

Knowing What To Do May Save Lives At Home

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You have invited several friends to your home for a dinner party. You and your guests are seated at the dining room table, enjoying conversation and a rib roast dinner. Suddenly, one of the guests begins coughing and making choking signs. A piece of meat has lodged in his throat, and he is unable to breathe. Precious seconds separate your friend from death.

What would you do if this life-threatening emergency occurred in your home? Would your knowledge of first aid enable you to save your friend's life—or would you stand by helplessly, watching him choke to death on a piece of rib roast?

Medical experts agree that the first few minutes following an accident or attack are often the most critical and that prompt action may very well mean the difference between life and death. Unfortunately, thousands of Americans die each year because the people who are in a position to help them during those first critical minutes don't know what action to take.

The American Red Cross has long been a leader in developing and promoting safety courses designed to

teach people how to respond during emergency situations.

Now, Gallery of Homes, Inc., an international network of independent real estate brokers, in cooperation with the Red Cross, has produced a film and video tape to acquaint the public with the major causes of home accidents and the proper techniques for dealing with these situations. The 30-minute film, entitled "One Person Too Late", dramatizes five emergencies which might occur in an average American home.

Gallery of Homes President Henry F. Carter stated that the film technique involves the viewer by theoretically placing the lives of five people in his hands. "It's a mystery with five life-threatening emergencies," Carter said. "The viewer is asked to choose the first aid method which would save the victim's life."

The film is available to schools, churches, civic organizations, and other interested groups through the Red Cross or through local Gallery of Homes brokers. A pamphlet describing proper first aid techniques for each situation and a "Home Emergency Quiz" may accompany the film.

George Else, president of The American Red Cross, stated that this type of film has been needed for some time and that chapters will use the film for creating safety awareness. Red Cross volunteers will be available to show the film to interested groups and to answer first aid questions.

Else commended Gallery of Homes on their concern for the public. "Accidents in the home account for thousands of deaths each year," said Else, "most of which could have been avoided if someone trained in first aid methods had been on hand when the emergency occurred. We hope that this cooperative venture with Gallery of Homes will help convince the public of the need for first aid training."

For additional information, contact a chapter of The American Red Cross or a local Gallery of Homes office.

Benefit Concert

Nancy Wilson and the Duke Ellington Orchestra will highlight opening day of the 65th annual convention of the National Dental Association (NDA) on July 30th, in Washington DC. The occasion will be a gala benefit concert at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, with proceeds going to the NDA Scholarship Fund for needy dental students.

According to NDA President, Dr. Walter Tucker, "One of the top priorities of the NDA is the expansion of opportunities for needy minority students and other disadvantaged youth interested in pursuing careers in the field of dentistry. The benefit concert will provide scholarship funds for students who have the ability, but lack financial resources for pursuing professional training."

The concert will be preceded by a cocktail party at the Kennedy Center, and followed by an "afterglow" session and dinner dance, for which Wild Bill Davis will provide the music. Ticket sales are already in full swing.

The National Dental Association represents the more than 3,000 Black dentists across the United States. A record attendance is expected at this year's convention which will run from July 30 through August 3.

Serving on the benefit concert committee are Dr. Walter R. Tucker, president, NDA; Dr. Milton Bernard, president, Robert T. Freeman Dental Society of the District of Columbia, and NDA Convention co-chairperson; Dr. John Palmer, NDA Convention co-chairperson; Dr. Robert M. Williams, chairperson, Benefit Concert Committee; Dr. Frank Shuford, member, Benefit Concert Committee; Ford T. Johnson, Jr., NDA Executive Director.

This Is Your Life

Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, Inc, Beta Eta Theta Chapter will be presenting the second annual community service award banquet "This is Your Life" honoring Dr. Charles I. West. All proceeds from this event will be used for the Charles West Scholarship for four years to a student who will attend UNLV.

Dr. Charles West is a pioneer citizen of Las Vegas as well as one of the first Black doctors of this city. As many of us know, Dr. West labored long and faithfully during his early Nevada days, servicing mainly the underprivileged, and often times without pay. Since that time he has remained in the midst of our community, making his services readily available as well as close to the people of our community. Many older people in Las Vegas remember Dr. West's service to them, and later to their children. He has been of great service to this community and deserves an applaud for his efforts. Certainly, no one gives his services for a mere applaud, but it surely must be fulfilling, knowing that you are remembered. Beta Eta Theta is proud to be among many Las Vegans who will be joining us for this event. It is also inspiring to know that two good deeds will be done in one occasion; Aside from honoring a worthy citizen, a Clark County student will be given a four year scholarship to UNLV.

The "This Is Your Life" program, based on the TV program of the same name, will deal with different phases of Dr. West's life from the hearts of many people, beginning with some one who has known him from childhood back in Washington DC, continuing on through different phases of his life to date from someone who knew him. It is a delightful, fulfilled event, that will long be remembered by all who attend. Those of you who attended the First "This Is Your Life" last year, honoring Gwen Weekes Rhainer, knows what an enjoyable affair this is. Make your plans to attend, and help us laugh at a lot of hidden secrets in Dr. West's life that will be told by his friends.

Beta Eta Theta invites you to join a host of Las Vegans at this hilarious event, which will top any Dean Martin Roast, on July 1, 1978, at the Frontier Hotel Americana Room South. No host cocktails 6:30 PM, Dinner 7:30 PM. Tickets are on sale now. Call Chairperson Ruth Sullivan, 648-9222 or Baseleus Bonnie Juniel, 648-4781 or any member of Beta Eta Theta Sorority.

THEN and NOW

Labor has always been one of America's greatest resources, but the situation of the worker has changed greatly over the years.



THEN: In 1935, Congress approved the National Labor Relations Act to end obstructions to the free flow of commerce by encouraging the practice of collective bargaining and by protecting workers in the full freedom of organizing.



NOW: Today, unions have been losing ground. From October, 1975, to October, 1977, published statistics say that union membership was reduced by almost 760,000 members. Fewer than 25% of American workers belong to unions. An official of the National Labor Relations Board said of union efforts in the South, they "are not succeeding. Communities are opposed to organization. There is opposition by the workers themselves."



Scientists say that the sun will continue shining at its present strength for the next five billion years.

Black Physicians Convention

A record attendance is expected at the 83rd annual convention and Scientific Assembly of the National Medical Association in Washington, DC, from July 30 to August 3.

The National Medical Association (NMA) represents the 8,000 Black physicians in this country.

Hosting this year's NMA convention is the Medico-Chirurgical Society of the District of Columbia, headed by Dr. Essex C. Noel, III. Serving as convention chairperson is Dr. Everlee G. Franks.

According to NMA President Dr. Charles C. Bookert, of Clairton, PA, the convention will provide delegates with a variety of opportunities to discuss major health concerns with top officials of the Carter Administration and members of Congress.

Dr. Bookert also indicated that the Scientific Assembly, under the "dynamic leadership" of Dr. Edith Irby Jones, has developed an outstanding series of lectures and clinical activities in seventeen medical specialty areas through which participating physicians may obtain Category I, Continuing Medical Education credits.

Pre-convention activities will begin on July 29 with a series of workshops on subjects ranging from aging to adolescent pregnancy. The Scientific program begins on July 31 and runs through August 3.

As is traditional at NMA conventions, a program of social and cultural activities has been outlined by the Auxiliary to the D.C. Medico-Chirurgical Society for spouses and children of NMA delegates.

Other NMA officers are Dr. Frank S. Royal,

of Richmond, VA, chairman of the board; Dr. Jesse B. Barber, Jr., of Washington, DC, president-elect; Dr. E.A.R. Lord, of Houston, TX, first vice president; Dr. Harold Ramsey, of Baltimore, MD, second vice president; Dr. Canute C. Bernard, of Jamaica, NY, third vice president; Dr. Carleton C. Richards, of Philadelphia, PA, treasurer; Dr. Eugene W. Dorsey, of Dallas, TX, executive secretary; Dr. Norma J. Goodwin, of Brooklyn, NY, speaker, House of Delegates; Dr. Charles Johnson, Jr., of Durham, NC, vice speaker, House of Delegates; and Dr. Henry Wiggins, of Chicago, secretary, House of Delegates. NMA Executive Vice President for Administrative Affairs is Alfred F. Fisher, who oversees the NMA headquarters operation in Washington, DC.



In Rome, generals sent home messages of their victories on laurel leaves.



In Burma it was believed that eclipses were caused by a goat eating the sun.