



Someone You Should Meet...

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Name: Karen A. Davis
Job Title: Sales Representative
Hometown: Winston-Salem
Describe yourself in one word: "Assertive"
Hobbies: Painting and reading
Favogite Book: "The Prophet," by Kahill Gibran
Favorite Movie: "Ghandi"
Persons admire most: Mother, Virginia Davis, and Jesse Jackson
Career Goal: "To be successful and ultimately to establish a computer consulting firm."

(photo by James Parker)

Crime Pevention

Suspect Arrested In Homicide Case

The following "Crime Box Score" is designed to keep you abreast of criminal activity in your community during the past week and to help you protect your family and property from crime.

Homicide

•3000 block, Glen Avenue
 The victim and suspect were involved in an argument. When they met later in the evening, words were exchanged and the victim was shot twice in the chest and killed. One person was arrested and charged with murder.

Armed Robbery

•200 block, South Broad Street
 A black male entered a convenience store with a napkin over his face, and demanded and received money. He then forced the clerk and a customer into an office at the rear of the store. A weapon was seen in suspect's front pocket, but it wasn't pulled out. The suspect is described as approximately 29 years old, with a light complexion and short hair.

Strong-Armed Robbery

•2100 block, North Trade Street
 The complainant was visiting a friend when he decided it was time to go home. Another individual told the complainant he would take him home. Upon arriving at the complainant's residence, the same individual beat up the complainant and took two wallets and a large sum of money from his victim.

Common-Law Robbery

•1400 block, Grey Avenue

A known suspect grabbed the complainant and pulled a ring off the complainant's finger. A warrant was issued but has not been served at this time.

•200 block, Greyhound Court

The complainant asked an unknown suspect for directions to the bus station. The suspect offered to walk with the complainant to the station. Two blocks later, the suspect struck the complainant in the jaw, knocking him to the ground. The suspect took the complainant's wallet, which contained a large sum of money. The suspect is described as a 6-foot, approximately 30-year-old black male.

Storebreaking

•1500 block, English Street
 Unknown items were taken from a church.
 •400 block, East 32nd Street
 Forty-seven blankets were taken from a garage.
 •1500 block, Patterson Avenue
 A church was entered but nothing was taken.
 •600 block, North Cherry Street
 Several kitchen knives were taken.

Housebreaking

•300 block, Mayfair Road
 Wedding bands and two watches were taken.
 •1600 block, East 25th Street

The complainant was awakened by noises of breaking glass and went to check on the noises. He observed an unknown black male in his kitchen. He pointed his shotgun at the suspect and told him to leave, which he

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NEWS DIGEST

National, state and local news briefs compiled by John Slade

Pendleton Defends Reagan On Civil Rights

NEW YORK -- The Reagan administration was both criticized and defended during a recent television face-off on WNBC's "Positively Black" as Benjamin Hooks, executive director of the NAACP, clashed with Clarence Pendleton, Reagan's chairman-designate of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

Hooks charged that the president had wanted to fire three members of the commission "because he did not like their policies" and that the running dispute that followed had "severely damaged" the commission.

"I don't sense that at all," said Pendleton, who is black. "Even before I was appointed or nominated, the president said that he wanted to change the make-up of the entire commission."

Formed in 1957 as a bi-partisan, temporary research organization, the commission became the object of a

heated national debate for several weeks following the president's announcement that he would replace three of the commission's five members.

The previous commission's term expired at the end of November, and, following a compromise between the administration and Congress, it was agreed that the commission would be reconstituted with eight members, four appointed by the president and four by Congress.

Asked if it was necessary to take Reagan's views into consideration as a commission member, Pendleton said, "I have never had any marching orders from the president. I am not one who believes fully like the president -- I am independent."

Hooks responded: "I think every president appoints people who think like themselves.... No marching orders are necessary."

Government Activity With Minority Firms Up

WASHINGTON -- Federal procurement from minority-owned businesses in the fiscal year 1983 exceeded the Reagan administration's goal by \$10 million, according to a preliminary report released last week by the Commerce Department's Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA).

Reports submitted by federal data representatives for minority business development in federal departments and agencies show a total of \$4.81 billion. In December 1982, President Reagan set a goal of \$15 billion for the

fiscal years 1983 through 1985 for minority businesses' share of federal procurement. The goal for fiscal 1983 was a 10 percent increase over actual procurement for fiscal 1982.

MBDA Acting Director Theron J. Bell said, "As agencies submit their minority business development plans for fiscal year 1984, we will review their procurement plans. To reach the president's three-year objective of \$15 billion, the target for fiscal 1984 will be \$5 billion."

A final report with a breakdown of data by agency will be released in January.

Suit Charges TWA With Discrimination

NEW YORK -- The NAACP, in conjunction with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), recently filed a suit in Los Angeles District Court against Trans World Airlines in an effort to block TWA from terminating its skycaop positions. The NAACP sought an emergency order after negotiations with the airline broke down.

A skycaop is the airline equivalent of the railroad Pullman Porter.

TWA was scheduled to terminate the skycaop positions Jan. 8, and intended to contract out the skycaop services at the 12 remaining airports, where the positions are still in effect. TWA had also planned to change its employee

retirement age from 50 to 55, which would have disqualified many skycaops from receiving retirement benefits.

The suit grew out of complaints to NAACP General Counsel Thomas I. Atkins by the skycaops, who had been informed that TWA would eliminate their positions to cut operating costs. All but one of the 200 positions are held by blacks.

"Thousands of jobs are involved here, not just with TWA, but with all other airlines," said Atkins. "The larger issue, in addition to the 200 TWA jobs, is the hope that other airlines with far more skycaop employees would be dissuaded from attempting to follow TWA's example if the NAACP is successful in blocking TWA's actions."

Fire Prevention

Water: Some Like It Too Hot

BY THOMAS FLYNN
 Syndicated Columnist

Can you make instant coffee with your hot tap water? If you can, and the granules of coffee totally dissolve, your hot water tank is set too high and you're courting a painful scald.

There's no good reason to set home water heaters above 130 degrees F. Let's analyze some of the bad reasons:

"My dishwasher needs 160 degrees water and my washing machine needs 140 degrees." Wrong! Early detergents required water temperatures this high and some appliance manufacturers still call for high temperatures in their instruction manuals. But today's dishwasher detergents will function beautifully at 120 degrees -- and there are laundry detergents that work best in cold water.

"One hundred twenty-degree water won't kill germs like my 160-degree water." Wrong again. Even water at 180 degrees won't kill many common household germs. To sterilize something, you need temperatures above the boiling point -- and who washes dishes with steam? No, you won't kill germs when you wash if you turn down

your hot water tank. But you're not killing germs now, either.

One hundred twenty to 130-degree water is hot enough for laundry and dishes -- just right for baths and showers. Here's why: Higher temperatures can scald human skin faster than you might imagine. One hundred forty-degree water can scald in four to five seconds.

At 160 degrees, water will scald in only two seconds and will produce a third-degree burn with irreparable tissue damage in about 30 seconds.

How do you turn down water temperature? If you have a gas water heater, simply turn the outside thermostat dial to about 125 degrees. Some electric heaters have external controls, too.


If yours doesn't, here's what to do:

To avoid electric shock, turn off the power to the heater. Most heaters are on their own fuse or circuit breaker. Then locate and remove the small access covers on the skin of the heater -- yours may have one or two, depending on the number of heating elements.

When the access cover is removed, you will see an unbroken sheet of insulation. Peel for a small screw through the insulation; this is the thermostat adjustment screw.

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