National Council of Negro Women marks Founders' Day

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VERNA DAY (L) confers with Mamie Jones during the Founders' Day celebration of the National Council of Negro Women, Greater Baltimore Section hosted Saturday, Dec. 3 at the Forum, Primrose Ave.

MARY JAMES (L) AND ERNESTINE DAVENPORT find much to chat about during the festivities.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS (from L) Lucille Johnson, Leona Fredricks, Bettye Lindsay and Willa Caver.

CHECKING LAST MINUTE DETAILS are (from L) Beatrice Avery and Mildred Simpson.

The National Council of Negro Women, Greater Baltimore Section celebrated its "Founders Day, 1988" with a Luncheon/Fashion Show at the Forum, on Saturday, December 3, from 11:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The affair was a successful attempt to bring all women together to join and help NCNWGBS to strengthen its commitment to working together to help one another spiritually, socially, educationally and culturally in all aspects of life.

Over 100 persons attended to make the occasion an exciting event. The guests were greeted by gracious NCNWGBS hostesses; Bettye Lindsay, chairperson; Mary J. James, Ernestine Davenport and Willa Caver.

The program began with a warm "Welcome" address by Mamie C. Jones, followed by the "Occasion" given by Beatrice Avery and a beautiful musical selection by Hazel Ellerbee, accompanied by pianist, Elizabeth Day.

Verna Day, President, gave a very moving and reminiscent portrayal of the "Spirit of Mary McCleod Bethune" that was very inspiring to all, and her remarks as Mrs. Bethune stating that: "she embraces the idea of the inclusion of a Fashion Show during the celebration, as all women need something to enhance and lift their self-esteem to help one another to meet the challenge to achieve the goals of the "NCN Women," left everyone in anticipation of the forthcoming Fashion Show.

The guest were served and enjoyed a delicious sit-down dinner consisting of: hot homemade soup appetizer and lemon honey-glazed breast of chicken (on Oriental vegetables & rice), baked potato with sour cream & chives, green beans almondine, coffee, sanka, tea, rolls and butter, trays of miniature pastries (each table) and a punch bar.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the memorable highlight of the evening: "The Fashion Show by She-Nel Fashions"

To the surprise and delight of everyone, the Professional Guest Models were: Cee Cee Stokes, Coordinator; with Quianna Cook and Candance Easterling. The NCNWGBS models were: Verna Day, President, Willa Caver, Ardena Dixon, Ernestine Davenport, Lucille Johnson, and Vanessa Purnell. The Commentator was Mamie C. Jones, Chairperson.

Everyone participated in the fun, as a variety of door prizes and a raffle were won by several lucky winners, adding to an already fun-filled evening.

President Verna Day and the Founders Day Committee presented Mamie C. Jones, chairperson with a "Service Award Plaque" for outstanding and Dedicated Service to NCNWGBS and also presented her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

Verna remarked that "Mamie always extends herself above and beyond her duties as former President and in the reorganization of the section and still continues her endeavors for the betterment of the organization and gives Verna her full support!".

The Officers are: Verna Day, President; Mildred Swepson, 1st Vice-President; Ardena Dixon, 2nd vice president; Lucille Johnson third vice president; Bettye Lindsay, recording secretary; Vanessa Purnell, assistant recording secretary; Elvira Richardson, correspondence secretary; Peggy Seeney-Cooper, treasurer; Beatrice Avery, financial secretary; Leona Fredericks, chaplain; Beatrice Hall, parliamentarian' Beryl Williams, International Committee; Twilah Scarborough, public relations and Elizabeth Demby, historian.

The president announced that the next meeting of the Council will be held at the Regatta, on Reisterstown Road near Northern Parkway on Sunday, January 8, 1989, from 2 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

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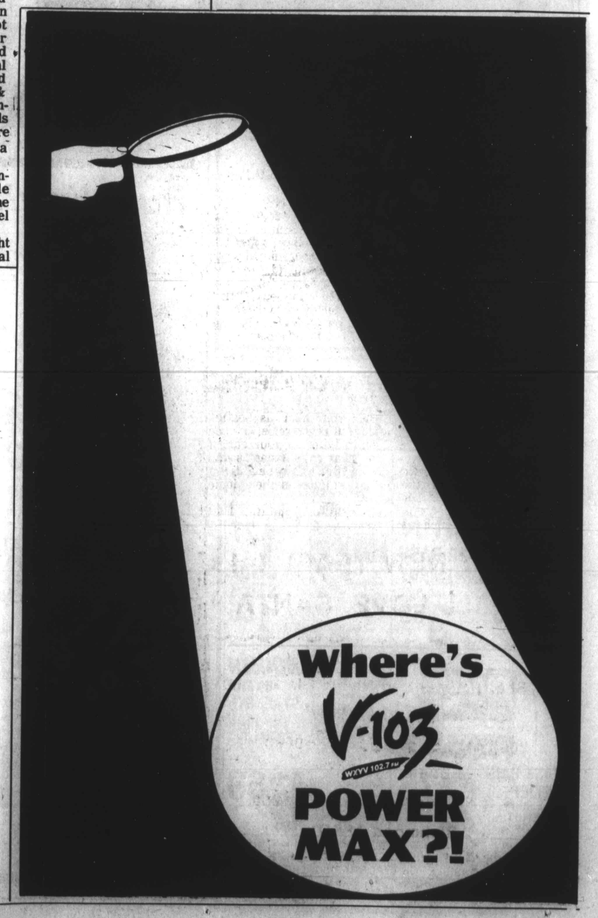

Kids Talk

Do You Know this person?

She is a journalist with many years of experience in domestic and international reporting. She attended school in Chicago, Ill. She has been a White House correspondent and she has also covered stories in many African countries.

She is Ethel Payne.

Kelsey E. Collie's Playmakers Repertory Company

District Youths Are Seeing Stars

Gary Coleman, Kim Fields and Emmanuel Lewis are young actors who have found success early in their careers. There are some children here in the District who are well on their way to stardom as well.

The Kelsey E. Collie Playmakers Repertory Company consists of 34 talented young people. It is an outgrowth of the Howard University Children's Theater Workshop, an annual summer program for children between the ages of seven to 17.

The children take courses in voice, dance and acting. They have become so good at what they do that a Hollywood casting director came to the company to find two little boys for a big movie.

While all of the kids may not go on to stardom and earn large sums of money, they do develop self-confidence — an important asset for all endeavors.

Color Me

11-year-old examines abortion, wins second-place prize

Stacey Brown

Stacey Brown, an 11-year-old student at Francis Junior High School, won a $75 savings bond and a 35 mm camera for her "Youth on the Beat" second place editorial on abortion.

By Stacey Brown

Abortion has quickly become one of America's most important subjects, next to AIDS. Statistics show that more than 1.6 million abortions are performed each year.

Abortions are mostly requested by women who are victims of rape or who are unmarried. Most people think abortions are more requested by black women than white women. Operations to abort an unborn child are also requested by women under the age of 25 or victims of pregnancy.

President-elect, George Bush, doesn't approve of the right to abort a child and thinks it should become illegal, unless the woman was raped. As a female, I think a woman should have the right to abort a child because it is her body. If she and her spouse have discussed it, and she still wants to have an abortion, she should be able to. Don't let anyone take that right from you!

Have you read any good books?

Reading is fun! A good book can open the doors to many exciting adventures. Through reading, you can travel to places far away, you can hear what animals have to say, and you can learn about the breathtaking world around us.

Read a book. If you enjoy it, share it with others. You can do this by sending a short report about your book to:

Kids Talk
The Washington Afro-American
2002 11th Street NW
Washington, DC 20001

Include the name of the book, the author, what the book was about and why you would recommend it to other children. Add your name, age and school to the report. Also, send a picture of yourself to be put on the Kids Talk page with your book report.

Have you ever wondered

Why it seems as though you can hear your heartbeat in your ears?

What you are hearing is the pumping of blood through the arteries in your ears. The sound is more noticeable in certain situations, such as when your heart is beating faster after exercise, or when you're lying on your ear. If you hear a heartbeat sound frequently, it may be a sign of fluid build-up in the middle ear.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR! ! ! TO ALL LOVE, SANTA

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TIPS for TEENS

Retaining Your Smile

Pink polka dots, rainbow stripes, camouflage: the latest fashion trends? Actually, they're the latest designs available in removable orthodontic appliances, better known to millions of teens as retainers.

While the new designs may brighten the way teens view their retainers, fancy colors simply cannot mask one major difficulty: keeping the devices clean and odor-free. The long-time popular way of cleaning retainers—with a toothbrush and toothpaste—can leave behind bacteria that produce unpleasant odors and tastes in the mouth.

When this happens, many patients resist wearing their appliances. Orthodontists caution that if retainers are not worn as directed, teeth can quickly shift back to incorrect positions.

To clean these devices more thoroughly and to promote patient compliance, more than half of all orthodontists now encourage patients to soak their appliances in denture cleansers, in addition to brushing them. Regularly soaking a retainer in a denture cleanser also reduces the need to vigorously scrub the device, thus lessening the chance of damaging delicate wires.

Based on studies conducted by Warner-Lambert, Professional Strength Efferdent® recently has been accepted by the American Dental Association Council on Dental Materials, Instruments and Equipment as safe and effective in cleaning orthodontic appliances.

Using the denture cleanser is neat and easy. Simply place the oral appliance in a glass of warm (not hot) water with an Efferdent tablet. In the time it takes to take a shower (10 to 12 minutes), the device is clean, fresh-smelling and ready to wear.

Happy New Year!!!

New Year's Day is a time for new beginnings. People reflect on the year that has passed and make plans for the year yet to come. They make resolutions. These are pledges and promises to help improve one's life. Some people resolve to exercise more, to always tell the truth, to do homework every night or to always say their prayers. What are you pledging for 1989? Make a list of ten resolutions you will make to keep during the upcoming year. Cut it out and tape it to your wall so that you don't forget your plans!!

MY NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS FOR 1989

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