—BALSA

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built-in restraints.

On an optimistic note he charged: "It is to the courts of law that the fight for equality and justice must be taken" and issued the challenge to the black lawyers of tomorrow: "Resolve to take your rightful place among the greatest."

The judge received a standing ovation and was awarded a plaque from BALSA by Cheryl Griffin.

A lovely medley of songs of hope such as "If I Can Help Somebody," "If Everyone Lit Just One Little Candle" and "No Man is an Island" was done by Robert Evans Jr., soloist, with William Smith, accompanist.

Awards and other presentations made by Ada E. Cherry included the "Service to BALSA" award, presented to Judge Robert M. Bell, Circuit Court, Baltimore; "Teaching Excellence" award, to Evelyn Cannon, professor at the University of Md. Law School and a "real friend" to the students; "Community Service" award to Senator Verda F. Welcome for her untiring efforts as a legislator and the first black woman senator in the state's history and the "Distinguished Alumni" award, presented to Judge Harry A. Cole, the first black to serve in Maryland's highest court — the Court of Appeals.

The members of BALSA appear to be a very closely - knit group. They are also interested in their professions that they even during their evening of celebration, take shop as happily and as naturally as breathing.

Those members who have already graduated and begun to get established in the profession freely gave advice and encouragement to those who are still students with concerns and questions.

Gloria Robinson, a first - year evening law student at the Univ. of Md. who hails from the nation's capital, said (during the cocktail hour) BALSA helps blacks adjust to problems they may encounter in predominantly white schools."

Julie Goodwin, a Univ. of Md. graduate who has passed the bar and now works in the Chancellor's office at the university said of BALSA: "It really helped me a lot. We were introduced to the curriculum my first year so that gave us a head start. We also got a stipend at that time and were able to quit our jobs. It was and still is a great support group."

Zakia, another first year Univ. of Md. student said, "I haven't had to use it (BALSA) yet, but it's nice to know that it's there, just in case I should ever be up against it because of racism or my religion." (She's a Muslim). She also spoke highly of the tutorial services and job placement services it has to offer.

One cannot help but ponder if there were more organizations of this kind formed for black students in the fields of medicine, dentistry and pharmacy in predominantly white schools of higher learning, perhaps their drop-out rate might be lower.

It was an inspiring evening, with dinner music provided throughout by Maurice Grant, a second - year day law student at the Univ. of Md. There were also law students present from the University of Baltimore.

Single PARENTING

By Kelly Hill

Single parenting from a male point of view. Lee Sheridan Brown is a member of BSPWP, and he also decided to voice his opinion about single parenting.

You are a black male, you are divorced, and you are a single parent. That's the problem facing black fathers today.

For those fathers who wish to assert parental rights, divorce is only the beginning of a whole new way of life which directly affects your relationship with your children, which in turn affects your actions, and thoughts.

The most difficult form of parenting is being an absentee parent, and I will comment on this from a father's perspective. Actually, this form of parenting will most likely have to be overcomed through a long process of training yourself.

Being loving can be taken as being soft. Being gentle and kind can be misunderstood as not being "macho". The media today, portrays the male hero on television as being either a bachelor, widower or divorced. On the other hand married men with children are portrayed as somewhat rediculous, incompetent and confused. These are only a few problems that black male absentee parents must face.

The relationship with your child changes as the child grows older. In fact, as the absentee father you must learn how to overcome the changing attitudes of your young children.

In society you are termed the "other parent," the one responsible for making a payment once a month and taking the kids to the zoo once a week.

Your emotional involvement is considered minimal, based on the "Out-of-Sight-Out-Of Mind" philosophy.

It can be said that the mother's concern will be different from the father's. Having custody of the children, means dealing with the day to day problems.

However, the mother's emotional degree of involvement may not be as strong as the father's. Let me qualify this by first stating that the man has left the house which presents itself as abandonment.

His contact with the children is less frequent, while she has them around the clock. He also is involved in trying to hold down a job, meet monthly child support payments while trying to construct a household of his own and handle the mental obstacles inherent in being a divorced father.

Very opposite to what most your friends might tell you, the man,generally is the unhappiest in such a single or divorced state.

The male is the one who shoulders the heaviest burden and has the most difficult task of constantly reassuring his position as leader and father within a broken home.

Overcoming the guilt challenge is the hardest thing for a single father. Somehow or another, it becomes much simplier to go to the movies with your child, or the zoo or ball games. A single parent father must watch out for emphasis on too many things and not enough personal interactions.

An absentee father parent often views himself as the least loved of the two parent on behalf of the child. As a single parent father you must not make your child test his or her love for you. Because, as long as you give the child reason to love you, that child's position will always be a viable one. A child needs to know that it is allright to love the absent parent. This is why the male role is so important.

Negative remakrs towards the other parent must be avoided. Resist the temptation to use the child to hurt each other. Be a part of your child's activities in school.

Being a single parent in the father role is a very difficult task; being an absentee single parent is even more difficult.

Understanding and sincerity make the task much less difficult and the rewards far exceed the trials and tribulations.

Mr. Brown is a concerned parent, and I am glad that he spoke out and wanted to share his views with you.

If you have any comments on what both of our single parents have said, Ms. Barbara Nasir and Mr. Lee Brown, please send your comments to: Kelly Hill, P.O. Box 26542, Baltimore, MD. 21207 —

Black Single Parents Without Partners had its March meeting, and the topic for discussion was "Loneliness".

Because each of the members who attended the meeting had a variety of ideas and suggestions that he or she wanted to exchange with each other, we discussed topics such as "depression, how to cope as a widower, places to go and how to cope with moving from one environment to another with a small child."

I want to send a special thanks to each member and the planning committee which has worked so hard to get the organization going. "From one single parent to another, THANK YOU PLANNING COMMITTEE."

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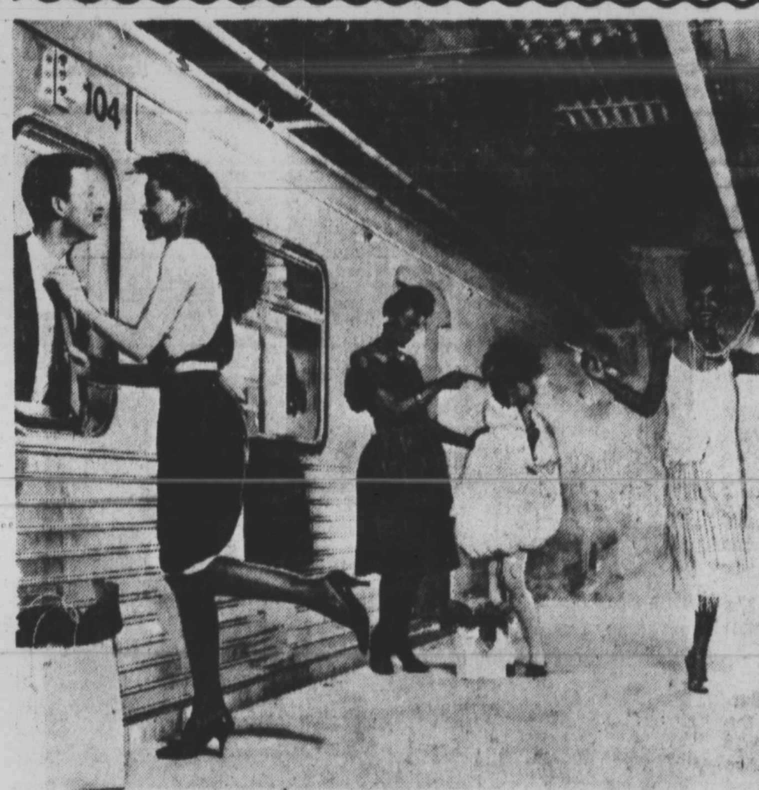


MONDAWMIN ON THE FASHION FAST TRACK depicts the sign of things to come during the Easter Fashion Shows to be held there.

MONDAWMIN 'ON THE FASHION FAST TRACK'

Al Stewart and the other members of Morgan State University's radio station (WEAA-FM) 88.9 are gearing up for the annual fund raising campaign with several exciting preliminary events. Sunday, March 27, Mondawmin Associates will be sponsoring a special event in the shopping center on behalf of WEAA. Entitled "Fashion Fast Track," the affair will feature the Flair Modeling Company, the King David Singers, the Woodlawn Senior High School Gospel Choir and Baltimore's own Griot, Mary Carter Smith.

People visiting Mondawmin on Saturday between the hours of 3-5 p.m. are in store for visual and aural treats highlighting the latest fashions, soulful gospel singing and informative stories relating diverse aspects of our Black cultural heritage.

MISS TALENTED TEEN ORIENTATION SET

The Miss Talented Teen Maryland Pageant Orientation will be held Sunday, April 27, at 4 p.m. at the Provident Auditorium, 2600 Liberty Heights Ave.

The Orientation is open to future contestants, their parents and sponsors.

Interested teens and parents are invited to attend.

The purpose of the orientation is to explain the background of the pageant and inform parents, contestants of their responsibilities to the pageant.

You may call Mrs. Ross at 465-0123 or 730-8689 for further info.

Mondawmin 'On The Fashion Fast Track'

Mondawmin is arriving 'On The Fashion Fast Track' this spring with two exciting fashion shows.

Flair Studios and the Mondawmin Merchants Association will stage their annual spring fashion shows Saturday, March 26 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, April 2 at 7 p.m.

'The Fashion Fast Track' is a free ride to the warm styles of the season on Mondawmin's Center Court.

In addition to these two free shows, the Mondawmin Merchants will stage a show on March 27 as a fund - raiser to benefit Morgan University's radio station WEAA.

This Sunday fashion event will be on Center Court at 3 p.m.

ALL ABOARD! The Fashion Fast Track at Mondawmin Mall.

NEW DIRECTIONS OFFERS 'CAREER CHANGERS' WORKSHOP

Baltimore New Directions for Women will hold a free workshop entitled "Career Changers" on Wednesday evening, March 30, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the BNDW Career Resource Center at 2517 N. Charles St.

This workshop, led by Beth Greenland, is aimed at those women and men who are seeking a career change.

The workshop will focus on identification of skills, preparation of an effective resume, networking and interview skills.

Rose Marie Coughlin, Director of BNDW's Career Resource Center notes that "if a person has been in a job for four or five years, job - finding techniques are probably rusty.

After you look at your skills and see how they transfer to other fields, resumes need to be updated and interview techniques "brushed up." This workshop is a first step in that process."

Beth Greenland is an independent Human Resource Development Consultant specializing in performance appraisal programs, supervisory training programs, participative management programs and EEO - Affirmative Action.

She currently serves as Vice President of the Maryland Chapter of the American Society for Performance Improvement. Ms. Greenland has formerly volunteered at BNDW as a career counselor.

Pre - registration for the 30 March, 1983 workshop is encouraged. Call 366-8570 for registration and information.

IN PERSON — TRAVIS' INTERNAT'L DESIGNERS

"In Person," Travis' International Designers Show with World Renowned Guest Designer Willi Smith, of Willi Wear, will be held Sunday, March 27, at Coppin State College.

Doors open at 6 p.m. Showtime at 7 p.m.

Reception to follow, Tawes Center.

"Open Bar," "Live Jazz" "Disco", General Admission $15.00, Student I.D. — $10.00, half year subscriptionto Travis Magazine, Partial proceeds to benefit the United Negro College Fund - Travis Magazine.

Coppin State College, James W. Johnson Auditorium, 2500 W. North Ave., Baltimore, Md.

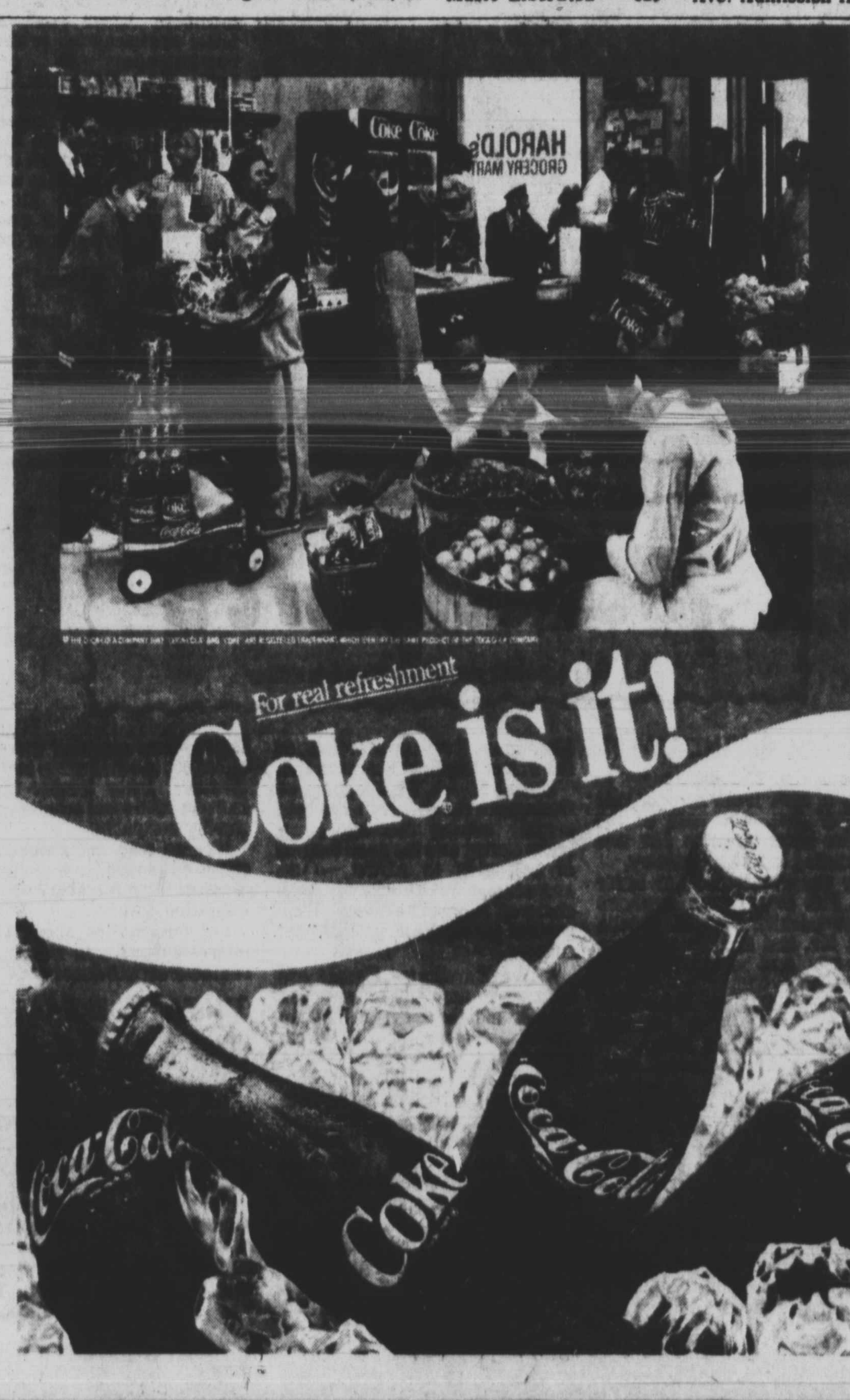
Ticket Information — Ticketron Location: Civic Center — 659-7000; Towson Center — 837-1244; Painters Mill — 837-1244; All Area Hecht Co. Stores — 837-1244.

Mondawmin — Walden Brooks — 462-1947; Music Liberated — 523-2330; Mr. Wink — 462-1947; Coppin State College — 383-4441; Goldblooms — 727-5508.

Sponsors are Tower Ford, 3700 Monument Street, Balto., Md. (301) 675-5515, Student Government Coppin State College.

SIGMA GAMMA RHO STUDENT RECEPTION

A Reception for Students (sponsored by Sigma Gamma Rho) to attend Virginia Union meeting to allow sorority members to meet students and to provide student orientation will be held Saturday, March 26, from 2-4 p.m. at the home or Ms. Myra Curtis, 4305 Springdale Ave. Admission free.



Beauty Fair

Eyes have it — Making up Eyes

By Mary Fair

All stray brows have been plucked, and your face has been thoroughly cleaned. Apply a moisturizer to your face with just a thin film around the eye area.

Foundation is applied sparingly around the eye area also. Heavy application and or too much patting will leave eyes puffy and unattractive. Close eyes and dust face lightly with powder.

In choosing shadows, consider wearing colors that are compatible with your skintone as well as your outfit. If you have a dark brown complexion, for example, your shadows should be muted tones or a darker shade of some of the lively colors.

The highlighter goes on just beneath the brow on the brow - bone. This can be a powder or cream, whatever your preference. (I've found that powders stay on longer).

Smooth on a deeper tone, the same, or a complimentary, color on your upper eyelids.

The deepest color can be applied to the crease. Here I'd recommend a cream shadow due to the fact that powder tends to cake up in the crease of the eye.

You may apply some color on the lower eyelid also.

Use a pencil in a complimentary color to outline the eyelids. The line can be softened with the tip of your index finger.

Now close your eyes and dust entire area lightly with a powder brush that has been gingerly dipped in powder.

The best way to apply nascara is to place a mirror face up on a vanity table and look down into it as you make the application. You may use two applications, but the second one should be applied only after the first one is completely dry.

This will avoid a caked - on - sticky look.

Brush or comb lashes with a lash brush or small comb between applications and after the last coat dries. Don't forget lower lashes!

Apply eyebrow pencil in short, light, feathery strokes of the pencil, never a heavy solid line following the direction of hair growth. One solid line appears too unnatural.

Now brush brows back in place to smooth out pencil.

Touch up any areas that may have been smugged.

Hints: (For MAKING UP EYES)

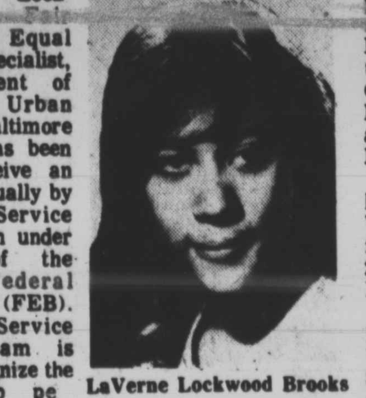
If your eyes tend to run or sting after you've applied your make - up, you may be allergic to the make - up you've been wearing. Try a different brand.

If your lashes are unruly, try a lash curler.

Never leave on over night or any prolonged period of time. Remove with a commercial eye make - up remover, or baby oil; splash on cool water, tower - dry; then apply eye cream to entire area.

If you're not used to wearing eye makeup, too little is better than too much. Learn how to perfect what you're using before you pour it on.

Laverne Brooks wins F.E.B. Award



LaVerne Lockwood Brooks

Mrs. LaVerne Lockwood Brooks, Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (Baltimore Area Office), has been selected to receive an award given annually by the Career Service Awards Program under sponsorship of the Baltimore Federal Executive Board (FEB).

The Career Service Awards Program is intended to recognize the exemplary job pe formance and contribution to the Federal government or the community of area Federal employees.

Employees are nominated by their supervisors, and are eligible to receive an award from any of eight different categories. A screening committee of Federal employees has selected finalists in each of the award categories.

Mrs. Brooks, nominated by her supervisor, Mrs. Rheba Gwaltney, was selected for the following award: "Honorable Mention; Community Service Award."

This recognition is a distinct honor in view of the fact that Mrs. Brooks was one of 149 candidates nominated under all award categories from a group of eligibles totalling 70,000 civilian and military personnel.

Winners and other nominees will be recognized at the Annual Career Service Awards Luncheon to be held in their honor from 11:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on May 4, 1983, Hunt Valley Inn, Cockeysville, MD. More than 1,000 employees and friends are expected to attend the Awards Luncheon.

Teddy R. Kern, chairman, FEB Career Service Awards Program 1983, states in his March 8, 1983 letter to Mrs. Brooks: "I know you are very proud of the achievement which promoted your nomination and I extend to you my congratulations as well as those of the Baltimore Federal Executive Board."

Mrs. Brooks who has been a Federal professional employee for almost three years, came to HUD from the position of program manager, Program Management Section of the Commissioner's Office, Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development.

Mrs. Brooks is a 1962 honor graduate of Western High School, finishing 12th in a class of 250 and earning the Peabody Medal.

She attended college at Michigan State University and Morgan State University. She received her BA degree in 1967 from Morgan State University as a sociology major.

She was member of the Honor Society and Sociology Club at Morgan.

Mrs. Brooks was selected to the publication Outstanding Young Women of America for 1978 in recognition of outstanding ability, accomplishments and service to the community. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Douglas Memorial Community Church, YWCA, the Apron Strings — social and charitable club, and other groups.

Mrs. Brooks is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William V. Lockwood. She resides in Baltimore County with her 14-year-old son, Roland T. Brooks.

—Engagements and Weddings—

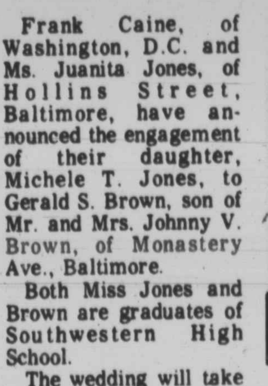
Patricia A. Banks Engaged

Michele T. Jones to wed Gerald S. Brown

Frank Caine, of Washington, D.C. and Ms. Juanita Jones, of Hollins Street, Baltimore, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Michele T. Jones, to Gerald S. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny V. Brown, of Monastery Ave., Baltimore.

Both Miss Jones and Brown are graduates of Southwestern High School.

The wedding will take place in April.



Michele T. Jones Engaged

Patricia A. Banks to wed Anthony A. Thomas

Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. Ulysses A. Banks, of Woodlawn, of the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Ann Banks, to Anthony P. Thomas, son of Mrs. Eunice Thomas, of Baltimore.

The bride - to - be was graduated from Morgan State University, and is currently employed with the Maryland State Police.

The prospective bridegroom is a dental technician with the University of Maryland School of Dentistry, and will be pursuing a career in dentistry.

Plans are being made for a May wedding.

INTERIOR DESIGN CLINIC AT MD. INSTITUTE

Design clinic services will be offered by the interior design department at the Maryland Institute, College of Art until the end of April. The service is available to area residents and community organizations.

Not intended as a substitute for professional design services, the Design Clinic ahs been developed as a teaching aid to provide senior interior design students the opportunity to apply the theories and principles they have learned to practical situations.

Clinic clients meet with a design senior at the Maryland Institute for individual consultation under faculty supervision.

Potential clients may start the eligibility process by calling the interior design department (301-669-9200, extension 241) between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm on Tuesdays.

Woodlawn Highlights

By Marjorie R. Green

REP. DEAL ADDRESSES VANGUARDS

"A man of strong convictions and a man of good will" is the description applied to the Honorable Alphonso Deal, member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives who visited Baltimore last week as the guest of the Vanguard Justice Society, Inc.

The occasion was the Annual Awards Dinner Dance where Deal delivered a stirring conscious raising speech before the law enforcement organization.

We first met Representative Deal several years ago at the Annual Convention of the National Association for Colored People (NAACP).

The introduction at the time was full of praise for his successful efforts towards soliciting the largest number of NAACP memberships in the country.

In his strong commanding voice, Deal opened his remarks with the statement "Shame on you Baltimore! Shame on you", he repeated. The shame he spoke of was the lack of black visibility in top decision making positions in Baltimore, a city where black citizens are in a large majority.

A strong civil rights activist and retired member of the Philadelphia police force, Representative Deal has a reputation for getting things done, and he delivered a meaningful challenge to President Wendell France and the Vanguards as well as the residents of Baltimore City.

In spite of the lateness of the hour Deal was able to capture and hold the audience's attention with his words of wisdom gained through years of experience in the struggle for equality and justice for all mankind.

Award recipients were John L. Hailey, Police Officer of the Year; Vera A. Smith, Outstanding Citizen; Milford V. Johnson, Outstanding Vanguard Member and Samuel T. Daniels, Humanitarian Award.

Retired Colonel William "Box" Harris, retired Lt. J. Hiram Butler and retired Sgt. Harry Scott are law enforcement pioneers who were inducted into the Vanguards Hall of Fame during the gala Martin's' West affair.

Other officers in the Vanguard Justice Society, Inc. are First Vice President, Wayne Wilson; Second Vice President, Teresa Cunningham; Recording Secretary, James Shields; Financial Secretary, Carolyn Raley; Treasurer, Tyrone Francis and Sergeant - at - Arms, Arnold Adams.

Sharing our table hosted by John J. Parker was this writer's husband James, the ever humorous Judge Robert Bell, Judge and Mrs. Kenneth Johnson and Ms. Caradella Robinson.

Send news items for this column to: WOODLAWN HIGHLIGHTS, P. O. Box 785, Baltimore, Maryland 21203.

More women (40%) than men (13%) have physical checkups, including cancer tests. If your wife insists you get one—don't balk. Go! It's your best protection against cancer.

American Cancer Society

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