Kids Talk

Do you know this person?

After 26 years in politics, she was the first black woman elected to Congress in 1968, and the first black person to run for the presidential nomination as a candidate of a major political party.

Although born in the United States on Nov. 30, 1924, she grew up on the island of Barbados and was raised as a member of the Quaker religion.

"When I was a little girl, my grandmother — who was in her early 70's — would say 'Child you're black and you are going to be a woman and don't think you can change either of the two'," she fondly remembered.

"But you are bright and you have a brain. Use it to show you are coming through."

Heeding her grandmother's advice, she went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree from Brooklyn College in New York City, and later earned a Masters degree from New York's Columbia University.

In 1964 she began serving a four year term as Democratic delegate to the New York Assembly just prior to her Congressional stint. She is also a founding member of the National Women's Political Caucus, and later helped organize the National Political Congress for Back Women after both Republican and Democratic presidential candidates at the 1984 conventions failed to interview black women as possible running mates.

As an author, she has penned two books; "Unbought and Unbossed" — an autobiography — and "The Good Fight."

She presently resides in Williamsville, NY.

Excerpted from "And Still We Rise" by Barbara Reynolds, USA Today Books 1988.

Shirley Chisholm.

And the winners are....

Presenting our national 'Youth on the Beat' awardess

Nicole Clarke, a 17-year-old senior at the School Without Walls in D.C., was the first place national winner of the Youth on the Beat contest. She won a desk-top computer and a $100 savings bond for her article; "The Homeless: A Lesson In Understanding."

Here's the winning essay in its entirety, the first in a series.

Recently, the Community for Creative Non-Violence (CCNV), had an opening ceremony to celebrate the newly renovated, 2nd and D Streets shelter for the homeless which now houses men and women, medical facilities, a food kitchen and, most importantly, more beds.

Before work began on the shelter, men and women were housed separately. Men stayed at 2nd and D streets, and women were allowed to visit during the day, but spent the night at a decrepit school building on Lincoln Rd., NE.

A depressing place on the outside — with trash, boarded-up houses, and lifeless people milling around for most of the day, and an equally stressful atmosphere inside — with a concentration of 120 women of vastly different temperaments in a space designed for half as many. In a neighborhood that did not fare much better, the building's condition went largely unnoticed.

Similarly, the conditions and lives of homeless women in the shelter were ignored. With so many wasted lives, mothers separated from children, mentally ill, conflicts, and physical confrontations, each day became an emotional strain. I soon found that women could care less that I was sharing five hours of my time, that I empathized with their struggles, or even that I gave them change to use the phone, although such philanthropy was against house policy. I had ventured into that setting believing sympathy, understanding and a desire to help mattered; when instead, it was whether or not a woman had somewhere to sleep, whether she could take a shower, whether she had an address enabling her to apply for a job, and whether she had something to eat at least twice a day. Survival and attainment of a decent quality of life mattered most.

The fundamental lesson I learned, leads me to think that if this basic human struggle could go unnoticed, is it any wonder the rest of society seems to not have the capacity necessary to understand the needs of our homeless?

Nicole Clarke (center), Youth on the Beat winner with her mother and instructor, Phyllis Weiss, from the District's School Without Walls.

YOUTH ON THE BEAT Contest Winner Nicole Thompson of Woodson Sr. High School.

YOUTH ON THE BEAT Contest Winners from Francis Jr. High School—front row, L to R: Ismaia Bonilla, Koquinda Chambers, Stacey Brown; back row: teacher Suzann Willet, Koquinda's mother Ms. Jayne Withers, teacher Virginia Saxton, Koquinda's aunt Ms. Pamela Johnson, and Stacey's mother Mrs. Karen Beasley.

Puzzling???

The Election

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MIX & MATCH

1. A formal expression of a person's decision; a right bestowed to citizens in America at the age of 18.

2. The paper or card on which a vote is cast.

3. The person elected to represent the country; a position of authority.

4. An estimate of public opinion made by questioning a representative sample of people. It predicts the outcome of elections.

5. A form of government in which the people of the country rule through representatives whom they elect.

6. The whole body of voters.

7. One who dislikes great or sudden change. One who avoids extremes.

8. A series of activities planned to inform voters about the views of those candidates seeking office.

9. One who favors reform and individual liberty. One who is tolerant and open-minded, not strict.

10. A formal assembly of a political party.

11. A political election for selecting convention delegates or party nominees.

12. A meeting of a small group of political party leaders to decide policy.

ANSWERS:

1. vote 2. ballot 3. President 4. polls 5. democracy 6. electorate 7. conservative 8. campaign 9. liberal 10. convention 11. primary 12. caucus

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Attn: KIDS TALK

Creamy peanut butter fudge

Don't wait for the holidays to make Peanut Butter Fudge. Don't even wait for dessert. Peanut Butter Fudge is so creamy and delicious, it should be made at the drop of a hat. Or maybe even the drop in of a friend.

The recipe couldn't be easier. It takes only minutes to bring butter, evaporated milk and sugar to a boil. Stir in marshmallows, peanut butter chips and vanilla and pour this blended fudge into a pan. Once cooled, the fudge can easily be spread with melted chocolate. Chill and it's ready to eat.

The rich flavor of evaporated milk combines with peanut butter chips to create a delicate taste that pairs well with the chocolate topping. And the pale golden fudge offers a pleasing color contrast to the dark chocolate so it looks pretty on a plate. It's the perfect treat whether it's holiday or not.

With coffee or espresso, Peanut Butter Fudge makes an excellent after-dinner dessert. Cut it in small chunks and serve it as you would chocolate truffles.

Although a little of this rich fudge goes a long way, stopping at just a little will not be easy. You may want to make two batches — one for when friends drop in and another to keep just for yourself.

Peanut Butter Fudge
(Makes 2 Pounds)

2 tablespoons butter
⅔ cup **undiluted** *CARNATION* Evaporated Milk
1⅔ cups sugar
½ teaspoon salt
2 cups (4 ounces) miniature marshmallows
1½ cups (9 ounces) peannut butter chips
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup (6 ounces) chocolate chips

In medium saucepan, combine butter, evaporated milk, sugar, and salt. Cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally. Bring to full boil. Cook 4 to 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat.

Stir in marshmallows, peanut butter chips, and vanilla. Stir vigorously for 1 minute, until marshmallows melt and blend. Pour into buttered 8-inch square pan. Cool. Melt chocolate chips; spread on fudge.

Chill before serving.

Don't Miss the Television Guide in *FRIDAY PLUS*

IN THE STARS / STRICTLY PERSONAL

SCORPIO (October 23 - November 21): Someone "in the know" is giving you privileged information, but take it with caution. Sometimes things like this can land you into more trouble. Try not to make important interviews or plans during Thursday or Friday as these days are adversely affected in a serious way.

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SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): A near and dear family member asks nothing more than to be your friend, so try to see if you can't appease this individual. It's worth it. Wednesday is the only half way favorable day to do anything important. Saturday and Sunday are the only two days cosmically marked as stressful to the extreme.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19): Your travel destinations may not turn out to be what you expected. Making long-term financial arrangements is not wise now. Be on your toes. Like your Libra counterpart, you have more stress days this week than favorable ones.

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AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18): Your home life isn't as calm as you would like, but the next new Moon should put things into a quiet light. See to the details of a new project. A bit of unexpected news is likely to come your way early next week. The same is true for Saturday and Sunday.

PISCES (February 19-March 20): Remember not to forget the birthdays of those people who are important to you. A fine agreement with a superior at the office can be reached. Out of the seven days, four of them are favorable, two are unfavorable and one is neutral Thursday and Friday are very favorable.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Talking too much isn't going to hurt anybody but you. Pay attention to small, unobtrusive details. Don't entertain family or friends at this time. This is your week of personal achievement. Make plans to carry out anything you desire. Friday you should exercise caution.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Keep steady on the course you're currently tackling. Family members can give you fine advice now if you will listen. New plans could prove faulty. You should consider yourself "Best sign of the week" beginning Monday. Travel and romance are strongly indicated.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The Moon is in retrograde, so it is not an opportune time to embark on new ventures. A letter from afar could prove detrimental to current affairs. As for the best days, keep Monday, but especially Saturday and Sunday in mind. Definitely focus on your finances.

CANCER (June 21-July 20): Understanding and patience are important when working with large groups of associates. Trivial problems will work themselves out soon enough. The early part of this week could put an unexpected damper on your affairs or mental attitude.

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LEO (July 21-August 22): Do not profess to be something you are not; sooner or later you will get caught in your own lies. Knowledgeable people will see right through you. Thursday and Friday are the only days that's likely to cause some personal resistance in your affairs.

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VIRGO (August 23-September 22): Words of wisdom should be heeded if they come from a reputable source. Do not rely on the efforts of co-workers to pull you through tough times ahead. An opportunity to turn your life around or improve your personal relationships is very much in evidence this Thursday.

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LIBRA (September 23-October 22): A sensible diet is what you need to lift you out of your present sedentary state. Don't underestimate the power of strenuous exercise and sports. You have more unfavorable days than favorable ones this week. It's not as bad as it sounds, though - just use a note of caution.

Tell it to Jan

Dear Jan:
My sister is getting married to a very nice gentleman who wants to become a minister after he finishes college. The problem is with my sister. She is dating another man and she really cares a lot about this guy.

However, she also wants to secure her future by marrying someone with money or the hopes of earning money.

I have also cared for the man she is supposed to marry and sometimes I have wanted to tell him so. I want to let him know how I actually feel about him.

Do you think I should?
Sister

Dear Sister:
I think the best thing for you to do is mind your own business! Find someone else to care about.

If you tell this guy about your feelings for him you stand a very good chance of losing your sister's love and respect as well as the man that you want.

Be smart and find someone else.

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Dear Jan:
I have a bad problem, or at least my friends think so. I flirt with every boy I see.

Often, I don't even know that I am doing it. The only boys I don't flirt with are my girlfriends' guys. However, my girlfriends still don't like me around their boyfriends.

I've tried to explain that I really don't mean any harm, but they don't believe me.

What's the answer?
L

Dear L:
Sorry, dear, you're not fooling anybody.

If you don't know when you are flirting, how do you manage to distinguish between your girlfriends' boyfriends and the rest of the guys?

The answer is to stop the flirting before you lose your friends.

A girl who acts like she's on the make whenever a guy is around will never win a popularity contest.

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Dear Jan:
I am separated from my husband. We have two sons. My mother has been supporting me for about two years. She supports me mainly because she wants me to graduate and attend nurses training school.

My husband does not work and I have received no support money from him.

Last summer I met a man whom I really cared for. He helps me to support my family and has been just wonderful to me. There are rumors that this fellow is supposed to marry another girl soon. However, he denies this to me.

What must I do, forget this man and wait to see what happens?
J. E.

Dear J. E.:
Frankly, I think you had better stick to first things first. For now, you should concentrate on getting through school and nurse training so you will be in a position to take care of yourself and your sons.

Plus this, please don't forget you are still married even though separated. Better still, forget all the romance stuff until you get your marital status completely cleared up.

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Dear Jan:
My husband and I are a young couple and have one child. My husband treats me nice and tells me he loves me, but he has an awful temper. He gets angry over simple, little things.

If I say or ask him anything — he just acts as if he doesn't hear me. He stays this way for two or three days.

What can I do or say that will change him? I love him very much.
Suzie

Dear Suzie:
Continue to be kind and understanding. Try not to broach the subjects which irritate him.

When he is in a good mood, you might try talking with him. Tell him of his unthoughtfulness. Remind him that marriage is give and take.

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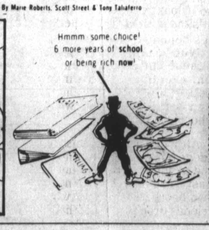
Confidential to Edna:
An affair is not a solution for loneliness.

Don't Do DRUGS

By Marie Roberts, Scott Street & Tony Taliaferro



STRICTLY PERSONAL

Lonesome Hearts
Pen Pals
Searching

To have a notice published in the Strictly Personal section, write the message you want printed clearly in the space below. Enclose five dollars ($5.00), check or money order for 25-word notice. Additional words will cost 20 cents each.

I would like my Strictly Personal notice to read:

To answer a Lonesome Hearts notice, enclose a check or money order for $1.00 for each letter you wish to have forwarded. Be sure to include the box number of the person you wish to contact. All letters, queries and notices should be sent to:

Strictly Personal
Box 1857
Baltimore, Md. 21201

If you have a problem you feel our counselor Jan might be able to help you with, why not write to her. All letters will be answered in this column.

Write: Tell it to Jan, AFRO-AMERICAN,
P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21201.

Lonesome Hearts

Pretty, 28-year-old, well groomed, soft-spoken female, former full-figured model, 5'6", 160 pounds, new to Baltimore, would like to meet sincere gentleman, 23-40 who is interested in a meaningful, lasting relationship. CC 138.

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Hardworking gentleman, 36, 5'6", 165 pounds, looking for sincere, sweet female in New Jersey or Philadelphia who is interested in friendship, sincerity and commitment. I don't own car. For more, write to CC 139.

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38-year-old brownskinned gentleman, 6', 180 pounds, lover of gospel music, would like to meet interesting, sincere lady in Washington, DC area. If possible, send photo with first letter. Write to CC 140.

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Tall, handsome, single, black American prince, who is a savvy, classy Aries would like to meet black American princess, 27-47. Phone number and photo appreciated. CC 141.

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Black male, 47, financially secure, would like to meet black female, 33-42 who is intelligent and financially secure. If possible, include phone number and photo in first letter. CC 142.

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Retired, classy lady, loves church, theatre, one day trips, would like to meet tall, sincere gentleman, 55-60 with similar likes. For more, write to CC 143.

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Attractive, intelligent, middleaged, brownskinned lady, living in Maryland area, with positive attitude toward life, desires to meet an honest, sincere, respectable gentleman, 59-76 for a compatible relationship. No drug users, phonies. Phone number and photo appreciated. For more, write to CC 133.

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52-year-old brownskinned male, 6',265 pounds, brown eyes, gray hair, wears glasses, would like to meet compassionate, understanding, intelligent female, 50 plus, to share a lifetime of happiness. I am a Pisces and would like to meet a marriage-minded lady, any nationality. Light smoker, drinker okay. Photo and phone number appreciated. CC 134.

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Handsome black male, 35, would like to meet sincere, understanding, very lovable female, 30-45 for long term relationship, possible marriage. Must have own transportation and willing to travel. Only serious ladies respond. CC 135.

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New Jersey male, middleaged, loving, gentle, sincere, would like to meet middleaged or older ladies from the New Jersey area for steady relationship. Must be a loving person. Serious replies only. CC 136.

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Tall, affectionate sweetheart, would like to meet tall gentleman, 36 and over who is interested in me only. Must love God. For more, write to CC 137.

Pen Pals

Retired, middleaged gentleman would like to meet interested ladies. 62-75 for friendship, compatible relationship, possible marriage. If you are interested please write to D. Williamson, Northgate 1, 8-H, Camden, NJ 08102 or call (609) 964-8336.

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Lonely, black single male, Seventh Day Adventist member, who doesn't smoke or drink, would like to correspond with honest, sincere, Christian ladies. Mr. Jackson, Post Office Box 696, Rochester, NY 14603.

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Whether or not I am the right man for you depends upon how receptive you are to this ad. Attractive, African-American male, late 20's, wears hair in locks, clean, not into drugs would like to correspond with females, 18-40 for long-time relationship. Presently confined, I am honest, intelligent, strong yet sensitive of the heart and, or mind. Not looking for a meal ticket or free ride. Have business aspirations, sense of humor and cultural oriented, I'm seeking a new beginning, new friendships. For more, write to: Moyo Nassor, 63209, CN 861, Trenton, NJ 08625.

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New Christian Dating Service, designed for the Biblically oriented and serious-minded adults. CDS offers unique and personalized introduction service. Meet that "special" one. Call or write to: CDS, Post Office Box 25147, Baltimore, MD 21229 (301) 792-3874.

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Handsome, sincere, honest, professional black Moslem male, 43, 5'10", 160 pounds, non-drinker, non-smoker, would like to meet black lady, 30-43 for meaningful relationship, possible marriage. Photo appreciated. Call Ibrahima S. Toure (301) 277-1059 between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m., Monday - Saturday. Anytime on Sunday.

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Incarcerated male would like to establish friendship through correspondence. Alexander Turnage, 177-858, P. O. Box 45699, Lucasville, OH 45699-0001.

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36-year-old male, confined, seeks friendship through correspondence. Donald Kinch, P. O. Box 137, Tillery, NC 27887.

INTERESTING PEOPLE

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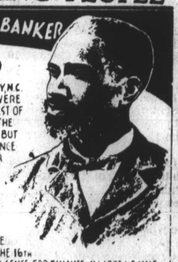
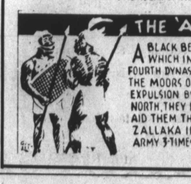
W.R. PETTIFORD



WAS BORN IN GRANVILLE COUNTY N.C. ON JAN 20,1847 HIS PARENTS WERE FARMERS AND BOTH FREE. THE ELDEST OF 4 CHILDREN HE HAD TO WORK ON THE FARM. LITTLE TIME FOR EDUCATION BUT THRU HARD WORK AND PERSEVERANCE FOR MANY YEARS HE QUALIFIED FOR THE MARION NORMAL SCHOOL IN ALABAMA. HE TAUGHT PRIMARY SCHOOL, BECAME A PRINCIPAL LATER AN ASS'T TEACHER AT SELMA U. WHERE HE STUDIED THEOLGY IN 1879 HE BECAME A PASTOR IN A CHURCH AT UNION SPRINGS. IN 1883 HE WENT TO BIRMINGHAM TO PASTOR THE 16th ST. BAPTIST CHURCH. HE HAD A KEEN SENSE FOR FINANCE. IN 1899 HE WAS ELECTED THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE ALABAMA PENNY SAVINGS LOAN CO.

THE 'ALMORAVIDES'



A BLACK BERBER HORDE FROM THE SAHARA WHICH IN THE 11th CENTURY FOUNGED THE FOURTH DYNASTY IN MOROCCO. IN 1055 A.C. WHEN THE MOORS OF SPAIN WERE THREATENED WITH EXPULSION BY THE WHITE CHRISTIANS FROM THE NORTH THEY IMPLORED THE ALMORAVIDES TO AID THEM. THEY CAME AND AT THE BATTLE OF ZALLAKA IN 1086 DEFEATED THE CHRISTIAN ARMY 5 TIMES THEIR SIZE. THEY RULED SPAIN 60 YRS