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more from her than I did from most of the professors whom I studied under in those university journalism classes. She was a combination of those most attractive features of womanhood, exotic beauty and brains. On the grow then, Gerri Major, society writer, wife of prominent physician Dr. Binga Desmond, was the jewel of "Strivers (139th St.) Row."

Her extraordinary qualities as a storyteller set her apart in her field. A dedicated, determined human being, she seemed born to swing against the tide of history. She was exceptional in both talent and appearance. When we were blatantly excluded, her write hand grappled courageously with the social problems of her time as she continued to extoll the glory of our promise. Her word pictures were eye-level facts that we were not socially unacceptable. Gerri was not a crusader, but harbored a deep and strong feeling of repugnance against all forms of human degradation. She was a congenial lady, of good breeding and culture. One who makes me wish that there was an ingenious scientific solution to life's everlasting promise of death.

**WHAT'S NEWS:** They're going to dedicate a square in Johnny Hartman's honor in the Big Apple. It's ironic that his talent was bigtime-ignored in life and now he's going to get a circle of concrete which nobody will keep clean... Emma Bowen, tireless prexy of Black Citizens For A Fair Media, has a major meeting set this month with both Nielsen and Arbitron, the important rating organizations which govern what you see or don't see on TV. The outcome could add more color to your sets and more respect for the big bucks you spend that are under counted... Barry Gordy, Motown's top guy, had lots of time to keep his eyes on

lovely Diana'mite Ross after her sensational stint at the Universal Amphitheater, with Paul Provenza for comedy



Diana Ross

relief. He gave her a party for old time's sake and for elbow rubbin' with some special invitees... In my town talk is about the late Fats Waller protege, Larry Johnson, who's making singing/pianist waves at the Stage Door Canteen... Richard Lanham, once the lead singer with the Drifters, proved that he can do more than sing.

**STAY LOOSE**... Billy Rowe is a syndicated columnist.

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## SOCIAL NEWS with A TOUCH OF "GRACE"

by Grace McGlothen



### Black Chamber Installation Banquet

Striving for greater participation in business in our community, the Nevada Black Chamber of Commerce will hold its Installation of Officers Banquet on Friday, Oct. 19, in the Heritage Hall, Nucleus Shopping Center, located at 950 W. Owens Blvd., from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Keynote speaker will be Congressman Julian C. Dixon, Chairman, Congressional Black Caucus. Donation is \$25 per person.

For ticket information and membership call 648-6222.

### Halloween Costume Party

Want to win a prize? Want to have a night of creepy fun? Well get ready and set to attend The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa's Halloween Costume Ball

slated to be held on Saturday, Oct. 27, in the Dunes Hotel, Regency Room Nos. 1 and 2 (2nd floor), South Tower.

First, Second and Third prizes will be awarded the most original and daring costume; also the best costume.

Admission is only \$5.00 per person and includes hors d'oeuvres, disco dancing, door prizes, and raffles. There will also be no-host

cocktails.

Proceeds are for scholarships and tickets may be purchased from any member, at the door, or by phoning Simmie Daniel, Chairperson, at 456-8076.

### Omega Wine Sip

Everyone is invited to attend a Wine Sip sponsored by the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. on Oct. 26, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Club Rouge, 900 W. Bonanza Rd. There will be free hors d'oeuvres, and 15 assorted wines. There will also be games such as bid whist, chess, and backgammon. Tickets are \$6.00 in advance and \$7.00 at the door. Proceeds will support the United Negro College Fund. For more information, call 648-6922 or 452-0994.

### Have You Heard About The Deltas?

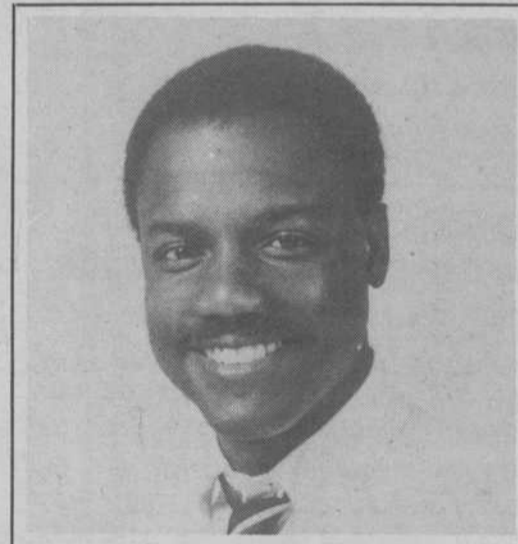
Well, well, well! The word is out! Delta Sigma Theta Sorority is doing it again. On Saturday, Dec. 1, over \$5,000 in scholarships will be disbursed to several deserving high school students who are vying for this honor.

This scholarship presentation will be centered around the fabulous Sepia Fashion Show of Chicago which will be "Puttin' On The Ritz" for your entertainment. Do you hear me? The show was grand last year and promises to be supergrand this year. The ladies of Delta are working their shirts or skirts off.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. is a non-profit Community Service Organization dedicated to many, many worthwhile tasks for the betterment of humanity.

Are we making a statement in this community? You can be the judge so hurry and pick up your adult ticket for only \$15.00, which includes the exciting show, scholarship awards presentation, useful door prizes, hors d'oeuvres and disco dancing. Student tickets are \$6.00 each and include the show, door prizes and disco dancing. There will also be adult no-host cocktails. What a package deal! What a night of fun!

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