

Lifestyles

Back by Popular Demand!

Urban League's Black & White



The Urban League of Greater Cleveland presented the Celebration in Black & White. Back by popular demand, this much anticipated black tie affair was one of Cleveland's premiere social events.

On Saturday, April 28, 2012 at 6:00 pm, nearly 300 supporters of the Urban League came together at The Manor Centre Complex to network, dine, dance and be entertained by Cleveland's own; Retrospect, who rendered the soulful sounds of Motown legends. The evening continued as line dance

Clinic, US Bank and University Hospitals.

In addition to continuing fundraising efforts and sharing its mission with the community, this year's event was extremely special as it marked the 95th anniversary of the Urban League of Greater Cleveland. The Honorable Louis Stokes serves as Honorary Chair for the League's 95th Anniversary cele-

tions were given by Gerald A Ford, president, Urban League of Greater Cleveland Young Professionals; Patricia A. Ramsey, Board Co-chair, Urban League of Greater Cleveland and vice president, Community Development, US Bank; and James Myers, Board Co-Chair, Urban League of Greater Cleveland and Hub Division Manager, North Ohio District.



The honorable Louis Stokes served as the 95th Anniversary chair.



Miesha helped provide some music during the gala.



Tilmon Brown giving the invocation.



N. Michael Obi, Jackie Tucker, and Donald Graham receiving awards. (Photos by Rodney Brown Photography)



Senator Sherrod Brown and John Hairston receiving awards with the events Toastmaster Debra

master Lewis Fletcher took the floor leading guests in the latest line dance routines.

"The Celebration in Black & White is an elegant evening," said Marsha Mockabee, President and CEO, Urban League of Greater Cleveland. "The event not only provides an elegant evening filled with soulful music, networking and entertainment; but provides the League with critical operational support. The Celebration in Black & White is a great opportunity to show support for the Urban League of Greater Cleveland."

This year's event was made possible thru the generous support of New Horizons Baking Company RPM International, Inc., Cleveland

United Parcel Service. For ninety-five years the Urban League of Greater Cleveland has demonstrated a dedication to its mission of "empowering African Americans and other minority group members to develop and exercise their full potential on par with other Americans through education, research, advocacy and the provision of services." As one of Greater Cleveland's oldest African American organizations and emerging from previous challenges, the Urban League of Greater Cleveland remains steadfast in our commitment to improving social, education and economic conditions.

Debra Green, Director Community Outreach for Cleveland Clinic served as the Toastmistress. Tilmon Brown gave remarks on behalf of New Horizons Baking Company, the presenting sponsor. He also provided in invocation.

Special Urban League reflec-

Jo Ann Harris, Eventful-by JoAnn coordinated the affair.



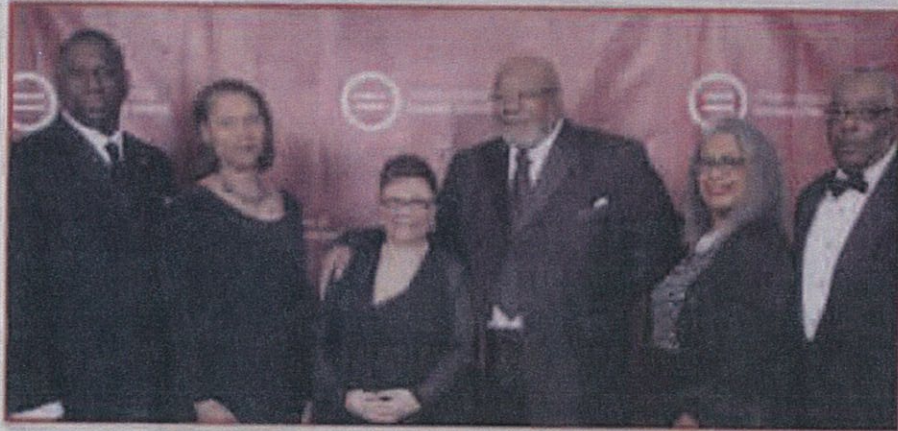
Marguerite and Leon Bibb with Greg and Dr. Theresa Johnson enjoying the event.



Dominion Gas guests.



Rich Lucky from the group Retrospect entertaining with TV 5 News Anchor Leon Bibb.



Board co-chair James Myers and wife, Marsha and James Mockabee, and Board co-chair Patricia and Ronald Ramsey.



Antoine Dunn and Dorella Sentena provided some of the music entertainment for the evening.



Keathun Gayle dancing with Deborah Brooks while taking part in the famous Soul Train line.



Guests had a chance to line dance during the evening.



The group Retrospect sing for the guests.