Kids Talk

Do you know this person?

She is the morning talk show host and owner of WOL radio and in addition to owning WMMJ radio in Washington, DC. She also hosts her own weekly television show.

Born in Nebraska, she worked as General Manager of WHUR radio station in Washington before she became an owner. She has also won numerous awards for her work in the community.

Recently, she helped raise money to save Mrs. Juanita Mitchell's home in Baltimore, Md.

Catherine L. Hughes

INNOVATORS Wade and Cheryl Willis Hudson, founders of Just Us Books.

'Just Us Books'

What would you think of a book all about Africa? In November, you can read it for yourself. Just Us Books, a new book company, is preparing for its new publication 'AFRO-BETS First Book About AFRICA' to hit the market.

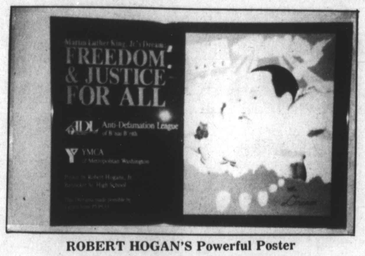
"Afro-Bets" presents a broad view of people, history, animals, resources and culture highlighted in Africa. The book is targeted for eight year-olds and over.

The series was created by Wade and Cheryl Hudson from an original concept designed by Ms. Hudson that involved African-American youngsters forming the letters of the alphabet by flexing various parts of their bodies.

A positive response from parents and educators prompted the Hudsons to establish a publishing company to further expand the new and innovative concept. "The publishing company was a natural progression" said Cheryl. "The Afro-Bets Kids were so well received we had to develop other programs."

"The small percentage of quality books that Black children can identify with also played a part in our decision to launch a publishing company," interjected Wade.

Two additional books for release in the spring, 1990 are titled 'Feelings I Love To Share' and 'Bright Eyes, Brown Skin'. "We plan to continue to use and develop our own methods of reaching the African-American community as well — We know that traditional means of distribution and promotion do not always reach a significant segment of the African-American community."



ROBERT HOGAN'S Powerful Poster

Powerful poster

Robert Hogans, Jr., a senior at Banneker High School, was the first place winner in the 10th annual Martin Luther King, Jr., Poster Contest co-sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League and the YMCA of Metropolitan Washington.

Hogan's poster, which was displayed throughout the month of June on the Metro in Washington, served as a public service conveying the message "Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Dream: Freedom and Justice for All."

"We felt Robert's poster was the most creative and artistic. It was the most expressive because it caught all the themes of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life and work," said Rabbi Michael Swartz, assistant director of the Anti-Defamation League and judge of the poster contest.

Hogan will attend Howard University in the Fall. He will major in Architecture.

Kids Calendar

Astronauts Revisit the Moon

In celebration of the 20th anniversary of man's first landing on the moon, Apollo Astronauts, including Michael Collins and Tom Stafford, will return to the moon via a Challenger Center Space simulation on July 17 at 2 p.m. at the Goddard Space Center, Greenbelt, Md. For information call (202) 286-2000.

Kings Dominion

The D.C. Department of Recreation is sponsoring a "Playground Day" at Kings Dominion on July 19. Come and enjoy a full day of fun with your playground group. For information, call the department at (202) 673-7679 or Ms. Bertha Taylor at (202) 576-7493.

Blindfold Hike

Learn to identify trees by touch and smell by taking a blindfold tree hike at Clearwater Nature Center, 11000 Thrift Rd., Clinton, Md. on July 19. The hike is free, but reservations are necessary. For information, call (301) 297-4575.

Ping Pong Tournament

There will be a ping pong tournament for ages 8 to 16 at the College Park Youth Services Bureau, 9916 Rhode Island Ave., College Park, Md. on July 19. For information, call (301) 474-1212.

Children's Films at Smithsonian

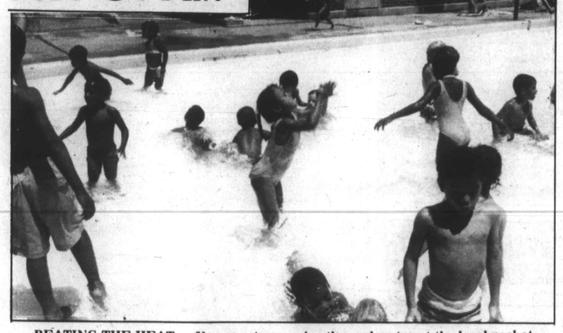
The African Art Museum, 12th and Constitution Ave, NW., will show Slima the Dhowmaker, a film about a young Tanzanian who dreams of being a soccer coach and a dhowmaker; and Mwe Bana Bandi (You, My Children) is about the daily activities of two schoolboys in a Zambian village on July 22 at 1 p.m. For information, call (202) 357-4600.

The Emperor's Nightingale

The Adventure Theater in Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, Md., is presenting the play The Emperor's Nightingale through July 23 on Saturdays and Sundays at 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. For information, all (301) 320-5331.

KIWANIS WINNERS — Ariel Debuzman, Jr. (left) and Alvita Perry (right) were the winners of the Kiwanis Club scholarship for 1989-1990. The students were selected for outstanding grades. Club president William Harrod (center) presented the award.

Just Coolin'



BEATING THE HEAT — Young patrons enjoy the cool water at the local pool at 24th and N St., NW. DC.

Have you....

Have you seen the Insider? It's the student paper from H.D. Woodson High School in Washington, DC., and it's live. I really enjoyed reading it. The editorials were right on time.

I have nothing but praise for Yasha Williams's editorial on the minimum wage. I'm sure that if President Bush had to work 40 hours a week for $3.35 per hour and still raise a family, he might reconsider his veto.

It is good to see that some young people have plenty to say and freely speak their minds.

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.'

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AFRO Clean Block Campaign 1989

Clean Block Update

By Lynette Locke, Director

This past week's meeting of the AFRO Clean Block was held at Dunbar Senior High School. A lengthy question and answer period was held to address problems Clean Block participants have. Our office, along with some of the agencies involved hopefully can resolve the concerns mentioned.

Also in attendance was Ms. Narda Terry of the C&P Telephone Company. She informed us that C&P would be doing what they could in helping the Clean Block effort. The company would come out and clean or repair telephone booths in locations where Clean Block workers reside. Residents would register the exact site and number of the booth, with our Clean Block Office.

We also had a few words from Mr. Tyrone E. Johnson who is certainly no stranger to our program. Mr. Johnson was a Clean Block supporter and award winner when he was younger. Mr. Johnson has graduated from college with a B.S. in Management and Consumer Studies from the University of Maryland College Park. He is now embarking on a career, but has come back to volunteer with the Clean Block Staff this summer. We are happy to have him working with us.

We are now midway through the Clean Block Campaign and we will be randomly selecting sites to visit. Some supporters have requested that we help them with uncooperative neighbors by visiting with a show of support. We will be happy to do so. If you have this problem or any other problem relating to Clean Block, please contact the Clean Block Office, 383-3256.

Signing Up

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