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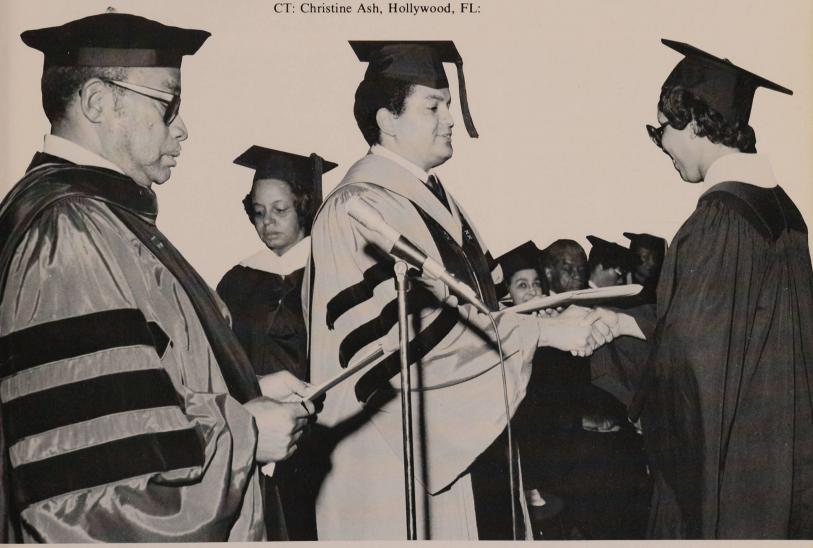
THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

One hundred and eighty-six Bachelor of Arts degrees, thirty-one Bachelor of Science degrees, and two honorary degrees were awarded by Spelman College at its Ninetieth Commencement Exercises held on Sunday, May 15, in Symphony Hall, Atlanta Memorial Arts Center. The Honorable Patricia Roberts Harris, Secretary of Housing and Urban

Development, was the guest speaker.

The graduates, Class of '77 were drawn from twenty-six states, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, and five foreign countries—Bermuda, Nigeria, Rhodesia, Tanzania, and Zambia.

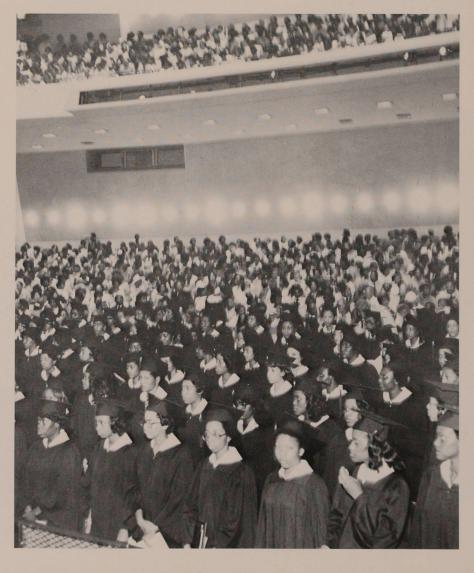
Receiving the Bachelor of Arts degree were: Nseabasi Udo Akpan, Nigeria; Janice Alexander, Savannah, GA; Shirley Allen, Norwalk, CT: Christine Ash, Hollywood, FL: Jeannie R. Ashley, Providence, RI; Rosalind Banks, Atlanta, GA; Cynthia Baulkmon, Bainbridge, GA; Janice M. Belton, Brunswick, GA; Vicki Bernard, St. Brockton, MA; Elva Berry, Detroit, MI; Natalee Blackburn, Atlanta, GA; Denise Blue, Bessemer, AL; Wanda B. Blue, Hahira, GA; Patrice Boddie, College Park, GA; Connie Boswell, East



Orange, NJ; Clara Brewer, Washington, DC; Kim Bright, Detroit, MI; Cheryl Bronner, White Plains, NY; Elizabeth Brooks, Greenville, GA; Adrienne Brown, Chicago, IL; Carol Ann Bryant, Atlanta, GA; Michelle Bryant, Atlanta, GA; Lynda Bundrage, Chicago, IL; Mary Burney, Fairfield, AL; Gloria Burr, Atlanta, GA; Jo Ann Butler, Savannah, GA; Emma Caldwell, Orangesburg, SC; Linda Carter, Memphis, TN; Carol Jean Chappell, Berlin, NJ; Lei Charlton, Atlanta, GA; Carolyn Chester, College Park, GA; Mary Collins, New Orleans, LA; Carla Cormier, Houston, TX; Lynne Crawford, Charlotte, NC; Melody Davenport, Newport News, VA; Carolyn Davis, Floral Park, NY; Rochelle Davis, Cincinnati, OH; Sheila Davis, Miami, FL; Phoebe Dawson, Atlanta, GA; Abrellia Dean, Itta Bena, MS; Mary L. Diggs, Florence, SC; Linda Dillon, St. Louis, MO; Sanquinetta Dover, Greenwood, SC; Annie Drain, Atlanta, GA; Denise Duvernay, New Orleans, LA; Conchita Earl, Atlanta, GA; Eleanor Earl, Deland, FL; Cornelia Edwards, Charleston, SC; Gretchen Eugere, Atlanta, GA; Theresa Evans, Pittsburgh, PA; Edah Finley, Mobile, AL; Rochelle Flemister, Hiram, GA; Esther Gambrell, Raleigh, NC; Loretta Garvin, Philadelphia, PA; Debra Gilmore, Gary, IN; Diane Gordon, Birmingham, AL; Cheryl Graham, Flint, MI; Gayle Cross, Atlanta, GA; Cynthia Guthrie, Gary, IN; Charlsia Gwynn, Columbus, OH; Deborah Hall, Pittsburgh, PA; Mary D. Hall, Baltimore, MD; Geneva Hampton, Orangeburg, SC; Betty Jean Harris, Atlanta, GA; Glenda Harris, Houston, TX; Roslyn Harris, Denver, CO; Robin Harrison, Oakland, CA; Sandra Hector, Atlanta, GA; Shirley Henderson, Atlanta, GA; Mary Henley, Providence, RI; Ronda Hill, Gladwater, TX; Sherry Holbert, Dayton, FL; Victoria Holloman, Middletown, OH; Johanne Holmes, Washington, DC; Wanda Howard, Atlanta, GA; Patrice Howell, Wickcliffe, OH; Renaye Howell, Tampa, FL; Patricia Huff, Hollywood, FL; Pamela Huntley, Atlanta, GA; Grace Ikoiwak,

Atlanta, GA; Obot Inyang, Atlanta, GA; Toni Ireland, Atlanta, GA; Cynthia Jackson, Atlanta, GA; Carolyn Jenkins, Atlanta, GA; Caron Jenkins, Atlanta, GA; Mae Jenkins, Charleston, SC; Sharon Jenkins, Atlanta, GA; Carletta Jennings, Atlanta, GA; Deborah Denise Johnson, Atlanta, GA; Susan Johnson, Bainbridge, GA; Jewel Jones, Atlanta, GA; Judith Jones, St. Croix, VI; Michele Jones, Acton, MA; Robin Jones, Chicago, IL; Avis Elizabeth Junior, Nashville, TN; Edith Kinsey, Atlanta, GA; Zenobia Lawrence, Melbourne, FL; Robin Lee, Arlington, VA; Cheryl Lewis, LaGrange, GA; Rosalyn Lewter, E. Massapequa, NY; Debra Linsey, Atlanta, GA; Karen Lockett, Cleveland, OH; Marsha Lowe, Atlanta, GA; Karen C. Mainor, Chicago, IL; Dawne Mann, Dayton, OH; Marilynn Masingale, Dallas, TX; Nelwyn McDuffie, Charlotte, NC; Alicia McIver, Bainbridge, GA; Pamela

McLendon, Atlanta, GA; Barbara McNeely, Atlanta, GA; Clara Mills, Lakeland, FL; Brenda Minnigan, Orangeburg, SC; Joy Moore, Savannah, GA; Joanne Morris, Savannah, GA; Sherrell Denise Morris, Nashville, TN; Margaret Mwendapole, Zambia, Africa; Verna Parks, Chamblee, GA; Kathleen Patterson, Aurora, IL; Jacqueline Payne, Atlanta, GA; Jennifer Peters, Walterboro, SC; Wanda Pillow, St. Louis, MO; Sandra Prather, Atlanta, GA; Renee Pratt, Bolivar, TN; Lynn Pride, West Palm Beach, FL; Donna Marie Quinn, St. Louis, MO; Vanessa Ragland, Birmingham, AL; Pamela Reed, Atlanta, GA; Jo Roberson, Ardmore, OK; Janice Robinson, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Vickey Saunders, Rockville, MD; Emily Scarborough, Atlanta, GA; Sandra Sessoms, Atlanta, GA; Amanda Seward, Santa Monica, CA; Dolores Seward, Rye, NY; Carolyn Shadd, East Point, GA; Faith



Shepard, Ypsilanti, MI; Genevieve Sherman, Washington, DC; Clovia Sloan, Cincinnatti, OH; Cheryl A. Smith, East Orange, NJ; Cheryl Smith, New York, NY; Dale Smith, Atlanta, GA; Paula Smith, St. Louis, MO; Regina T. Solomon, Atlanta, GA: Gail Spann, Cleveland, OH; Diana Stroufe, Cincinnati, OH; Cheryl Stanley, Springfield, MA; Deborah Stewart, Toledo, OH; Juliett Stovall, Cleveland, OH; Deborah Strouse, Detroit, MI; Denise Sutton, Miami, FL; Donna Tate, Hillsborough, NC; Beverly Taylor, East Point, GA; Roberta Taylor, Jackson, MS; Beryl Thomas, Inkston, MI; Deborah Thomas, Southampton, Bermuda; Martha Thompson, Bainbridge, GA; Willie Thompson, Burlington, NC; Verdaillia Turner, Atlanta, GA; Geraldine Voutta, Atlanta, GA; Debra Walker, Atlanta, GA; Paulette Walton, Griffin, GA; Beverley Warner, Cincinnati, OH; Karen Washington, Charleston, SC; Kathy

Watson, Chicago, IL; Sheryl Webber, Orangeburg, SC; Patricia Weddington, Atlanta, GA; Marilyn Wells, Paducah, KY; Andrea Whatley, Atlanta, GA; Gwendolyn Wheeler, Clarksville, MS; Kelly Whitaker, New Orleans, LA; Yvonne Wilburn, Atlanta, GA; Carmen Williams, Atlanta, GA; Debbie Williams, Washington, DC; Esther Williams, Atlanta, GA; Linda Williams, College Park, GA; Cynthia Wilson, Washington, PA; DeLoris Wilson, Bennettsville, SC; Helen Valencia Wilson, Atlanta, GA; Latreva Winford, Southfield, MI; Germaine Winfrey, Decatur, GA; Jeanette Wright, Memphis, TN; Karen Elsie Wright, East Orange, NJ; Patricia Wynn, Glenellyn, IL; Deirdra Yarbrough, Chicago, IL; and Frances Yokley, Pontiac, MI.

Receiving the Bachelor of Science degree were: Alma Patricia Baugh, Columbia Heights, VA; Pamela Bentley, Columbia, SC; Ada Biosah, Asaba, Nigeria; Pamela Blatch, Detroit, MI; Mercilina Ezuma, Atlanta, GA; Donna Anita Fridie, Oxon Hill, MD: Greer Lauren Geiger, Atlanta, GA; Debra Gill, Dickinson, TX; Kim Gosier, Atlanta, GA; Melva Hawkins, Decatur, GA; Glasenia Heard, Atlanta, GA; Althea Jackson, Detroit, MI; Navinbai S. Jivraj, Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania; Sonya Leach, Atlanta, GA; Freddye Lemmons, Tampa, FL; Vonne C. Martin, Atlanta, GA; Kathy McKnight, Auburn, AL; Miesa T. Patterson, Atlanta, GA; Deveta C. Peoples, Chicago, IL; Stella Phillips, Union Springs, AL; Bernadette Poitier, Miami, FL; Angela Rogers, Birmingham, AL; Deanna Roquemore, Houston, TX; Loren Sellers, Detroit, MI; Constance Shamuyarira, Bulawayo, Rhodesia; Gina Simes, Chicago, IL; Andrea Hunt Tramble, Atlanta, GA; Comfort T. Udo, Nigeria; Patricia Weston, Houston, TX; Vashie Whipple, Brunswick, GA; and Hollie Wilson, Atlanta, GA.



For the first time in its ninety-sixyear history, Spelman awarded honorary degrees during the graduation exercises: the Doctor of Laws to Patricia Roberts, and the Doctor of Humane Letters to Clarie Collins Harvey, a distinguished alumna of the Class of '37. Mrs. Harris was presented to Dr. Stewart by Dr. Kathryn Brisbane, associate academic dean, and was honored for "her academic excellence as a lecturer and professor of law and for her dedicated public service through participation in the national political life." Her citation read as follows:

DOCTOR OF LAWS Patricia Roberts Harris

One of the first two women appointed by President Carter to Cabinet positions in his new administration, you have earned this high distinction by your valuable contributions as a public servant in many areas and by your pursuit of the highest personal and professional goals;

A graduate summa cum laude from Howard University, you have achieved academic excellence by your graduation with Honors from the George Washington University Law Center and your election to Phi Beta Kappa;

A former lecturer and professor and Dean of the Howard University Law School, you have contributed to the legal education and personal development of young people wishing to enter the legal profession;

A former program director for the Young Women's Christian Association, former Assistant Director of the American Council on Human Relations, former Executive Director of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, you have employed your knowledge and skills in service to people from all walks of life;

A former Chairperson of the District of Columbia Law Review Commission, former member of the National Advisory Committee on Reform of the Federal Criminal Laws, of the national Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence, and of the Committee on Grievances of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, you have given freely of your energy and talents in order to improve and maintain the high traditions of the legal profession:

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A delegate to the 1964 Democratic National Convention, at which you seconded the nomination of Lyndon
B. Johnson as President, and Chairman of the Credentials Committee of the 1972 Democratic National
Convention, you have extended your public service by actively participating in national politics;

An Ambassador to Luxembourg, appointed by President Johnson in 1965, the ninth black American to be appointed to an ambassadorship and the first woman of your race to hold this office, you have gained recognition and prominence in the field of international relations;

Presently Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in the Carter Administration, you devote your knowledge, intelligence, understanding, talents, skills, energy and dedication to the improvement of the physical and social conditions of your fellow Americans, men and women, young and old, black and white, rich and poor;

A black woman, you have brought credit and honor to your sex, yourrace, and your country, and inhonoring you today we honor ourselves.

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Mrs. Clarie Collins Harvey was presented for her honorary degree by Dr. June Aldridge, professor of English and chair, Division of Humanities, and was cited for "her valuable contributions in the fields of civil rights, education, and re-

ligion through her presidency of Church Women United in the U.S.A., and her participation as a consultant for the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland." Her citation read as follows:

DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS Clarie Collins Harvey

Native of Mississippi; alumna of Spelman College, Class of '37; recipient of the Master's degree from Columbia University; businesswoman and owner-president of Collins Funcarel Home, Inc. and Collins Burial Insurance Companies, and founder of the State Mutual Savings and Loan Association, Jackson, Mississippi, now a multimillion dollar institution; civil rights activist in Mississippi in the 1960s and former member of the Mississippi Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights; founder of Womanpower Unlimited and appointed by the Governor to the Mississippi Commission on the Status of Women, thurchwoman and immediate past national President of Church Women United in the U.S.A., a 36-million-member organization and the largest women's movement in the world, and former chairpersonfor Unit III Educational and Renewal of the World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland, and consultant to its Central Committee:

Servant and benefactor of mankind, whose use of her talents, time, and energy demonstrates her concern for social betterment, and whose professional competency and warm, human response to the needs of her fellow human beings have brought her recognition, prestige, and richly deserved honors, such as a Citation for Outstanding Efforts for Civil Rights and Peace in 1963 by the General Boardof Christian Social Concerns of the Methodist Church; the Outstanding Citizen of Jackson, 1971; the Mississippi Religious Leadership Conference Award, 1973; the Top Hat Award, 1974, of the New Pittsburgh Courier; Declaration by Governor William Waller of December 30, 1974, as Clarie Collins Harvey Day in Mississippi; Churchwoman of the Year Award, 1974, of the Religious Heritage of America, Inc.; the Albert Gallatin Business Award Certificate of Merit for outstanding achievements inbusiness and community, 1974; and the International Upper Room Citation, 1976;

She is, then, a dedicated public and social servant and an outstanding churchwoman and religious leader, the personification of that which is most honored and honorable in this nation and the world, and, in honoring her today as an alumna of achievement and social contribution, we honor Spelman College.

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Patricia Roberts Harris

Music for the Exercises was provided by the Spelman College Glee Club under the direction of Dr. Roland Allison, professor of music and chair, Department of Music. The Glee Club sang "Achieved Is the Glorious Work" from The Creation by Haydn and "Choose Something Like a Star" from Frostiana by Randall Thompson. Dr. Joyce Finch Johnson, professor of music and college organist, accompanied the Glee Club and performed the organ soli: the prelude, "Fantasia in G Minor" by Bach; the processional, "Trumpet Tune" by Handel; and the recessional, "Carillon de Westminster" by Vierne. The invocation was given by The Reverend Dr. William P. Diggs, pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Florence, South Carolina. The Reverend Dr. Norman Rates, college minister, gave the prayer and benediction.



Clarie Collins Harvey

Commencement Address

Delivered by The Honorable Patricia Roberts Harris, Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, on Sunday, May 15, 1977, in Atlanta, Georgia.



President Stewart, distinguished guests, and members of the Spelman College class of 1977, I am pleased to be in Atlanta again, and I am honored to be your commencement speaker.

Since its founding in 1881, when its first classes met in Friendship Baptist Church, all the way to the present day, Spelman College has been unique in its education of women, and outstanding in its ability to provide quality education and career inspiration for those who have availed themselves of Spelman's opportunities.

The "Spelman experience" has evolved in its ninetysix-year history from the grammar school and highschool-level training for the black women of the nineteenth century, to the strong liberal arts education of tomorrow's black women leaders. The Spelman experience has given you the strong foundation upon which to build your life's achievements, and it has helped you form the standards by which those achievements will be measured.

I commend your parents, your teachers, and the entire Spelman community for helping make this day possible for you.

Today, I would like to discuss "who speaks for the poor."

George Bernard Shaw stated the case bluntly in *Major Barbara*: "The greatest of evils and the worst of crimes is poverty . . .[it] strikes at the soul of all those who come within sight, sound, or smell of it."

His words ring true today.

Whether we find it in a deteriorating block in East Harlem, or in a public housing project in Dorchester Bay, whether it is in rural Appalachia or on an Indian Reservation in the American Southwest — poverty strikes at our souls, and continues to be the great social question that has defied answer to this day.

Who are the American poor?

Forty years ago, in his second Inaugural Address, Franklin D. Roosevelt said: "I see millions denied education, recreation, and the opportunity to better their lot and the lot of their children. . . . I see one third of a nation ill-housed, ill-clad and ill-nourished."

Today, it is one eighth of the nation—26 million people—who is poor and, contrary to public impression, 7 out of 10 are white. More than 70 percent of them is either under age 16 or over age 62.

Many of the poor carry the outward scars of poverty and are physically and developmentally disabled. Many more bear the inward scars of poverty's social deprivation: lacking the educational opportunities or the job skills needed to secure adequate and consistent employment in this competitive society.

The poor are not a fixed or constant group. The up and down trends in the economy have the severest effect on those at the bottom income levels of the society. The facts show that between 7.5 and 10 million people enter poverty each year, as a similar number leave.

HEW Secretary Joseph Califano Jr. recently pointed out that from 1967 through 1972: "Only 3 percent of the American population was poor in every one of those six years. More than one fifth—21 percent—of the American population was poor in at least one of those six years."

This means that for every person living in poverty, there is someone who lives so precariously close to it that each day literally brings the risk of sudden return to poverty.

What else do we know about the poor? In a recent study, Nathan Glazer and William Forham point out that although poverty is on the decline nationally, it has found a home in America's older cities. In fact, a higher percentage of the poor now lives in the central city than ever before. Of the poor who reside in the central city, the percentage who is black has risen from 37 percent to nearly 50 percent in the past fifteen years. And, nearly one in every six black Americans—nearly four million people—is trapped in poverty in urban ghettos.

The last fact brings me to one of the most disturbing aspects of poverty in America: The continuing failure of white America to acknowledge and understand the unique character of the black experience in America, and the unique dimensions of black poverty.

In fact, a popular misconception persists that has led to the characterization of black residents of urban America as the latest wave of immigrants. The problems of residential segregation, substandard housing, employment discrimination, and educational disadvantage encountered by black people, according to this school of thought, are analogized to the conditions suffered by the immigrant Irish, Italians, and Eastern Europeans of the nineteenth century.

The premise, both expressed and implied, is that the problems encountered by black persons will be as historically transient as were those of immigrants from continents other than Africa. In short, black persons are urged to understand that they are not uniquely disadvantaged, but are only the latest group of strangers to confront and ultimately to overcome the hostility of those already established in this nation of immigrants.

The error and the central unfairness of this theory are clear: who really forgets that the first blacks appeared on this continent before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock and who forgets how those first blacks arrived? The year of the immigration of blacks to this country is 1619, not 1919, or 1959, or 1969. But, even if one does not accord any particular significance to the seventeenth-century arrival of blacks on this continent, it cannot be denied that blacks arrived at Constitutional citizenship two and one half centuries after they arrived in America, with the adoption of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendments to the Constitution of the United States. And full participating citizenship did not come about until the last twenty-five years—and not without considerable struggle and suffering.

And for those black Americans trapped in poverty the struggle continues.

Clearly, the cavalier assumption that blacks should not feel a particular disadvantage because of present problems they encounter in this country ignores the reality of the history of black persons in the United States.

Until recent years, and the coming of the black cultural revolution, blacks who arrived with the original English settlers and who accompanied the Spanish and French explorers, were treated as though they did not exist during the development of this country, and as though they had made no contribution to its history. The black, as an historical person, rather than as the embodiment of the institution of slavery or of the "race problem," still does not exist as part of American life. The consequence of the immigrant analogy is that black persons are assumed to have had no existence prior to the recognition of that existence by the white residents of this country. The fact that many of the immigrant groups have but recently arrived and almost all of their forebears arrived significantly later than the forebears of the black Americans whose ancestors came to these shores in large part no later than the early nineteenth century is ignored.

The continued avoidance of acceptance of the centrality of the black presence in the United States and the refusal to acknowledge the consequences of the presence of blacks for the development of this country's political, social, and cultural institutions lead to a distorted perception of who we are as a nation, how we came to be as we are, and how we must deal with our domestic problems.

Until white Americans fully understand the black presence, until this understanding becomes part of the daily lives of white lawyers and bricklayers, students and professors, and until governors and congressmen accept the validity of black claims to present equality in all sections of the society, this will remain a white persons' country, in which blacks will continue to be native-born strangers.

Knowing what we do about poverty, and realizing the unique double burden of those Americans who are both black and poor, we come to understand that the presence of poverty amid the growing plenty of American life remains a continuing paradox.

As Henry George wrote nearly one hundred years ago: "The association of poverty with progress is the great enigma of our times, it is the riddle which the Sphinx of fate puts to our civilization."

Clearly we have learned to appreciate that this riddle is many sided. Just as we must work to raise white America's consciousness of the unique problems of black Americans in poverty, we must also work to sensitize all Americans to the problems of poverty whenever we encounter it. And, there can be no denial of the weight of numbers.

For America today, poverty is a phenomenon experienced predominately by white people and, in rural America, it is experienced by people whose ancestors' arrival predates the American Revolution.

Again, let us ask, "Who speaks for the poor?"

The automatic response is to say that the government, through laws and programs, and in response to either public initiatives or government leadership itself, speaks for the poor.

But clearly this is not enough.

We must build programs that foster independence and self-respect, not the dependence on the past programs. And in this society that state of dependence can be a painful, self-alienating experience leading to the conditions that the poet Yeats described, when "too much suffering makes a stone of the heart." Who then speaks

for the poor? You and I do.

We at HUD, as part of our activity, are examining all our programs to make certain they provide for help and self-respect for the poor.

Whether we are black or white, men or women—we all must speak for the poor:

in the college classroom

in the courts of law

in the council of government

in the union halls

in the chambers of commerce

in our place of work

in our place of rest

in our homes, in our neighborhoods, in our communities

You and I must speak up boldly, compassionately, consistently, and eloquently for the poor.

We must never forget that nothing of great value, and no change of great and fundamental consequence, will come about in either my lifetime or your own, without the total commitment and dedication of our life's work to our ideals. So let us dedicate ourselves to the elimination of poverty and the human suffering it causes.

As I speak to you today, we are fully aware that commencement exercises of the late 1970s are not what they were ten years ago.

The times we live in are not a period of protest and demonstration. Nevertheless, they can be a period of dramatic social change. They can be a period when people who are willing to dedicate their lives can work within the system to lay the foundation for further fundamental change for their own way of life.

It is often this kind of change—that is, the legislative, programmatic, and administrative actions of the government—that leads to the more fundamental changes in attitudes that we seek for our society.

For example: Laws requiring whites to change their behavior in dealing with black persons have changed attitudes. Poll after poll has revealed striking change in the past decade in the attitudes of whites about acceptability of black equality. That change of attitude is directly related to changes in behavior mandated by law. The striking change in the attitude of whites toward integration of the schools, integration of housing, and integration of the employment line is striking evidence of the role of legal remedy in changing individual attitudes. Even today's antibusing foes disdain any hostility to racial integration and, instead, shout their preference for neighborhood schools.

This is not to say segregationist attitudes do not exist. It is to say that when the law is changed and institutions can no longer foster these attitudes, the attitudes begin to change.

As the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and as a person who started on the outside, and has taken many years to become an insider—a Cabinet-level insider at that—I urge those of you who are so inclined to seek careers with the government.

It is a sad fact of our history that it has taken so long for the great talent pool of blacks in general and black women in particular to be realized by this society. Yet, it is a fact of current experience that more opportunities exist for this year's graduating seniors than existed in the past.

The black woman of today has the opportunity to achieve for herself, for her people, and for the benefit of the whole society. She must therefore prepare herself as you have done—to take full advantage of the opportunities presented to her.

When I look out to the young people at this convocation today, I grow more confident that tomorrow will bring a more just society for all Americans. I sense a new purpose and dedication that will be more than equal to the challenges ahead. I sense a new, mature idealism that is capable not only of perceiving social injustice, but also of conceiving its remedies. I sense a new moral responsibility to all those less fortunate than ourselves.

So, as history demands much of your generation, I am confident that much will be given.

Friends, I have enjoyed sharing this commencement exercise with you, your friends, and your families today.

Let me leave you these words of advice:

There are great challenges and difficulties ahead for you as you work to make America a more just society, but there are also great opportunities to advance what you believe in, and to bring about positive change.

Be patient, but be ready to take the personal risks. Go where your opportunities are. Go where the work must be done even if you must leave your friends and families, and your home—go where you are needed. Extend yourselves. Learn new skills. Increase your knowledge. And, when you must speak out, speak out boldly.

Keep your sense of outrage about the social injustices that you see. Use it wisely. Use it against the prejudices, the barriers, the walls of ignorance and the oppression that keep this country from being what you and I dream it can be.

Kemember this also: When you set out to bring about change in this world, you will not always be received as the welcome guest, you will not always be given the royal welcome.

But be of strong faith.

We know that there is no greater obstacle to our peace of mind than the continuing presence of the injustices caused by poverty.

There is no greater victory to be gained than the elimination of the pain, the humiliation, the frustration, the suffering and the human indignity caused by poverty in America.

There is no limit to the things that will be accomplished by those who have the desire to act, the strength to work, the discipline to persevere, and the will to overcome all the obstacles placed in their paths.

One hundred and fifty years ago, the nation's first black newspaper was published. It was called *Freedom's Journal* and its motto was "righteousness exalteth a nation." In its first editorial, the founders stated their social perspective: "We form a spoke in the human wheel, and it is necessary that we should understand our dependence on the different parts, and theirs on us in order to perform our part. . . ."

Let us accept that principle of human interdependence and work to build a better life for all our people.

Class of 1977, your education is just beginning.

On Campus

Installation of SSGA Officers and Presentation of Prizes, Awards and Scholarships

The annual installation of Student Government Association officers and presentation of prizes and awards was held in Sisters Chapel on Tuesday, April 26, with President Donald Stewart presiding. During the assembly, a guest choir from West Fulton High School under the direction of Tommy L. Ross performed four numbers: "Flower of Beauty" by John Clement, "Climbin' up the Mountain" arranged by W. H. Smith, "What's the Hang-up, World?" by Loni Smith, and "Ain-a That Good News" by William L. Dawson. The invocation was given by Rev. Dr. Norman Rates, college minister, and Dr. Joyce F. Johnson, professor of music, played the prelude, interlude, and recessional on the organ.

The newly-elected officers of the Student Government Association were installed, as follows: Paula Spence, president; Janice Sistrunk, vice president; Wilma Wooten, treasurer; Cathy Henry, recording secretary; Sherry Brooks, corresponding secretary; Helen Nicholson, social chairperson; and Yvette Forbes, publicity chairperson. Debra Harris and Novice Johnson were installed as editor and associate editor, respectively, of the College Yearbook, Reflections: Robin Mahone and Pamela James were installed as editor and associate editor, respectively, of the student newspaper, The Spotlight.

Recognition was given by Dr. Roland Allison, chair, Department

of Music, to the music majors receiving Gold Key Awards and the inductees of the National Music Honor Society. President Stewart then made an announcement of the various prizes, awards, and scholarships for the 1976-1977 academic year, as follows: Irene and John Wesley Dobbs Award, Wanda E. Howard: Jerome Award for Creative Achievement, Lynn Pride; Felicia B. Hurd Art Scholarship. Josette Cole; Eula L. Eagleson Prize, Angela Rogers; Mary Alice English Knight Award, Daphne Smith; Georgia Caldwell Smith Prize, Andrea Battle; Florence M. Read Award. Karen McCullen; T. Louise Fowler Loyalty Fund Scholarship, Zelice Brown; Amy A. Chadwick Scholarship, Shelita Gardner; Lucy Upton Prize, Debra K. Wilson: Minnie James Washington Prize, Melva Hawkins; Samuels Prize for Excellence in Social Science, Cynthia Guthrie; Dixon Sisters Education Awards: Geneva Hampton (Secondary), and K. Cecilia Mainor (Elementary); Helen Tucker Albro Prizes: Freddye Lemmons and Angela Rogers; Vaughneziel Burch Award. Naila Jamal; Merrill Scholars: Patricia Thomas (Austria) and Jessie Reed (United Kingdom); May S. and Jeanie S. MacGregor Scholarship, Sharon Coleman; Hannah H. Reddick Scholarship, Donna Williams; Virginia Chase Prize, Geneva Hampton; Ward C. Bordeaux Scholarship, Lanita J. Gardner; Jane Lyons Scholarship, Shawn Garrison; Trevor and Bertha S. Arnett Scholarship, Debbie Dockett; Dorothy Shepard Manley Scholarship, Deborah Swain; Dorothy Shepard Manley Fellowship, Kelly A. Whitaker; Willis Laurence James Scholarship (given

by Baltimore Spelman Alumnae Club), Denise Castain (incoming freshman): Ludie Andrews Scholarship, Peggy Tanner; Maggie G. Valentine Scholarships: Lisa Henley (Junior) and Janet Griffin (Senior); Adelaide Fullmighter Forde and Dorothy Forde Bolden Award (Fine Arts), Sherrell Morris; Mrs. William Alexander Scott Award, Vanessa Gayl Phillips; Peter James Bryant Prizes, Annie Bell Drain and Leslie Griffith; Chamberlain Scripture Reading Prize, Verbena E. Brown; Lucinda Haves Scripture Recitation Prize, Phyllis Ward; Catherine Hughes Waddell Scholarship, Bridgett Jenkins; Ludie Andrews Prize, Doris Upshur; Mary E. Simmons Prize, Edie Nurse; Laurelle B. Fuller Mathis Scholarship, Katrina Vidal: Alberta W. King Music Scholarship, Renee J. Hale; Scholarship (\$1,500) given by Women's Auxiliary to the Atlanta Medical Association, Sonva Leach; Governor George Busbee's Intern Program Award (Stipend \$1,000), Geraldine Voutta; Providence Baptist Church Scholarship (\$100), Lisa Henley; Award for Excellence in History, Jeanne Rudine Ashley; Trophy for Excellence in Scholarship, Cynthia Guthrie; Certificates for Excellence in Scholarship, Judith A. Jones, Faith E. Shepard, and Beverly M. Warner; Internships, Burroughs Corporation (Atlanta, Georgia), Andrea Battle and Verdita Craft; NASA Trainees (\$2,500), Denise Stackhouse and Norene Johnson; Scholarship for Full Tuition for Academic Year 1977-78 (given by Northern New Jersey Spelman Club, Inc.), Sharon McGahee; One-year's Minority Fellowship, Ohio State University (full tuition), Brenda Minnigan; Minority Fellowship, University of Wisconsin (full tuition, \$4,465), Geneva Hampton; Membership in the American Association of University Women, Kelly A. Whitaker; Special Presidential Awards: Lei Charlton and Janice Robinson.



MERRILL SCHOLAR

Ms. Patricia Thomas, sophomore, the recipient of a Merrill Scholarship for the academic year 1977-78. The scholarship covers the cost of tuition and essential expenses for one year's study abroad, and is awarded on the basis of academic excellence.

Ms. Thomas, a music (piano) major from North Canton, Ohio, will be studying music at the University of Salzburg, Austria; her career goal is to become a concert pianist.



AETNA LIFE AND CASUALTY COMPANY GRANT.

l. to r.: Dr. Donald Stewart receiving a check for \$4,000 from Ms. Ellen Warthen, recruiting coordinator, Atlanta Casualty Division.

Spelman Receives Scholarship Aid Funds From Aetna Life and Casualty

On May 20, the College received a \$4,000 grant from Aetna Life and Casualty Company for scholarship aid for 1977-78. Ms. Ellen E. Warthen, recruiting coordinator, Atlanta Casualty Division of Aetna, made the presentation of the check to Dr. Stewart.

The Aetna Life and Casualty Scholarship Aid Program for 1977-78 divides \$162,000 between 56 schools in 22 states and the District of Columbia. Two schools in Georgia received funds from the program: Spelman College and DeKalb Commun-

ity College. The Aetna Scholarship Program is designed to provide financial assistance to disadvantaged and minority students and is used by the schools in programs such as emergency student loans, benefits to American Indian students, and matching work-study grants, in addition to direct financial need scholarships. Spelman will use the funds for scholarships for students who otherwise would not be able to attend college because of financial limitations.

The Aetna Life and Casualty program is now in its sixth year.

The Messenger Interviews Pearl Cleage Lomax '71



(The Messenger will be interviewing interesting people from time to time. Pearl Lomax just happens to be a distinguished alumna, but this does not necessarily mean that the interviewees will be limited to Spelman graduates. Editor.)

M: What have you been doing since you left Spelman? PL: I left Spelman in '71. I attended graduate school briefly at Atlanta University, where I was studying Afro-American Studies, basically literature. Then I was offered a job at Channel 11 [WXIA-Television, Atlanta] as producer of their public affairs department. It sounded interesting, but they could not hold it open for me until I

finished at AU, so I took it. I worked there for a year. Then I became involved in Maynard Jackson's campaign for mayor. After he won as Mayor of Atlanta, he offered me a position as director of communications for the city. And that sounded interesting. So I left Channel 11 and took that. That was in July of 1974.

I worked there for two years and then decided that I needed a little more time, a little more flexibility, as that was pretty much a twenty-four-hours-a-day job, to do any of my own writing—which I had gotten away from. I left there in 1976, and started working part time at a couple of places and doing a lot of freelance work.

I started writing a column for the Gazette [a weekly Atlanta newspaper that chronicles activities and entertainment in the city]. Now, I also do a column for the *Weekend* section of the [Atlanta] *Constitution* [one of the city's two daily newspapers]. I do public relations for the High Museum of Art on a part-time basis and do a lot of freelance work in public relations and writing.

M: You didn't spend all of your undergraduate years at Spelman, did you?

PL: No, before I came to Spelman, I had been working on a BFA at Howard University in Washington. Then my husband was coming here to teach at Morehouse so I came with him in 1969. I stayed out for a semester and then finished at Spelman.

M: What was your major at Spelman? PL: I was in a program at Howard in playwrighting and dramatic literature. As there was no BFA program at Spelman, I was in the Fine Arts Department in drama.

M: Do you think what you did at college helped in what you are doing now?

PL: Oh, I think it helped a lot. The degree I was working on at Howard placed a great deal of emphasis on writing, on being able to reproduce language the way it's actually spoken, because if you're going to be a playwright and don't write the way people talk, you're in trouble. That was extremely helpful to me once I got into television because that's the same kind of thing. You have to have an ear for how people talk so you can script for them. It was very helpful to me working for the Mayor, because I started off in the campaign by writing speeches, which is really just like writing a play-except you have only one character. So it was very helpful in that I got a chance to write, which is what I'm doing now.

M: You published a book once. How much writing do you get to do now?

PL: That was a book of poetry published in 1971. I don't get to write nearly as much poetry as I would like. Writing poetry for me takes a certain amount of distance, a certain amount of

stability in schedule, and peace, and quiet, and I don't have much of that anymore. I don't have a chance to write a lot of poetry. But I'm writing a lot of columns. I've started doing book reviews for *Southern Exposure*, which is a regional publication. I'm also doing work on a film script, [on] which I hope something will come up—if I'm lucky!

M: What was the name of your book? PL: We Don't Need No Music, published by Broadside Press.

M: How do you feel when readers write to the editor of the newspapers for which you write about something you've said in your columns? We read your columns and you seem to write about everything, often controversial subjects. How do you feel as a writer when people write in statements, such as "Get Pearl Lomax off the page," and the like?

PL: (Laughing). . . But, seriously, I'm crushed, I hate it. People say to me, "Well, I'm sure you don't care about that. You're a writer, etc." It really bothers me a lot, because I'm very self-conscious about my writing. I do not take criticism well at all, even from people I like, much less nasty letters from people I don't even know. My problem is that I don't respond by feeling that they don't know what they're talking about, and one day the *Gazette* will discover it and ask me to leave their staff. . .that kind of real paranoid stuff. I'm better about it than I used to be, but it still hurts my feelings.

M: Where do you get the ideas for your columns?

PL: Anywhere and everywhere. They've been very good at the *Gazette* in that they haven't tried to structure me at all. They say to write about what I want, so I do. I write about things that occur to me, if they're political. . .if they're personal. . .whatever. . .things that I see.

M: Is it a strain coming up with something different to say every week?

PL: Not really. Sometimes it's a strain to be able to say it the way I want to say it. Think of all the things you see every day that impress you one way or the other, things that make you mad, that you like, that make you feel good, that make you think about something your mother told you, that make you think about something you were talking to a guy about. It's that kind of thing, except you develop it. I think the most difficult thing is to really be honest about whatever it is you feel about [an issue]. I tend to have a very personal style, which is why I think I get such personal letters back, because people take what I say in a very personal way so they write me back just like I wrote to them.

M: Do you think that there is anything that could have been offered to you at Spelman that would have better prepared you to cope with

being a black woman or being a responsible career woman?

PL: Since this is a women's college I think it would be helpful to talk about things that women are probably going to have to deal with, like, whether or not it's ideal to get married right after you get out of college; like, do you need to have two children because everybody says you should have two children; like, should you plan to work until you get married or until he finishes law school or whatever. Now, some of those conversations take place in dorms. I remember sitting around trying to talk about that kind of thing with friends of mine. But it seems to me that there should be some kind of seminar or discussion or classes for credit. . . women's studies kind of thing, to talk about those items, to talk about the health problems that women have; to talk about things that women talk about to each other, but usually don't bring a whole lot of information to; to be able to say, for example if you are a black woman and an artist you might want to read this book by so and so, to help you understand why you feel as frustrated as you do. Or if you want to be a writer, we're going to have a black woman with a certain perspective. If you're interested in literature, why don't you take a look at what Joan Didion is doing or Doris Lessing or anybody. I think that would be real helpful. I think things like that should be required for women students.

M: What kind of advice would you want to share with young women who are embarking on careers in various fields?

PL: I think the most important thing that women can do is to figure out as soon as you can what it is you want to do. If you want to write, if you want to dance, if you want to teach, whatever you want to do, then do it, really do it. And if you fall in love, put your work first and just wait a while. If you want to have kids, do that, but also do whatever it is that you thought about when you were sixteen and said, "I am gonna be a great photographer or whatever." Then try that and if it doesn't work, if you can't do that, then that's all right. Do something else. The depressing thing to me is to see people who really had great plans of doing one thing or another but got sidetracked. Women usually get sidetracked in personal affairs. And it's so depressing, because you waste all your energy and your creativity in trying to cultivate a man. And while that's really an interesting thing to do, there are more things you could be doing.

M: In other words, it's time to do away with the old theory that a woman is not fulfilled as a woman unless she has a husband and a child. PL: Well, I think you can do it all. . .you can have a husband and a child and also do your

work. I just think it gets harder the more people that you take on, people whom you are responsible to and responsible for. It gets harder because you can't say, "Well I'm going off to Paris and study for a year," if you have a twoyear-old and a husband. I think there are things I regret, and I may have just romanticized it since I've never done it. But I went from living at home to living in a dormitory to being a wife and I have never had to function on my own, to just live by myself. Somebody was always a buffer. I would like to have done that. I miss that. I think it's important to put yourself in the world as a real person, not as a student and not as a wife and not as anybody's child, and just see how it works.

Pearl Cleage Lomax, '71, is a columnist for the Atlanta Gazette and the Atlanta Constitution's Weekend edition. She also works part time as director of public relations at the High Museum of Art in Atlanta. Previously she had worked as director of communications for the City of Atlanta and as executive producer in the Department of Public Affairs with WXIA television in Atlanta.

With husband Michael, who is Commissioner of Parks, Libraries and Cultural Affairs for the City of Atlanta, and daughter Deignan, Pearl resides at 1478 Willis Mill Road, SW, Atlanta GA 30311.

I used to have the feeling that I could do my work at night, after I got home, had been working all day, and did whtever else I had to do-like put the baby to bed. It would be nine o'clock when everything kind of settled out. If you've been working and dealing with people all day long, and you come home and deal with a two-year-old all evening long you are really not prepared to go to sleep. So that didn't work. You really have to say, "If I do that, then I'm really not a writer. I'm really a publicist for the High Museum or whatever else it is that you spend most of your time doing. And If you're not willing to be that, then you have to say, "This is what I am and this is how much of my time I want to spend doing this," and then do it, and fight with everybody who says you shouldn't do it that way until they allow themselves to see that you're really serious about what you're doing.

M: How do you see yourself ten years from now? What do you think you will be doing or what would you like to be doing?

PL: I'd like to be writing. The most unrealistic and probably the most appealing fantasy is that I'd like to be writing film, working in film. I don't think that's very realistic, but that's what I'd like if I could just pick the fantasy. If I could pick the second best fantasy, I'd be writ-

ing columns for something national and doing a lot of freelance articles and those kinds of things. In terms of my family, I don't think I intend to have any more children, but I'll still have one who in ten years will be almost thirteen. I'd like her to be sane, at home. I'd like my husband to be sane, doing whatever it is he wants to do and be at home. We've been married almost eight years and I was a student when I married, so I really had no sense of myself as a worker, as a person who needed x amount of time to do x kind of work. I mean I did homework, and I did work, but that wasn't my real work. That was just to get through school. I think I've changed a lot just in the time that I have been married and probably will change a lot in the next ten years. But I think the direction will be pretty much the same. It will be more of defining what the procedures will be so that the work can get done rather than try to figure out what the work is. I think I know that what the work is, is writing something or another.

M: With a three-year-old child and a husband who is the youngest commissioner in the Atlanta City Government, you must do quite a bit of juggling to fit in all the things you want to do. How do you manage to work out priorities? PL: Well, when I was working in the Mayor's Office I was working full time in one place. I'm no longer working full time in one place, but I'm still working full time. I do the High Museum of Art work. I also work part time on a fairly regular basis with a public relations firm here. My own writing I try to get done any time I can. I think the most difficult thing is to find time to do the things that are assigned to you by other people; to make my own work as important to me as doing someone else's work; to demand that the same kind of importance that's placed on the work I do for the High Museum be placed on anything I might be writing for myself, a script, a column, or something like that. It's difficult to do, because you tend to accept other people's priorities, to accept the fact that the work the High Museum wants me to do is important because they've said it's important.

M: And they are paying you.

PL: Right, I think it's harder to say to yourself, "This is my work and it's important because I think it's important." I think that's been the most difficult. . .to take myself as seriously as I'd like to.

M: In other words, the thing that usually "gives" is you?

PL: . . . is my own work, yes. I'm trying to stop that. I mean, I'm very conscious of it and I'm better about it than I used to be. But it just takes time. It also takes time to have the discipline if you've said, "O.K. I'm going to set

aside two days a week when I'm going to write x number of pages of a script," or "I'm going to do this or that or the other," to do just that. If you're also functioning as a wife and mother, the tendency is to say, "I've got a whole day: I will cook ahead for a week," or "I've got a whole day and as I work a lot, I'll just spend it with my child because I haven't seen her." Which is important. But it's having the discipline to say, "This is not a free day when I can do this, this, and this. This is a day when I'm going to do my own work, which is writing". . . whatever I may be writing. I think it's difficult to juggle people as much as it is to juggle work. But I think if everybody is aware of the fact that sometimes there's going to be more strain than there is at other times, and be flexible about that, it will work out. I also think it's helpful that I'm doing freelance work. I can take on more or less, depending on how I feel.

You know women more than men tend not to take their own work as seriously as they should and I see it in my own marriage. Michael takes his own work very, very seriously and demands that the entire household take his work just as seriously. If he has a dance festival coming up and has to be running around every night for a week getting dance companies and things together, then the family is geared toward that. We eat earlier if we're all going out with him, for instance. I tend not to do that and it makes me angry at myself, because I am willing always to change whatever I'm doing, to change my schedule to make it easier for him, which I think is fine if I then have the "arrogance" I guess, to demand that the household also do that for me. . .I don't think women are used to doing that. I don't think men do it consciously. I think they're just programmed to assume that; to assume that part of what allow him to get ahead with his job is knowing that Mrs. X. is back there cooking and making sure the baby is cooled out and all the rest of it.

I read something the other day by a woman artist who was talking about the fact that a woman always squeezes her work into whatever else she's doing in the house. If you want to write, then you put a desk near the kitchen or near the baby's room so you can be close to your real work, which is cooking dinner or having more babies, and you write when you get a chance. It's difficult because it means then that you're not taking your work seriously; you're not taking your work seriously; the rest of the family will not take it seriously if you don't, because it's easier for them not to. It's easier to have someone in the house who's kind of the free-floating person that makes sure everybody gets fed, gets washed, gets hair done or whatever has to happen.

Faculty and Staff Notes



Dr. Jane Smith Browning

Dr. Jane Smith Browning, director of Freshman Studies, P.M.E. coordinator, and assistant professor of sociology, has been selected by the American Council on Education as an ACE Fellow in the 1977-78 Fellows Program in Academic Administration. Dr. Browning assumed duties as Special Assistant to President Stewart on July 1.

The program, established in 1964, is designed to strengthen leadership in American higher education by identifying and by preparing faculty and staff for responsible positions in academic administration. Forty Fellows, nominated by the presidents or chancellors of their institutions, are selected each year in a national competition. For the 1977-78 class there were over two hundred nominations.

Typically, each ACE Fellow during the academic year, either at the home institution or on a host campus, is assigned to a college or university president and chief academic officer to participate in task-oriented administrative activities. Fellows attend week-long seminars in Missouri, Colorado, and Washington, D.C. on the problems of academic administration, read extensively in the field, produce an analytical report, and engage in other activities to prepare them for administrative careers in higher education.

Dr. Thomas M. Stauffer, Director of the Fellows Program, reports that in the program's first twelve classes, most of the five hundred participants have made significant advances into positions of leadership in academic administration. Forty-nine have become presidents, and over two hundred others have become vice presidents, vice chancellors, provosts, or deans. The average age of those selected as ACE Fellows is 37.

The American Council on Education, founded in 1918 and composed of institutions of higher education

and national and regional educational associations, is the nation's major coordinating body for postsecondary education. Through voluntary and cooperative action, the Council provides comprehensive leadership for improving educational standards, policies, and procedures. The ACE Fellows Program in Academic Administration is part of the Council's Office of Leadership Development in Higher Education.

Dr. Stephen Goldfarb, assistant professor of history, has recently had two articles published: "Rumford's Theory of Heat: A Reassessment" in The British Journal for the History of Science, Vol. 10, No. 34 (1977): 25-36; and "The Artists Who Painted Georgia, Discovering the Forgotten Post-Office Murals of Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal" in Brown's Guide to Georgia, Vol. 5, No. 3 (May/June, 1977): 70-73. He has also written several book reviews for Technology and Culture, a journal published by the Society for the History of Technology: The Lambent Flame by John D. Keating; Tube of Plenty: the Evolution of American Television by Erik Barnouw; The Industrial Archaeology of the Stationary Steam Engine by R. A. Buchanan and George Watkins; and Memories of a Mountain Shortline, the Story of the Tallulah Falls Railroad edited by Kaye Carver and Myra Queen.

Dr. Goldfarb attended the sixth annual meeting of the Society for Industrial Archeology which was held in Wilmington, Delaware on April 28 through May 1.

Dr. Ann Uhry Abrams, assistant professor of art, has received one of the AU centerwide grants from the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange, U. S. Department of State Bureau of Cultural and Educational Affairs for travel and study overseas during the summer.

Dr. Abrams will be visiting England, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and possibly Germany for the purpose of taking slide photographs of key artistic monuments for use in art history courses and will be surveying the role of blacks as subject matter in European art in the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries for research purposes. She will be visiting the British and Victoria and Albert Museums and the National and Tate Galleries and smaller collections in London, and the Grand Pavilion in Brighton, England; the Louvre and the Musee de l'Homme in Paris, France; the Royal Museum in Brussels; the Rijksmuseum in Amersterdam and the Mauritshuis in The Hague in Holland; and possibly the museums in Munich and Frankfurt, Germany.

The data and photographs obtained by Dr. Abrams will be used as a background for a new course in historical preservation which will be introduced this fall.

Dr. Martin Yanuck, assistant professor of history and chair of the Department, spoke to a World Civilizations class at Clark College on April 22 on the subject of "India; Problems and Prospects."



Dr. Kathryn Brisbane

Dr. Kathryn Brisbane, associate academic dean and chair, Division of Social Sciences, was a participant in the second annual Summer Institute for Women in Higher Education Administration, sponsored by Bryn Mawr College and HERS Mid-Atlantic and held on the campus of Bryn Mawr College, Pennsylvania, on July 5 through July 28. The residential program offered women faculty and administrators intensive training in educational administration and management skills and focused on institutional governance and planning, finance and budgeting, personnel relations, and computer applications. Attention was also given to career planning with emphasis on the development of professional networks, support systems, and mentor relations.

The Summer Institute was supported by a grant from the William H. Donner Foundation of New York.

Dr. Jean Escribano, assistant professor of Spanish, was selected as a participant in the National Endowment for the Humanities Summer

Seminars for College Teachers program. Throughout the summer, she has been studying "Bilingualism: Social and Individual Aspects" at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque under the direction of Dr. Bernard Spolsky.

The 1,259 participants, selected from stiff competition, came from each of the fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico; there was a total of thirty-one participants from the State of Georgia. The Summer Seminars for College Teachers program provides opportunities for college faculty in undergraduate and two-year colleges to work in their areas of interest under the direction of a distinguished scholar and to have available the resources of a library suitable for advanced study. This year's Summer Seminars are being offered in twenty-four disciplines covering broad areas of humanities studies including history, literature, language and linguistics, political science, philosophy, and the social sciences.

The National Endowment for the Humanities is an independent agency of the federal government. Its mission is to award grants to support education, scholarly research, and public activity in the humanities.

Alumnae News

Reunion '77

They came from California and Colorado, from New York and North Carolina, from Maryland, Michigan and Mississippi. More than 175 alumnae from sixteen states and the District of Columbia gathered at Spelman College for RE-UNION '77, Alumnae Reunion Weekend, May 13-15, 1977.

Alumnae began arriving in Atlanta on Thursday, May 12. Many chose to stay on the campus in Abby Hall; some were housed in the Helen Tucker Albro Guest House; still many others stayed with family and friends in the city of Atlanta.

The festivities began on "Lucky Friday," May 13, a beautiful, sunny, made-to-order day, with registration at 8:00 a.m. in the Sojourner Truth (upper) Concourse of the Albert E. Manley College Center. Sounds of laughter and surprise filled the air as reunioners discovered that their name tags had something special attached—a picture of the alumna in her senior year. After seeing many acquaintances for the first time in vears, alumnae excitedly filled the Alma Upshaw Dining Room in the College Center for the Breakfast Reunion Program, conducted by the Ten-Year Reunioners and hosted by President and Mrs. Stewart. Dorethea Morton Mobley, president of the Class of 1967, presided over the program. Background music was provided by Angie Jett, a member of the Class of 1978.

Vernistine Bynes Murphy opened the program with grace. Afterwards Dorethea brought greetings to all present and introduced guests at the head table. After a delicious and hearty breakfast, the morning's speaker was introduced by Naomi Johnson Booker.



Berdie Ricks Hardon

Berdie Ricks Hardon, chief of planning and research with the Georgia Bureau of Community Affairs in Atlanta, was the guest speaker. Her topic of discussion concerned housing problems in rural areas, and she outlined the causes of such problems as well as possible solutions to them. Birdie also spoke of the problems of the urban dweller. Her message was well received by the alumnae.

At the conclusion of the speech, Dorethea introduced the various reunioning classes. Alumnae had already arranged themselves in groups by class. Remarks were brought to the alumnae by Mrs. Isabel Carter Stewart, first lady. After announcements were made concerning the rest of the day's activities, all joined in the singing of the Spelman Hymn.

A focal point of the reunion activities was the large mural-sized bulletin board located outside the Dining Hall in the College Center. The creatively designed display outlined each day's activities on blue arrows which pointed in the direction of the activity as well as listing its time.

After assembling on the Concourse for class pictures, many alumnae joined College administrators for "Spelman College: An Informal Discussion." Alumnae listened to information presented by Dr. Edward Riley Jr., academic dean; Mrs. Sadie Allen, '41, dean of student affairs; Mr. James Brooks, director of development; Mrs. Bettieanne Hart, '69, director of admissions; Mr. Robert Fritsch, AIDP coordinator; and Mr. Robert Flanigan, business manager. Following the presentations, administrators fielded questions from the alumnae.

At 12:30 p.m. reunioners gathered in the President's Dining Room in the College Center for a special luncheon hosted by Dr. Donald Stewart for Century Club members. Alumnae at the luncheon were those who had contributed \$100 or more to the College during the year and who had then requested Century Club membership.

During the afternoon, alumnae attended a Career Symposium on "New Career Choices," and "Going Back to School-How?" in the Conference Room of the College Center. Bernice Dowdy McDaniel, '67, director of career planning and placement, assembled an impressive group of alumnae who spoke on the various career options that women now have. The alumnae participating in the program were Veronica Biggins, '68, an equal employment opportunity officer with the Citizens and Southern National Bank in Atlanta; Dorothy Fuqua Grayson, '65, an IBM instructions manager; Mary Grimes, '76, an account executive with Cox Broadcasting Company in Atlanta; Dr. Patricianne Hurd, '62, electron microscopist for the Fernbank Science Center in Atlanta; Cassandra Martin, '76, systems analyst for the Burroughs Corporation in Atlanta; Janice Parkmon, '70, personnel supervisor, Southern Bell Telephone Company; and Valencia Peters, '72, former media buyer with Gerald Rafshoon Advertising Agency. Another participant on the program was Paulette Norvel, who is the national director of the Minority Women Employment Program.

Alumnae and their families, graduating seniors, and Spelman faculty

and staff members returned in large numbers at 6:30 p.m. for the Annual Dinner of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College, which was held in the Alma Upshaw Dining Room of the College Center. Helen Barnett Humphrey, '45, president of the NAASC, presided over the evening's activities. After Helen had extended a warm welcome to all present, Miss Camilla Howard, '27, was asked to deliver the grace. Sitting at the head table, Miss Howard represented members of the fiftieth reunion year class.

Following a most enjoyable meal, alumnae were entertained with musical selections by the Spelman Belles. The Spelman Belles are members of the Spelman College Glee Club, and are directed by Dr. Roland Allison.

Greetings were brought to all present from Kathleen A. Jackson, '73, director of alumnae affairs, and Pearline Adamson Davis, '58, president of the Atlanta Chapter of the NAASC. After another selection by the Spelman Belles, alumnae were most delighted to hear from the evening's speaker, President Donald Stewart. Dr. Stewart briefly spoke of his feeling on having reached the end of his first year as Spelman's sixth president. At the conclusion of his talk, Dr. Stewart ended with a poem he had written about Spelman women, causing the audience to give him a standing ovation.

Dr. Grace Boggs Smith, faculty advisor to the senior class, presented Linda Q. Carter, president of the Class of 1977, who in turn presented members of the senior class. Linda asked the young ladies to stand, by roll-calling the various states. Alumnae responded warmly to young ladies from their states of residence.

The long-awaited item on the evening's agenda was the recognition of reunioning classes and the presentation of gifts. As Helen called each class, alumnae would stand and a representative would come to the microphone in one end of the Dining Hall and announce the class's reunion gift. The Class of 1972 reported more than \$300, while the ten-year reunioners reported \$700. Members of the Class of '62 reported \$85. The audience responded loudly when the Class of 1957 reported \$1275. Mem-

bers of the twenty-five-year reunion class, 1952, reported \$865. The evening's most vocal response went to the Class of 1947, which reported gifts of \$2015. The Class of 1943 contributed \$550, while the Class of 1937 reported \$1410. The Class of 1932 contributed \$340, and members of the Class of 1927 contributed \$400.

NAASC president Helen Humphrey then presented special Certificates of Commendation to alumnae who had been instrumental in the effective regionalization of the NAASC. Certificates were presented to Elise Dunn Cain, '49, first secretarytreasurer of the South Central Region; Manya R. Carter, '41, first coordinator of the Great Lakes Region; Ruby Handspike Clay, '57, first coordinator of the Southeast Region; Mary Adams Davis, '38, first coordinator of the Northeast Region; Gussie Turner Steele, '45, first coordinator of the Far West Region; and Ruth Ketchum Yarbrough, '49. first secretary-treasurer of the Great Lakes Region.

A beautifully engraved plaque was presented to **Dr. Eleanor Ison Franklin**, '48, past president of the NAASC, by **Fannie Dukes Bryant**, '45, coordinator of the Great Lakes Region. Eleanor was honored for her dedication, support, and selfless and untiring work on behalf of the NAASC during her tenure as its president from 1972 to 1976. The day ended with the singing of the Spelman Hymn.

"Sunny Saturday," May 14, began with brunch in the Alma Upshaw Dining Room of the College. While alumnae finished their meals, Helen Humphrey called to order the Annual Business Meeting of the National Alumnae Association. A heavily laden agenda was covered during the session. A revision of the NAASC Constitution was approved, and alumnae were elected to standing committees of the NAASC. Ruth Yarbrough was elected as recording secretary of the Association, while Elise Dunn Cain was elected assistant recording secretary. NAASC sanction was given to the first annual AUC Alumni Tour coming up in June of 1978, as well as to the College's proposal to the Bush Foundation in Minneapolis for a challenge

grant.

Saturday evening reunioners gathered at the Peachtree Plaza Hotel's Plaza Ballroom for the first annual Spring Dinner-Dance, sponsored by the Atlanta Chapter of the NAASC. Alumnae and friends filled the beautifully lit ballroom for the 8:00 p.m. affair.

Joan Wilkerson Stewart, '59, did a wonderful job of presiding over the evening's program. Among the program participants were Bettie Durrah, '63, who gave the invocation; Pearline Adamson Davis, '58, who brought greetings to the reunioners; Helen Barnett Humphrey, '45, Dr. Donald Stewart, and Pauline Shields, '46, each of whom made remarks; and Ernestine Miles Mann, '57, who presented the reunioning classes. One of the highlights of the evening was the premier performance of the Atlanta Spelman Alumnae Ensemble, which serenaded the audience with two selections. The song, "The Way We Were," was dedicated to the reunioners and sung by Kahtleen A. Jackson, '73. Eleanor Haywood Taylor, '61, was the accompanist for all musical selections. Pauline Shields, '46, was the dinnerdance chairperson. Lively music followed the dinner program, and both young and not-so-young all had their chance on the dance floor until the early hours of Sunday morning.

On Sunday morning, alumnae journeyed to the Atlanta Memorial Arts Center to witness the Commencement Exercises. Reunioners, particularly members of the Class of 1937, were especially pleased to see fellow alumna Clarie Collins Harvey, '37, receive one of the two first honorary degrees ever conferred by Spelman College. Among the many alumnae in the audience was Eddye Money Shivery, '34, who wrote the Spelman Hymn. As the audience joined in the singing of the Hymn, Dr. Stewart invited Mrs. Shivery to join the platform party on stage.

Following the commencement, alumnae, students, faculty, and staff came back to the campus for the President's reception. As addresses were exchanged and goodbyes said, Reunion '77 slowly came to an end. As one alumna said, "This was the best ever!"



Alumnae Career Symposium



Reunion Breakfast



Class of 1927



Class of 1937



Class of 1942



Class of 1947



Class of 1952



Class of 1957



Class of 1967



Class of 1972

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Lost and Found Department

Once more, we need your help. The Alumnae Office is soliciting your assistance in locating these "lost" alumnae. We do not have current addresses on the persons listed below; therefore, they are not on our mailing lists, and do not receive information about the College, reunion activities, and other functions. Additionally, they do not receive the *Spelman Messenger*.

Won't you help us? If you know any of the persons listed would you please send us their address? Or, if you prefer, would you ask that person to drop a note to us with her whereabouts? Write to The Alumnae Office, Spelman College, Atlanta, GA 30314.

Thank you so much for your help. In the next issue we will publish any "found" alumnae, as well as more "lost" alumnae.

'76

Leah L. Bass
Josephine Bryant
Cynthia J. Curinton
Jennifer M. Harper
Vickie Franks Reed
Jacquelyn Jackson Lee
Teri D. Johnson
Deborah G. Ligon
Carol T. McClendon
Karen L. Ross

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Sheila M. Bailey Frances E. Bullock Jacquelyn R. Hall Amelia K. Hamilton Sheila L. Jack Ramona I. Jones Debra L. Mills Cynthia Obleton Fragelia P. Pittman Maxine E. Rucker Adena Smith Wright Sheree Stephens Fannie P. Swain Sheila S. Turner Georgette Woodward Jones Lindsey S. Word

'74 Ayana R. Abdallah Anita Beeks Renee M. Board Trojanell Bordenave Audrey L. Bradley Tresa A. Brown Denise J. Champion Frankie Gray Cummings Lanell E. Delco Marcia A. Dewberry Melette A. Dickens Alycia M. Dixon Carol A. Foster Johnetta Gregg Gaffney Irene Derry Gibson Diane Henry Jackson Valeria L. Howard Beverly A. Johnson E. Ginger Johnson Myrna Williams Johnson Pamela K. Lewis Xanthene E. Loyd Donna L. Martin Neva McGhee Richardson Norma M. McMillan Mattie Clark Nelson Jacqueline Paige Green Audra P. Pender Fay A. Peters Diane F. Raysor Sylvia Glenn Simmons Tyra Bennett Simmons Lisa V. Stamper Ethel L. Stewart Ernestine Walker Cassandra Wiggins Maria Williamson Johnson Fracenia Zanders We are especially anxious to reach members of this class, as they will

celebrate their fifth reunion year in May 1978. Debra A. Allen Daren M. Anderson Linda C. Anderson Denise Barefield-Pendleton Cheryl Brooks Maddox Andretta C. Bryant Doris J. Cato Anita E. Dabney Andressa M. Davis Brenda Davis Stone Audrey Diggs Myra U. Dubar Dale M. Evans Verona N. Foggy

Margaret Franklin Craig

Stephanie Z. Gill

Joan C. Hagood

Sandra R. Harris

Dotty M. Hampton

Darlene B. Henderson

Paula Hicks Hudson

Marilynn P. Jackson

Constance I. Johnson Kathy Y. Loman Fleda M. Mask Janet McCall Milton Lelia B. Menefee Angeline Miller Mona Norrell Mallory Jacqueline Nutt White Anita Riddle Emmie D. Roberts Mary Lundy Robinson Bernadette A. Shade Ann F. Simmons Bernice Steptoe Patricia Walker Beretta L. Ward Lundia B. Williams Linda P. Willingham Carolyn York

'72 Earlene Abrams Dorothy M. Atwater Wanda E. Brown Diane M. Campbell Glenda L. Cloud Wynelle K. Coleman M. Diane Desmond Judy Dorsey Davis Cora L. Flynt Rita Hector Jacquelyn Henderson Wilson Lauretia D. Henderson Janice A. Heyward Deborah V. Hughes Victoria A. Jackson Zenobia Johnson Nannette Y. Jones Vernetta B. Lamar Phyl R. Macon Kathleen McGhee Jordan Rica L. Miller Barbara Nicholas Mitchell Shirley A. Moore Carole O'Neal Chervl Stuart Owens Barbara Phillips Smith Linda G. Quillian Judith E. Ransom Carol Rawls Davis Josephine Reed Taylor Karen Roberts Kelley Gloria Robinson Ford Donna Simmons Davis Sibyl Sims Carley Melva Wilder Sloan Debra R. Smalls Jerrilyn B. Thornton Valeria A. Vann Gwendolyn D. Ward Joquetta S. Wells

Pamela T. Whitehead Carolyn Williams Brock JoAnn Williams Brenda J. Wood Bettye B. Wynn

'71

Brenda Burress Patrick Bessie Campbell Henderson Gail Y. Charleston

Ava I. Chatman Edna L. Crenshaw Vera L. Driver Geraldine Durrah Claudia Edwards Sharon P. Fennell Carol Foston Turpin Lenda Gaillard

Veronica Glass Wright Sheilah Graham Black

Anita Graves Portia Griffin Thelma Hallman

Vanessa Hamilton Thomas

Gloria L. Hendricks Joyce Horton Dial Gwendolyn Jones West Sharon B. Jones

Carmen B. McClure Mary W.McElroy Vivian Mallory

Margaret Mills Williams

Anita O'Neal Carmen J. Owens Janice Peters Townes Lois Pettiford Griffin Regina R. Roberson Judith A. Sells Teia Sinkfield Bryant Gloria L. Smith Lisa M. Strait Sharon T. Strong Wanda W. Truesdale

Pamela Weston

Sylvia E. Wideman

'70

Mollie Allen Marshall Betty Anderson Alicia L. Arnold Kathy Bailey Smith Luella Nichols Brown H. Yvonne Bryant Thomas

Fredna Burnett Earnestine Butts Geraldine Colvin

Earnestine Jackson Compton Bettie L. Cox Natalie E. Dickerson Linda Fowler McNeil Ernestine Steward Gray Dorothy Baker Grisham

Mary Hatcher Maddox Jeannette Hughes Whittenburg Mildred Ingram Dean

Barbara L. Johnson Joanne Johnson

Elsie Key Carole A. King

Glorious Leatherwood Cannon Deborah Leavenworth Carter

Carole A. Lofton Jacqueleen Micheal Sandra J. Mincey Carmen F. Moody

Cheryl Morgan McWhorter

Sylvia E. Murrell Delphine V. Nelson Theresa J. North Janis Parkmon Pearlie M. Perkins Julia Ross Dye Bernice Scales Daisy W. Smith Virginia L. Smith Trudy M. Spears Gwenelle M. Styles Brenda Y. Sutton Laraine Alexander Vance

Angela M. Veale

Barbara Whited Washington

Brenda Williams White Gail L. Williams Wilma Williams Sara N. Williford Elsie E. Wimbush Carolyn Wise

Charlesetta R. Woodard

Elizabeth Ammons Carolyn Arnold Mitchell Alma Battle Grier

Betty A. Coleman Barbara Dancy Gaffney Mildred Ingram Dean Sharon Fears Redding

Phyllis Gray Cynthia Hall

Beverly Alexander Harris

Zelma Harris Jacqueline Howard Wilhelmina Howell Marilyn Hunt Lewis Mamie Jackson Betty Johnson Hatcher Avonia Lemons Sandra Lewis

Alyce McKinney Miriam McReynolds Edna L. Martin Anna Miller Williams Ivy Tembo Mwamba Cheryl Parsons

Sharon Pierro Burks Jeanette Pitts Fambro Gloria Ricks Drayton Marita Robinson Brown Marva Strickland Margaret Ware Reid Johnnie Woolfolk Newhouse

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We are especially anxious to reach members of this class, as they will celebrate their tenth reunion year in

May 1978.

Rosie L. Alexander Carmen G. Anthony Kathleen V. Billips Barbara L. Clark Phyllis A. Curry Clara Durant Tyler Agnes A. Foy Janice W. Friend

Joan Gaillard Fambrough Adreane Thompson Gordon Marsha Harris Clement Carlene Henderson

Patricia Hill

Janice Holloway Nixon Carolyn L. Hughey Carolyn B. Johnson Sandra J. Johnson

Carolyn Jones Henderson

Rose Belle Jones Saundra Kirk Williams Lillian P. Kotovsky Delores R. Lanier Beverly Leaphart Pitts Elaine Martin Freeman Carolyn Marzette Bolivar

Ruth V. Mason Eloise E. McCoy Cynthia F. McElroy Sarah Merritt Finley Linda Paramore Ford Faith Pugh Henderson

LaNora Reddix

Olivia Nesby Robinson Phyllis Rutledge Jones

Jacqueline Sanders Sampson Rebecca C. Shaw

Mary Potts Sinclair Beverly Smith Dore Cynthia J. Smith Elizabeth Spraggins Sandra P. Stansell Patsy E. Stephens Dianne Steverson

Cassandra Taylor Savoy Gwendolyn Taylor Boyd

Joan S. Taylor Alexis Walker Bolden Ruby Walker Davis

Marva D. Williams Vivian L. Williams Dianne Wilson Clark Alberta Wright Clark '67 Ruth E. Baety Adrienne M. Barksdale Constance Burton Scott Saundra Chisolm Austell Jeanie Dixon Fave L. Glover Verna J. Grier Debra Houston Walker Barbara J. Jackson Arlene Johnson Phillips Martha Jones Welch Mary Jones Smith Mary J. McMullen Rose L. Marion Anna Porter Hamilton Patricia Ricks Thelma Rollins Mason Yvette Savwoir Bradford

Eighteen Alumnae Receive Graduate Degrees From Atlanta University

Eighteen alumnae received graduate degrees from Atlanta University during its Commencement Exercises in May. Brenda Boone Hamilton, '74, received the Master's degree in Social Work, and Ella Omega Crook, '74 and Brenda Norman, '74, received Master of Science degrees in Library Service. Eight alumnae received Master of Arts degrees in Education: Shirley Arline, '47; Julia Martin Gilmore, '59; Elsie Wimbish Godfrey, '74, Denise Burse Mickelbury, '73; Ara Ann Yates Patridge, '59;

Deborah Ann Robinson, '74; Helen Starr Smith, '42; and Mildred Thomas Stephens, '54. Dedra Joyce Bryant, '74; Vicky Lynne Daniels, '75; Jeanissa Ginn, '73; Gayle Patrice Miles, '72; and Brenda Georgette Thompson, '75, received Master of Business Administration degrees.

Receiving the Specialist in Education degree (Ed.S.) was Alma Boswell Hayward, '54. Gwendolyn Howard, '45, received the Doctoral Degree in Education.



ATLANTA CHAPTER PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS TO DR. STEWART

l. to r.: Joyce Daniel, '71; Kathryn Bigby, '46; Isabel Tobin, '45; Colleen Brown, former student, treasurer, Atlanta Chapter; Dr. Donald M. Stewart;

Pearline Adamson Davis, '58, president, Atlanta Chapter; Joan Wilkerson Stewart, '59; chairperson, Special Projects, Atlanta Chapter;

Birdie Tyler, '47; and Leatrice Bell, '51.

Atlanta Chapter Presents College with Scholarship Check

On June 22, the Atlanta Chapter presented funds to the College for two one-semester scholarships for

the academic year 1977-78 to be awarded to Atlanta students. The scholarship funds constitute the proceeds from a Fashion Show which the Atlanta Chapter held in February.

Mrs. Pearline Davis, '58, president of the Atlanta Chapter, presented the check to President Donald M. Stewart;

she was accompanied by Joyce Daniel, '71, Kathryn Bigby, '46, Isabel Tobin, '45, Colleen Brown, treasurer, Atlanta Chapter, Joan Stewart, '59, chairperson, Special Projects, Atlanta Chapter, Birdie Tyler, '47, and Leatrice Bell, '51, all members of the Atlanta Chapter's Scholarship Committee.

Alumnae Comment On Curriculum

In the February 1977 issue of the *Messenger*, we enclosed a postage-paid reply card asking Spelman alumnae for their comments on our curriculum. We specifically asked alumnae to share with us their thoughts on courses that would have been of benefit to them while at Spelman, in light of their current employment. Following are some of the responses received:

Altona Johns Anderson, '55, community projects manager, The Clorox Company: "I wish there had been majors in business administration, journalism, public relations, marketing and related subjects which would have assisted me in working in industry."

Ora Sterling Anderson, '54, educator: "The following types of courses would have prepared me better for my present employment requirements-writing techniques, journalism, methods of teaching (all content areas), and communication skills."

Valerie Q. Brewer, '75, elementary schoolteacher: "The curriculum ideas in the classes were helpful; however, I feel one year of core requirements should be dropped and replaced with extensive concentration in the specific subject areas for a deeper understanding of the subjects we have to teach especially math. I felt student teaching was most beneficial."

Brenda R. Bryant, '74, retail management: "I hope Spelman will support a home economics department and improve design programs."

Trudie O. Brunson, '43, senior contact negotiator, United States Air Force: "Accounting, business management, organizational development."

Ruth M. Bullock, librarian: "I would have wanted courses in journalism, writing."

Sharon Cariah Crenshaw, compensation analyst: "I suggest business psychology—courses covering the human resources area of psychology as well as the analytical and statistical aspect. Psychology of this kind, like personnel management, can be of great assistance to applicants entering the job market whose psychology

degrees and interests do not lie in the clinical aspect of the field."

Mona Hamlin Dash, '70, special project coordinator, Atlanta NAACP: "Freshman orientation should have included an initial orientation on career opportunities available and intensive preparatory courses. As the developer and former director of the Atlanta NAACP Job Placement Program, the problem of inadequate career-orientation and preparation concerns me greatly."

Leanora Butler Davis, '47, teacher and consultant dietitian: "I am happy to know that a major is offered in nutrition, foods and biochemistry." Helen Wingood Fullilove, '37, member of Newark, New Jersey School Board: "Is there a course on how to teach reading?"

Betty Jo Harris, '75, auditor: "I majored in economics; however, the business administration courses I took at the other colleges in the AU Center have been most helpful in my present job. A business administration major, rather than an economics major, would have been of greater benefit to me."

Mignon Lackey Lewis, '51, music teacher: "Having music as a major and English as my minor, I feel that business classes such as typing and shorthand would have helped me then and would help my daughter now. Also, a management class would benefit Spelman women today."

Wanda Smalls Lloyd, '71, editor: "Because I was unable to take journalism courses on the Spelman campus, I would recommend such a curriculum at Spelman."

Alumnae Contribute More Than \$28,000 To 1976-77 Annual Giving Fund

Early reports show that Spelman alumnae contributed \$28,363.74 to the Annual Giving Fund during the 1976-77 school year. Contributions received were used toward student financial aid, the improvement of academic programs, special study programs, and general operating expenses.

Special congratulations to the Class of 1933 which led all classes in contributions with \$2365.

Listed below are individual class contributions to the 1976-77 Annual Giving Fund. Amounts shown do not include money given or pledged for the National Alumnae Campaign of the Spelman College Development Fund.

\$ 90.00

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'75	165.00
'74	345.00
'73	82.00
'72	342.00
'71	280.00
'70	145.00
'69	155.00
'68	110.00
'67	970.00
'66	260.00
'65	495.00
'64	390.00
'63	267.50
'62	145.00
'61	150.00
	155.00
'60	
'59	230.00
'58	183.00
'57	1338.00
'56	\$ 504.24
'55	275.00
'54	702.00
'53	462.50
'52	865.00
'51	360.00
'50	250.00
'49	985.00
'48	330.00
'47	
	1595.00
'46	415.00
'45	715.00
'44	600.00
'43	397.50
'42	515.00
'41	130.00
'40	
	287.50
'39	265.00
'38	300.00
'37	1885.00
'36	\$ 510.00
'35	325.00
'34	75.00
'33	2365.00
'32	240.00
'31	610.00
C'30	175.00
HS'30	50.00
C'29	245.00
C'28	325.00

EE'28	25.00
HS'28	60.00
C'27	235.00
HS'27	100.00
C'26	10.00
HS'26	10.00
HS'25	100.00
C'24	230.00
HS'24	25.00
HE'23	10.00
HE'22	25.00
HS'22	262.50
HS'21	255.00
NT'21	10.00
TPC'21	50.00
HE'20	112.50
HS'20	200.00
TPC'20	10.00
HS'19	10.00
TPC'19	50.00
TPC'18	10.00
HS'17	100.00
C'16	25.00
HS'16	110.00
TPC'16	50.00
HE'15	100.00
HS'15	200.00
HS'14	120.00
C'13	125.00

NAASC's New Logo



This symbol will soon become a familiar sight to Spelman alumnae. It is the new logo of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College, approved at the NAASC's annual May meeting in Atlanta. The logo will appear on all letters, programs, brochures, and pamphlets of the NAASC.

Special thanks go to **Theodora Mason**, '75, who designed the new logo. Theodora creatively came up with five different versions of a national symbol; by an overwhelming vote, the alumnae chose the one above.

How to Organize a Chapter of The National Alumnae Association of Spelman College in Your City

At the annual May meeting of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College (NAASC), alumnae ratified a revision of the NAASC constitution. The revised constitution contains a new article in the By-Laws section on "Procedures for Establishing a New Chapter." The new article reads as follows:

Section 1.

Seven or more alumnae who are living within a city or town or metropolitan complex where there is no organized chapter, and who are desirous of establishing a chapter shall complete the following steps:

- a) They shall notify the Regional Coordinator and the Director of Alumnae Affairs with a Declaration of Intent to Organize.
- b) They shall invite the Regional Coordinator to their respective city for the purpose of organization of a chapter.
- c) They shall be governed by the Association's Constitution and By-Laws until their structure is formulated.
- d) They shall submit to the Regional Coordinator and the Director of Alumnae Affairs within ninety (90) days after their Declaration of Intent to Organize, a Notification of Establishment of a New Chapter.

Section 2.

Each alumna shall be an active (i.e., dues-paying) member of the Association or shall become active upon organization of the New chapter.

The NAASC is seeking to have fifty chapters across the country by the Centennial year of the College in 1981. With your help, the goal will be accomplished.

According to the records of the Alumnae Office, the cities listed below have seven or more alumnae residents. If you wish to organize a NAASC chapter in your city, contact the Alumnae Office for a list of alumnae in your area. You may then follow the procedure outlined above. Regional Coordinators and their addresses are listed on the back pages of each *Spelman Messenger*. If you are unsure of your city's regional affiliation, see page 32.

Anniston, AL Huntsville, AL Mobile, AL Montgomer, AL Ft. Lauderdale/Miami, FL Tampa, FL West Palm Beach, FL Athens, GA Augusta, GA Brunswick, GA Columbus, GA Dublin, GA Griffin, GA LaGrange, GA Macon, GA Valdosta, GA Gary, IN Indianapolis, IN *Boston, MA Jackson, MS St. Louis, MO Cincinnati, OH Columbus, OH Dayton, OH Pittsburgh, PA Columbia, SC Greenville, SC Orangeburg, SC *Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX Chattanooga, TN Nashville, TN *Memphis, TN Richmond, VA Milwaukee, WI

*Currently organizing

NAASC Revised Constitution Makes Changes in Regional Structure

At the annual May meeting, members of the National Alumnae Association approved a revised constitution for the organization. One of the areas of revision concerns the organization of regions of the NAASC.

Each region consists of all chapters within states located in certain geographic areas. Before the revision, the regional structure was as follows: Northeast Region: Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia; Great Lakes Region: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, West Virginia and Wisconsin; Southeast Region: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee; Western Region: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming; South Central Region: Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri; Far Western Region: Alaska, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Oregon, Washington.

The revision allows alumnae who live in one region, but are actually closer to another, to have the option of choosing the region with which they wish to affiliate. For example, Tennessee is in the Southeast Region, but it is much more convenient to alumnae in Memphis, Tennessee to attend a South Central Conference in Baton Rouge, Louisiana than to attend a Southeast Conference in Albany, Georgia. The revision calls for the following changes: Northeast Region: no changes, except that West Virginia is now an optional state; Great Lakes Region: add Missouri; West Virginia is now an optional state; Southeast Region: Alabama and Tennessee become optional states; Western Region: Arizona is dropped; South Central Region: drop Missouri; Alabama and Tennessee may exercise the option of joining this region; Far Western Region: Arizona is added.

In states where options are available, it is requested that the individual alumna or chapter notify the Alumnae Affairs Office of changes.

Detroit Chapter Hosts Founders Day Scholarship Luncheon

The Detroit Chapter, National Alumnae Association of Spelman College, celebrated its Annual Founders Day Scholarship Luncheon at a gala affair on Saturday, April 23, at the St. Regis Hotel in Detroit.

Long before the appointed hour of noon, the hotel lobby began to fill with eager alumnae waiting for a glimpse of the guest speaker, and with guests whose numbers set an alltime high attendance record. Alumnae, many adorned with a touch of Spelman blue and white, greeted their guests in the ballroom at beautifully appointed tables. Each alumna wore a corsage of a single white carnation with blue ribbon, designed to match the lovely mixed flower centerpiece on the speaker's table and the bud-vase arrangements placed on each of the guest tables.

The program was highlighted by the presence of Dr. Donald M. Stewart, speaker for the occasion. He brought greetings from Spelman; spotlighted advances being made in physical development and academic offerings; expressed aspirations and hopes for the future; and exhorted alumnae to participate actively in plans and programs that would make those dreams for a bright new future a reality. As an expression of esteem and gratitude, the Chapter presented Dr. Stewart with an "In Appreciation" plaque of beautiful handrubbed Michigan wood with the inscription engraved on brushed gold

During the program, Manya Russell Carter, '41, presented eleven future Spelmanites recruited and sponsored by the Chapter, and drawn from both public and private high schools of the Greater Metropolitan Detroit area. These young women will be entering Spelman this fall.

As a fitting climax, a rather moving and solemn ceremony was conducted by J. Louise Jordan, '50, in a floral tribute to the founders of the Chapter for their "love, devotion and long years of dedicated service to Spelman and Her Ideals."

Other alumnae participating in the program were Dorothy Gulley Greene, '54, vice president and program chairperson; Ethel M. Seldon, HS'24, chaplain; M. Clyde Bennett, '61, assistant coordinator, Great Lakes Region, NAASC; Cheryl V. Harden, '76 soloist; Margaret "Betty" Rogers, door prizes; Ella Isom, pianist; and Gertrude Davis Fuller, '48, mistress of ceremonies.

Nine Alumnae Receive Terminal Degrees

Congratulations to the alumnae listed below, who received terminal degrees from colleges around the country during the spring.

Denise Barefield-Pendleton, '73, received the MD degree from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee.

Brenda Hill Cole, '63, obtained the JD degree from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia.

Karen Edwards, '73, received the MD degree from Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tennessee.

Rosalia Goode, '74, received the JD degree from Duke University in Durham, North Carolina.

Tamara Harris, '74, received the JD degree from Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Gwendolyn Hinsley Howard, '45, received the EdD degree from Atlanta University.

Samella Walton Junior, '53, received the PhD degree in educational administration from George Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee.

June Hayward Owens, '72, received the DDS degree from Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry.

Vicki E. Washington, '73, received the JD degree from North Carolina Central University in Durham, North Carolina.

The number of alumnae receiving doctoral degrees is rising rapidly. According to the Alumnae Office records, sixty-seven alumnae now hold either the PhD or EdD degree. Twenty-nine Spelmanites hold the MD degree, while six have the DDS degree. Twenty-five alumnae have either the J or LLB degree.

If you have received another degree recently, why not let us know about it? We would be most happy to publish the information in the *Spelman Messenger*. We are striving constantly to keep accurate data on the progress and accomplishments of our alumnae.

Chicago Chapter Hosts Annual Honors Luncheon

The Chicago Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College held its Fifth Honors Luncheon on Saturday, June 4, at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Chicago, Illinois. The guest speaker was Dr. Donald M. Stewart, president, who spoke on the theme, "Are Black Colleges in a Holding Pattern?"

The affair was highlighted by the presentation of awards to outstanding Chicago alumnae who have made contributions in their fields of endeavor, locally and nationally. The honorees were **Dr. Effie O'Neal Ellis, '33**, pediatrician and child-care specialist; **Lena Johnson McLin, '51**, composer, authoress, accomplished musician and vocalist; **Clemmie Sanders Tolmaire, '50**, educator with Cook County School District 104; **Ethelynde Armstrong Engram, '35**, educator with the Chicago Board of Education.

Special recognition was given to Chicago area 1977 Spelman College graduates Lynda Bundrage, Robin Jones, Cathy Watson, and Deirdra Yarbrough. Recognition was extended to all Chicago area students attending Spelman.

Dr. Stewart was presented with a key as an honorary member of the Chicago Chapter of the NAASC by Minnie Felton Jackson, '38.

Florine Mack Rattliff, '63, was chairperson of the luncheon. Fannie Dukes Bryant, '45, is president of the Chicago Chapter.

Florine Mack Rattliff









Yvonne Parks Catchings Publishes Book of Poetry



Congratulations to Yvonne Parks Catchings, '55, who recently published a book of her essays and poems, You Ain't Free Yet! Notes from a Black Woman. Her essays and poems deal with a wide range of subjects from riots and ghetto life to womanhood. She was in Atlanta in June to autograph copies of her book

Yvonne is also a well-known artist. She has exhibited her work across the country from New York to Alabama to Detroit and points in between. Slides of her paintings are in the permanent slide collections of the Carnegie Institute, the University of South Alabama, and Howard University.

Last winter, Yvonne was presented in a one-woman show in Detroit. The water color exhibition was entitled "Getting It All Together." Also, in 1973, Yvonne exhibited the first onewoman art show ever presented by the National Dental Association.

Yvonne received her Master's degree in art education from Columbia University in New York in 1958. She also holds an MA degree in museum practice from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor (1970). She is listed in the 1975 edition of Black Personalities of Detroit as well as in the 1976 edition of Who's Who Among Black Americans.

Currently an art and reading teacher with the Detroit Public Schools, Yvonne still finds time for her hobby,

genealogy, and has traced her family's history back for seven generations. She is also working on her next book, which will be for children on African art.

Yvonne is married to dentist James A. Catchings, and has three children, Andrea Hunt Tramble, a '77 graduate, and Wanda and James Jr.

ALUMNAE CALENDAR

September 30 - October 2, 1977	NAASC Northeast Regional Conference, L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, Washington, D.C.
September 30 - October 2, 1977	NAASC Great Lakes Regional Conference, Michigan Inn, South- field, Michigan
October 21, 1977	"Open House for Alumnae" Spelman College, Atlanta, Georgia
October 22, 1977	Annual Young Atlanta Spelman Alumnae (YASA) Brunch, Atlanta
	Morehouse Homecoming Activities
October 23, 1977	Inauguration of Dr. Donald M. Stewart as the sixth president of Spelman College, Atlanta
February 24-25, 1978	NAASC Southeast Regional Conference, Jacksonville, Florida (tentative)
March 10-11, 1978	NAASC South Central Regional Conference, Baton Rouge, Loui- siana
April 7-10, 1978	Founders Day Activities Spelman College, Atlanta
April 11, 1978	Formal Exercises celebrating the Ninety-seventh Anniversary of the Founding of Spelman College, Atlanta
May 19-21, 1978	Reunion Activities honoring classes ending in the numerals "3" or "8," Spelman College
	NAASC Annual Meeting, Spelman College, Atlanta
June 23-30, 1978	First Annual AUC Alumni Tour

to Paris, France departing from

Atlanta

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Congratulations to Florence Morrison Hogan, treasurer of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College. Florence was recently named Worthy Grand Matron of the Georgia Grand Chapter of the Prince Hall Order of the Eastern Star. Her new position came while she was attending the statewide meeting of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in June in Augusta, Georgia.

Florence and husband Augustus reside in Atlanta at 2825 Chaucer Drive, SW, 30311.

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Emily A. Copeland is president and founder of Black Resources Information Coordinating Services, Inc. (BRICS) in Tallahassee, Florida. Established in 1972, BRICS is a nonprofit corporation "designed to solidify the many fragmentary collections and bits of information, in whatever form produced, of research or potential research value by and about minority groups in America." BRICS focuses on information by and about black Americans and includes national and international materials in all forms on black organizations, societies, religious groups, and the like.

Previously Emily has worked as a librarian in various locations. She holds the BSLS degree from Atlanta University. She also obtained the MSLS degree from the School of Library Science at Columbia University in New York. Additionally, Emily has studied at New York University and at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. Emily is a member of the American Library Association, the National Historical Society, the Smithsonian Institution, the American Society of Literature and the Arts, and is on several committees in these

and other professional organizations. In 1974, Emily was listed in Who's Who of Women of the World. She has also been listed in Who's Who in American Women and Who's Who in American Education. Additionally, Emily is a member of the advisory group of the Marquis Biographical Library Society, the organization that publishes Who's Who in America and other directories. Emily's address is 614 Howard Avenue, Tallahassee, FL 32304.

Sarah Murphy Lemon works as a parent-volunteer coordinator with the Department of Human Services in Chicago. She holds the MA degree in guidance and personnel administration from New York University.

The mother of one daughter, Ann, Sarah resides at 1442 East 55th Street, Chicago, IL 60615.

Josephine Dobbs Clement serves as vice chairman of the Durham City (North Carolina) Board of Education. Previously she has taught at North Carolina Central University in Durham and at Morris Brown College and Georgia State University in Atlanta. She holds the MA degree in home economics education from Columbia University in New York.

Josephine and husband William, who is executive vice president of North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, have six children. The Clements reside at 206 Pekoe Street, Durham, NC 27707.

Catherine Fernander Wright teaches home economics for the Atlanta Board of Education. She holds the MA degree in home economics from New York University.

She resides at 3371 Lynfield Drive, SW, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Mayme Martin King has retired from secondary school guidance counseling with the Chester County Schools in Chester, South Carolina. She says, "Before entering the area of guidance, I was a French teacher and senior advisor at Finley Senior High School in Chester. Thirty-three of my years of being involved in school work were spent at Chester and Finley High Schools."

In 1954 Mayme received the MA degree in guidance from New York University. She lives at 68 Madera Drive, Columbia, SC 29203.

Mary Patterson Houston teaches home economics with the Board of Education in New York. Mary teaches food and nutrition and clothing to girls at the junior high school level. She says, "Teaching and homemaking have been my only careers."

Mary received the MS degree in home economics education in 1962 from Hunter College in New York. She has also studied at the City College of New York and at Lehman College in New York.

She and husband Charles, a minister, have four children. The Houstons reside at 15 Wallace Street, Tuckahoe, NY 10707.

Lula Weeden Jacobs teaches drawing and painting, art crafts, and ceramics at North High School in Denver, Colorado. She has also taught art at Jackson College in Jackson, Mississippi. She holds the MFA degree in art education from the University of Colorado in Boulder.

Parents of three children, Lula and husband Harold live at 486 South Olive Way, Denver, CO 80222.

Beunyce Raiford Cunningham is an instructor of freshman and sophomore English at the Daytona Beach Community College. She also teaches creative writing and Afro-American prose, fiction, and literature. Beunyce has studied at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York.

Beunyce and husband James reside at 1317 Idlewild Drive, Daytona Beach, FL 32014.

Connie Spencer Sabbath retired last summer from the River Rouge (Michigan) Board of Education, for which she was a homeroom teacher. She had previously worked as a special education teacher of the mentally handicapped. For fourteen years, Connie was owner and operator of Connie's Beauty and Gift Shop. She holds the MEd degree in special education from Wayne State University in Detroit.

Connie and her husband Clarence, who also retired last year as Deputy Superintendent of Schools in River Rouge, have a son, Clarence, and reside at 508 Frazier Street, River Rouge, MI 48218.

Helen Wingood Fullilove is a resident of Newark, New Jersey. She and husband Robert, a physician, have four sons: Robert III, Harold, David, and Eric. The Fulliloves reside at 53 Lincoln Park, Newark, NJ 07102.

Countess Young Cox is principal of the Pearl Smith Elementary School in Savannah, Georgia. She holds the MA degree in social studies and administration from New York University. She was named Teacher of the Year for Chatham County.

With husband Alphonso, Countess resides at 676 East Anderson Street, Savannah, GA 31401.

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Emma Brookens Bailey is chairman of the Department of English at Wenonah High School in Birmingham, Alabama. She has taught for the past thirty years, and holds the MA degree in English from Columbia University in New York. Emma has also studied language arts at Boston University.

Emma and husband Leenell have a daughter, **Dr. Florence Eatmon**, who is a Spelman alumna. The Baileys live at 1112 Goldwire Street, SW, Birmingham, AL 35211.

Rachel Cobb McMillan is an elementary schoolteacher with the Chicago Board of Education. She holds the MA degree in urban teacher education from Governor's State University in Park Forest, Illinois.

Rachel has a daughter, Adjora,

and lives at 1649 East 84th Place, Chicago, IL 60617.

Malissa Kilgore Briley retired last year from the Los Angeles (California) County Department of Public Social Services, where she was a welfare consultant. She began with the Department as a social caseworker, and was promoted to supervisor. She had held the position as welfare consultant twelve years before her retirement.

In 1973, Malissa was chosen from a field of 79,000 employees as the Outstanding County Employee of the Year. She has also received citations for outstanding service in the field of human relations from the Office of the Mayor of Los Angeles, the Urban League, KDAY Radio Station, and many others.

Malissa and husband Gerald, a real estate broker, live at 2261 West 24th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90018.

Georgia Smith Dickens and husband Robert live in Atlanta at 2946 Oldknow Drive, NW, 30311. Georgia is an elementary schoolteacher with the Atlanta Board of Education.

Priscilla Williams White is a social work supervisor with the Wayne County Department of Social Services in Detroit. She holds the MSW degree in administration from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

In 1968, Priscilla was named Woman of the Year by the Central, Region of *Sigma Gamma Rho* Sorority. She resides at 7042 East Kirby Street, Detroit, MI 48211.

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Dr. Gwendolyn Hinsley Howard is principal of Beecher Hills Elementary School in Atlanta. She has been a school principal since 1959; prior to that she was a teach for eight years. In May, Gwendolyn was awarded the EdD degree in educational administration from Atlanta University. She also holds the MA degree in sociology from Atlanta University.

Gwendolyn has two daughters who are both Spelman graduates: Lydia Ramona Howard, '69, is a clinical psychologist in Baltimore; Lytia Ramani Howard, '71, is a member of

the Spelman College faculty.

Gwendolyn and husband LaMarr, who is a professor of criminal justice at Georgia State University in Atlanta, live at 765 Bolton Road, NW, Atlanta, GA 30331.

On Sunday afternoon, March 20 at four o'clock, Helen Barnett Humphrey, president of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College, was guest speaker at Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Atlanta. The occasion was the church's annual Achievement Day celebration. Helen's message, "From Peak to Peak," was both inspirational and informative. She urged the audience to seek high goals in order to be successful in their daily struggles.

Several Spelmanities participated in the program: Rebecca Gorden Jackson, '57, Rose Johnson, '58, Betty Copeland Wright, '71, Lillie Sirmans Weatherspool, '28, and Isabel Carter Stewart, wife of Spelman's president. Other Spelmanites attending were Pearline Adamson Davis, '58, Atlanta Chapter president, Jean L. Foster, '52, and Ernestine Miles Mann, '57.

Juanita Hudson Scott served as a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Visiting Committee, April 25-27, assisting the Bibb County Public School System to obtain its initial accreditation. Juanita lives at 1990 Morehouse Drive, NW, Atlanta, GA 30314.

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Muriel I. Brown teaches first grade for the Gary (Indiana) Community Corporation. She has been teaching since 1957, receiving the MS degree in elementary education from Indiana University in 1972.

Muriel has three children and resides at 2200 Hayes, Gary, IN 46404.

Leanora Butler Davis is to be congratulated for the tremendous efforts she made in getting her classmates together for their Thirtieth Reunion year celebration. Members of the class of 1947 received a note from her informing them of the reunion activities and asking for a special contri-

bution to the College to be presented on behalf of the Class. Leanora's efforts paid off because \$2015 in unrestricted monies and campaign pledges were presented to the College at the Alumnae Dinner on May 13.

Leanora is a teacher of home economics for the Detroit Board of Education. She also works as a dietary consultant for the Broad Street Medical Company in Detroit, and teaches child nutrition on a parttime basis at the Wayne County Community College in Detroit. Previously Leanora had worked as the head therapeutic dietician for the City of Detroit.

In 1951, Leanora was the first black graduate of the Michael Reese Hospital School of Dietetics in Chicago, Illinois, from which she received a professional certificate. Additionally, she obtained the MS degree in education in 1964 from Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Leanora and husband Gerald live at 20041 Carol, Detroit, MI 48235.

Mae Clowney Wilson teaches high school mathematics for the Washington, D.C. Public School System. Mae obtained the MS degree in mathematics from Atlanta University in 1964. She received a National Science Foundation Fellowship to Atlanta University to complete her studies.

Mae and husband Edwin, a chemist, have five children: Edwin Jr., Donald, Frances, Eleanor, and Joyce. The Wilsons reside at 3724 30th Place, NE, Washington, D.C. 20018.

Ernelle Combs Hughes teaches English for the Hart County Board of Education in Hartwell, Georgia. She has studied at the University of Georgia in Athens, receiving the MEd degree in English education in 1975.

Along with husband Obieton, Ernelle lives at 460 Slaton Avenue, Hartwell, GA 30643.

Virginia Entzminger Longino is a choral music teacher for the Atlanta Board of Education. Virginia studied music education at New York University and education at Atlanta University.

An active member of the Atlanta Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College, Virginia and husband Charles reside at 139 Oakcliff Court, NW, Atlanta, GA 30331.

Maxine A. Miller is a librarian at the West Side Elementary School in Helena, Arkansas. Maxine holds the MS degree in Library Service (MSLS) from Atlanta University. She lives at 121 Don Street, Helena, AR 72342.

Doris Reel Antoine is a teacher with the Bassett Unified School District in LaPuente, California. She teaches first graders in a nongraded primary school. Doris has studied at Pepperdine University in Los Angeles as well as at Tennessee A&I State University in Nashville.

A member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Doris and husband Arise live at 2001 West 78th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90047.

Dr. Aurelia D. Robinson is associate professor of education at Savannah State College in Savannah, Georgia. In 1973 she received the EdD degree from the University of Oklahoma in Norman. She also holds the MA degree in education from Atlanta University.

Aurelia's mailing address is P. O. Box 3634, Savannah, GA 31404.

Carolyn O. Smith is an elementary schoolteacher with the Chicago Board of Education. She holds the MEd degree from De Paul University in Chicago. Carolyn is past president of the Chicago Chapter of the NAASC. She lives at 6838 South Michigan, Chicago, IL 60637.

Bennie Tillman Dorsey teaches second grade at the Ralph McGill Elementary School in Atlanta, Georgia. Special thanks are due Bennie, who was kind enough to provide the Alumnae Office with a copy of the May, 1947 issue of the Campus Mirror. The Alumnae Office used the senior pictures of members of the class of '47 to make the name tags for Reunion Weekend.

Bennie resides at 2544 Hightower Court, NW, Atlanta, GA 30318.

Genevieve Lawless Short is the program coordinator of the Youth Service Bureau of the Welfare Department of the City of New Orleans. Genevieve develops and coordinates services for young people that will prevent their entry into the criminal justice system. Previously, she was with the Louisiana Family Planning Program as social services supervisor, assistant clinic director, assistant teen program director, and training officer.

In June, Genevieve was one of the discussion leaders at a Family Planning Workshop that was held at Spelman. She led participants in a discussion on "Developing a Family Planning Program for College Students." Additionally, Genevieve will be working closely with the Spelman College Family Planning Program during the 1977-78 school year.

Genevieve received the MPH degree from Tulane University in 1974 in maternal and child health. She also holds the MS degree in social work from Boston University. In March, Genevieve was elected secretary-treasurer of the South Central Region of the NAASC.

Amanda Keith Bailey teaches third and fourth grades for the Atlanta Public School System. At one time the assistant registrar for the College, Amanda holds the MEd degree in early childhood education from the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia.

She and husband Julius have a daughter, Amanda, and reside at 2699 Black Forest Trail, SW, Atlanta, GA 30331.

Virginia Turner Dowell is a resource teacher and director of summers chool for the Malverne Public School District in Malverne, New York. Among her responsibilities are instructing the gifted, dispersing materials to teachers, and acting as liaison between teachers and administrators. Previously, Peggye was educational director of the Junior Academy in Brooklyn, New York.

Peggye holds an MA degree in music and music education from Columbia University. She has also received a professional diploma from Columbia University in early childhood education.

An active member of the New York Chapter of the NAASC, Peggye is ending her second year as coordinator of the Northeast Region of the NAASC. She and other members of her region are busy at work preparing for the Northeast Regional Conference in Washington, September 30-October 2.

Peggye and husband Tyra have two daughters, Jeanne Dowell Burris and Virginia Dowell, both of whom are Spelman graduates. The Dowells reside at 488 Pinebrook Avenue, West Hempstead, NY 11552.

Mary Jones Vismale is director of the Department of Social Service at Northwestern University Medical Associates (NUMA) in Evanston, Illinois. She is also associate professor in the Northwestern Medical School, Department of Health Sciences and Art. Employed by the University since 1965, Mary was previously supervisor of social work, Northwestern University Medical School Clinic and Northwestern Memorial Hospital.

Mary was recently the subject of a feature article in the Northwestern Memo, and was interviewed about her job at Northwestern. In the article, Mary says, "I thoroughly love social work. Everything extra I've done has always been a component of social work." When asked what makes her job most gratifying, Mary responded, "It's working with the NUMA staff. They are people who really care about people and who want to maintain a quality service for our own patient population."

Specifically, in her job at Northwestern, Mary directs a social work office which handles referrals of patients from NUMA, an outpatient facility where patients with neurological, orthopedic, dermatological, arthritic, dental, optical or other types of problems are treated. Mary's office counsels patients referred because of emotional or social problems and, when necessary, refers patients to other agencies for longer term treatment. Her office also trains social work students from other universities such as Loyola and the University of Illinois.

Mary received the MSW degree

from Atlanta University in 1950. Her field of concentration was medical social work. She is a member of a number of professional organizations, including the National Association of Social Workers, the Academy of Certified Social Workers, the Northern Illinois Chapter Society for Hospital Social Work Directors, the NAACP and PUSH.

With husband Calvin, Mary and children Calvin, Terri (who is a Spelman sophomore), and Tess reside at 622 East 33rd Street, Chicago, IL 60616.

Dr. Mary Lemon Brooks is the director of exceptional children for the Durham (North Carolina) City Schools. Last year she received the EdD degree from Duke University in Durham. Her area of study was exceptional children. Mary also holds the MS degree from Indiana University in the same field.

With daughter Maria, Marylives at 208 East Pilot Street, Durham, NC 27707.

Charlie Lovett Ellington is a coordinator of exceptional child education for the School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida. She coordinates and supervises exceptional child education programs in the northern area of Palm Beach County. Charlie, who holds a MEd degree in administration and supervision from Florida Atlantic University in Miami, was a member of Governor Reuben Askew's Advisory Committee for Palm Beach County fortwo years.

Charlie and husband Fred, a public schoolteacher, reside at 1425 Sixth Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401.

Eloise McKinney Johnson is an English instructor with the Department of English at Laney College, Oakland, California. Previously, she was instructor of English and speech at the North Peralta Community College in Oakland.

Holding a Master of Arts degree in American literature from Boston University, Eloise has studied extensively around the country. She has taken courses at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin; Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina; the University of Colorado in Boulder, Colorado; the University of California at Berkeley; the University of the Pacific in Stockton, California; San Francisco City College; and San Francisco State College. Additionally, as part of her studies at the University of the Pacific, Eloise studied at the University of Ife in Ife, Nigeria.

Eloise is a member of the American Association of University Women, the National Council of Teachers of English, the College Language Association, the California Association of Teachers of English, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, the League of Women Voters, and a number of other professor and civic organizations.

An active member of the Northern California Chapter of the NAASC, Eloise lives at 1280 Ellis Street, #10, San Francisco, CA 94109. Her son, Myron, is a 1976 graduate of Morehouse College

Minnie Whited Fitzgerald is a secondary school assistant principal in Los Angeles. She was previously a teacher and high school counselor. In 1950, she received the MA degree from Columbia University Teachers College in Teaching in Spanish. The mother of three daughters, Sharon, Carla, and Darlene, Minnie resides at 4716 Don Zarembo Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90008.

Johnnye Ward McLeod is the secretary-treasurer of WTMP Radio Station in New Orleans, which she coowns with her husband Rudolph. The McLeods have four children: Cheryl, Rudolph Jr., Joycelyn, and Kathy, and reside at 2236 Killdeer Street, New Orleans, LA 70122.

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Naomi Cole Johnson was in Atlanta in February to witness her husband, Robert, receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters from Morehouse College. Mr. Johnson is the associate publisher of *Jet* magazine.

June Dobbs Butts was one of the "Eleven Distinguished Graduates of UNCF Colleges" who were honored by the New York Council of the United

Negro College Fund at the organization's eleventh annual dinner dance on June 4 at the Plaza Hotel in New York. In recent months, articles authored by June on human sexuality have appeared in *Ebony* magazine. She is in the process of moving from St. Louis to Washington, D.C., where she will be taking up a new job assignment.

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The month of May was a busy, but happy one for Ruth Ketchum Yarbrough, and congratulations are in order. On May 10, Ruth received the MA degree in early childhood education from Roosevelt University in Chicago. At the May meeting of the NAASC on the 14th. Ruth was elected recording secretary of the NAASC. Then on Sunday, May 15, a proud mother watched as her daughter Deirdra, a fifth-generation Spelmanite, received her BA degree.

Emma Stone Jeffries visited the Alumnae Office while in Atlanta in July. This was her first trip to the campus since graduation. Emma remarked that the campus has changed a great deal, and promised to come back for the thirtieth reunion year of her class in 1979.

A teacher with the Philadelphia Board of Education, Emma has three children, Verline, George, and Gary. She and husband George and children live at 309 Framdale Road, Moorestown, NJ 08057.

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Thelma Ananias do Nascimento Morris is the assistant director of the Binghamton Public Library in Binghamton, New York. Thelma received the MSLS degree from Atlanta University in 1957. Thelma has four children: Karl, who is entering his second year at Morehouse, Eric, Michele, and Bernard. The Morrises reside at 4520 Marshall Drive West, Binghamton, NY 13903.

Lola Blasingame Evans serves as a readers advisor for the public libraries of Montgomery County, Maryland. Lola helps readers select books from the adult collection. She also serves as liaison between the various services of the library. Previously, she was a librarian with the U.S. Army Special Services based in Hawaii. Lola received her Master's degree in Library Service (MSLS) from Atlanta University in 1959.

She and her husband Herbert have two daughters, Lisa and Joyce, and reside at 1319 Canyon Road, Silver Spring, MD 20904.

Bettye Jean Crockett is with the Atlanta Bureau of Parks and Recreation is a community center director. In her supervisory position, she teaches staff and children athletics and fine arts. Previously, she has worked as a classroom teacher and an athletic coach. Bettye lives in Atlanta at 339 Autumn Lane, SW, 30311.

Loretta Eddleman Gordon teaches high school English for the Birmingham Board of Education. In 1965, she received the MS degree in secondary education and guidance and counseling from Omaha University.

Loretta and husband Hollis have three children: Iris, who is a '77 Spelman graduate, Hollis Jr., and Kim. The Gordons reside at 1512 Goldwire Street, SW, Birmingham, AL 35211.

Clara Flagg Johnson is secretary-treasurer of Johnson Sandblasting and Painting, a business owned by her husband; she also serves as office manager. Among her many responsibilities are recordkeeping, estimating, payroll, and bidding. Clara has previously worked as a real estate saleswoman in Detroit, and has also taught school in Hayward, California, Denver, Colorado, and Atlanta.

Clara has also found time to study accounting at Portland Community College, and mathematics education at the University of Denver and the Teachers College of Columbia University in New York.

Clara and husband Doyle have six children: Linda, Lorna, Darlene, Doyle Jr., Angela, and Jeffrey. The Johnsons reside at 2947 NE 10th Avenue (P.O. Box 12293), Portland, OR 97212.

Emma Franklin Moreland is an ele-

mentary school librarian with the Rome (Georgia) Board of Education. Emma, who says that she has lived in her home town of Rome since graduating from Spelman, previously taught school a number of years before becoming a librarian. In 1974, she received the MEd degree in education and media service from Berry College in Rome.

Emma and husband Curtis, who is an elementary school principal in Rome, make their home at Route 4, Chulio Hills, Rome, GA 30161.



Dorothy Mapp Pleasant

Dorothy Mapp Pleasant is a senior operations officer for the U.S. Customs Service in Washington, D.C. Dorothy, who was the first black woman to achieve an executive level position in the U.S. Customs Service, is responsible for directing the testing and certification of all Customsautomated systems. Previously, she has worked as an import specialist and customs systems management specialist with the Customs Service, until recently a male-dominated field. In the fall of 1971, Dorothy studied systems analysis at Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York.

Dorothy is currently making final plans with the members of the Washington, D.C. Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College to host the Northeast Regional Conference in September. Dorothy is president of the Washington Chapter.

She and husband James, who is also with the Customs Service as an operations officer, reside at 9202 Locksley Road, Oxon Hill, MD 20022.

Hazel Rucker Moore is a primary teacher with the San Francisco Unified School District. She has previously taught for the Department of Defense in Kaiserslautern and Munich, Germany. Hazel is currently working towards her Master's degree in reading disabilities at the University of California in Berkeley.

Hazel and husband Ira, who is in design control with Lockheed, have three children: Ira, who is a '77 graduate of Morehouse College, Cheryl, and Lynne. The Moores make their home in San Francisco, at 66 Cleary Court, No. 103, CA 94109.

Shirley Statom Henderson is a consultant in program planning and evaluation for the Psychiatric Center in Washington, D. C. In her position, she gives advice on the development of new programs as well as the planning of existing ones for the Psychiatric Center. She also analyzes and evaluates current programs at the Center. Previously, Shirley was special assistant to the commissioner of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. While in that position she published a booklet on The Frequency and Severity of Product-related Inquiries of "Low Income" Consumers.

In 1975, Shirley received the MSW degree from Howard University in Washington, D.C. in policy analysis. She has also studied guidance and counseling at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Shirley and psychiatrist husband Arthur have three children: Linda, Arthur, and Edwin, and reside at 5020 39th Street, NW, Washington, D. C. 20016.

Dr. Bessie Washington Jones is dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at Alabama A&M University in Normal, Alabama. In that position, Bessie supervises seven departments of the University and a staff of eighty-five full-time faculty members. Previously she served as chairman of the Department of English and Foreign Languages at the University.

In 1954, Bessie received the MA degree in English from Atlanta University. In 1967, she obtained the PhD degree in English from George

Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee, receiving a Southern Education Fellowship to complete the studies.

Bessie was named an Outstanding Educator of America in 1972, and received a certificate of recognition from the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

The Joneses—Bessie, husband George, who is a professor of industrial technology, and children, Glenn, Jocelyn, and Gina—reside at 5004 Greenbriar Court, NW, Huntsville, AL 35810.

Ermalene Coffey Rodrigues is a high school counselor with the Indianapolis, (Indiana) Public School System. As Dean of Girls at the Arsenal High School, Ermalene counsels girls on attendance, behavior, and adjustment problems. She received the MSW degree in social casework from Atlanta University in 1968.

With children Stephen, Stephanie, and Gaynelle, Ermalene lives at 2842 Indianapolis Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46208.

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Jeanne Bryant Blackmon is a media specialist at the A.D. Williams Elementary School in Atlanta. Jeanne was a classroom teacher for fifteen years, and received the MSLS degree from Atlanta University in 1970.

She and husband Ernest, who is a corrections officer, have a daughter, Ernesta, who is entering her junior year at Spelman. The Blackmons reside in Atlanta at 3120 Peek Road, NW, GA 30318.

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Rosa Rice Hadley is chairman of the Department of Social Studies at Northside High School in Atlanta. She holds a Master's degree in history from Atlanta University and is currently enrolled in a PhD program in educational administration at Georgia State University in Atlanta.

Rosa, husband Roy, who is an elementary school principal, and children, Sheryn, Roy Jr., and Leesha, reside at 681 Fielding Lane, SW, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Ernestine Arnold teaches sixth grade in the Washington, D.C. Public School System. She has a Master's degree in guidance and counseling from Trinity College in Washington.

Ernestine lives at 7333 New Hampshire Avenue, #111, Hyattsville, MA 20783.

Nannie Archie Henderson is a reading specialist in the Newton (Massachusetts) School System. She teaches developmental and remedial reading to urban children who are bused voluntarily to a suburban school system. Nannie studied Reading in the Elementary School at Case-Western Reserve University in Cleveland, receiving her MA degree in that area in 1964.

Nannie recently hosted the first meeting of the new Boston Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College.

The Hendersons, Nannie, Wilson, and children, Douglas and Lisa, live at 56 Falmouth Road, Arlington, MA 02174.

Anita Atkinson Ragland is a lecturer at the University of Maryland in College Park, teaching graduate courses in special education. Additionally, she is a PhD candidate at the University of Maryland in special education and educational technology.

Previously, Anita was a media specialist with the Head Start Regional Training Office, which included five states. She has also served as consultant for Overseas Dependent Schools and as college supervisor of student teachers at Incarnate World College in San Antonio, Texas. In her position in San Antonio, Anita was the first black faculty member of one of four predominantly white colleges in the city at that time. Her Master's degree in education and history is from Incarnate World College. Anita and husband Sherman, who is chief of Citizen's Participation in Community Mental Health with the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, have three children, Leanita, Sherman, and Erika.

The Raglands reside at 5470 Watercress Place, Columbia, MA 21045.

Catherine Collins Terry is teaching in Atlanta. In 1974, shereceived the MEd

degree from Georgia State University in special education.

Catherine and son, Derek Lee, make their home at 3236 Spreading Oak Drive, SW, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Judith Fisher Arrington is director of social service for the Bedford-Pine Day Care Center in Atlanta. She received the MSW degree from Atlanta University in 1961.

Judith and husband Cleon, who is the Director of Development at Atlanta University, have two children, Michelle and Cleon Jr. The Arringtons reside at 3230 Mangum Lane, SW, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Ruth E. Baines is chairman of the Department of Allied Health Resources and assistant professor at the School of Allied Health Professions at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Stoney Brook, New York. Previously, she had served as an assistant professor in the Physical Therapy Program at SUNY in Stoney Brook. Ruth was also assistant director of the Department of Physical Therapy of New York University Medical Center in New York for nine years

In 1959, Ruth received a certificate in physical therapy from the University of Buffalo. In 1971, she received the MA degree from New York University also in physical therapy.

Ruth is a member of the New York State Board of Physical Therapy and has been appointed to a five-year term as a member of the New York State Board of Regents. Additionally, she is chairman of the Reference Committee of the American Physical Therapy Association. In 1974, she received the Distinguished Service Award from the Greater New York District of the American Physical Therapy Association.

Ruth resides at 338 Birchwood Road, Medford, NY 11763.

Sylvia Blackmon Ellis teaches English at the senior level for the Fulton County Board of Education. She received the MA degree in English from Atlanta University in 1974.

Sylvia and husband Ernest and son Ernest Jr. reside at 3265 Glenview Circle, SW, Atlanta, GA 30331. Madelyn Foster Daniels teaches second grade in the Chattanooga (Tennessee) Public School System. Last summer, Madelyn received the MEd degree in elementary administration from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Madelyn and spouse Donald, who is a minister, have two sons, Donald Jr. and Sean. The Daniels family resides at 725 Belle Vista Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37411.

Barbara Green Bray is a career specialist and counselor with the Baltimore County Public Schools Western Career Center. Previously, Barbara served as the director of the HEW Stride Program, College of Continuing Education, American University, Washington, D.C. She was also a human relations specialist with the METCO Program of the Newton Public Schools in Newton, Massachusetts.

In 1970, Barbara received the MEd degree in counseling from North-eastern University in Boston, Massachusetts.

Barbara and husband Cecil, who was recently promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army (See *Spelman Messenger*, Vol. 93, No. 3, p. 340), have two daughters, Lee and Kim. The Brays make their home at 11005 Swansfield Road, Columbia, MD 21044.

Ruby Handspike Clay is a school-based reading specialist in the Montgomery County, Maryland Public School System. In describing her job, Ruby says, "Forty-nine percent of my time is given to helping teachers diagnose and prescribe for their pupils; assisting them with ordering appropriate reading materials; and assisting the principal with the overall planning of the schoolwide reading program. The other 51 percent of my time is spent working directly with the remedial reading cases in the school."

While living in Atlanta, Ruby was a resource teacher in the Comprehensive Instructional Program of the Atlanta Public School System. She received the MA degree in 1969 from Atlanta University, concentrating on reading.

The Clays have four children, Augustus III, twins Karen and Kathryn, and Lisa, and reside at 301 Bogota

Drive, Oxon Hill, MD 20022.

Rose Harris Johnson teaches small groups of children with reading problems for the Evanston School System. She is curently enrolled at the National College of Education, concentrating on reading.

Rose and husband Robert have two daughters, Rhonda and Rosalyn, and live at 1712 Oakton, Evanston, IL 60202.

R. Yvonne Jackson Wiltz and her family make their home in Atlanta. Yvonne was a French major while at Spelman and has taught French on both the elementary and junior high school levels. She obtained the MA degree in French literature in 1960 from Columbia University.

Yvonne and husband Philip, who is an orthopedic surgeon, have three daughters, Teresa, Phyllis, and Yvette, and reside at 3390 Laren Lane, SW. Atlanta, GA 30311.

Clarice Lampkin Harvey is a reading specialist in the Atlanta Public School System. She obtained the MA degree in 1976 from Atlanta University, concentrating in reading. With husband Willie and children, Dwayne and Patrice, Clarice makes her home in East Point, GA at 3039 Pomona Way, 30344.

Mable Williams Reid teaches second grade at Cliftondale School in College Park, Georgia.

She and husband Walter and children, Walter III, Marie, and Lisa, reside at 3206 Hobart Drive, NW, Atlanta, GA 30318.

Mamie Russell Darlington is an assitant professor in the School of Social Work at Atlanta University. Mamie received the MSW degree from Atlanta University in 1960 and is currently enrolled in a PhD program in educational administration at Georgia State University in Atlanta.

With children, Marque, Adrienne and Carla, Mamie lives at 1997 King George Lane, SW, Atlanta, GA 30331.

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Barbara Adams Carney recently moved from Warner Robins, Georgia to 547 Lindsay Avenue, Fort Sill, OK. 73503. She and husband James, who is a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army, have one daughter, Kathryn Malissa.

Patricia Battle Austin teaches French and English to ninth through twelfth graders at Bass High School in Atlanta. Patricia received her Master's degree in French from Atlanta University in 1971. She did additional study at the University of Kentucky.

Patricia and husband Harry have three daughters, Patrice, Paquita, and Paquel. The Austins reside at 1433 Dodson Drive, SW, Atlanta GA 30311.

Gwendolyn Eagleson Tunac currently resides in California with husband Rumualdo and children, Mark Eagleson and Deana Michelle. The Tunacs are at home at 1838 Sunny Heights Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90065.

Alice Herring Doanes teaches mathematics at Charles L. Harper High School in Atlanta. Alice received the MAT degree from Georgia State University in 1971, concentrating in mathematics education. In 1974, and in 1976, Alice was named Star Teacher at Harper High School. In 1975, she was named Outstanding Teacher of the Year for the Class of 1975 at Harper.

With husband James and sons, James and Kevin, Alice resides in Atlanta at 1675 Laurens Drive, SW, 30311.

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Dorothy Jenkins Fields was recently featured in an article in the *Miami Times* newspaper. Dorothy, an historical researcher, was noted as being one of the twenty museum professionals representing sixteen states and two foreign countries who attended a workshop at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

In Miami, Dorothy is a member of the Dade County Historical Board. She has also been appointed to the Miami Memorial Committee and, more recently, was appointed to the Ethnic Archives Committee for the Society of American Archivists and to the Committee on Racism and Social Justice, National Council of Social Studies.

Dorothy established the Black Photographic Archives and Oral History Collection at the Historical Museum of Southern Florida. In 1975, Dorothy created the traveling exhibit, "Hats Off to Miami's Black Pioneers," a research project for the Dade County School System that now features more than two hundred photographs and documents, some of which date back as far as 1896.

Listed in the 1976 edition of Outstanding Young Women of America, Dorothy is also the recipient of the Beta Tau Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Humanitarian of the Year Award. During the summer Dorothy studied archival management at Emory University in Atlanta.

She and husband Eddie have two daughters, Katherine and Edda, and live at 5337 NW 29th Court, Miami, FL 33142.

Congratulations to Nelda King, who has been promoted to vice president for Uni-World Group, Inc., New York City, a black-oriented advertising agency. Nelda was previously the associate creative director for the corporation.

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Glenda Anderson Kirkland is currently an assistant professor in the Music Department of Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, where she teaches vocal music.

Since graduation from Spelman, Glenda has done extensive study in vocal music performance. She received a BS degree from the Juilliard School of Music in 1970 and an MA degree from Eastern Michigan in 1971, both in vocal music performance. She is working toward a DMA degree in the same area at the University of Michigan.

Glenda has performed as soprano soloist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and has also sung in the operas Carmen, Suor Angelica, Tales

of Hoffman, and Don Giovanni. This summer she performed in Madame Butterfly.

With husband Charles and son, Charles Arian, Glenda resides at 17171 Shaftsbury, Detroit, MI 48219

Helen B. Broughton teaches social science for the Walton County Board of Education in Monroe, Georgia. In May 1976, she received the MEd degree in European history from the University of Georgia.

Helen lives at 125 High Court Place, #4, Decatur, GA 30032.

Vernistine Bynes Murphy is a librarian at the Jonesboro Senior High School in Jonesboro, Georgia. She received the MSLM degree in July 1973 from Alabama A&M University.

Vernistine and husband Walter make their home at 2435 Omaha Road, SW, Atlanta, GA 30331.

Rita Chustz Jones is a systems programmer for the brokerage firm of Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith in New York. She is responsible for the installation and maintenance of current computer systems for the firm. Prior to her current position, Rita was with the IBM Corporation for seven years as a systems programmer and systems engineer.

Rita and husband William have two daughters, Carolyn Nicole and Stephanie Alison. The Joneses reside at 148-45 89th Avenue, #E-4, Jamaica, NY 11435.

Wilma Curry Jackson is a senior numerical systems engineer for the Ford Motor Company, Design Center, in Dearborn, Michigan. She plans, designs, develops, and implements computer systems within the Design Center.

Wilma and husband Tyrone, who is also with the Ford Motor Company as a financial analyst, live in Southfield, MI at 27065 Aberdeen, 48076.

Frances Dyer Cooke is the legal administrative assistant to the chancellor of Elizabeth City State University in North Carolina, serving as his staff attorney and legal advisor.

As a member of the North Carolina Bar Association, Frances also has a private law practice on a part-time basis. She is currently pursuing a Master's degree in music at North Carolina Central University in Durham.

Frances received a graduate assistantship from North Carolina Central University from 1967-69. From September 1969 until August 1973 she was a social worker. Returning to school, she received the JD degree in May 1976 from NCCU. In March of this year, she was a participant in the Phelps-Stokes Fund Caribbean-American Exchange Program.

Marva Hope Carter still has her hands full at home with little Michael, born in May 1976 (see *Spelman Messenger*, Vol. 93, No. 1, p. 29). The Carters are at home at 7069 Cardinalwood Street, Orlando, FL 32808.

Naomi Johnson Booker is an elementary mathematics resource supervisor at the Pastorius School in Philadelphia. She is in charge of the mathematics curriculum at the school and teaches both teachers and pupils.

In 1973, Naomi received the MEd degree from Antioch Graduate School, concentrating in elementary education. She expects to receive her Pennsylvania State Certification in elementary school administration next year from Temple University, where she received a graduate assistantship for her studies.

Naomi and husband Richard, who is a psychotherapist, reside at 315 West Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19119.

Jacquelyn Kirby Boyette is an active member of the Northern California Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College. She served as a member of the planning and publicity committees for the recent Far West Regional Conference held in Oakland, California.

Jackie is the executive director of the YWCA Western Addition in San Francisco. In her position, she is responsible for the overall implementation of programs in the Western Addition community as well as

nar on Management by Objectives and another on the Leadership of Jacksonville. Recently, Jolita received the North Florida Credit Counseling Service Award.

Previously, she has worked for the Lone Tree Area Girl Scout Council in Oak Park, Illinois, as well as with the Westinghouse/VISTA Training Center in Atlanta.

With daughter Traci, Jolita lives at 5040 Dallen Lea Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32208.

Johnnie Patterson Mitchell is a vocational rehabilitation counselor with the Atlanta Rehabilitation Centhe staff, budget, facilities, and program development at the Center. Previously, Jackie was director of the YWCA Residence Club in San Francisco. For two years, 1969 to 1971, she was assistant executive director of youth activities, USAFE, at Torrejon Air Force Base in Madrid, Spain.

Last year, Jackie was enrolled in a Master's degree program at San Francisco State University, concentrating in recreation administration. Additionally, she has studied Spanish civilization at the University of Madrid.

The Boyettes, Jackie and James, reside at 4130 Army Street, San Francisco, CA 94131.

Deborah Keith Mack is an employment counselor with the Georgia State Employment Service in Gainesville, Georgia. In her position, Deborah counsels and supervises a work incentive program.

She and husband Clarence live at 1113 Mill Street, Gainesville, GA 30501.

Jolita McCray Mitchell works as a community organizer for the Jacksonville (Florida) Urban League, where she supervises a staff of nine persons. In her position, she implements self-help programs for the elderly and preschoolers as well as those in need of basic skills. She also oversees programs on cultural awareness.

Jolita has attended management workshops sponsored by the Urban League to obtain more insight into her work. Among them were a semiter. Johnnie received the MEd degree from the University of South Carolina in 1971. Her area of concentration was rehabilitation counseling, and she received a government grant to complete her studies.

She and husband James and son, John Olin, reside at 2300 Emerald Castle Drive, Decatur, GA 30035.

Berdie Ricks Hardon, who was the speaker at the Ten Year Reunion Breakfast on May 13, is the chief of planning and research for the Georgia Bureau of Community Affairs. In her position, Berdie performs technical planning duties, including developing and coordinating complete planning projects; interpreting techniques and procedures or development of approaches to solve specific problems in housing; reviewing and approving comprehensive housing plans developed by Area Planning and Development Commissions; and providing training and technical assistance to local and regional agencies involved in housing planning. Additionally, Berdie represents her agency on the State Energy Consortium, the Department of Human Resources Committee for Housing Policy Development, and the Economic Development Interagency Task Force.

Previously, Berdie taught political science at Spelman and Morehouse Colleges, and has worked as an economist for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

She received a Ford Fellowship to complete her studies for a Master's degree, which she received in 1972 from Georgia State University. Her area of concentration was Urban Affairs.

Berdie and husband Richard have two children, Richard Lamar and Charles Harrison. The Hardons reside at 1168 Dolphin Drive, SW, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Melrita Russ Bonner teaches Spanish for the Detroit Board of Education. In December 1976, she received the MALS degree from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

With husband Clenard, Melrita makes her home at 14370 Faust, Detroit, MI 48223.

Dollie Scott Mosley is with the Mississippi State Department of Education as a mathematics consultant. She provides inservice training for all mathematics teachers in the state.

Dollie received the MEd degree in May 1975 from Delta State University in Cleveland, Mississippi; her field of study was mathematics. Prior to that time, she had taught in the Greenwood City Schools and at Mississippi Valley State College. She has also taught mathematics in the Toledo (Ohio) Public School System. She was named Teacher of the Year for 1973-74.

Dollie and son Edgar live in Jackson, Mississippi at 5425 Clinton Boulevard, #N.H-8, 39209.

Cheryl L. McCoy teaches elementary grades in the Atlanta Public School System. Cheryl, who received her MA degree in reading in 1972 from Georgia State University in Atlanta, lives at 2909 Campbellton Road, SW, #23-G, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Alice Graham Wiley has recently been accepted in the PhD program of Garrett - Evangelical/Northwestern University, from which she received the Master of Divinity degree in June. Alice has received grants for her doctoral studies from the Fund for Theological Education and the Hartmann Fellowship Fund; her field of study will be pastoral psychology.

Additionally, Alice has been elected to the Board of the National Conference of Black Churchmen.

Home for Alice is 916½ Noyes, Evanston, IL 60201.

Barbara Martin Naylor teaches reading and social studies for the Atlanta Public School System. She obtained an MA degree in reading in 1973 from Atlanta University. She and husband William have one son, Glenn Eric.

The Naylors reside at 2544 Ivy-dale Drive, SW, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Congratulations to Joyce Hunter Mills, whose Reunion Weekend was a happy one for more than one reason. On Friday, May 13, Joyce joined her classmates for the Ten Year Reunion Breakfast on the cam-

pus. On Saturday, May 14, Joyce was married.

The Millses reside at 3233 Mt. Gilead Road, SW, #22-G, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Brenda A. Smith is a reading specialist in the Atlanta Public School System. Brenda, who received the MA degree in reading in 1972 from Georgia State University in Atlanta, makes her home at 2909 Campbellton Road, SW, #23-G, Atlanta, GA 30311.

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Congratulations to Willie Smith Sheftall who recently received the MEd degree in elementary education from the University of South Alabama in Mobile. While in Mobile, Willie taught second grade for one year and taught reading to first, second, and third graders for one year.

Willie recently moved to Macon, Georgia where her new address is 1870 Third Avenue, Macon, GA 31201.

Joyce Young Shelby and husband Claybrone are proud to announce an addition to their family. Son, Claybrone III, was born on July 15. The Shelbys also have a daughter, Gail, and reside at 7 Hegeman Avenue, #9F, Brooklyn, New York 11212.

On July 1, **Dr. Jane Smith Browning** began duties as special assistant to President Stewart (see this issue, "Faculty Notes"). Jane was selected by the American Council on Education as an ACE Fellow in the 1977-78 Fellows Program in Academic Administration.

Jane received the EdD degree in 1975 from Harvard University. Her fields of concentration were higher education and social policy. She also holds the MA degree in sociology from Emory University, Atlanta (see Spelman Messenger, Vol. 92, No. 1, p. 27). Since 1975, Jane has been a member of the Spelman College faculty and administration, serving as director of Freshman Studies and teaching sociology as assistant professor in the department.

Jane and husband Larry, who is a dentist, are to be congratulated on

the birth of their second son, Chad Douglas, who was born on May 13. The Brownings have one other son, Clinton, and reside at 805 Rodney Drive, SW, Atlanta, GA 30311.

The Alumnae Office has received a new address for **Jacqueline Williams Biggins**. Jackie lives at 471 Cherokee Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA 30312.

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Congratulations to Marian Rhodes who received the MS degree from Fordham University in Bronx, New York in May. Her degree is in education with a specialization in elementary curriculum.

Marian lives at 19 Hamilton Terrace, #4M, New York, NY 10031.

Carolyn Allen Mingo received the MEd degree from Albany State College in Albany, Georgia, on June 5. Carolyn resides at 304 Flintside Drive, Albany, GA 31701.

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Sandra A. Sims is working as assistant professor in psychology in the Department of Psychology at Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts.

Prior to attending Boston College, Sandra studied at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor for four years, receiving the MA degree in psychology in 1971 and the PhD degree in social psychology in 1974. While at the University of Michigan, Sandra was the recipient of numerous awards, among them the Opportunity Award in 1971, the Public Health Award in 1971, 1972, and 1973 and the Rackham Prize in 1973. She also received the Psychology Department Grant in 1973.

In May, Sandra presented a paper on "Socialization and Situational Determinants of Sharing Behavior in Children" (her dissertation topic) at the University of Massachusetts Psychology Department. Last year, she presented a paper on "Sharing Behavior in Children: The Effects of Modeling, Induction, and Resources" at the Fourth Annual Meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association. Additionally, her paper on

"Alternative Educational and Psychological Experiences for Black Pre-School Children" was presented at the annual convention of the National Association of Black Psychologists.

Sandra lives in Boston at 1575 Tremont Street, #810, Boston, MA 02120.

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Lynda C. Brower is working on her doctorate at Stanford University in California, where her area of study is mathematical methods in educational research. Additionally, Lynda is a part-time instructor in basic maths and algebra at Evergreen Valley College in San Jose, California.

Lynda received a Ford Foundation Fellowship for 1972-1977 to complete her studies. She received the MS degree in January 1975 from Stanford in statistics, and expects to receive her PhD degree this summer.

Alice A. Deck is currently studying at the State University of New York in Binghamton, where she is working on her PhD degree in comparative literature. Alice is also a graduate intern with the Office of Academic Advising Services at SUNY-Binghamton.

In the summer of 1973, Alice worked as a graduate assistant in a summer seminar in West Africa. The following school year she was a resident counselor in one of the graduate dormitories. She has also been a resident director at one of SUNY's freshman dormitories. In May 1975, Alice received the MA degree from SUNY-Binghamton in comparative literature.

Alice was named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities for 1976-1977. During the 1977-78 school year, she will receive a dissertation-year grant from the National Fellowships Fund.

Rubinell Patterson Saxon is a second grade teacher in the Atlanta Public School System. She received her Master's degree in early childhood education from Atlanta University in 1974.

Rubinell and husband Eric are the proud parents of their first child, Eric Maurice Jr., who was born in January of this year. The Saxons reside at 127 Stafford Street, SW, Atlanta, GA 30314.

Denise Smith Stewart teaches eighthgrade grammar and literature for the Houston (Texas) Independent School District. Prior to her recent move to Texas, Denise taught English in the Ann Arbor (Michigan) School System for two years. She received the MA degree in August 1973 from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor; her field of study was English language and literature.

Denise and husband Jeffery live at 7502 Clarewood, #376-E, Houston, TX 77036.

Janifer Thompson Batts is a reference librarian at the Graduate Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Since receiving the Master's degree in Library Service in 1973 from Atlanta University and moving into her current position, Janifer has worked as a cataloger, a gifts and exchange librarian, and assistant head searcher of the bibliographic searching section.

Married in June 1976, Janifer and Richard reside at M3 Berkshire Manor Apartments, Carrboro, NC 27510.

Zenetta Ward Miller is with the Palm Beach County School Board. She works with educable mentally retarded students on the high school level. On June 10, she received her Master's degree from Florida Atlantic University in the area of exceptional child education/mental retardation.

She and her husband Willie have one child, Willie Albert II, born in July 1975. The Millers reside at 1307 Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard, West Palm Beach, FL 33401.

Carolyn L. Yancey is completing her first year of residency in pediatrics at The Children's Hospital in Philadelphia. Last year she received the MD degree from the College of Medicine, Howard University, Washington, D.C. While at Howard, Carolyn received a student research fellow-

ship from the American Heart Association in the summer of 1973. In the spring of 1976, she served a sub-internship in internal medicine at Grady Hospital in Atlanta. She received the Internal Medicine Award in 1976 from the Howard University College of Medicine.

Carolyn resides at 2201 Pennsylvania Avenue, #714, Philadelphia, PA 19130.

Judy Dennard Donnell is a program analyst with the Washington, D.C. Department of Human Resources. She and husband William (Morehouse '74), who is completing his third year at Howard University Law School, are expecting their first child in October.

The Donnells reside at 2522 South Dakota Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20018.

Janet Lane Hutchins is a medical social worker at Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta. She received her Master's degree in Social Work from Atlanta University in 1976.

Janet and husband Henry live at 2075 Bent Creek Way, SW, Atlanta, GA 30311.

Carol Scott Williams teaches primary grades for the Decatur (Georgia) Board of Education. Carol is currently completing studies toward a MEd degree at Georgia State University in Atlanta.

She and her husband Robert and children, Cavondra and Robert Lee, make their home at 2281 Del Ray Court, Decatur, GA 30032.

Brenda Cosby Queen is now a kindergarten teacher with the Atlanta Public School System. (see *Spelman Messenger*, Vol. 93, No. 3, p. 35.)

Anita Underwood and Hillery Stanford were married on Saturday, May 28, at five o'cock at St. Luke's AME Church in Buffalo, New York. The newlyweds reside in Springfield, IL, at 800 South Durkin, #421, 62704.

V. Patrice Jack came by the Alumnae Office in May while she was visiting

in Atlanta. Patrice is the associate coordinator of the Harvey Adult Education Center of the Thornton Community College in South Holland, Illinois. She is also an instructor in the College's Division of Natural Science, teaching college credit mathematics courses. Patrice received her Master's degree in science teaching in January of this year from Governor's State University, and has done additional study at Northern Illinois University in the field of adult education.

Patrice lives at 9219 Harper, Chicago, IL 60619.

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Darrizette E. McLemore was married to Jimmy Moore Jr. (Morehouse '74) in a beautiful ceremony at the Metropolitan CME Church in Houston, Texas on Saturday, July 2. Darrizette is in the officer training program at the First City National Bank in Houston. She received the MBA degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1975 and was one of several black women interviewed in a recent Black Collegian magazine article on "Problems of Black Women in the Labor Market."

Terrye Barron is currently enrolled in a doctoral program in black music at the University of California, Berkeley Campus. Terrye is the first person in the history of the University to pursue this field as a doctoral candidate. Last year she received her Master's degree.

Terrye writes that she received scholarships from both the University and the University's Music Department. The Departmental Scholarship was in the form of a teaching position in Black American Music during the 1976-77 school year. She was again awarded the teaching assistantship for the 1977-78 school year. Additionally, she has been offered the position of music program director at the Oakland Museum, Oakland, California.

In her spare time, Terrye teaches piano, and serves twice monthly as organist at the campus chapel. Her address is 2729 Dwight Way, #303, Berkeley, CA 94704.

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Norma J. Ferguson received the Master's degree in music education from Howard University in May. While at Howard, Norma performed in various recitals and concerts both on the Howard campus and in Washington, D.C.

In September, Norma will join the faculty of Northern Virginia State College in Alexandria as assistant professor of music. She will be director of the College's Commercial Music Division, and teach theory, history, voice, and instrument. Additionally, Norma will be a PhD degree candidate at the University of Maryland.

Patricia Ice writes that she has just completed her first year as a law student at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. Last year, she was elected to the Student Board of Governors as a class representative, and has been reelected to the Board for her second year. She also is a member of the Black Legal Alliance and coordinator of the High School Legal Careers Program. When not in school, Patricia works as a research assistant with the Michigan State Appellate Defender Office. Patricia resides at 19541 Cranbrook Drive, #117, Detroit, MI 48221.

Sheila T. Varnado was one of fifty-five June graduates of the School of Theology at Claremont (California). She received the MA degree in theology.



Belinda L. Walker recently began duties as a flight attendant with Delta Airlines. She is based in Atlanta.

'76

Jeta L. Edwards is enrolled in the JD/MBA program at Howard University. She writes that she finds law school "challenging and terrifically competitive."

Active as ever, Jeta is a member of *Delta Theta Phi* law fraternity. During the school year she served as vice chairperson of National Law Week at Howard and received an Outstanding Award for her efforts. Jeta was recently reelected to the Student Bar Association Board of Governors, which is the policy-making board for the Law School.

In April, the New World Theatre Company, the black theater group of Columbia University, presented the play *Tony* which Jeta authored. The company's press release states, "*Tony* is a musical satire, comedy, melodrama, and tragedy. It is a portrayal of the hopes and dreams of a nineteen-year-old kid named Tony Washington. Each incident in his life is a representation of the kinds of circumstances that shape the life direction of countless black children in small towns and urban cities across America."

Jeta's new address is 1420 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20024.

Apologies are due Susan Washington. In the November 1976 issue of the Spelman Messenger, we stated that Susan was a Master's degree candidate in international affairs at the George Washington University School of Public and International Affairs in St. Louis. Susan writes that the facts are correct, but the School is in Washington, D.C.

Susan's address is 101 G. Street, #A-607, Washington, D.C. 20024.

The Alumnae Office recently received a letter from Allyson Freeman, who is working for Mutual Life Insurance of New York (MONY), as a valuation specialist in the group pension department. Allyson says, "I have found that the world of insurance offers a tremendous amount of opportunities for young black women." Prior to working for

MONY, Allyson spent a year with Gimbel's Department Store in New York in its management training program.

Allyson lives in Flushing, New York at 42-49 Colden Steet, #9K, 11355.

Renaye E. Howell is a counselor and teacher specialist with the Citizen's Committee on Youth, Inc. in Cincinnati, Ohio. Renaye lives at 6123 Sunridge Drive, OH 45224.

Deirdra Yarbrough is living in Atlanta at 970 Ashby Grove, SW, GA 30314.



Jocelyn D. Cornelious is now a flight attendant with Delta Airlines. She is based in Miami, Florida.

Former Student

Yvonne King was recently elected one of the six At Large members of the Georgia Conference of Black Lawyers. The second annual meeting was held June 4 in Savannah, Georgia.

IN MEMORIAM

The Spelman College family extends deepest sympathy to relatives and friends of departed alumnae:

On May 30, 1977, **Dr. Georgia Dwelle Rooks**, HS 1900, in Chicago, Illinois.

On June 26, 1977, Mrs. Nellie Harmon Britten, '47, in Detroit, Michigan.



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