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Robinson salute set

The Victorine Q. Adams Humanitarian Awards Dinner honoring Bishop L. Robinson, the secretary for the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services will be held on June 9, at 6:30 p.m. at Martins West.

Robinson who Governor William Donald Schaefer appointed secretary in March 1987, is very active in the humanitarian field.

He began his career as a foot patrol officer with the Baltimore Police Department and in July, 1984 former Mayor William Donald Schaefer appointed him Police Commissioner.

Robinson has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Police Administration from the University of Baltimore, Master of Education degree from Coppin State College and a Certificate in Police Science and Administration from the University of Louisville.

He was also an adjunct professor of criminal justice at Coppin State College.

His other accomplishments include graduating from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Executive Institute as well as being a past President of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE).

The Humanitarian Awards Dinner began five years ago to honor former councilwoman Adams after she retired from the Baltimore City Council (4th District).

Adams said that Robinson is being honored for "doing an ordinary job in a superior way," "he's developed into a first rate lawman."

The Fuel Fund was established as a resource to help assist low income people who are unable to "foot the bill" for their entire heating expenses.

The proceeds for this event will benefit the Fuel Fund which Adams founded in 1978.

For additional information concerning the awards dinner contact Carolyn Brown, at 752-2922.

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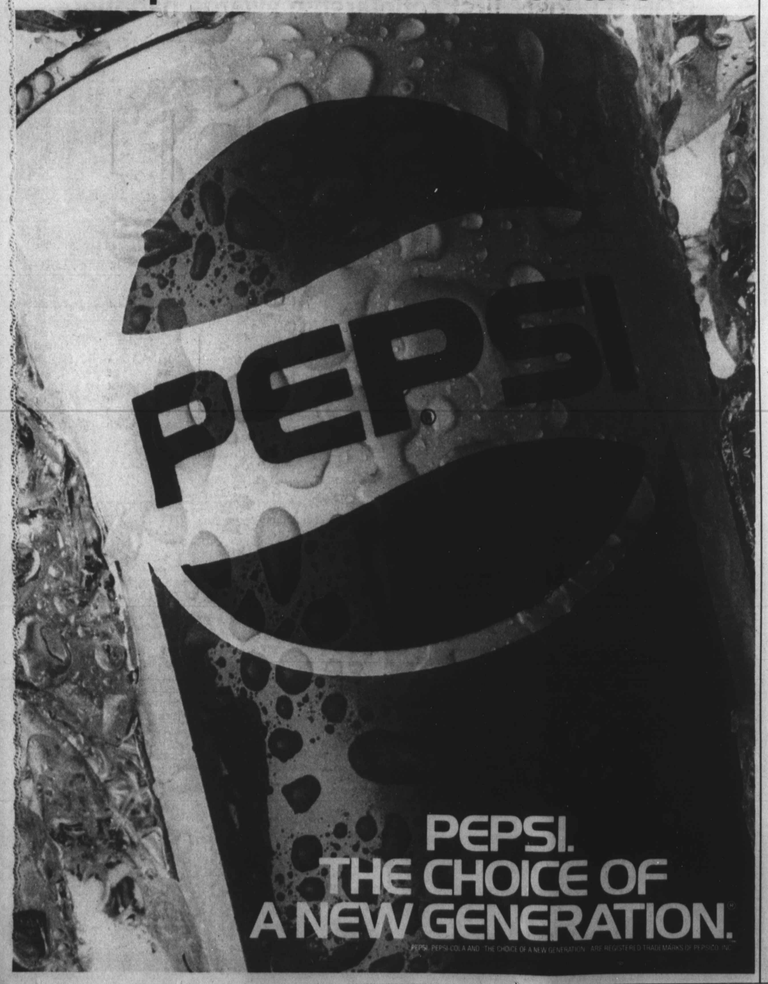

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are in order for Kimberly Ann Brooks, daughter of Carol and Anita Brooks of Baltimore.

Kimberly graduated from Villa Julie College on May 26, with majors in Communications and Drama.

Kimberly was Miss Talented Teen Maryland and Miss Talented Teen International in 1981.

She also has portrayed the lead role in the play 'The Bad Seed' at the Arena Players, and made an eight-part series for Channel 67, 'Getting to Know You!'

A reception was held in Kimberly's honor Saturday, May 28 at the Mt. Holly home of her grandmother, Mrs. Doris Ross, who hosted the affair.

Held at 6 p.m. the festive event was attended by more than 100 family members and guests. The decor was green and white (Kimberly's school colors) and boasted balloons, streamers, video-taped disco music, appetizing edibles and green punch.

The honoree cut a large sheet cake (green and white) inscribed with her motto: "If you can imagine it you can achieve it!"

She also received numerous gifts, cards of good wishes and many flowers. Kimberly will pursue her career in California where she will continue her studies in both her areas of concentration.

Kimberly Ann Brooks
Villa Julie Grad

PALS MARK 45TH

The Pals celebrated their 45th year with a spring party at the Forum Saturday, April 30.

This occasion was an opportunity for members, their families and friends to assemble for cocktails, dinner, dancing and reminiscing.

The Pals were organized in January 1943 as a female support group for each other while their husbands were away serving in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War II.

Each table had a centerpiece of yellow, green, purple and silver balloons attached to a large spring straw lady's bonnet.

Happy anniversary was printed on the balloons.

Prior to the serving of dinner Dr. William V. Lockwood offered the invocation and blessing.

To climax the celebration a short history of the Pals was read by Frances Lockwood, one of the chapter members.

Other charter members are Beatrice Myers, Helen Thomas, Margaret Land, Gwendolyn Lynch, Jeannette Hairston.

The chart with the club's insignia and history was designed by Lois White, a member.

The Pals' president Mary Ellis introduced the dance chairperson, Mildred Taylor. Others on the committee were Margaret Land, Lois White, Thomasina Bowie, Esther Wiles, Camay Murphy, Martha Allen

For 45 years the Pals have been committed to community services. Contributions have been made to the Old Provident Hospital, Lafayette Square Recreation Center, League for the Handicapped, United Negro College Fund, the McKim Center, NAACP, Camp Farthest Out, YMCA, Salvation Army, Boys' Camp, United Methodist Club Camping, Sharp St. Methodist Church Camping.

Since the formation two members are deceased—Alice Q. Murphy and Ruth W. Wilmore.

Club officers are Mary Ellis, president; Martha Allen, vice president; Thomasina Bowie, secretary; Frances Lockwood, treasurer; Ruby Taylor, chaplain.

Other members of the Pals are Eloise Brown, Jeannette Houston, Margaret Land, Gwendolyn Lynch, Camay Murphy, Cordelia Oliver, Mildred Taylor, Helen Thomas, Alma Parker, Lois White and Esther Wiles.

40TH ANNIVERSARY

Recently, the Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Tau Fraternity celebrated its 40th Anniversary with a Formal Banquet-Dinner Dance at the Sheraton Inn. The affair was the culmination of many that have been given in this the 40th year of existence for the fraternity.

The evening's activities began with cocktails which were followed by dinner and a program. The Beta Men were equal to the ocassion by dressing in their tuxedos garnished with the fraternity colors of crimson and blue. The Beta Wives were equally impressive with a wide array of beautiful gowns and dresses.

Following the dinner, Bro. William Brent, who acted as Toastmaster, called the group together to begin the well planned program. Acting in his usual jovial manner, Bro. Brent kept a lively pace, introducing some jibes and spices along the way.

Bro. Merriman Wilson gave the historical background of the fraternity and Bro. Richard Holley introduced the speaker.

The speaker was Dr. John L. Crew, retired Superintendent, Baltimore City Public Schools and a fraternity brother, gave a sterling address related to the past economic and social issues and how the future will impact upon these.

Following Dr. Crew's speech, the President, Robert W. Griner gave some brief remarks .

After the program, Brothers and their guests were treated to some magnificant nostalgic musical renditions by Lionel Jiggetts and his group. Brother Joseph Parham was the chairman of the activity and is to be commended for a job well-done.

Other Brothers in attendance were: Harry Gross James Johnson, Earl Jones, Clarence Williams, Charles Wilson, and Alfred Sutton, During the course of the evening, special remarks were made related to all the deceased Brothers.

To continue its 40th Anniversary year, the Fraternity will possibly have four or five more activities during the calendar year.

Imperial Commandress honored at annual ball

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ILLUSTRIOUS COMMANDRESS MARY D. GABBIN is seen during the Commandress Ball held in her honor Saturday, May 14 at the Forum, Primrose Ave. with her husband, John Gabbin. The ball was hosted by Jerusalem Court No. 1, Daughters of Isis, Oasis of Baltimore, Desert of Maryland.

AMONG THE GUESTS, who numbered more than 250 and savored a sit down dinner and live music, were (from L): Lucy Graves, Reindeer Charles Hall, of the Improved, Benevolent, Order Elks of the World (I.B.P.O.E.W.) and Gloria Clark.

CHARLES AND LYNDA SYE (L) chat with Daughter Dollie Tolbert, Mecca Ct. #2.

EXCHANGING PLEASANTRIES are (from l): Charles McLeod, Pat Hedgeman and Frank Coleman.

COMTO hosts first scholarship awards banquet

THE REV. JERRY MOORE, National Founder, Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) receives an award from Ms. Minnie Carter, local COMTO president, during the Baltimore group's first Scholarship Awards Banquet held Sunday, May 15 at Martin's Champagne Room, Patapsco Ave.

COMTO STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS (from l) are: Rockson Smith, Bernard Boyd and Lisa Glover.

On Sunday, May 15, the Baltimore Chapter of COMTO (Conference of Minority Transportation Officials) hosted its first Scholarship/Awards Banquet at Martin's Champagne Room, 2701 W. Patapsco Ave. from 7 until 11 p.m.

Following the welcome address by the Chapter President, Ms. Minnie I. Carter, the attendees enjoyed a buffet style dinner.

The banquet, attended by nearly 135 COMTO members and supporters, included minority business owners and prime contractors, who, through their contributions, made it possible for the Chapter to award $1,050 in scholarships to three local students.

The scholarship recipients were Rockson Smith, a senior at Carver Vocational-Technical High School, who plans to pursue a degree in Engineering; Bernard Boyd, a junior at Morgan State University, majoring in Business Administration, and Lisa M. Glover, a graduate at Morgan State University, majoring in Transportation Studies.

COMTO AWARDEES (l to r) are: Leon Bridges, Jr., Robert Clay and Josephine Kellman.

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DELEGATE ELIJAH CUMMINGS, who was keynote speaker for the occasion drives home a point during his remarks.

Emcee was Andre Lucas, president and Founder of the Andre Lucas Youth Foundation.

The Keynote Speaker for the evening was the Honorable Elijah E. Cummings, Delegate to the Maryland General Assembly for the 39th District of Maryland.

Delegate Cummings spoke of his meager beginnings, and added that in spite of many obstacles, he managed to enter law school, graduate with honors, to be admitted to the Maryland Bar, and later to become president of the Monumental Bar Association.

He stressed the importance of all successful blacks reaching back and helping others who are struggling.

He commended the Baltimore Chapter of COMTO for the fine work they are doing.

Numerous awards were presented to minority businesses who have successfully participated on transportation projects, including the Baltimore Metro, and to prime contractors who have consistently met the goals established by the Mass Transit Administration for the projects they performed.

Among the businesses honored were the Leon Bridges Company; Robert Clay, Inc.; Concrete Transport, Inc.; Direct Housekeeping Service, Inc.; FSCO, Inc.; J. D. Howard Photography, Priceless Industries, Inc.; Coleman Mechanical, Inc.; The J.P. Company; M & T Electrical Contractors, Inc.; Cross Efficient Trash Removal Service, Inc.; Druid Electric Company, Inc.; The Baltimore Asphalt Paving Company; Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall (DMJM); Enterprise Electric; Kiewit Eastern; and Parson Brinckerhoff, Quade & Douglas, Inc.

Awards were also given to COMTO supporters, which included persons who had either volunteered their time and service or given financial support. The AFRO-AMERICAN'S Lifestyle Editor, Pattie Hodges-Berry, was a reci-

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