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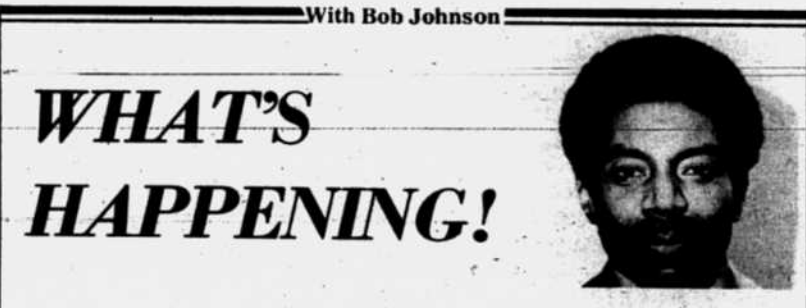
MENIA'S BASH... The faculty of imagination is the great spring of human activity, and the principal source of human improvement. As it delights in presenting to the mind scenes and characters more perfect than those which we are acquainted with, it prevents us from ever being completely satisfied with our present condition, or with our past attainments, and engages us continually in the pursuit of some untried enjoyment, or some ideal excellence.

A great deal of imagination went into the construction of Menia's Bash. For those of you who may not know what Menia's (Mena's) Bash was, it was a delightful birthday party honoring Wilhelmina Roper Adams.

As the guests approached Mrs. Adams' lovely home, 1819 Baxter Street, they were greeted by a huge banner that read **WELCOME TO MENIA'S BASH**. The banner was white with red and blue lettering. It had two large deep purple orchids with pink throats and dark green leaves emblazoned on it. Printed at the bottom left hand corner, was the year 1924 representing the year Menia was born. The year 1982 was printed in the corner on the right, representing this anniversary year.

Mrs. Adams' friends, not being satisfied with the usual conditions of an annual occurrence, put their minds together and developed this delightful scenario. They brought platters of delicious hors d'oeuvres and a wide assortment of beverages. Sarah Stevenson played the role of chef, and made sure everyone had as much of the tasty fried fish, cole slaw and rolls they wanted. Billye Roper and Ruth Fletcher, sisters of Wilhelmina, were the hostesses.

Caught up in the excellence of a well-planned affair were Jean Thompson, Sarah Cr...an, Mr.



WHAT'S HAPPENING!

With Bob Johnson

and Mrs. Harvey Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Redfern, Bill Johnson, Jackie Lawing, Susan, Sandra, and Deborah House, daughters of Mrs. Adams, Ami, Joye and Jonathan House, grandchildren of Mrs. Adams. Also Mildred Connors and children, Oscar Alexander, Price Davis, Aloid Tucker, Lillie bell Thompson, Steve Martin, Carl Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stitt.

The Cherry community is noted for ideal happenings. Menia's Bash held on July 24, 1982, was added to the list.

BENEFIT FUNCTION... Fashion is a tyrant from which nothing frees us. We must suit ourselves to its fantastic tastes. But being compelled to live under its spontaneous laws, the wise man is never the first to follow, nor the last to keep them.

The Extraordinaires Civic and Social Club sponsored an extravagant evening of "Fashion and Entertainment" recently at the Excelsior Club. The purpose wasn't to dictate to the guests whether they should be first or last in the fashion arena. The purposes, however, were to raise money to benefit the McCrorey Branch YMCA and to show the guests that fashion is the science of appearance.

The Ebony fashion organization dressed 18 models whose pseudonyms read like a dairy bar's ice

cream list; brown glaze, butter nut cream, tropical delight, passionate raisin, sweet carmel, classic copper, honey amber, copper glow, golden nector, earth brown and brown sugar. The group used professional models, experienced models and amateurs for the guests to observe the casual look, today's leisure and sport look, swimwear, dressy and formal wear.

Phil Gary, whose mother and grandparents were in the audience was the male model who received the overwhelming approval from a vocal audience. Bernitta Morgan, an exciting self-taught model, was the female crowd pleaser. Passionate Raisin as she is called says the key to her electrifying style is that she really enjoys people and entertaining.

The fashion show was just a portion of the evening's amusement. Music has charms to soothe the savage breast, to soften rocks and bend the knotted oak, as the saying goes. With that thought in mind, "The Extraordinaires" garnered the services of George Ezell and Bill Ford on saxophones, Joe Harper on drums, Matthews Smith on piano and Dave Young on bass, for the jazz session. The real crowd pleasing tunes rendered by the local combo were the haunting ballad--"Danny Boy," and a lilting version of the legendary "Summertime."

Stevie Russell and Dawn Black's animated youth over-flowed naturally in harmonious movements, as they entertained the guests with a dance that had to take elaborate preparation to execute as well as they did.

As if the events mentioned weren't enough to fulfill an even-

ing, door prizes were given away. The winners were Lucille Holitt, Jackie Allison, Shirley Blackmon, Gerald Blakeney, Shirley Fisher, Vera Smith, Viola Gilmore, Ruby Bodrick, Chris Wilson and Betty Haywood. Sorry Willie Sharp, maybe your luck will be better next time.

Some of the other guests were

Paul Franklin who won the dance fever contest in Charlotte. He and his partner will travel to Los Angeles soon to participate in another run-off. Laverne Couch, of L.C. Fashions, designed a number of the fashions modeled in that memorable Sunday evening filled with "Fashion and Entertainment."

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