, Cyrus W. Marshall Sr. died in 1961. He was a teacher and head of the math department at Douglass High for over 40 years.

Survivors

Surviving Mrs. Marshall, son, Dr. Granville Hillen, the Los Angeles dentist; Mrs. Charlotte Perry and Cyrus Marshall Jr., retired Baltimore educators. Also, six grandchildren, Cyrus 3rd, Dauna, Granville and Derek Marshall; Marsha Garrett and William R. Perry 3rd; two great grands, Camille and Brian Marshall.

Cuff note: A cousin is U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall.

A number of friends accompanied the body of Mrs. Marshll from Los Angeles.

Among them: Rita Ringgold Penick, a great niece; Mrs. Beatrice Wilkerson, an associate in Dr. Marshall's office; Mrs. Semiola Jackson, Mrs. Rita Parrott, Mrs. Marvella Barham; Dr. Rylla Johnson.

Family friends here from NY, Freddie Antone and Mrs. Vivian Briggs Delaney.

Over from DC, Drs. Harold Martin, Craig Means, Charles Sanders, Clarence Gilkes, and Jeanne Sinkford, who is dean of the Howard U. Dental School.

Surprise!

People doing nice things for others: Relatives and friends of James B. Corley of Ellwood Ave. in East Baltimore, pulled a surprise on him a Sunday ago.

The event marked his retirement after 30 years from BEthlehem Steel Co., It was arranged by his wife of 40 years, Ann Gaylord Corley, and was held at S and R Banquet Hall.

Corley is a member of Bethel AME Church. The Mrs. is active in Mt. Pleasant Baptist.

The 100 plus guests dined, danced, gifted and toasted the honoree. Speaking for the eoght grandchildren was 16 - year - old Adrienne Corley. Western High student.

She urged, "Grandpop, this is not the end, but a new beginning . . . live life to the fullest."

The Corley offsprings are James W., the General Motors employee; Laverne, Social Security employee; Patricia, the city teacher; and Freide Stevens, the day care center administrator.

Cuff note: Corley came to Baltimore from his native Jacksonville, FL.

In his youth, he was pitcher with the Baltimore Grays when they played at Bugle Field.

Among guests, Mrs. Corley's 82 - year - old mother, Mrs. Janie Gaylord.

Honoree's relatives present included brother, Talmadge, from NY, sisters, Lottie Mae Gibson, Marjorie Chupp and Willie Blassingale and hubby Albert of Philadelphia.

Family friends assisting in arranging the surprise were Mrs. Donna Johnson, and former co - worker, Eddie Middleton, who presided.

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Summer Happenings

Elegant banquet celebrates Concord's 45th Anniversary, Dr. Silver's 22nd

One of the finest banquets of the early summer season was the June 26 fete that marked the 45th anniversary of Concord Baptist Church and the 22nd year of the pastor, Dr. Matthew R. Silver.

The Blue Crest ballroom was aglow with flowers and candles on tables for 600 brilliantly dressed guests and hostesses in frocks of deep deep blue.

The double-tiered head table - held program participants and church officials. The audience was dotted with dozens of ministers of the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland, the state's largest group, which Dr. Silver headed for four years. He was this year succeeded in office by Dr. Lorenzo Graves.

Concord was founded in 1937. Dr. Silver came in 1960. Under his leadership the church has made spectacular contributions to Baltimore and the Baptist church nationwide.

Concord is located at 5204 Liberty Heights Ave.

Ronald McCallum was general chairman of the 45th anniversary week which culminated in the Monday evening banquet.

Mrs. Beulah Satterfield was banquet chairperson; Mrs. Grace Flippin, co-chair; Judge Robert M. Bell, toastmaster.

Dr. Olin P. Moyd, pastor, Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, noted author and the main speaker, was introduced by Edward Taylor, distinguished member, a pilot and engineer.

Others on the program were Mrs. Matthew Silver, Dr. Bettina M. Scott, Dr. Elizabeth M. Oliver, Mrs. Ethel M. Abrams, Mrs. Sheila Phillips, Ms. Vicki Jenkins, Dr. Lorenzo Graves, Mrs. Bessie Mason, Revs. Fletcher Miller and Charles Middleton and Richard White, great nephew of the Concord founder, Rev. William White.

Many honorary degrees and awards have been bestowed upon Dr. Silver for oustanding contributions to the church, community, city and state. He presently serves as statistician for the National Baptist Convention USA Inc. Cited as a man of great vision, he continues to lead the church in reaching out for the unchurched and the youth.

Presently there are 650 active members of the church with a paid up mortgage. With additional properties already acquired, the church looks forward to the future and a more expanded ministry.

Among many faithful members are Deacon Winston Highsmith, chairman of the Board of Deacons; Trustee Grover Lee, chairman of the Board of Trustees and Mrs. Betty White, clerk of the church.

Concord entered the new building on Liberty Heights in October, 1969.

During his 22 years Dr. Silver's emphasis has been educational programming, Bible Classes, Summer Tutorial Day Camp, a scholarship fund, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, training in Christian Education, Mission Outreach, Eat-Together program for senior citizens and a Food Co-op. Concord makes contributions annually to Shaw University, Virginia Union University, Richmond, VA; Virginia Seminary and College, Lynchburg, VA; Hampton Institute and the Negro College Fund.

HIGHPOINT OF THE EVENING came when Dr. Silver (second left) was praised by (L to R) Dr. Lorenzo Graves, president of the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland who succeeded Dr. Silver the post, the highest of all Maryland Baptist clergy; Dr. Olin P. Moyd, pastor of Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, the banquet speaker and Supreme Bench Judge Robert Bell, the banquet toastmaster.

CROWNED were Concord Queen Mrs. Mozella Parks and Mr. Concord Collin Brown.

HONORS AND CITATIONS went to Dr. and Mrs. Silver from Deacon Winston Hightower and Trustee Bettina M. Scott.

HIGHEST HONORS went to original members, Mesdames Mary Hinton, Alice Brooks, Elizabeth Taylor, William White, Mesdames Mabelia Highsmith, Zeta McCollugh, Viola Moore, Deacon Theodore McCallum and Mrs. Bulah Satterfield. (RIGHT PANEL) Miss Carroll Chambers, Mrs. Elizabeth Houze, Mrs. Julimetta Harris, Mrs. Robin Jackson and Miss Jakie Simmons.

YOUNGEST MEMBERS of the Ebenezer Baptist Church Junior Missionary Society led the 37th Anniversary Celebration sponsored by Mrs. Bettye Shell Graves. Guests were the nationally known Berea Temple Lamplighters; Leonard Poole, main speaker and Brown Memorial Baptist Church congregation. Shown are Dr. Elizabeth O. Oliver, Ebenezer member; Laquarter Hayes and Dennis Elliott, anniversary chairpersons; James Lokeman, Wanda Cole, Willie Robinson, Tyra Murphy, Tammy Powell, Sidney Carter and Pamela Callaway. Not shown are Mrs. Clarence Poole, the pastor's wife and Deacon Robert Ransome. The historic Junior Missionary Society was established in 1937 as the first chapter of the National Baptist Convention.

REUNION IN BALTIMORE with Mrs. Esther S. Fennell hostess, saw present the Hampton Institute library science classmates from across the nation, all retired librarians. Standing are Mrs. Fennell, Baltimore; Mrs. Melba Robinson, Washington; Mrs. Aurelia Franklin, Durham, NC; Mrs. Miriam E. Penn, Richmond, VA. Seated, Mrs. Gladys Anderson, Tallahassee, FL.; Mrs. Bernadine Robinson, Dallas, TX; Mrs. Margaret G. Cooper, Dayton, OH.

Black American Gustavus Vassa published an autobiography in 1789 that went into