

Job Hunting

By Chuck Hatten



Unemployment in minority communities has always been at a very high percentage compared to other communities. In better times, when the national unemployment rate has been in the 3 to 5 percent range, in Black communities it would be about 10%. Now that the national figures are more like 9 to 10% unemployed, we are faced with a 25 to 40% rate. We ask ourselves, why?

We know in many cases that discrimination plays a major part and I am sure that all of us have heard, far too many times, employers who claim to be looking for a minority employee with certain qualifications that they can't find anyone. We know that there are people somewhere with all qualifications that they are looking for.

The real issue is not whether there is any minority with the qualifications, but really the length of experience and even more important, if there people are available. For example: If every company in the nation that hires and uses engineers decided to employ at least two minority engineers, there would not be enough engineering graduates available. This concept holds true for doctors, lawyers, accountants, computer programmers and analysts and many other business oriented professions.

The fact of the matter is that there are not enough Black college students pursuing these careers. In talking to many students in college, I have found that far too many freshmen, sophomores and even some juniors and seniors have no idea of what type of career they would like to pursue. The reason given to me as to why, was that they didn't know what was available. I personally feel that this is very sad that they have not been advised as to the careers available and the educational tools necessary in order to achieve their goals.

Again, we ask, why not? I would dare to say that it is because those who are supposed to advise, don't know. Because of this lack of advice, college students have been flocking towards careers that they can identify with, careers of those whom they come in the most contact with, teaching, social work and public administration.

Teachers, counselors, students and parents need to be advised as to the facts in private industries and how to become a part of that management team.

Deborah Lane Bearden Mourned



DEBORAH LANE BEARDEN

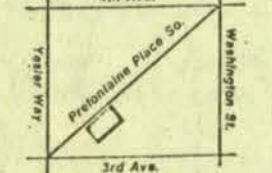
DEBORAH LANE BEARDEN was born December 18, 1957 to Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Bearden of Tacoma, Washington. Deborah graduated from Wilson High School of Tacoma with a 4.0 grade point average, and continued her education at the University of Washington. Having mastered the violin, she joined the Tacoma Youth Symphony, and later joined the Seattle Youth Symphony. Deborah performed with the International Festival Youth Orchestra in Aberdeen, Scotland, and toured Africa, and England with them. On July 31, 1975, she was awarded the State of Washington Ambassador of Goodwill Certificate for being the sole representative of the United States.

Reflecting high spirituality, Deborah was adept at composing religious messages. She spoke of faith as the "...essence of all things with works." Her faith in the betterment of human life is represented in the following statement: "...it is certain that we've reached this destination and continually believing we'll move on." Deborah has moved on; leaving a legacy of successful determination for those of us she left behind. Her presence and confidence are reflected in her accomplishments and her never ending ability to pursue. Our job is to continue her pursuits so that Deborah may not have died in vain.

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The Wall Street West Report

by Abe Moore



The Federal government cut the maximum interest rate allowed on government backed loans for single-family homes to 8 3/4% from 8 3/4%, effective March 30, as reported in the Wall Street Journal. It was the second reduction this year in the ceiling rate on home loans insured by the Department of Housing and Urban Development's FHA or VA program.

Barron's reported that the stock market climbed through the 1000 level last Wednesday and stayed there. Fueling the powerful advance were: a strong rally in all sectors of the bond market, brokerage house optimism on capital outlays, the prospect of favorable first quarter earnings and portfolio window dressing by institutions. Along the way, investors ignored potentially disturbing international news, including the outbreak of heavy fighting in Lebanon and a military coup in Argentina. Dow Industrials rose 23.61, to close the week at 1003.46. Transports gained 3.27, while Utilities tacked on 0.45. Big Board volume averaged 23.1 million shares a day.

The folks at the University of Michigan who measure consumer confidence found, in their latest survey, "especially strong gains" in attitudes toward buying houses and cars. Overall, the Survey Research Center's Index of Consumer Sentiment rose to 84.5 in February, from 75.4 last November (February 1966 = 100). That's good news for auto makers, who already are in high gear. Specifically, U.S. new car sales in the March 11-20 period climbed 39% from depressed year-earlier levels (based on daily sales rates), and manufacturers plan to boost April output about 33%.

In a report on the housing outlook last week, Argus Research projected 1.61 million starts this year and 1.85 - 1.90 million in 1977. However, the advisory service cautioned that "those interested in the building industry and its securities must be careful to break down national projections into local ones. Accordingly, we anticipate strong conditions in the West and North Central regions, while the outlook for the South is gloomy for an extended period."

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ABC of Beauty

by Charlene Williams Roberts



"LOVE CAME"

Lord, make me the instrument of Thy peace, where there is hatred, help me plant the seed to grow Thy love. If there is a danger, Oh Lord, please release me from Thy punishment. Where there is doubt, please give me Thy faith. If it is a loss of hope, please give me Thy strength to see the most gracious sun stroke ever shown. If I am to bear sorrow, most gracious Lord, please lead me to Thy feet, of my most favorite jubilant.

The End

Can you dig it? (smile) Now put your platter up. Knock the eating off. (smile) That's what I tell myself, daily. I know it is so hard to do.

Well, tell me, how many pounds have you lost? (smile) In a period of two months I have lost 12 pounds, which I am so proud of. But I still have a bit to go. I feel much better, plus my negative attitude on life's outlook has vanished, my mind frames up great. And I am on the way to get my life straightened out, (smile) as well as the fat that has swallowed up my body.

Stick to your diet and push up from the table, you jive turkey.

TOPIC - THE FACTS OF PROBLEM HAIR.

I have found that everyone needs to know about hair problems and damages. So I will discuss these facts today. Have you ever heard the word "cortex"? Well, it is an important factor of the hair. The cortex is responsible for the size and shape, the strength, plus the structure. If the cortex is healthy and totally intact each strand will attain its fullest possible diameter. And it will show a smoother, regular shaping from root to end.

The bulk of the cortex is made up of a fiber called keratin protein, which is a highly complex structure. I will hold up here for a moment to let you think about cortex. - The only thing that I have said is that the cortex is the middle layer of the hair (plain English) which must be treated as well as the hair itself.

Did you know that when you shampoo the hair you affect this layer, breaking down the KYDROGEN BONDS. As the hair dries either on rollers or with a blower brush or whatever, the hydrogen bonds are reformed into a new temporary shape. The stretched bonds begin slowly returning to their natural position, which breaks the temporary hydrogen bonds and causes the set to fall out.

When hair is permed or straightened the disulfide bonds as well as the hydrogen bonds are fixed into their new position. This is a permanent rearrangement.

This is the reason why any permanent hair color tints, bleaches, toner, permanents plus permanent wave treatment will react with the pigmentation cells and other substructures in the cortex. So you can see why hair must be treated because almost every gal today has a perm, wears color or just simply has damaged hair for some reason or another.

I think I will hold up here and go into detail more in my next article. For a better understanding about the cortex, go back over what I have written. Thank you. See you next week. Take care. Hold off the food but find you a better way to know love.

For further information I can be reached at 322-8296.



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A Message to Parents

By N.J. Crosby

I would like to comment on the many expensive programs designed to cure the ills in our public schools. The more money that is spent, the more problems we seem to have.

The presence of parents in the classrooms would help solve some of the problems for the teachers. Observing the educational performance of one's children (K-12) can be as rewarding as to observe children performing in sports or any other activity. If parents are to be held responsible for their children's education, they must be thoroughly informed as to what their children are learning and how they are performing.

With parents in the classrooms, parents would be in a better position to help their children with any problems they may have; parent pressure would counteract peer pressure; and children would learn how to relate to one another by observing how adults relate to one another.

If parents want their children to reflect the values they teach them, they cannot afford "to trust" the schools or anyone else. Parents who "trust" the schools are labelled by the schools, other parents, and other citizens as being "apathetic."

I encourage all parents to visit their children's classrooms at least once a month, attend School Board Meetings, and become well-informed about what is being taught to their children.

Chucky Smith & Walnut Gang

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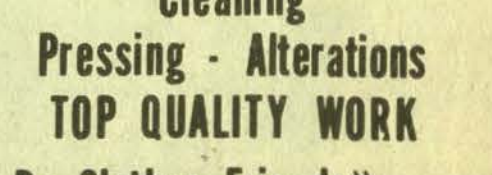


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NOTICE

MARY MAHONEY REGISTERED NURSES' BAZAAR

The Mary Mahoney Registered Nurses Club will hold its first annual BAZAAR, May 8th, 1976 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Langston Hughes Cultural Center, 17th So. and Yesler Way. Many "one-of-a-kind", handmade items will be available at very reasonable prices.

Proceeds from this event will provide scholarship assistance to young minority students interested in pursuing a professional career in nursing.

The club is sponsoring the Bazaar in place of the annual scholarship dinner as its primary fund-raising event.

Please come and make this a successful fund-raising effort. For additional information, please call Mrs. Verna Hill, 885-9294 or Lois Price Spratlen, 365-0956.

GET THE FACTS

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THE FACTS What's Goin' On COMMUNITY CALENDAR

"CINDERELLA" PRODUCTION TO BE HELD AT LANGSTON HUGHES

Attention, little and grown-up kids everywhere! A 'souled-up' version of the old classic fairy tale "Cinderella" will be performed at the Langston Hughes Center at 17th and Yesler on April 24. There will be two play performances on that Saturday, at 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. For more information, call Glenda Winfield or Ralph McCoy at the Black Theatre Project at the University of Washington.

CHILD CARE FOOD PROGRAM AT M. L. K. CHILD CENTER

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Home Center announces the sponsorship of the Child Care Food Program. Free and reduced price meals will be made available to children meeting the approved eligibility criteria and will be provided without regard to race, color or national origin. Meals will be provided at the site listed below: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Home Center, 1855 S. Lane Street.

NEW AND USED CLOTHING

The Central Area Motivation Program has new and used clothing for children and adults. The children's clothes are from age 3 years and up. The adults go up to size 24. The articles include coats, dresses, shoes, purses, pants and underwear. These clothes are free and will be given to those in need.

For further information contact Ms. Marlene Winston, C.A.M.P. outreach worker, at 722 - 18th Ave., or at 329-4111.

REUNION FOR RAINIER BEACH'S CLASS OF '66

A ten year reunion for the Class of 1966, Rainier Beach High School of Seattle, will be held August 14th, 1976 at the Northwest Design Center located in the Benaroya Industrial Park, Georgetown.

For more information, or to supply information on missing class members, contact Diane DeLancey Johnson at 17104 139th Pl SE, Renton, WA 98055; or telephone her at 255-4465.

SOUL VAN CLUB HOSTING EASTER EGG HUNT

The Seattle Soul Van Club will be hosting their first annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 17, 1976 from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the Powell Barnett Park on Empire Way. Children from ages 1 through 12 are all invited to come. Prizes will be given away.

BICENTENNIAL TEA

Lewis Ford Post No. 289 Veterans of Foreign Wars cordially invites you to their Bicentennial Tea honoring our Black Soldiers of 200 years. The date is Sunday, April 11, 1976 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the YWCA, 2820 E. Cherry in Seattle, WA. Harold Taylor, Commander.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Ebni Hassan Court #45 and Beni Harran Temple #64 will be held on Saturday, April 17, 1976, from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon in the Arboretum at the foot of Lynn Street. Prizes will be given. Come and bring your children. Dtr. Ursie L. Green, Chairperson.

LESCHI IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL WILL MEET

The regular meeting of the Leschi Improvement Council will be held Wednesday, April 7, 1976, 7:30 p.m. at the Leschi Elementary School Auditorium, 32nd and Yesler Way. Mrs. Bernice Moreland and others will speak and lead the discussion regarding recent changes in the Central Seattle Community Council Federation and the relationship between the community council and the Federation. All Leschi residents are urged to attend.

DEE DANIELS WILL APPEAR AT PROSPECT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Dee Daniels, noted Northwest club singer, will entertain at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 11 in the Prospect Congregational Church at 20th E. and E. Prospect St.

Ms. Daniels, though more known for her club appearances, is exceptional in her interpretation of religious music. Her theme for the Concert will be: "Bridging the Gap Between the Sacred and the Secular".

Donations will be \$2.50 for adults and \$1.00 for children and students. All proceeds will benefit the Prospect Outreach Program - Prospect Enrichment Preschool and the Summer Youth Program. The general public is cordially invited.

BANQUET WILL HONOR J.T. SMITH AND D.C. SMITH

You and yours are invited to attend a Banquet honoring J.T. Smith and D.C. Smith, April 10, 1976 at the Masonic Hall, 306 - 24th Avenue South, Seattle, Washington, no-host cocktail hour from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., dinner from 8:00 to 10:00, dancing from 10:00 to 2:00.

This Banquet is given by the Square & Compass Club. Donation \$6.00 per person. For tickets, call 325-3705.

SORORITY SPONSORING RUMMAGE SALE

The Seattle Area Alumnae and collegiates of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority are sponsoring a Rummage Sale at the Pike Place Market on Friday, April 9 and Saturday, April 10. Proceeds from the sale will be shared by the sorority's national philanthropy, the National Arthritis Foundation and the A O Pi Scholarship Fund.

Members of the sorority have been collecting good rummage for over a year in preparation for the sale, storing the merchandise in a fill room in an apartment building. House for the sale are: Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

We would sincerely appreciate any publicity you can give our sale. Should you need any further information, feel free to contact me at the above phone numbers. Thank you very much.

SPRING LUNCHEON AND FASHION SHOW

Immaculate will be presenting a luncheon and fashion show on April 24, 1976. The proceeds will go to a school trip and the junior, senior prom. The time is 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. and the place is 803 Terry Avenue. Fashions will be provided by 5-7-8, Katara's Squires and Bernies.

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Bicentennial Comment by Billy Baylor

I would like to thank all of my wonderful friends and supporters for their response to last week's article. For your popular demand has inspired me to continue. This week let's look at attitude and the way we think about ourselves. In life everything evolves around positive goals or negative entities, because attitude is one of the basic keys to success. Keep in mind that success is being happy doing your thing, no matter if you're a painter, lawyer, secretary, doctor or whatever. The only reason that a man or woman is successful is because of the way we are thinking about ourselves and being right within ourselves. But we have to associate with those who are successful, those who think success and those who think that they are more successful than they are. We generally become what we think about if we stick to our plan. Keep in mind that our environment has a lot to do with our development. If we think dirt, we will lose ground, because what goes up comes down and around.

The only difference between a man making \$1,000 a year and a man making \$100,000 a year is a \$100,000 attitude about yourself. He is no smarter than you - he just thinks he is. I can think of no greater gift for this country's 200th birthday than changing the way we think about ourselves. Let's think about what we have learned. (Bicentennial Comment by Executive President, Baylor Publishing Company.)

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