COMTO hosts regional confab

MINNIE I. CARTER, President, Baltimore COMTO Chapter is seen with Michael T. Farrar, Region II President during COMTO recently held Regional Conference.

LUTHER C. MOORE (second from L) discusses his Office Supply business with conferees.

The Baltimore Chapter of the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) sponsored an all-day Regional Conference recently at the Days Inn - Inner Harbor.

In attendance were transportation officials and professionals, students as well as minority business owners from New York, New Jersey, Washington, DC, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Maryland.

The theme of the Conference was "Jobs and Contract Opportunities for Minorities in Public Transportation." A welcome address was given by Minnie L. Carter, President of the Baltimore Chapter.

In her comments, Ms. Carter stated:

"I am sure you have all heard by now, certainly all Baltimoreans are aware that we recently elected our first Black Mayor, namely, Mr. Kurt Schmoke. We are very excited for Mr. Schmoke, and I have no doubt that under his leadership, Baltimore will continue to grow and prosper."

"I see this period as a beginning for blacks and whites working together to improve the quality of life for all. At the same time, the members of COMTO will renew their commitment to unite minorities in transportation throughout the country by holding conferences such as this one, by encouraging the use of the COMTO Job Bank, by developing Internship and Mentorship Programs, by supporting area colleges and universities, and by encouraging minorities to pursue an education..."

Ms. Carter introduced Ronald J. Hartman, Administrator/General Manager of the Mass Transit Administration. Hartman highlighted some of the progress made at the MTA in the areas of jobs and contracts.

He has instituted a Summer Jobs Program and an Internship Program to assist those students who otherwise might have difficulty finding employment in their specific fields of study. He also commented on the efforts that are currently underway to extend bus service to other areas of the state not currently being served so that individuals will be able to travel to and from work.

Concerning MTA's Minority Business Enterprise Program, Hartman stated that he is very proud of the program's success to date. During fiscal year 1987, 24 percent of all MTA contracts were awarded to minority firms, while 3 percent were awarded to female - owned businesses.

Hartman commended Ms. Carter for her tireless efforts in assuring that prime contractors comply with MBE/WBE goals. Ms. Carter serves as Equal Opportunity Officer for the Mass Transit Administration.

Hartman, who is also a member of COMTO, pledged to continue to lend his support to the organization.

Other speakers on the program included, Ms. Angela M. Martin, Equal Opportunity Officer for the Mass Transit Administration, and Ms. Maxine Marshall, Vice President of COMTO National. They both discussed employment opportunities in transportation.

Also on the program was The Rev. Jerry A. Moore, the Founder of COMTO; Ed Rhodes, Director of Procurement, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA); and Michael Skinner, Chief - Equal Opportunity and Training for the Maryland State Aviation Administration.

The luncheon speaker was James A. Wilding, General Manager of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority. Mr. Wilding's topic was "Jobs and Contracts in Aviation.

The afternoon speakers were Kenneth Bolton, Director - Office of Policy, the Urban Mass Transit Administration (UMTA); Harold B. Williams, Transportation Consultant; and Roland H. Jones, Director of Small Business Development, AMTRAK.

The entire days' activities were moderated by Michael T. Farrar, President of COMTO's Region II. Farrar currently serves as Special Assistant to the Assistant General Manager for Administration at the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

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THE BETTER BOUNCE — N.C. State center Charles Shackleford (white) got the better bounce on this rebound to beat Morgan's Marcus Sheffield to the ball in the 103-54 win for the Wolfpack at Raleigh Wednesday. The Bears return home Saturday to host Howard in an MEAC contest at Hill Field House. The Lady Bears and Bison clashed earlier.

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Baseball Hall of Fame beckons 'Pops' Stargell

Willie Stargell
Pirates' all-round leader

NEW YORK (UPI) — Willie Stargell, who anchored the powerhouse Pittsburgh teams of the 1970s on the field and in the clubhouse, has joined the Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility.

The slugging outfielder-first baseman was elected to the shrine in Cooperstown, N.Y., in voting announced Tuesday night by the Baseball Writer's Association of America. He is scheduled to be inducted July 31.

"To be in the same room as Babe, Hank, Ernie, what a feeling, what an honor," Stargell said from Atlanta. "All that hard work and sacrifice; I never thought it would feel like this. I never thought I would have a day like this. I'm overwhelmed."

Stargell, the 17th player to be elected in his first year on the ballot, hit 475 homers in his 20-year career, tying him with Stan Musial for 16th on the all-time list. He had a lifetime batting average of .281, with 475 homers and 1,540 RBI, and played on two World Series winners.

Known as "Pops" to his teammates, the left-handed power hitter enjoyed his finest season in 1979. As the inspirational leader of the "Pam-a-lee," he earned co-Most Valuable Player honors that year and was named MVP of the NL Championship Series and World Series.

Stargell was a leader off the field as well. Teammates often went to him with their personal problems, seeking Stargell's guidance.

Stargell was the only player named on the required 75 percent of the 427 ballots cast, receiving 352 votes (82.4 percent), 31 more than necessary.

'Survival' scholarship winner now ACC coach

Tori Harrison now can look at four young men and feel good about thinking: we all have something in common.

Tori Harrison
signed by Wake Forest

The young guys are topline basketball players, Quintin Dailey, David Wingate, Reggie Williams and Reggie Lewis. All were winners of Project Survival scholarships issued in the name of AFRO Sports Editor Sam Lacy.

So was Tori.

She won the honor after completing her work at Towson (Md.) Catholic High School, then went on to college at Louisiana Tech where she played on the nationally ranked Lady Techsters for four years, captaining in her junior and senior seasons.

The 22-year-old Baltimorean who was presented her award in 1983 will assume the duties of assistant women's coach at Wake Forest University on Feb. 1.

Harrison, Dailey, Wingate, Williams and Lewis all went through the Project Survival youth program overseen by the Baltimore City Urban Services Agency.

The four men are currently playing in the NBA.

Doug Williams to Bowie State

Bowie State College, in cooperation with the Pepsi Company, will host its first Commemorative Scholarship Breakfast on Tuesday at 8 a.m. at Martin's Crosswinds in Greenbelt, Maryland.

The theme for the breakfast, "From Dreams to Reality," will feature Doug Williams of the Washington Redskins as the keynote speaker.

The month of January has special meaning nationwide. It is that time of year for honoring the memory of Martin Luther King, Jr., whose birthday is celebrated during this month, and Christa McAuliffe, the first teacher in space, and a graduate of Bowie State College who was assigned to the ill-fated Challenger.

Both of these special people had dreams of a better tomorrow, and they worked to make their dreams a reality.

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