Kids Talk

Do you know this person?

He is from Boston, Ma., where he and four of his friends formed the singing group "New Edition". The group hit the charts in 1983 after the song "Candy Girl" became popular.

In 1986, he left the group to go on to a successful solo singing career. His first solo song, 'King of Stage,' put him in the spotlight. His current album has made him famous with such songs as 'Don't Be Cruel,' 'Every Little Step I Take' and 'Roni.'

He currently sings the soundtrack to 'Ghostbusters II.'

He is Bobby Brown.

Puzzling???

COOL PLACES

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FIND THE HIDDEN WORDS

YMCA	MOVIES
LIBRARY	MALL
DAYCAMP	WATERFRONT
PARK	MUSEUM
POOL	BIBLE SCHOOL

HERE ARE THE ANSWERS

Perfect Attendance

PERFECT — McDonald's family restaurants and the Attendance Branch of District of Columbia Public Schools honored 84 students who have maintained perfect attendance from the sixth grade through 12th grade. Pat Marshall, McDonald's operations manager and Dr. Marilyn Brown, assistant superintendent, D.C. Public Schools (far right) stand with four students that had the highest perfect attendance: Tyrone McQueen, 10 years; Cynthia Brown and Tina Pearson, 13 years; and Robin Jennings, 12 years.

Kids Calendar

Red Cross Summer Camp

Are you interested in volunteering for the summer? Then the Red Cross needs you! Teens between the ages of 14 and 17 years old can help the elderly and the handicapped or work in hospital, city shelters, day care centers and nursing homes. For information, call Debra Evans at (202) 728-6482.

Film Festival

The National Museum of African Art is sponsoring a film festival on July 8 at 1 p.m. The films are about African children and animated folktales.

Some of the films include Alice Walker's 'Nia', a story about a girl who offers her aid to the community after she learns to share and Rudyard Kipling's 'The Elephant's Child', a story about how the elephant got its trunk. For information, call (202) 357-4600.

Free Physicals

Students attending the 1989 District of Columbia Summer Safety Patrol must have physical examination and paternal permission forms completed by their parents or guardians and physician before attending the camp.

Free physical examinations will be given to interested students by the Public Health Branch of the Department of Human Services on July 12, 14, 19, 21, 24, 26, 28 and 31; and Aug. 2 and 4 at 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Tyler Elementary School, 10th and G St., SE. For information, call (202) 724-4926.

Cultural Center Workshop

The Children's Cultural Exploration Workshop is sponsoring a summer camp for children 5 to 12 from July 10 to Aug. 4 at Hilton Elementary School, 3301 Carlisle Avenue, Baltimore, Md. The camp will run from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For information, call Rose McNeill (301) 233-0670.

Zoo Volunteers

The Friends of the National Zoo (FONZ) is looking for volunteers 18 and older to work in the Zoo's new Invertebrate Exhibit.

Volunteers are needed to work three-hour shifts weekly, on Thursdays and Fridays, doing such things as conducting public feeding demonstrations, staffing the soil table and microtheater.

For information, call Helen Moore at (202) 673-4955.

Write to Kids Talk

The school year is over and now you have lots of free time on your hands. No more homework! No more early rising! No more teachers!

How have you spent your summer vacation so far? Have you gone to summer camp? Have you taken swimming lessons? Have you been watching cartoons everyday? Write us at the address below and let us know. We'll publish your letters in an upcoming issue of 'Kids Talk.'

The many faces of Kellie Williams

Rising Star

By Diana Carter
AFRO Intern

Her star is shining bright. Why? Because 13-year-old Kellie Williams, a home-grown talent, has landed a role in an upcoming sitcom.

A native Washingtonian, Kellie has won a part on an ABC program, called 'Family Matters' — a spinoff of the show 'Perfect Strangers.' In the show, Kellie will play the role of Laura-Lee Winslow, daughter of the a character from Perfect Strangers.

Kellie is a young woman who smiles and giggles a lot, said, "I am really excited."

After being introduced to acting, Kellie started her career four years ago. Her father, a former actor, helped her get into the profession and is actively involved in her career, as her coach.

"He is a bit of a nag, but he helps me a lot with the advice about what to do to get the part," she said.

She has had many roles including a role in the movie "Suspect" starring Cher and "Men Don't Leave" starring Jessica Lange.

"I didn't really have a chance to meet them, but I liked working on the movies."

Her acting career, which is the rise, is not her only plan for the future. "I would like to become a lawyer when I finish acting," she said. Her career has also taken her to the theater and almost to Broadway.

"I was in the play 'Joe Turner's Come and Gone' and when the play went to Broadway, I did not get the part," she said. "I was hurt but I knew there would be other parts."

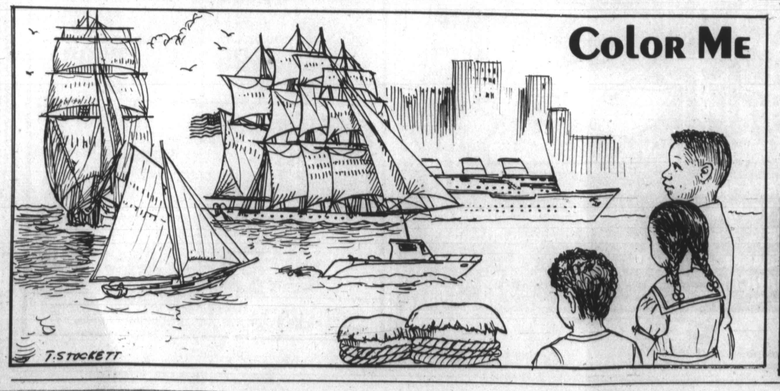
However for Kellie, life off stage is the same as any other 13-year-old. She enjoys skating, jumping rope and reading.

"I still have to do chores like wash the dishes," she said.

"I expect her to make it, but right now I'm the only star," said her dad, Irving Williams, with a laugh.

KODAK HONOR BOY SCOUTS — Kodak president and executive officer, right, Kay R. Whitmore receives a plague emblematic of Otetiana Council, Boy Scouts of America, Distinguished Citizen award. The honors, presented by Dr. M. Richard Rose, left, president of Rochester Institute of Technology, honors his commitment to young people, their education and values. In the center, Clifton Dinkle, 11, of Troop 91, St. Augustine Church, Rochester, NY, delivered the invocation at the annual Campership dinner.

Color Me



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AFRO Clean Block Campaign 1989

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TODAY!

For over 55 years now, the AFRO CLEAN BLOCK Campaign has encouraged and supported the citizens of Baltimore in their efforts to clean up and fix up their neighborhoods.

We have purchased supplies such as flowers and paint; we have provided incentives to the residents such as gift items and Oriole tickets; we hold "how to" meetings throughout the city where we help with the problems and concerns of the neighborhoods and we reward the blocks for a job well done at the end of the summer.

All of this takes money and we need your help NOW!

We would like to thank those of you who have already sent in a check for this worthwhile program and we would like to encourage others to give us a hand.

We can't do it alone. Your help is needed and appreciated.

So please, send your donations to:

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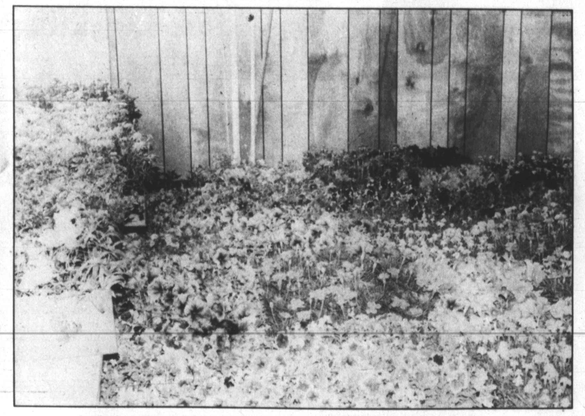
Remember, all donations are tax deductible. Thank you.

Flowers in Bloom



Our early planters already have their flowers in bloom.

JULY is the month to:

• **Control bagworms with B.t.**

Bagworm eggs begin to hatch in Baltimore, more. Immediately after hatching, the larvae (or caterpillars), spin a cocoon-like bag to which they attach pieces of the plant's leaves. They also eat some of the leaves. This feeding on leaves can eventually kill an evergreen but rarely does much damage to deciduous plants (see terminology chart). Arborvitae is especially harmed by bagworms.

If the eggs have already hatched because you didn't hand-pick and destroy, a biological control tactic is in order. Bacillus thuringiensis (B.t.) is a bacteria that kills caterpillars and does not affect humans. You must apply B.t. between mid- and late-June, the sooner the better. B.t. works well only on young caterpillars.

B.t. can be found at some hardware stores and garden centers under the trade names, Attack BT, Biotrol, Dipel, Safer's Natural Caterpillar Killer, SOK BT and Thuricide.

If all else fails, pesticides such as Sevin, Diazinon and Dursban can be applied between mid-June and mid-July. But try to be gentle on the environment and use a biological control.

• **Dead head Flowers**

Petunias, snapdragons, roses and nasturtiums are just a few of the flowers that benefit from dead heading (cutting off dead flowers). This action encourages more blooms on the plant as well as enhances its appearance.

• **Slug slugs with shells**

Crushed oyster or crab shells sprinkled around plants troubled by slugs is an organic means of controlling these slimy creatures. Not only do the sharp edges of the shell fragments discourage slugs, but they also improve the soil's tilth (cultivation). Another advantage to adding the shell is the addition of calcium to the soil.

NEXT MEETING: July 7

12 Noon
Dunbar High School

Landscape Plant Of The Month

Q. — What small tree provides lacy leaves, fragrant yellow flowers in June and July along with interesting brown Chinese lantern-like fruit in the fall?

A. — Koelreuteria paniculata (kol-ru-te' ree-a pan-ik' u la-ta) panicled goldenraintree.

This is one of the few cultivated members of the sapindaceae family, native to China and Korea. Other members of this family include the soapberry, lychee and a few other tropical, edible fruit trees.

Goldenraintree is truly a gem in the small tree world. It flowers in mid-summer when most trees have finished flowering, and it bears yellow flowers, an unusual color in flowering trees.

Historically, the leaves have been used as a source of black dye, and the yellow flowers a source of yellow dye. The Chinese have even used the black pea-sized seeds to make necklaces.

Goldenraintree grows quickly to height of about 15' in 5 to 7 years and then grows more slowly to top off at an ultimate height of about 30'. The gracefully ascending branches create a rounded outline. The olive-colored stems bear alternate pinnate or bipinnately compound leaves (see chart). Each leaf contains 7 to 15 leaflets. They are purplish-red when just opening in the spring, bright green during the growing season and yellow in a fall display.

The fragrant, yellow, four-petalled flowers are about ½" wide and bourne on a 12 to 15 inch long and wide loose panicle. The fruit appears as a light green bladder-like capsule. These capsules change in color to yellow, pink and finally mahogany, resembling tiny Chinese lanterns.

The goldenraintree is adaptable to all soil types and withstands drought, heat, air and wind, pollutants. It prefers full sun and transplants best as balled and burlapped. Prune tree in late autumn after leaf fall.

Two cultivars worth mentioning are: **Fastigiata**: grows 25" tall but only spreads 4 to 6 feet. **September**: flowers later in the season but is not as winter hardy.

Our roving photographer snapped this Clean Block supporter at work.

How to Handle Trash

WASTE MATERIALS

All waste materials for collection (garbage, rubbish and ashes) must be placed in waterproof containers. A 20-gallon container is maximum size for garbage and mixed refuse. Maximum size for ashes is 10-gallon containers. Four 20-gallon containers of mixed refuse will be collected from each building twice per week. (Article 23, Sec. 5).

Garbage should be drained of liquids and wrapped or put in bags before being placed in containers. (Article 23, Sec. 4). Wrapped garbage may be placed in same containers with mixed refuse.

Bundles of newspapers, magazines and flattened cardboard boxes should be tied in bundles and placed on top of or alongside containers.

Tree cuttings must be tied in bundles not longer than 4 feet nor more than 2 feet in diameter. Grass, leaves, small cuttings from trees and shrubs may be put in regular containers. Larger quantities may be placed in baskets or plastic bags.

Christmas Trees should be put in alleys, where they are fire hazards,. They will be collected by special trucks. Dates will be publicized in the newspapers and on the radio.

EXCESS MATERIALS

The City provides a public dumping area at its landfill. Cars and station wagons may dispose of items free of charge. Trucks from Neighborhoods sponsoring Clean-Up Campaigns can dump free of charge with prior notification to the Bureau of Solid Waste. The Landfill is open Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information please call 396-4515.

CLEANING PREMISES

Householders, occupants of offices, stores and other business places are responsible for keeping clean the sidewalks, gutters and that portion of the alley abutting the property. (Article 13, Sec. 910).

The owner or operator of any dwelling containing more than one dwelling unit is responsible for keeping clean the sidewalks, gutters and that portion of the alley that abuts the property. (Article 13, Sec. 1008).

Owners of vacant lots are responsible for keeping them clean and free from litter.

FINE

$1.00 to $25.00 FOR EACH OFFENSE — (Article 23, Sec. 13).

Complaints of any Clean-City violations may be reported to Housing Inspection Services, Neighborhood Progress Administration — 396-4176.

COLLECTIONS

MIXED REFUSE is collected twice weekly.

ASHES are collected once weekly during the heating season. Please call for service prior to the season — 396-4515.

Containers should be put out only on regular collection days and must be taken in as soon as possible after collection. (Article 23, Sec. 8. Fine up to $25).

BULKY ARTICLES too big for regular collection trucks will be picked up twice monthly on regular schedule, by request only. Three times maximum.

For information call CUSTOMER SERVICE SECTION — 396-4515.

Removal of building materials such as plaster, broken concrete and old bricks resulting from repairs and construction, is the responsibility of the contractor or the property owner. (Article 23, Sec. 7). Do not put in trash can.

There will be no collections made on the following legal holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King's Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Good Friday, Memorial Day, July Fourth, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Refuse materials will be collected on your next regular collection day.