



Betty Stephens, President of Les Femmes, chats with Debutante Jodi Reese and Cavalier Thomas Black as they and others prepare to be present at the Les Femmes Debutantes and Cavaliers Ball of 1982. The event was held at the Red Lion, Jantzen Beach. (Photo: Richard J. Brown)

## Les Femmes present youth

by Kathryn Hall Bogle

**T**HE DEBUTANTE-Cavalier Ball of 1982, presented by Les Femmes at the Red Lion ballroom Jantzen Beach, was a high point for 14 young women and six young men who received educational scholarships from the 33 members of Les Femmes. The young people met qualifications of Les Femmes for the honors they received for their character, acceptable scholarship and life goals.

"Moving on to new horizons," the theme for this year's ball, began several months ago when the potential debs and cavaliers fulfilled programs set for them in public service. They participated in the Urban League's Senior Service program by shopping, writing letters and doing other needed tasks for the U.L. seniors; they supplied Easter eggs for children confined to Emanuel Hospital's pediatric wards; a Valentine party and a Christmas party for senior citizens were also on their agenda as were boxes of food and toys they presented to pre-school children at the Grace Collins Mem-

orial Center.

On "their" night at the ball, the debs and cavaliers made their bows before their parents and the packed ballroom of friends and well-wishers in a stage setting of white frosted Christmas trees banked with red poinsettias. Each deb made her deep curtsy gown in traditional white formal gown with a sparkling tiara. They carried bouquets of red roses. The Cavaliers were dressed in white formal evening attire.

Debutantes presented by Les Femmes were: Marie Council, Terri DuBoise, Chanice Easter, Patrice Flora, Rachelle Glasper, Geraldine Hart, Judith Hudson, Kimberly Kimmons, Gwendolyn McCollum, Lisa McConnell, Margaret Newton, Recarr Randle, Jodi Reese and Kimberly Swopes.

Escorts chosen by the Debs included: Reginald Hendrix, George Merriweather, Patrick Black, Mac McCool, William Shamshud-Din, Paul Cook, John Berry, Wiley King, Marshall Haskins, Bobby Martin, Gary Carter, James Walker III, Jeray Bell and Paul Macken.

The Cavaliers presented by Les Femmes for the scholarships were: Thomas Black, Thomas Foster Jr., Alvin Roseman, Johnathon Tolbert, Charles White Jr. and Frank Woodson.

The Cavaliers invited six young ladies to join them for the festivities. They were: Delphine Velley, Kristine Colbert, DeRhonda Motley, April Jones, Raina Beavers and Kim Matthews.

Following the traditional waltz for Debs and Cavaliers, guests joined in dancing to the music of Velvet.

The entire party of young people had had dinner with their parents and Les Femmes several days before the big event. This was "their" night and they were entertained at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles White Sr. after the ball was over.

General chairman for the ambitious affair was Harriet Boyd. Assisting Mrs. Boyd was Lynn Talton.

Betty Steffans is president of Les Femmes.

## Peace lobby fights MX

(Continued from page 1 column 3) generally credited in large measure to their success.

All during the week before the House vote, SANE Washington offices were filled with staff and volunteers manning phone banks. They called local operatives, who in turn drummed up calls from member districts. The United Church of Christ, with a membership of two million, has set up peace activist offices in 200 congressional districts and uses these to organize for the freeze.

Washington staff members call the local activists, who in turn organize the grass roots. As a result calls against the MX flooded into Washington with some members receiving as many as 500 calls in one week. These same tactics were repeated in advance of the Senate vote.

Next year, SANE is planning a major drive in what it hopes will be a resolution of disapproval by the Armed Service Committees of the President's "dense pack" scheme. And later in the spring it will work

on knocking out funding for the Euro missiles, especially the Pershing II, at the committee level. SANE will argue that the Pershing II must be subjected to rigorous testing before money is allocated to its production.

The emergence of the Protestant churches, led by the United Church of Christ, as a major political operation within the overall campaign, is a significant departure for the peace movement, which since the Vietnam war has been dominated by small splinter organizations. So, too, is the growing involvement of the environmental movement, with its large membership and secure financial base. Friends Of The Earth already has made the freeze part of its agenda and it has growing support within the Sierra Club, Audubon Society, and Natural Resources Defense Council.

The churches and environmental organizations will not only widen support and provide an organizational base, but also supply financing. Up to November about \$3 million had been spent on the different freeze efforts. Of that total, \$1 million went to the campaign in California, the largest electoral test, with another \$500,000 going to support activities of the National Freeze Campaign. The remainder was spread about in different states and localities where the resolution was up for a vote. The main funders, a group of about 30-40 well-to-do individuals, gathered on a regular basis to sort out issues for themselves and to develop a unified strategy. Of this group the Rockefeller children have been the single most important source of money, followed by the better known liberal foundations. Direct mail, especially in California, played an early and instrumental role in raising funds.

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