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Steven Sachs William Donald Schaefer

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mitted to Schaefer for his approval.

He accused the mayor of declining some of the dates, ignoring others and outright not responding to others.

Once Schaefer officially announces (though he is said to be stealing away to the various counties whenever the opportunity arises) he will probably continue to dodge the debate issue, hopefully all the way to the fall primary election.

The mayor readily acknowledges that he is not a debate specialist and has no intentions of allowing Sachs to make him look foolish in the eyes of the voting public.

Sachs, meanwhile, continues to accuse Schaefer of orchestrating "a coronation" not a campaign and says he's ready to roll up the sleeves and focus on the "real" issues all the way down in the trenches.

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MORE DEBATES—The League of Women Voters and Loyola College will co-sponsor Debate '86 in conjunction with a local television station in October.

Two hour-long debates, the first for senatorial candidates (Oct. 18) and the latter of gubernatorial candidates (Oct. 25) will be held in the McManus Theater on Loyola's campus.

It seems that the League has been spearheading such public forums prior to all of the various elections since 1920.

The only ho-hummer in the whole arrangement is the fact that it won't pull off a debate between the two Democratic contenders for governor in time for the Sept. 9 primary election.

The only reason given so far, according to a published account, is that the calendar is already too jumbled to try and squeeze in another debate at that time.

Maybe a few telephone calls to the League's office might go along way in convincing them to juggle their calendar.

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WHAT'S ISAIAH FLETCHER REALLY UP TO?—A communication via the Independent Republican Coalition says that Isaiah Fletcher and Rev. St. George Crosse will attend a forum for GOP candidates in the Third and Seventh congressional districts on May 13.

Crosse will be announcing for the Seventh shortly but Fletcher keeps claiming that he isn't going to do likewise.

The May 13 meeting will take place at 7:30 p.m. at Saint David's Church, 4700 Roland Ave.

Incidentally, Fletcher was recently spied in the audience at another public forum for Democratic and Republican congressional candidates in that district. That forum was held in the Woodmoor area.

COVERING CAMPAIGNS AND GAINING WEIGHT—Included in the mounds of press releases, letters, photographs and telephone messages from candidates in an election year, untold numbers of invitations to cover social hours and buffets also clutter a reporter's desk. So forget the diet.

Candidate for Attorney General, Eleanor Carey sent one Wednesday inviting the AFRO to a "Eleanor Carey Send-Off" at Martin's West on May 12.

"Have another plate of food and let me introduce you to Ms. Carey," another high strung press secretary will suggest on that evening, and add five more calories to your waistline while you're at it.

The Carey camp must be congratulated for its very catchy campaign promotion slogan: "Ellie Carey Has My Stamp of Approval" and the accompanying campaign package.

...And still another food invitation from a candidate in Baltimore County who wants the AFRO to stop by the Hunan Taste Restaurant on May 5. Dorothy Siegel, who wants to be the next councilperson from the second district out there, is anxious to add a few pounds to this body.

BEST BET from the political rumor mill—Is AFRO "Bloodnotes" columnist R.B. Jones really thinking about running for the Baltimore City Council or Congress. Honest?

—WEBB now

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day Brunson got local zoning approval to erect three new broadcast towers inside the Park Circle Industrial Park in the northwest section of the city.

Technicians have been working at a feverish pace to ready the station for its very special debut which occurred on Wednesday evening.

The increased broadcast hours will also mean additional changes over at WEBB. The station will leave its current home on the corner of Dennison Street and Clifton Avenue headed for the industrial park site on June 15, according to Brunson, chief officer of Brunson Communications, Inc.

"This will reinforce the economic base in that community. This black business isn't running from the community, it's staying here and helping to rejuvenate it," she added.

The additional air-time will mean more jobs and between a 20 and 30 percent increase in station profits which could generate about $500,000 in extra revenues, monies she says will go back into the community.

—Chick Webb

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isting ones, karate and power weight-lifting.

Delaporte said he estimates that the total rehab project could run between $100,000 and $200,000.

"We don't have any (recreation) facility that can handle these kinds of sports (and) it (Chick Webb Center) is a really good facility but it's all run down," he added.

Willie Phillips, the man charged with running the center for the past 14 years, couldn't agree more with that statement.

"Basically, as long as you've got enough people on staff you can control the children but the building itself is definitely overdue for renovations," said Phillips.

The first Christmas tree to be lit with electric light bulbs was installed at the home of Edward H. Johnson of New York in December 1882.

—Lutheran-Provident

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some hospital" by May 31 according to law.

His reply was, "I am not going to comment on that."

Andrew Wigglesworth, the executive assistant to Gov. Harry Hughes reviewed for the AFRO

—Falsely accused

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peared on behalf of Lerner shops. As a result, the case was dismissed.

After that action, attorney Cohen sent a letter to owners and management of Lerner Shops.

"We sent a letter on behalf of our client to notify them that they would be charged with false imprisonment and malicious prosecution and that we would accept a settlement. After all, our client was handcuffed behind her back, brought through a crowded mall, and held in jail for eight hours," Cohen told the AFRO.

"And furthermore, no one ever found the hat they were talking about," he added.

Cohen told the AFRO that after the shoplifting case was dismissed concerning the November 3, 1986 incident, Ms. Arnold was charged with shoplifting a second time at the Mondawmin Lerner Shop store on April 2, 1983.

After a summons was issued, the store manager appeared in court, but the Circuit Court judge found Ms. Arnold not guilty.

"Again, the charging parties were unable to produce evidence. No evidence, no proof . . . not guilty," Cohen said.

However, the attorney explained that after his office mailed the counter-suit letter to Lerner Shops, they failed to appear and, later claimed that they were unaware that they had to.

However when both parties appeared for trial last week, the jury returned a verdict of $163,000 in Ms. Arnold's favor.

"I think this is one time that the Lerner Shops learned a lesson," said attorney Cohen.

Calls to the Lerner Shops store in Mondawmin Mall revealed that the involved manager, Dave Singer, was no longer employed there.

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Two members of a Baltimore law firm have successfully brought to conclusion a suit against two truck companies on behalf of a 2½ year old Eastern Shore boy whose mother was killed in an automobile accident.

According to court papers which were signed last week by Judge John C. North, III of the Talbot County Circuit Court, the child will receive a total of $1,250,000 from the truck firms.

Included are a $100,000 payment when he reaches 18, a $100,000 payment when he reaches 25 and $924,000 when he reaches 35 years old.

Court observers say that the $1,250,000 cash award is the largest recovered by a black plaintiff in this predominately white and rural Eastern Shore county.

MOTHER KILLED INSTANTLY

The auto accident took place on Sept. 16, 1984 at the intersection of Route 304 and Route 301 in Queen Anne's County, Maryland.

The boy's mother who was a passenger in a car stopped at an intersection was crushed and burned by two trucks which collided with each other and then hit the mother's automobile.

The mother died instantly.

Since the accident, the boy's grandmother has been raising him and he will continue to live with his grandmother.

The family lawyers were William H. Murphy, Jr. and Richard V. Falcon.

—NAACP

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Lady metaphysician reveals another side to astrology

By Lamont X. Curry
AFRO Staff Writer

By definition, occult wisdom is that science that is not revealed, hidden or secret. It usually implies those things involving the action or influence of supernatural agencies, or some secret knowledge of them.

Unfortunately, according to occultists, these matters are mistakenly thought to be demonic or satanic by casual observers.

Astrology, the study of the supposed influences of the stars and planets on human affairs and terrestrial events by their positions and aspects, is often said to be demonic worship.

When K. Millicent Goeings (bka) Sis. Midda-Bey speaks, a different story is told of opposite implications.

She describes herself as a metaphysician, one who is concerned with the mental, physical, and spiritual healing of humanity.

She defines astrology as a tool for conscious growth and awareness, a path to discovering the "god within and the God without."

"The scripture says, 'Know Thyself.' An astrological chart gives one an overview of one's lessons and blessings.

"Astrology tells you what you've come into the world with from God. A chart reveals, based on the surrounding universe and its influences, your strengths, weaknesses, vulnerabilities and helps you discover your full power potential.

"It helps you to see your own behavioral patterns so that you might make the proper adjustments.

"Astrology, with the help of God, will help you establish your own divinity," she said.

An astrological chart is a glyph or picture of the universe, with all of its attributes and influences at the time of a particular birth.

Sister Midda admits that commercially, astrology is used as an entertainment faculty.

"We are as humankind striving to be like God," she said, exploding from time to time with bursts of energy as she sat in the sun surrounded by greening grass and budding trees.

She's just returning to the Baltimore-Washington corridor from a winter of meditation and study with family she described as conscious, in West Virginia.

"The traditional Judeo-Christian ethic, coupled with the typical socio-economic climate African-American children grow up intakes them away from the knowledge of themselves.

"The search for the knowledge of self in a world headed in the other direction, is an arduous task for our children. Some grow up in the midst of frustrated parents who curse constantly and give the impression of normalcy.

"They study their parents in order to understand themselves and therefore set up the vicious cycles of confusion and what-have-you in our communities, in many cases...

"They emulate the habit patterns of those around them instead of discovering what God has planted inside of them for them. Things that their parents and others don't have or understand.

"Astrology helps you to heal yourself...

"God, our Father, does not intend for us to be poor, debased, wretched or abject sets of beings....

"When you study yourself in relationship to the universe . . .

"When you discover that you hold the reins-that your control your own destiny... you realize your connection and oneness with God. Astrology is a great tool," she said.

Sister Midda spoke of light vanquishing darkness or knowledge destroying ignorance.

"I have an objection to the architectural implications of rowhouses in Baltimore City. It develops tunnelvision. They have no side windows — when you look out front-you see someone else's front door. When you look out back-you see someone else's back door.

"The lack of light and vision creates a capacity for narrow-mindedness that is pervasive here in a town full of beautiful people" she said.

We are approaching the Age of Aquarius, a time (2000 AD) when the righteous will all be astrologers. This will be a time when people will be able to read the lessons weaved throughout their five marriages (and divorces) as well as their blessings that previously had gone unrecognized. It will be a time when we will know God, she said.

"You can't study yourself without studying The Most High. To know self is to know the Creator," she said smiling.

Sister Midda, 43, was born in Cleveland. Although she was raised with a traditional Christian orientation, she discovered true spiritual awareness, she said, in 1969 when she was introduced to the study of the Qabala (the study of The Tree of Life).

Since 1983, she has been a member of the Ascending World Community Church in Washington, D.C. under the tutelage of Reverend/Navigator Jertha Love.

Sister Midda will be offering free astrology classes that will be conducted at Enoch Pratt Library.

For more information, call 669-3026.

SISTER MIDDA-BEY GOEINGS AND Psychic Reader Kenneth Broom, president of the Institute for Applied Metaphysics in Baltimore, construct an astrological chart by computer.

Rep. Gray to be HU commencement speaker

Rep. William Gray of Pennsylvania who heads the powerful House Finance Committee will give the commencement address at Howard University's annual graduation exercises slated for May 10.

Gray along with five others who include Sammy Davis, Jr. and historian Merze Tate will receive honorary degrees.

Also expected to receive an honorary degree will be actress Cicely Tyson.

Tyson rose to national fame for her starring role in the film "Sounder" in 1972 for which she received an Academy Award nomination for Best Acress. She is known for her roles in television productions "The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman" in 1974, in "King" in 1977, and in "Roots" also in 1977.

She has also recently appeared in the television movie "Unacceptable Risks" and will appear in "Samaritan: The Mitch Snyder Story" which will air on May 19 on CBS.

She is co-founder of the Dance Theater of Harlem, and she has received a number of awards for her work in the community as well as in film and theater, including honors from the NAACP and the National Council of Negro Women.

Approximately 2,000 degrees will be confirmed at the commencement which this year will be held on the university's main quadrangle because of renovation being done to Howard Stadium.

Gray is serving his fourth term in Congress representing Pennsylvania's Second Congressional District in Philadelphia. In January 1985, he was elected to the chairmanship of the House Budget Committee, making him a central figure in the shaping of the federal budget. He serves on the Committee on Appropriations, on that committee's subcommittees on transportation and foreign operations, on the District of Columbia Committee, and on the Democratic Steering and Policy Committee. He is also the vice chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus.

He has been the senior minister at Bright Hope Baptist Church in North Philadelphia since 1972. Born in Baton Rouge and raised in Philadelphia, he and his wife, Andrea, have three sons. Gray will receive the honorary doctor of laws degree.

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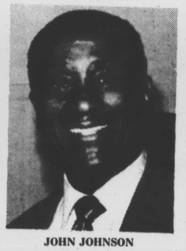
Sammy Davis, Jr. is known the world over as a consummate entertainer and gracious humanitarian. He has had dramatic successes as a singer, actor, dancer, comedian, producer and author.

CICELY TYSON



JOHN JOHNSON

He has recorded over 40 albums, including several gold record such as "Candy Man" and "I Gotta Be Me." His film appearances include roles in "Porgy and Bess" and "Sweet Charity." He has had his own television variety show and has appeared in guest-starring roles in several television series. His Broadway performances in "Mr. Wonderful" and "Golden Boy" were classic, and he is a regular headliner in New York and Las Vegas. His autobiography, "Yes, I Can," was a best-seller.

As an activist in the civil rights movement of the '60s, as a generous contributor to cancer research, the NAACP, the United Negro College Fund and a number of other community organizations, and with his involvement in securing peace for Israel, Davis has earned a name for himself as one of the world's great humanitarians. He lives in Beverly Hills with his wife, Altovise. Davis will receive the honorary doctor of humane letters degree.

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John H. Johnson founded the two most successful magazines published for black readership in America today, Ebony and Jet. His company, Johnson Publishing Co., also publishes Ebony Jr., and he is head of Supreme Life Insurance Co., president of the Chicago radio station WJPC, president of the Louisville radio station WLOU and president of Fashion Fair Cosmetics.

Johnson serves on the board of several major corporations, is involved in many philanthropic, civic and cultural activities, and has received numerous awards. Johnson and his wife, Eunice, live in Chicago and have one daughter. He will receive the honorary doctor of humanities degree.

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