THESE TROOPERS GOT CAUGHT SPEEDING.

At 9:17 PM, a two car crash took place on the Beltway. Just 30 seconds after notification, the Maryland State Police Medivac helicopter was airborne and speeding toward the scene. Within twelve minutes, they had transported the crash victims to the Shock Trauma Center, where they received life saving treatment.

The Medivac Program is sponsored by the Maryland State Police from funds provided by the State General Fund. In addition, the fund also supports the State Civil Defense System, the Fire Prevention Commission and other general Maryland State Police functions.

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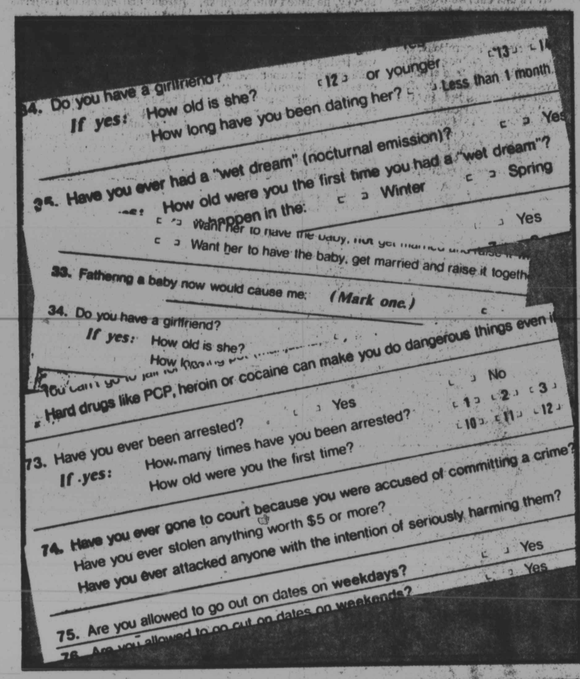

34. Do you have a girlfriend? ... 12 or younger ... 13 ... 14
If yes: How old is she? ... Less than 1 month
How long have you been dating her?

35. Have you ever had a "wet dream" (nocturnal emission)? ... Yes
If yes: How old were you the first time you had a "wet dream"?
Did it happen in the: ... Winter ... Spring

33. Fathering a baby now would cause me: (Mark one.)
Want her to have the baby, get married and raise it togeth...
Want her to have the baby, but get married ...

34. Do you have a girlfriend?
If yes: How old is she?
How long have you been dating her?

73. Have you ever been arrested? ... Yes ... No
If yes: How many times have you been arrested? ... 1 ... 2 ... 3 ... 10 ... 11 ... 12
How old were you the first time?

74. Have you ever gone to court because you were accused of committing a crime?
Have you ever stolen anything worth $5 or more?
Have you ever attacked anyone with the intention of seriously harming them?

75. Are you allowed to go out on dates on weekdays? ... Yes
Are you allowed to go out on dates on weekends? ... Yes

Parents 'hot' over that 'health questionaire'

By Valerie Smith-Madden
AFRO Staff Writer

City school officials had planned to distribute a 78-question "Health Questionnaire" survey to 25,000 city school pupils in grades 7, 9, and 11, but thought better of it after they received a barage of complaints from parents.

"The intention of the survey," said Jacquelyn Hardy, public relations officer for city schools, "is to provide the school system with baseline data related to health behavior and attitudes related to our teens."

Ellen Oberfelder, a school system spokesperson, said the survey was "being given at the request of the city public schools to assess the health services that our schools give."

Ms. Oberfelder, when informed that the AFRO had obtained a copy of the survey, admitted that she had not seen the survey, which in addition to asking questions of the sexual behavior of teens, also asked:

— How many adults in your home go to work regularly for pay?

— Is your family on welfare?

— Have you ever been arrested?

— Have you ever gone to court because you were accused of committing a crime?

Callers to the AFRO cited the "explicit nature" of the questions and on more than one occasion complained about its "racial overtones."

There were two surveys, one for males and one for females, and school officials indicate that this is not the first time that a survey of this type has been given to city school children.

Dr. Laurie Zabins, director of a fertility research unit at Johns Hopkins University, said a survey had been given to four schools in 1981, 1982, 1983 and 1984 and was well received by parents. She declined to identify those schools.

However, the AFRO has learned that three of the four schools involved were Patterson High, Dunbar High and Lombard Senior High.

Parents allegedly were sent a letter two weeks ago saying that children would take part in a survey, however, the letter did not reveal the explicit nature of some of the questions.

Dr. Zabins said that the group which devised the questionnaire, "was asked by the school board and superintendent to be in a position to evaluate its programs."

Zabins said the only way to accomplish this would be by obtaining a base of live data.

The intended questionnaire

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Mystery deepens on razor blade killing

By Elizabeth M. Oliver

Did a husband kill his wife by cutting her throat as they sat in their car arguing over a big cash lottery hit?

Did the husband slash her throat with a single edged razor blade, drag her from the car, leave her on the sidewalk for dead and then lock himself in the trunk of the car?

Investigating Homicide police are still working on all the circumstances in the Dec. 7 murder of Mrs. Marlene Silva, a 31-year-old Keswick Nursing Home nurse.

They do nevertheless have enough information to charge the husband, 33-year-old Theodore Silva, a construction worker, with first degree murder. Lodged in City Jail, Silva has been refused bail.

The suspected lottery hit motive comes as the result of the mother of two young children being found lying in a pool of blood on the sidewalk near the Silva's Cadillac car, surrounded by lottery tickets and money.

Mixed in with blood and scattered around her body were "a whole lot of lottery tickets". Police also state there was "a whole lot of cash" in $20 bills, $10 bills, $5 bills and "a whole lot of money in change" on the sidewalk. Some bills were torn.

Police report they were summonsed to the scene before dawn

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Six Flags accused of abusive insults

By Racine S. Winborne
AFRO Staff Writer

A lawsuit seeking $1 million each in punitive damages against the Six Flags Power Plant, Inc., for two counts of alleged assault and alleged slander against a group of patrons visiting the downtown amusement center is expected to be filed in Baltimore City Circuit Court today (Friday).

According to the attorney representing the four defendants — two adult females and two minor children — who are all black, the suit is scheduled to be filed with the courts sometime Friday morning.

The plaintiffs are Mrs. Amelia Redfern - Rose, 32, and her son, Trevor, and Mrs. Carolyn Washington, 32, and her son, Brandon. The two boys are eight years old.

They are being represented by Attorney Lance O. Brown, a partner with the law firm of Sloan & Brown. Their offices are located in Mondawmin Mall.

Named as a defendant in the suit, a copy of which was obtained by the AFRO this week, in addition to the Six Flags Power Plant, is its marketing director, Ken Lewis.

The lawsuit alleges that the plaintiffs were the victims of "racially and ethnically abusive insults" which are said to have been the result of "references to their race and assumptive references to their economic status."

The lawsuit goes on to state that on Oct. 27 of this year the

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IT HAS TO BE THE RIGHT ONE— Thursday AFRO Photographer Paul A. Greene caught this picture at Memorial Stadium as Joanne Carter and Dirrik Carter pick out a Christmas tree for their nephew, Michael White, age 2.

CITY COUNCIL WRAPUP

By Racine S. Winborne
AFRO Staff Writer

McLean blasts cable company

The firm awarded the city's cable television franchise in December 1984, United Cable Television of Baltimore, was blasted by one member of the City Council for its questionable minority hiring practices.

Jacqueline McLean, (D. 2nd), accused the firm Monday, of handing the city a "slap in the face" and failing to adhere to one of the key points of the cable television agreement.

United had assured city officials that they would employ minorities in numbers reflective of their majority population status here.

The firm had also promised to place blacks in upper management positions.

"They have a black secretary, black office assistant and a black construction manager who will be unemployed once the project is complete. The entire upper management of United Cable is white. I consider it a slap in the face. It's an absolute disgrace," said Mrs. McLean.

The three top management jobs–general manager, system manager and comptroller–have been filled by whites.

Mrs. McLean urged her colleagues to push forth a bill that would call for the appointment of a cable advisory body to monitor and regulate United's operations.

Bill 607, which was introduced last January and referred to the council's Judiciary Committee, is still awaiting a public hearing.

Honorary citizen named

A resolution designating South African trade unionist Thozamile Gqweta as a honorary citizen of Baltimore was unanimously approved by the council.

Gqweta, 33, was one of the founders of the United Democratic Front, a leading anti-apartheid organization operating within South Africa.

He is currently among a group of people standing trial in that country for treason and could face the death penalty if

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Fire victims begin rebuilding process

By Brion M. Tyson
AFRO Staff Writer

Few people go through life without experiencing pitfalls and setbacks. Like a game of chance, it's impossible to tell when your number will come up.

When this happens, some have the strength to forge ahead forgetting about the past, and once again find themselves back in the mainstream of life.

Others, broken in spirit by their loss, falter at rebuilding time and find themselves drowning in sorrow and memories of the past.

For the victims whose homes were damaged in a five alarm fire at 831 Druid Park Lake Drive last Sunday night, the rebuilding process is well underway.

After leaving a temporary shelter set up in the auditorium of Douglass High School, the nearly 60 forced-out residents have all gone their separate ways.

While some were placed in temporary shelters by the local branch of the Red Cross, others made arrangements with relatives and friends.

Although a crisis, the Sunday night blaze created a sense of togetherness among family and friends.

Concerned neighbors opened their doors to those displaced by the fire. Relatives of the victims accomodated loved ones without hesitation.

Glendoria Thomas, in whose den the fire reportedly started, has since moved in with her friend Ida Tranum and is awaiting public assistance.

"Right now, I'm just trying to get organized. I'm waiting for a

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New foot policemen on duty

By Elizabeth M. Oliver

Some 118 police officers have been placed on duty as special Yule season foot patrolmen in a stepped-up effort to curb burglaries, shoplifting, larceny and robbery.

Dennis Hill, police public relations officer, told the AFRO the extra officers are an addition to the 2,900 force of regular street, traffic, patrol and detectives "to give support during the critical holiday season."

They have been deployed on foot in all commercial areas, the neighborhoods surrounding those areas, Lexington Market, other markets, parking lots and certain areas where cars are parked on the streets.

He states that the exact number of arrests for larceny, break-ins, shoplifting and burglaries in stores and homes is not known.

However, reports from the various departments at headquarters reveal there has been a

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Larry Dean dead of of cancer at 61

By LaMont Curry
AFRO Staff Writer

"Long, tall, lean and lanky Larry Dean," the voice of WEAA-FM news, died of cancer Wednesday evening at Provident Hospital. He was 61 years old.

Born Lawrence Dean Faulkner, Feb. 22, 1924 in Society Hill, SC, he was among the early pioneers of black radio but more importantly, he served as a pillar of righteousness and strength to all who knew him, according to many.

Mr. Dean started as news director with WEAA-FM, Morgan University's commercial free radio, at its beginning in 1977. His duties included supervising and directing the radio news staff, and broadcasting several newscasts throughout the day.

"The staff and students (WEAA) are deeply saddened by

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Larry Dean

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