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AFRO asks Baltimoreans 4 easy questions and 1 'toughie'

The 'easies': Favorite TV commercial, and which commercial do you really hate? If you wrote a book, what would you call it? Where did you go on your first date? Are you afraid to go out after dark?

The 'toughie': When will Baltimore have a black mayor?

Curtis Kane, model and public information officer with the state Department of Human Resources: "The Eyewitness News commercial that will be aired soon because I'm in it. I hate the Bedding Barn commercial because I think it's tacky...'View From the Second Story Window.' Most places where I've lived I've been on the second floor and you can become very philosophical as you watch the outside world go by. It's like looking through a fish bowl.

"To a movie...No, as long as I'm driving.

"I don't think it will be soon. Mayor Schaefer has too much clout in Baltimore. If the city had a choice I think they would make him king. He has a lot of respect from the black and white communities. I don't see anybody, black or white, assuming the role he's taken right now."

Barry Allen, 24, messenger: "The Miller Lite beer commercials. The camera commercial with Cheryl Tiegs in them...'Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow'...

"Either it was a movie or roller skating...No way.

"The last part of the eighties."

Clarence "Tiger" Davis, team leader for the Vet Center, Operation Cutreach for the Veterans Administration: "'Mean' Joe Greene in the Coke commercial. It's hard to say. Commercials are better than other programs. They are more entertaining...'400 Years of Servitude'. . .

"I guess my wife and I went shopping. She was my first date, many moons ago. We were 15 and I've loved her ever since. We went shopping to get a dress for her godsister's christening...Of course not...

"1983, if not sooner. It is hard to say who but it will be an African-American man with courage and commitment."

Marvin Brown, singer with the Softones: "Mine. The Softones appear in a current commercial with Bob Turk of WJZ-TV. Can't think of one that I really dislike...'Fascinating?'

"Edmondson Village movie theater...I don't mind going out after dark.

"In about five years. I think people will be able to accept a black mayor then. I think they realize a black mayor can handle the job now but they'll really accept it in a few more years."

Derrick "Swizz" Kane, 26, messenger: "The Bob Turk commercial. The camera commercials with Cheryl Tiegs in them ...'Blacks in America Today'...

"To the movies...No way...

"Before 1990."

Herbert Griffin, 54, unemployed: "What's the smallest soap in the house. I enjoy almost all of them. They're original...'I Did It My Way'...

"I don't remember...Not really, but I'm finding it harder to do...

"I'm hoping very soon."

Charles Adams, 23, city worker: "I don't watch TV that much...'Life Story of Myself'...

"To a disco party...No...

"In '83 or '84."

Family Conference delegate reports on tensions, triumphs

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I viewed my appointment as a delegate to the WHCF as both an honor and a responsibility of challenge.

The Baltimore Conferences where nearly 700 delegates from the Eastern United States, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands came together to formulate priority recommendations as to how governmental policies should be improved in order to strengthen families.

purpose.

It was an "all business" conference. The agenda was packed with meetings, work group sessions, issue group sessions, and voting sessions. In the three-day conference, there was only one planned slot for a meal, and one cultural activity. All of the delegates seemed to possess a tremendous sense of purpose.

A few words accurately describe the entire conference for me, "Impressive, tense and challenging."

The opening ceremony was indeed impressive . . . the beautifully precise performance of the Color Guard with gleaming helmets and high polished boots; the remarks of Jim Guy Tucker, Coretta Scott King and President Carter who "set the tone" of the conference by stressing the value of the family as a basic institution and assuring us as delegates that our deliberations and recommendations would be taken seriously.

The major work occurred within 20 work groups in order to use the experience and insights of each delegate. The work groups fell into four main topic areas: Families and Economic Well-Being, Challenges and Responsibilities, Human Needs, and Major Institutions.

Delegates preselected their work groups. I selected The Health Work group which was one of five issues in topic area of Human Needs. On Thursday afternoon, each topic session met for a presentation and reaction to issues.

Our presenter was Marian Wright Edelman, director of the Children's Defense Fund, the primary reactors were Connie Marshner , Pro-Family Coalition, and Shiela Kamerman.

Delegates also had opportunities to react. Ms. Edelman's presentation explored eight myths that are used at various times and various levels to deny services to families. Some of these myths are: the myth of the 'typical family,' that services to families divide parents and children, that services to families are too expensive, that families should take care of their own children, and that government wants to take control of families.

The "typical family" exists in 1-17 of all families". Ms. Edelman recommended that persons interested in issues of families and children should "be about the political process", focus on the budget process, monitor compliance, and convince legislators to support programs that look at the whole child rather than fragmented care programs.

Ms. Kamerman's remarks were supportive of the need of policies to address the needs of working parents i.e., equality day care. Ms. Marshner's remarks were supportive of most of the myths, especially the divisive nature of policies on parents and children the myth that the government as experts wanted to control families.

She felt the parents knew best and should take care of their own children. Needless to say, many persons challenged Ms. Marshner on the plight of abused, abandoned, and neglected children.

Several persons challenged Ms. Edelman andMs. Kamerman on the needs of mothers since the "duty of a mother was to remain home and rear the children". Thus, the first obvious polarization was displayed.

The challenge and the tension mounted as we entered the work group sessions.

Group dynamics varied within each group. I am told that some groups spent ¾ of their time on special concern areas (abortion issue in particular). Some groups lost time trying to decide what order to discuss the various areas.

We were very happy that two of the three health recommendations were formulated mainly by our group and received only minor amendments.

The final plenary session was a crucial one for the delegates since we each wanted our recommendations to receive priority. Because of the large number of delegates, pro and con speakers were drawn by chance from separate hoppers for each major issues topic. Tension mounted as speaker after speaker rose to speak against the right to choose safe legal abortions In the Human Needs section.

However we were very pleased that the speakers who were drawn from the pro hopper did such beautiful jobs in support of the personal decision and choice for the woman. Most of the recommendations passed.

One that passed (ERA) did so only by one vote and probably would not have passed if some delegates had not walked out the previous day. The highest priority items were Preventive Education programs for substance abuse and family oriented personnel policies.

Other priority areas were quality day care, revision of the justice system— removal of status offenders from court system, integration of handicapped persons into society, and accessible comprehensive health care to all segments of the community.

On Friday evening, we were treated to a lovely reception and cultural event entitled "Celebration of Families" at the Morris Mechanic theater. The entire program was superb and I was especially proud of Morgan's choir.

There were many high points in the conference, and each of us will recall this experience with "feeling" for quite a while.

I was truly proud of the splendid moderator role of Harriette McAdoo.

I was amazed at how rapidly the secretarial staff was able to type and return recommendations to us in print and how well the staff and others worked to keep things running smoothly.

I understand the Hilton Hotel supplied bag nourishment for delegates when it was unable to seat and serve them quickly enough for them to return to an evening session.

The delegates seemed to have genuine respect for each other's views and voted to allow two members of the youth caucus to speak rather than to let them get lost in the hoppers.

I was also pleased to see so many local persons volunteering their services to help the delegates. I saw John Payne, a retiree of Bethlehem Steel; Jean Hunt from the city school system; Barbara Smith from Headstart; Inez Dorsey from D.S.S. and many more.

The final session stands out as extra special. The very sensitive remarks of Kalman "Buzzy" Hettleman, the beautiful renditions by Dunbar's choir, and the Rev. John Bryant's benediction.

The Rev. Bryant, who was a delegate also, instructed us to rise and "join hands across the aisles and across the states and to thank God for our coming together, working together and attempting to solve problems together."

He exhorted us to go forth to our separate states and continue to work for those who can do least for themselves and who need the most support, the chronically ill, the unemployed, aged, working mothers, and abused children.

This solemn and moving benediction caused quite a few tears and was just the impetus we needed to keep us working to "make the government work with the families instead of against the families."

UNVEILING OF PORTRAIT — Mrs. Charles R. Campbell, widow of Dr. Campbell, unveils the portrait of her husband assisted by Dr. William Quivers, chief of pediatrics, Provident Hospital, Inc. and Montelagra Cooper, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Quincy Cooper.

200 pay tribute to the late Charles R. Campbell

Provident Hospital, Inc. hosted 200 guests on Sunday, June 8 at a Dedication and Portrait Unveiling honoring the late Dr. Charles R. Campbell, first chief of pediatrics at the 86-year-old institution.

Dr. Campbel served Provident as an attending physician until his death in December 1978.

He was appointed physician for Morgan State University in 1936 and served in that position for 10 years receiving no pay for his services.

Dr. Campbell retired from the uiversity in 1975 and was cited by the institution's administration as "part of the university's tradition and spirit for 40 years."

Keynote speaker for the Sunday dedication was Dr. Effie Ellis of Chicago, Illinois. "Dr. Ellis serves as a Quality of Life Consultant for the City of Chicago and the National Foundation—March of Dimes.

"Dr. Campbell was a trailblazer for young black physicians, especially those in the field ofpediatrics. He always served as a role model, an example. Everyone loved him not only because he was a fine pediatrician, but because he displayed and possessed so many human qualities," said Dr. Ellis.

Another speaker for the affair was Dr. Talmadge Pinkney who spoke of the early days of practice with Dr. Campbell. He said, "None of us will ever forget the things we learned from Dr. Campbell. He was not only a very fine doctor, but he was also a teacher who was willing to share his knowledge with others." ragway was also a program speaker.

He stated, "Dr. Campbell was my pediatrician and largely responsible for my being what and who I am today. He not only wiped my running nose, but he shared things with me. He was a great influence on my life and even though he didn't attend my graduation physically, I knew he was there spiritually."

The program was presided by Dr. William Quivers, chief of pediatrics at Provident.

Other Provident officials participating on the program were Dr. Oakley Saunders, vicepresident, Medical Affairs; Mrs. Rosetta F. Sands, chairman, board of trustees; and Thomas W. Chapman, president.

Father Donald O. Wilson, St. James Episcopal Church, offered the invocation.

Highlight of the program was the unveiling of the portrait by Dr. Campbell's widow, the former Mildred Harper of Philadelphia assisted by Dr. William Quivers, chief of pediatrics, Provident and Montelagrd Cooper, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Quincy Cooper.

Immediately following the program the family members of Dr. Campbell proceeded to the fifth floor where the protrait was hung at the entrance of the pediatrics department.

Guests enjoyed an exquisite buffet reception prepared by Provident's dietary department headed by Mrs. Leonora Booth.

Out-of-town quests included: Mrs. Franklin E. Walker and son Franklin E. Walker Jr. of Philadelphia; Mrs. George (Thomasina) Norford of New York City; Mrs. Josephine Jones, Yonkers, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Asbury and Howard Miller of Philadelphia; Dr. and Mrs. Samuel P. Massey and son Samuel P. Massey III, Laurel, Md. and Mr. and Mrs. Norris Weis, Westminster, Md.

31 cops graduate

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau says that 31 Baltimore Probationary Police Officers, one Annapolis Police Officer, two Annapolis G.S.A. Public and Grounds Police Officers and one Chestertown Police Officer will graduate from the Department's Education and Training Division.

The Graduation Exercise will take place on Today, (Friday) at 9:30 a.m. in the auditorium on the fifth floor of the headquarters building.

Commendation Ceremonies, in which eight Civilians and 17 Sworn personnel will receive awards for outstanding service to the community, will also be conducted.

The guest speaker will be The Honorable Edward F. Borgerding, Administrative Judge, District Court of Maryland.

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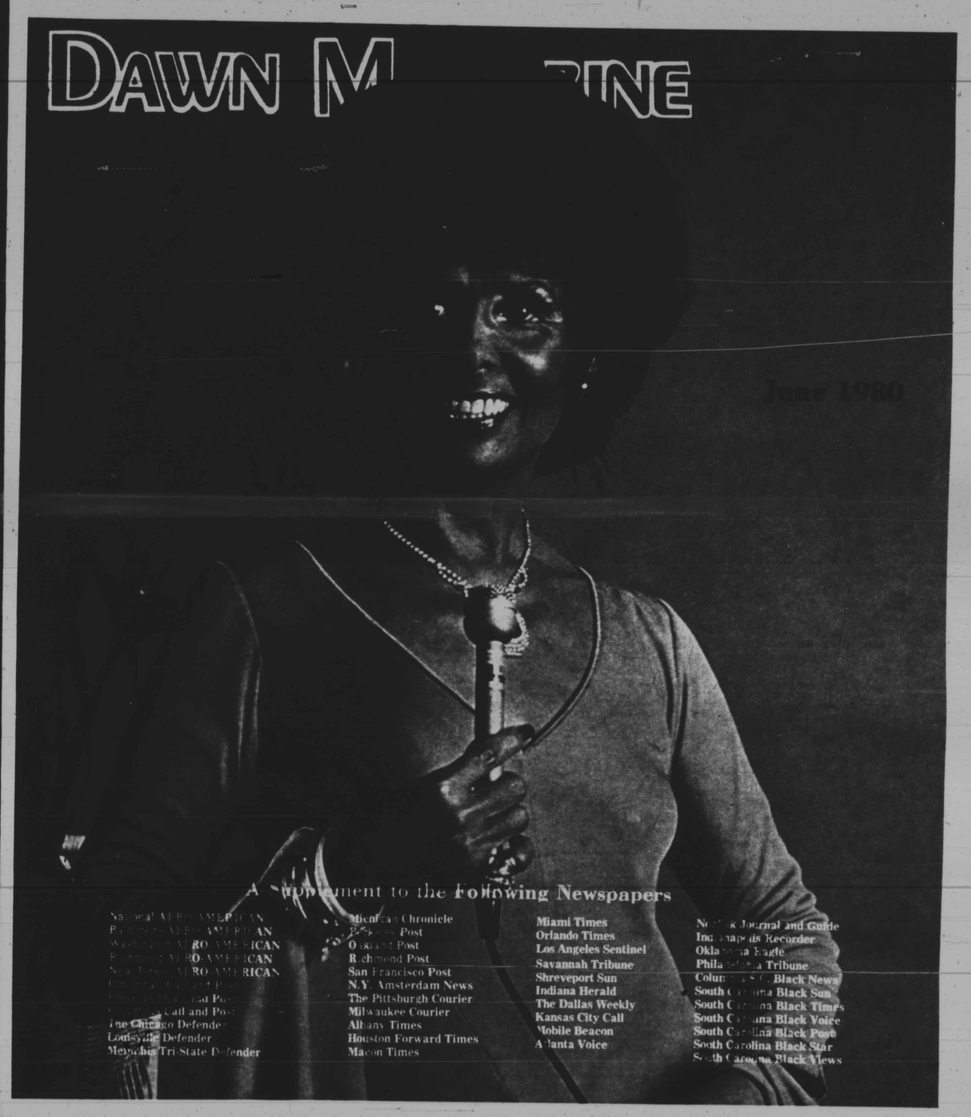

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