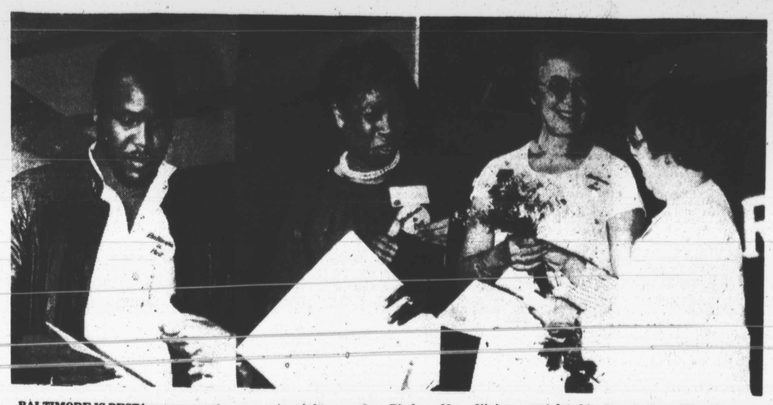
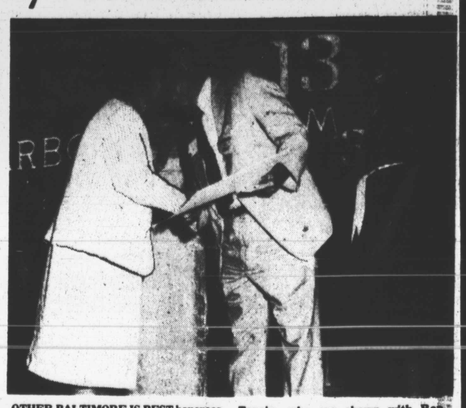
'Baltimore Is Best' honorees receive city's commendation



BALTIMORE IS BEST honorees are shown at recent Pier 6 awards presentation. From left to right are Jon Pinder, Mrs. Vivian Washington, and Mrs. Theda Wilson being congratulated by Rep. Barbara Mikulski.



OTHER BALTIMORE IS BEST honorees were William C. March and Mrs. Sheila Torain, who are shown with Rep. Mikulski.

Engineering school proposal reviewed

State Education officials Thursday announced they will review their previous decision not to create a full-scale engineering school at the University of Maryland's Baltimore County campus.

In June, the state's Board of Higher Education rejected proposals for engineering schools at UMBC and Morgan State University. Instead, it decided to concentrate on improving existing engineering programs at the University of Maryland's College Park campus.

Sheldon Knorr, state commissioner for higher education, said the board would permit the University of Maryland to request an engineering school at UMBC once again at the board's Sept. 15 meeting.

"I don't know what might come out of it," Knorr said. "The board wants to listen to the arguments. I think they have an open mind."

Robert Ridky, assistant to the University of Maryland president, said the University's Regents asked for another chance to make their case following support for the new school in the engineering community.

"We were frankly appalled at the decision that had been made and felt that something had not been understood," Ridky said. "We wanted a chance to have our arguments heard."

University officials plan to tell the board the state needs to expand engineering education not only to produce engineers but also to boost economic development, he said.

"A good engineering program is always the catlyst for technological and economic development," Ridky said Tuesday. "That is really the mechanism by which you get growth such as in the silicon valley. An engineering presence becomes a kind of dynamo in the area."

The board in June reserved a final decision on an engineering school at Morgan State until the school analyzed the resources it would need to develop undergraduate programs in civil and electrical engineering.

UMBC and Morgan State currently offer engineering courses but neither may grant degrees

Baptists journey to convention

Some 300 or more Baptists from the State of Maryland will journey to Los Angeles for the 104th Annual Session of the National Baptist Convention. The new president, Dr. T. J. Jemison, and the Board of Directors have announced the theme for this Annual Session: "Caring and Sharing Through The Convention that Cares." They set a goal of $1 million. This money is to be used as follows:

1. Contributer $27,500 to the National Council of Churches.
2. Contribute $100,000 to erect a Statue of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in front of the chapel on the campus of Morehouse College.
3. $500,000 will be given in $100,000 grants to five of our predominately black related colleges.
4. $25,000 will be used to establish a scholarship fund for needy and deserving youth from convention churches to assist them in attending colleges and universities.
5. $10,000 to develop programs and promotional materials to implement our voter registration drive.
6. The balance will be used to fund Convention ministries and for programs and ministry development.

President Jemison states: "We are a convention of 37,000 churches, 6.7 million members. We are a convention of great Churches and great Christians. The time has come for us to let our actions be consistent with our words. This year, the eyes of our nation will be upon us, let us show the world that we are not just a great sounding people, but a great doing people.

Together we can enable our conventions to operate on a budget in the millions, so as to be able to serve our churches, our schools, our nation and the world in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

There are several tour directors who will lead the more than 300 Baptist from Maryland to the Baptist confab in Los Angeles, Monday Sept. 5 to Sunday, Sept. 11.

Dr. James L. Moore is attending the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention in Indianapolis, IN. He is to bring the Introductory Sermon and will leave Indianapolis for Los Angeles to join the messengers from Sharon Baptist Church and other delegates from our city and nation.

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