'MISS CENTRAL ROSEMONT 1985', the winner in the pageant presented recently by the Central Rosemont Recreation Center is Miss Shelli Stewart, pictured here with her escort, James Yarbrough, American Legion Post No. 213.

HAPPY MOMENT — Mr. and Mrs. James B. Taylor Sr. are the picture of happiness during his May 4 retirement celebration hosted at Martin's Northpoint from 7:30 until 11:30 p.m. Taylor is retired from the National Aquarium in Baltimore, after five years of service.

# 'Miss Central Rosemont — 1985' selected

The Fifth Annual Teen Pageant presented by the Central Rosemont Recreation Center was held recently at the Center on Winchester St.

The theme was "This is My Night." And what a night it was — an evening that one will not forget too easily. The eight contestants were simply beautiful, as they went through their pageant paces for a capacity crowd.

They were Natasha Duncan, Tenika Gross, Joquitta Hayes, GiGi Reid, Geraldine Singster, Rochelle Scott, Shelli Stewart and Lydia Sykes.

On the program were the ever - so - ready Color Guards — American Legion Post No. 213. Emcees were Tong Fulton, lobbyist, and Rose Davis, Department Head at Harlem Park.

Special Guest was Kelly Jackson — "Miss Talented, Maryland." The eight talented young ladies displayed their hidden talents and were highlighted in a splendid manner.

As one glanced around the audience, the listeners, the parents were beaming and hearts aglow, watching ehrir children perform.

Crowned queen for the fifth pageant was Shelli Stewart. Second Runner - up was GiGi Reid. First Runner - Up was Geraldine Singster, who was also chosen 'Miss Congeniality.'

The judges were Drucilla Bunch, Denise Foster and Pinnie Ross. The contestants were judged on their formal attire exhibition and question - response competition, as well as their talents.

Donations to be used as prizes for the contestants were forth - coming from 'The Friends of Central Rosemont Committee;' 'The Central Rosemont Teen Pageant Committee;' 'Big B. Market, Super Pride, WWIN Radio Station, WEBB Radio Station, American Legion Post No. 213, WEAA Radio Station and V-103 Radio Station.

This pageant was one of the best. The message to the contestants, choreographer, parents, the Steering Committee, The Central Rosemont Male escorts is: "We salute you for making "This is My Night" one of Baltimore's Best — so beautiful."

CONTESTANTS AND RUNNERS-UP in the pageant are (seated, L to R) Tenika Gross, Lydia Sykes and Natasha Duncan. (Standing, L to R) Joquitta Hayes, Geraldine Sangster, First Runner-Up; GiGi Reid, Second Runner-Up; Rochelle Scott and Shelli Stewart-Queen.

NEW DEB — Gyl Beth Johnson, daughter of George Wellington and Brenda Bowe Johnson, made her debut at the recent Columbia Delta's Cotillion held at the Omni Hotel. Gyl is a junior at Polytechnic Institute.

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Her knowledge of the Unemployment Insurance Laws of Maryland escalated her to the position of manager of the Training and Staff Development Unit of the Department of Employment and Training, where she proved herself a knowledgeable and capable manager.

Ms. Bennett was feted by co - workers, friends and family recently at a cocktail party. The event was held at the Engineering Society, 11 W. Mt. Vernon Place. Ms. Bennett will now be associated with Century 21 Associate Realtors as a manager.

### BRIDGE CLUB PARTY

Members of the Ha Ha Bridge Club entertained at a luncheon and card party recently at Meushaw's.

Members of the club are, Glodine Adams, Vera Carrington, Lillian Dantley, Bernita Fuller, Otyce Froe, Evelyn Hayshert and Audrey Pinderhughes, president.

### LOCAL IOTAS GAIN HONORS AT REGIONAL CONF.

Sorors of Baltimore's Kappa Chapter, Iota Phi Lambda Sorority recently joined other sorors from the Eastern Regional at the 46th Annual Conference in Washington, DC, held at the palatial Capital Hilton recently.

Along with members of the various auxiliaries: Lambda, Pelatis, Figs, Gems, and Fils, they were joined by undergraduates and National Officers.

National officers in attendance were Dr. Evelyn S. Peevy, of Norfolk, VA; Mrs. Priscilla Thomas of Columbus, GA; and Doris Browning Austin, National Journalist of Baltimore, MD.

In line with the theme, "Challenge of Change for Women in the 80's," Fannie B. Poulson, moderated the panel and workshop: "Iota's Purpose, Programs and Projects.'

Mayor Marion S. Barry Jr. greeted the delegation at the Saturday afternoon luncheon, and informed them that Washington, DC has now registered some 21,000 youth for employment this summer, and are expecting to register an additional 25,000.

Dr. Harriet G. Jenkins, Assistant Administrator for Equal Employment Opportunity Programs, NASA was the speaker for the luncheon.

Alpha Gamma, the hostess chapter, entertained the conference at the dinner hour by presenting Ms. Arlene Littlejohn, soprano, in concert.

Kappa Chapter was included among several chapters that received special recognition for outstanding programs and projects during the year. Their local 'Soror of the Year,' Mrs. Margaret Selby, was presented as one of the runners-up for national recognition.

Especially significant to note was the election of Evelyn B. Faulk, a Social Security Administrator, who will serve the region as its Director. Also, Doris B. Austin, head of the English Department, Garrison Junior High School, who now serves as National Journalist, was nominated as the 'Woman of the Year.' If she withstands national competition, she will receive the highest honor the sorority offers: The Lola M. Parker Award.

### LAS AMIGAS WORKSHOP

On Saturday, May 25 the Baltimore Chapter of Las Amigas, Inc. is sponsoring a workshop on "Teenage Parenting." The workshop will beheld from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Saint Marks Methodist Church located at Liberty Heights Avenue and Garrison Boulevard. The guest speaker will be Dr. Rosetta Stith.

For further information, please contact Mrs. Mary Eastman (944-8965).


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## —More Single Parenting

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the women seemed to be just as bad as the men. However, the men felt that love and relationships the second time around were much more fulfilling.

In both sexes, they all agreed that if they got involved with another single parent, there was a greater chance of that relationship lasting because both of them were aware of each others' needs.

It was mentioned several times that men and women do not take the time to get to know each other. As in the case with a good bit of them, it was "jump in the bed first" and wait and see what happens.

With today's growing advancement in technology and the constant changing of standards, it is hard to know when to jump and when not to jump. Perhaps a good rule would be to "NOT JUMP" and see how long they stick around????

Whatever the case may be, there is a continuing need to communicate with each other — Unless of course you are only interested in short term relationships.

The overall picture of whether or not love and relationships are the same the second time around is truly debatable. There were on the topic of "Love and Relationships the Second Time Around," who said it was different; those who said yes, and those who said no, and those who just sort of said maybe so.

So, for the single parent who is experiencing love and relationships the second time around, you are on your own. However, as the saying goes it takes "Two to Tango" and "Two to Make it Right."

So, if it fails, don't feel as though it's your fault entirely. Remember if you gave it your best shot, maybe it wasn't worth it if you have to suffer an enormous amount of humiliation.

No one was put here to suffer needless pain, and for those who feel that they must have a loving relationship, rely on your own ethical codes.

If you are a single parent and you want to meet other single parents, Black Single Parents, Inc. holds its monthly membership meetings the first Thursday of every month at 4903 Liberty Heights Ave. from 7-9 p.m.

For more information call the Black Single Parent Hotline (301) 466-5554.

## —Gala Reception

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social and community groups having an ongoing interest in the choir and the University.

Working cooperatively with various groups, the President's Committee has been able to provide scholarships for outstanding, deserving students; to defray some of the housing and transportation expenses of the choir; to send the choir to concerts in Bermuda, Nassau and throughout the United States; and to assist the choir in purchasing robes and meeting other financial needs.

Present members of the President's Committee include Genevieve Wisner, Mae Moody, Marion Garrett, Lucy Adams, Mary Fields, Nathan M. Carter, Esther Brooks, A. Bernice Hunley, Audrey E. Williams, Donald Tynes, Isaac Moody, Margaret Jackson, Virginia Coleman and James A. Priest.

Working closely with the members of the President's Committee to make the Morgan Choir's concert at the Meyerhoff a major success were the members of the Baltimore Urban League's Planning Committee, including Marie Givens, Lloyd Alston, Howard Jessamy, Robert Oser, Michael Griver, Lucy Jones, Dawn Robinson, Marvin Jones, James Priest and Richard Sarmiento.

It is beautiful to see Black organizations working together to enhance the cultural milieu of Baltimoreans and to support developing the talents of our young people.

## Joyce Williams appointed Nurse Manager

Joyce F. Williams has been appointed nurse manager at Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital. Prior to this appointment, she served as a pediatric clinical nurse specialist at the University of Maryland Medical Systems Hospital.

Her professional experience also includes positions as nurse chairman and as charge nurse in pediatrics at the University of Maryland Hospital. She is an American Heart Association CPR instructor and an instructor with Pediatric Intensive Care Education Symposiums.

A graduate of the University of Maryland, Ms. Williams holds a bachelor of science degree in nursing and a master of science degree. She is a frequent lecturer on various health topics, including "The Rights of Parents and Children During Hospitalization" and "Behavioral Expectations of Infants and Toddlers."

She is a member of the Maryland and American Nurses Associations and Clinical Specialist Special Interest Group.

Joyce Williams

Kimberly A. Powell Engaged

Nancy V. Brown Engaged

Rita R. Haris Engaged

## Engagements and Weddings

### *Kimberly Powell to wed Jeffrey Matthews*

The engagement of Kimberly Ann Powell to Jeffrey Daryl Matthews, son of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Matthews of Upper Park Heights, has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Powell also of Upper Park Heights.

A graduate of Arlington Baptist High School, the bride - elect is a Journalism Major at the University of Maryland, College Park.

The prospective bridegroom was graduated from Mt. Saint Joe and is a Business Major at the University of Maryland, College Park.

A June 1 wedding is planned and the couple will honeymoon in Nassau.

### *Nancy Brown to wed Harry Holt Jr.*

The engagement of Nancy Vanessa Brown, of Baltimore, daughter of Ruth Payne Brown, of Baltimore, and Harts Brown, of Mount Airy, to Harry William Holt Jr., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harry William Holt Sr. of Pittsburgh, has been announced by her parents.

The bride - elect is a graduate of Brown University Providence, RI, and will be attending Johns Hopkins Medical School in the fall.

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Her fiance, a 1984 graduate of the same university is employed as a Chemical Engineer with Calgon Corporation in Pittsburgh, PA.

A late June wedding is planned.

### *Rita Harris to wed Bernard Bowers*

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Harris of Leighton Ave. have announced the engagement of their daughter, Rita Roxann Harris, to Bernard Bowers, son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bowers of Radnor Ave.

The bride - elect is a graduate of Towson State College. She is a Senior Accounts Manager for MCI.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. He is the Audio - Visual Specialist for Sinai Hospital.

Plans are being made for an early July wedding.


Keep Red Cross ready.

## By the way...

By Joe Black

A group of famous people in the entertainment world came together and blended their voices in song and said:

"We are the world
We are the children
We are the ones to make a brighter day."

This unselfish act was motivated by the famine and starvation in Ethiopia. It is a classic example of: "Black and White together, we shall overcome."

Today, I want to remind you of a challenge to Black Americans. It is finding a cure for Sickle Cell Trait and Sickle Cell Anemia. Why? Because one of 12 Black Americans has Sickle Cell Trait; one of 500 Black Americans has Sickle Cell Anemia. Sickle Cell Anemia does not affect one's intelligence, but it can cause growth retardation, leg ulcers, pneumonia, strokes, decreased exercise tolerance and sometimes causes pain.

If you are born with this tendency from one parent, you have Sickle Cell Trait. If you are born with this tendency from both parents, you have Sickle Cell Anemia. You will not know whether you have Sickle Cell Trait unless you take a simple blood test. So help combat and support the fight against Sickle Cell Disease by:

1. Having a blood test to learn if you have the Trait.
2. Riding Greyhound, because in 1985 a percentage of each ticket will be donated to the National Association for Sickle Cell Disease.
3. Mailing a contribution to your local Sickle Cell Chapter. or to:

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"...discrimination is discrimination, no matter what it is based on."

Smokers Get a Raw Deal

By Stanley S. Scott

The civil rights act, the voting rights act and a host of antidiscrimination laws not withstanding, millions of Americans are still forced to sit in the back of planes, trains and buses. Many more are subject to segregation in public places. Some are even denied housing and employment: victims of an alarming — yet socially acceptable — public hostility.

This new form of discrimination is based on smoking behavior.

If you happen to enjoy a cigarette, you are the potential target of violent antismokers and overzealous public enforcers determined to force their beliefs on the rest of society.

Ever since people began smoking, smokers and nonsmokers have been able to live with one another using common courtesy and common sense. Not anymore. Today, smokers must put up with virtually unenforceable laws regulating when and where they can smoke — laws intended as much to discourage smoking itself as to protect the rights of nonsmokers. Much worse, supposedly responsible organizations devoted to the "public interest" are encouraging the harassment of those who smoke.

Zealots, stop maltreating cigarette users

Harmless fun? Not quite. Consider the incidents that are appearing on police blotters across America:

- In a New York restaurant, a young man celebrating with friends was zapped in the face by a man with an aerosol spray can. His offense: lighting a cigarette. The aggressor was the head of a militant antismoker organization whose goal is to mobilize an army of two million zealots to spray smokers in the face.
- In a suburban Seattle drug store, a man puffing on a cigarette while he waited for a prescription to be filled was ordered to stop by an elderly customer who pulled a gun on him.
- A 23-year-old lit up a cigarette on a Los Angeles bus. A passenger objected. When the smoker objected to the objection, he was fatally stabbed.
- A transit policeman, using his reserve gun, shot and fatally wounded a man on a subway train in the Bronx in a shootout over smoking a cigarette.

The basic freedoms of more than 50 million American smokers are at risk today. Tomorrow, who knows what personal behavior will become socially unacceptable, subject to restrictive laws and public ridicule? Could travel by private car make the social engineers' hit list because it is less safe than public transit? Could ice cream, cake and cookies become socially unacceptable because their consumption causes obesity? What about sky diving, mountain climbing, skiing and contact sports? How far will we allow this to spread?

The question all Americans must ask themselves is: can a nation that has struggled so valiantly to eliminate bias based on race, religion and sex afford to allow a fresh set of categories to encourage new forms of hostility between large groups of citizens?

After all, discrimination is discrimination, no matter what it is based on. □

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