**It's A Celebration**

A retirement celebration was held at the Elks Club (offered by Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kelso), on Saturday, November 17, 1989, for retiring U.S. Army Band Sayer, Langston Paige Kelso. He served in the Band Association which, among its 100 + members, are persons who served with Mr. Kelso in the 80th, 427th and 33rd Divisions. These members may best be remembered as the (then) all black group that entertained the late General Eisenhower during their overseas tour of Germany in the early 1950s to late 1952. More recently, you could hear Mr. Kelso playing his tuba in the Memorial Day Parade as it marched down Main Street.

Mr. Kelso began his musical career at the age of 10, while still a Boy Scout. He played Taps on his trumpet for the Frederick Douglass Memorial funeral. He traded in his trumpet for the tuba in the Madison High Band.

The retirement party concept started with this query from son David: “Mom, can't we have a party for Dad?” The arrangements were put into place by Mr. Kelso's wife of thirty years, Alyce M. Kelso. Even though he was the Army retiree, Mrs. Kelso could be seen commanding troops of loyal relatives, including her son and mother (Mrs. Orie Rainey) and Mr. Kelso's sister (Mrs. Ivy Clark) and brother (Mr. Gordon Kelso), into the field to secure flags, other patriotic favors, invitations, music and food. And help came from all quarters. Mrs. Kelso called on her neighbor and good friend, Robert Selemreich, to develop her Red-White-and-Blue theme.

Those of you who hail from the tri-city area and are familiar with the 2nd floor Elks Club, might not have recognized it due in large part to the makeover that transformed it for the celebration that night.

More than 150 family members and friends, and members from Mr. Kelso's band regimen, were on hand to help him celebrate. Attendees from the old regime were: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Athill; Mr. Ernie Stevenson (New Jersey); Ray Daniels; and James Hutchinson, Mrs. Kelso's sister. Alice, came all the way from Atlanta for the celebration. A 3-piece band played from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Jack Lee's son, John David Lee, was the featured guitarist. There were "This is Your Life" pictures from pivotal stages in Mr. Kelso's life.

Alyce Kelso, wife of the honoree, stated, "This is a celebration of all the accomplishments Lang has had in his life. As his niece, I felt we were also celebrating all the times we've been through when Unc has been our rock. One way or the other, you knew you'd pull through if Unc was pulling with you." Mr. Kelso invited all in typic expressions of the esteem with which Mr. Kelso is regarded in and around Rochester.

It's certainly fair to say that, as Mr. Kelso approached retirement, he ended one branch of his life. To encourage "new shoots," he recently joined the Post Office. Mr. Kelso has been a U.S. Mail truck driver since April 1989. Mr. Kelso enjoys his Post Office position. He has been met with pleasant co-workers and is pleased by the quality of service.

Commenting on the party, Mr. Kelso said: "It was most enjoyable. I was taken by surprise! I appreciated all the relatives and friends who made it a gala evening."

Congratulations everyone on a job well done. J. Kelso Langkans Coordinating Writer
Footsteps on the Path

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Every destination has a starting and ending point, with a path in between. Sometimes you can take the straight path, especially if you believe in practicing meticulous planning. Other times, you take a circular path that may become fraught with obstacles and delays.

You can exert more control over the path than you might think. Setting up the path starts early in life and continues well into "adulthood." If you think getting through school takes the 3 Rs (reading, writing and arithmetic), then getting your footsteps on the right path into adulthood takes the 3 Ds (deliberation, determination and discipline).

In keeping my feet on the path, I took a moderate left turn in August. After two years at AIDS Rochester, Inc., I joined the Office of Development and Communications at Eastman Dental Center on October 16, 1989. These types of course adjustments are necessary from time to time. They can define or refine your career selection. Even if you make several turns, be they sharp, moderate or slight, everything you do should pool into making you better able to perform your current tasks. In my case, I am in a key donor relations position. I process gifts, prepare information, and assist with donor prospect research. My new job has a social side, too, since I assist in planning activities for donor recognition and other EDC events. Sometime in the not-to-distant future, I will also play an administrative role in upcoming continuing education programs for EDC.

A graduate of Cornell University-New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Rochester Extension, that experience was genuinely helpful to my work at that time. Now, I am currently working toward another degree, this time in Public Administration.

Pick any computer game. Now relate it to the process of getting to know yourself. Both items are repetitive. They go on and on, attaining different, more complex levels. As you enter each new arena, you are presented with a challenge; you take greater pleasure in overcoming the obstacles in your path.

Consider this article as "food for thought." Review your progress in your present arena. Are you on a positive path? Is it straight or circular? What can you do, if necessary, to overcome obstacles or make course adjustments? Continuing education could make the difference.
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MURPHY HOSTS 'PARADE OF STARS' NATIONAL KICK-OFF — Eddie Murphy (center), honorary chairman of the 1989 "Lou Rawls Parade of Stars" telethon, celebrates the national launch of the entertainment special with telethon host Lou Rawls (right) and Wayman F. Smith III, vice president of corporate affairs for Anheuser-Busch Companies, the founding and national sponsor of the television spectacular. Murphy hosted the star-studded party at the Ermitage Restaurant in Beverly Hills to mark the 10th anniversary of the "Parade of Stars," which benefits the 11 private, historically Black colleges and universities of the United Negro College Fund (UNCF). The program will be broadcast nationwide on Saturday, December 30.