—Mother of 2

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ticular housing development.

Ernestine Uncles, who works in the Department of Housing concurs with Salaam's assessment of McCutcheon's situation. Uncles deals with many cases like Terry's everyday and she says that most of them are legitimate.

The debate, however is not over the legitimacy of Terry McCutcheons particular situation.

The problem is that there are hundreds of people on the waiting list to obtain transitional housing in order to get on the waiting list for public housing.

The problem is that the waiting list for public housing is seven to ten years long. A seven to ten year wait to get into dwellings like Murphy Homes, Lafayette Courts and Lexington Terrace.

The problem is that there is a multitude of young mothers like Terry McCutcheon.

The bottom line is that at AFRO press time, Terry McCutcheon was on the phone irate, looking for help, because she was on the streets with her eight-month-old daughter and she had no idea where they were going to go.

—Blount

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"There were few surprises," said Coker about his survey.

Delegates Howard "Pete" Rawlings and Elijah E. Cummings, both representatives from Baltimore City, and Richard N. Dixon, of Baltimore and Carroll counties, were voted three of the top 25 legislators in the House of Delegates.

"While I am pleased that my colleagues in the House thought so highly of me, I am more concerned that my constituents in the 40th District give me a similar vote of approval," said Del. Rawlings.

The survey also asked legislators to rate the governor and the lieutenant governor.

Coker said the state lawmakers rated Schaefer a 6.8 on a scale of 10 as being an effective chief executive and gave Lt. Gov. Melvin A. Steinberg 8.2.

The Mason-Dixon officer said legislators ranked adherence to the state's spending affordability, the Patuxent Institution, the Chesapeake Bay's clean-up and drunk-driving laws as the top four issues concerning the state.

The poll's margin of error was 5.4 percent.

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—Different world

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the imprisonment of African National Congress leader, Nelson Mandela.

We have seen the constant harassment of Nelson's wife Winnie Mandela by the South African government.

We have watched her and Allan Boesak and Bishop Desmond Tutu among others, fight day in and day out for the absolute freedom of their brothers and sisters.

These images are far removed from the image of 18 year old Lydia Maele and 19 year old Anthea Williams, both native South Africans, strolling along the rustic campus of the prestigous Bryn Mawr School for girls.

Lydia Maele is from the Bophuthatswana province of South Africa and Anthea Williams is from Capetown,South Africa.

Lydia and Anthea are in this country on a scholarship attending Bryn Mawr in preparation for their college educations in this country.

They are both outstanding students who have been accepted to top flight ivy league universities.

When the AFRO visited with them on the campus of the Bryn Mawr School, we quickly discovered that the politics of their country is a taboo subject, however we also discovered some profound parallels between them and the existence of blacks in this country.

The most disturbing feature of their stay in this country according to the young women has been their rejection by most of the black Americans that they have encountered.

What's even more distressing is the fact that they were warned ahead of time by other black South African's that this negative treatment by black Americans would manifest itself.

They have attempted in vain to socialize with the black girls on the Bryn Mawr campus. Lydia said to one of the girls, "I know that you have parties and that you all go out together, why don't you ever invite us?"

According to Lydia, the girl just responded with a dumfounded look upon her face.

It's ironic and tragic that Anthea and Lydia have been hit with a type of apartheid on the campus of Bryn Mawr by students of African ancestry.

They have also been on the receiving end of the condescending attitudes and misconceptions of certain whites.

"I guess that they expected to see us in grass skirts when we arrived, because they are always assuming that we bought our clothes in this country," explains Anthea.

They also relayed an anecdote about a lead dispensing pencil that some student erroneously assumed that Lydia needed help in operating. Both of the young women laugh out loud.

Anthea and Lydia also share that many people automatically assume that they received their scholarships because of the fact that they are black South African women as opposed to receiving them on the merit of their academic prowess.

We quickly explained that black Americans run into similar treatment in this country constantly.

Lydia and Anthea do make it clear that their host families have been very kind and hospitable towards them and that most of the people at Bryn Mawr have been very good to them as well.

They also make it very clear that in general, despite the disappointments they have enjoyed their stay in this country.

They have tra[illegible] several U.S. cities, (they enjoyed New York the m[illegible]) and they have lectured at several high schools ab[illegible] experiences in South Africa.

We talked wit[illegible] Anthea very informally about subjects like ma[illegible] and relationships, their aspirations for the futu[illegible] even sports.

Talking with them was like talking to old friends instead of citizens from another country with a widely divergent culture from ours.

We also offered them the opportunity to interact with some of the students of Morgan State University. They were receptive to the idea.

We just hope that the Morgan students see Anthea and Lydia for the intelligent and affable young women that they are and that they realize that whatever differences there are between us, they are outweighed by far by what we have in common.

An Evening With Experts

Ob/Gyn Associates, P.A. continues its seminar series, "An Evening With The Experts," with "Prenatal Genetic Evaluation" on Wednesday, April 12 from 5:30 - 7 p.m. The program will take place at the University Club, located on the second floor of the University of Maryland Professional Building, 419 West Redwood St. Call 539-7730 for further information.

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—Support for Wade

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tion the sentiment for Wade to continue as coach is growing.

Thursday, members of the Black Faculty and Staff Association at the University of Maryland held a rally to support Wade and in Baltimore City, the Committee to Save Bob Wade has been formed.

"To supplement other efforts, we also hope to develop a petition drive significant enough to present to the president of the university (Dr. William E. Kirwan)," said Thomas Waters, coordinator of the committee, "to say to him and athletic director Perkins that several thousand Baltimore citizens are here to back Bob Wade."

Waters, who works for the Department of Social Services, describes himself as a "sport enthusiast" who dislikes injustices, said that the issue of Bob Wade is crucial for Baltimore City.

"We are saying to the University of Maryland and to the external community in general that we are not going to take the Bob Wade situation lying down," Waters said.

"We know that Wade is an honorable man and that he has the kids' interest at heart. Given the time, we think that he can replace the previous shame of Len Bias."

Although Wade could not be reached for comment and his administrative assistant Woody Williams did not return the AFRO's phone call, the feeling is that Wade doesn't want to leave Maryland, at least with a cloud hanging over him.

"The community knows that Wade needs a strong foundation, encouragement and time to build a winning program and that is all that we are asking," Waters said.

If you are interested in signing the petition, the AFRO is planning on including a copy of it in next week's paper. Other petitions will be at easily accessible sites. In the meantime, readers may clip out the questionnaire in this week's issue and mail it to:

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Homework Hotline

Homework Hotline, sponsored by the Teachers Association of Baltimore County (TABCO), will receive an extra boost of support during the month of April. All month the telephones in the office will be answered by Baltimore County Public School Library Media Specialists.

The theme for April is "Ask Your Information Specialist." This month was chosen by the librarians since April is National School Library Media Month. Call 828-6403.

Storytime

Storytime for children about friendly monsters will be held at Woodlawn Branch, Baltimore County Public Library, April 12 at 10:30 a.m.

For free tickets, call 887-1336 or visit the library at 1811 Woodlawn Drive.

University of Maryland

Build Self Esteem In Children, April 10, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m., University of Maryland Extension Service, Baltimore County, 9811 Van Buren Lane, Cockeysville. Program repeated, April 17, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Cockeysville Library.

Pre-registration required. Call 666-0445.

Senior Health Fair

Waxter Medical Services and the Baltimore City Commission on Aging and Retirement Education will hold Senior Health Fair '89, April 11 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Waxter Center for Senior Citizens, 861 Park Avenue.

Call 396-1345 for further information.

—Dollars for dorms

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out by going through the political channels first," said the aspiring politician Thursday.

Freeman discussed the five dormitories' safety and fire violations with Sen. Clarence W. Blount, Delegates Howard "Pete" Rawlings and Curtis Anderson and Lt. Gov. Melvin A. Steinberg. All were sympathetic to the students concerns.

Gov. William D. Schaefer had only toured the school in the fall and March 31 he announced the state's $5 million loan to Morgan.

"We did get $5 million, but there is a lot more to be done," said Freeman. "The question now is what exactly will the money be used for.... And we still need more funds."

While Freeman lived in the university's most modern and problem-free dorm during his freshman and sophomore years, he said he knew of the unsafe conditions in the others. He now commutes to Morgan from Columbia.

Morgan students Aaron Jordan and Scharon Ball, both Sentinel leaders, were also instrumental in Morgan obtaining the loan.

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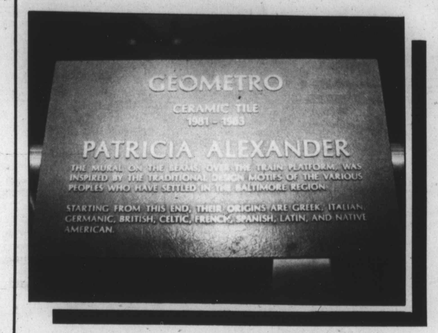


"Please answer the following question for me as I am perplexed: How could the MTA Metro systems decorate the Lexington Market Station with color tile designs allegedly reflecting ethnic groups of Baltimore without including the green/black/red color scheme of African-Americans? Incidentally, we (African-Americans) are the most frequent Metro riders and make up the majority of Baltimore citizens. Thank you for your response. I am anxiously awaiting it. P.S. Isn't it funny how African-Americans will wear green on St. Patrick's Day but won't wear African garb during Black History Month?" Patricia Judkin, a West Baltimorean and an MTA rider, was concerned enough about this question to want to bring it to the attention of the community, so she contacted the AFRO. The AFRO will in turn follow up on this question and report why African-Americans were excluded from this mural and what steps, if any, can be taken at this late date to correct the situation.

Morgan bill killed

By Alisa Samuels
AFRO Staff Writer

A bill that would have required Morgan State University's Board of Regents to reinstate and provide backpay in lump-sums to 12 tenured university professors who were "terminated without cause" was killed in committee.

House Bill 1220, sponsored by Del. John D. Jefferies intended to return instructors whose jobs were eliminated when the school underwent retrenchment to cut its budget, but the House Appropriations Committee issued an unfavorable report on March 17 sending the bill into oblivion until next session.

But Herbert H. Lindsey, who taught sociology at Morgan for 12 years, said the professors would not give up.

"There's been a violation of our rights of tenure and due process," said Lindsey, 59, Wednesday. "We are just trying to get a redress."

The sociology professor said the teachers might lobby next year for a bill similar to the failed one or start a statewide campaign to inform the public.

Lindsey now teaches sociology at a local community college.

Del. Jefferies, who said he introduced the bill on behalf of Lindsey, said the piece of legislation failed because the committee "could find no merits to Lindsey's complaints".

Lindsey, who lost his instructional position in 1986, charged that Morgan unfairly dismissed the tenured teachers.

But Jefferies said Morgan was only following state orders.

The delegate said in 1986 the school was mandated to reduce its staff because student enrollment was low and retaining the professors was costly.

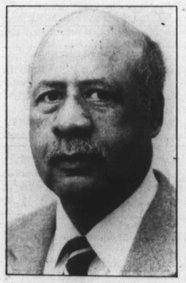
"If Morgan hadn't (reduced its staff), it would have cost the state $1.6 million to take care of it," said Jefferies.

Under the bill, the university's Board of Regents among other provisions, would have paid the eligible dismissed staff a lump sum to try and compensate for the salary they lost and reinstate professors who did not receive an early retirement plan.

The bill would also have mandated the board to allow eligible instructors to reapply for state pensions.

Lindsey said the impact of Morgan's retrenchment of tenured teachers would have deep implications for the entire higher educational system.

"This issue not only affects Morgan, but also higher education," said Lindsey.



Herbert H. Lindsey

Barry testifies before Senate

By Victor Wright and Olive Vassell
AFRO Staff Writers

District Mayor Marion Barry was called to testify before the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee - on the city's handling of drugs and crime drew heavy criticism for what the senators perceived as his failure to present a detailed plan to combat the growing drug related violence in the city.

Sen. Robert Kerrey (D.-Neb) chastised the mayor for testimony that he said sounded more like a chamber of commerce report than a specific plan outlining the city's war on drugs.

The District earned the title "Murder Capital Of The Nation" last year when it surpassed all other major cities in recorded homicides due to drug related violence. The District's murder rate for this year is 128.

Only Los Angeles and Chicago have higher totals with 164 and 168.

At least two of the Senators on the Congressional Appropriations Subcommittee, which recently held hearings on the District's crime rate, are from states whose capital cities have high homicide rates.

According to statistics, Sen. Robert Graham of Florida represents a state whose capital city - Miami - has one of the highest daily homicide rates. Miami's 1988 murder total was 204. While Sen. Wyche Fowler, Jr., of Georgia represents a state whose capital, Atlanta, recorded 217 murders.

Neither has been asked to give the U.S. Senate detailed plans on how to combat crime in their states.

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