The Farmers’ Almanac Brings the Columbus Coin Crusade to Town

This year’s edition of the Farmers’ Almanac not only contains wisdom, wit, and the weather, but also proposes the minting and circulating of a new one dollar coin, to be known as the Columbus Dollar.

Ray and Peter Geiger, the father-and-son editorial team, believe the dollar bill should be eliminated because it gets dirty, torn, and ultimately gets shredded and haulled off to landfills. The new coin will last about 12 times longer, saving on minting costs and conserving landfill space and natural resources.

Peter Geiger brought his Columbus Dollar campaign theme to Rochester recently, under the sponsorship of Columbia Banking. Columbia is the only business in the area distributing free copies of the 56th edition of the almanac. The almanac is available only through sponsors, said Geiger.

In addition to promoting the Columbus Dollar, the Geigers are also using the almanac as a forum to advocate the end of the penny. They suggest that cash sales be rounded up or down to the nearest five cents.

“The penny has little value and is bothersome,” Geiger said. “Supermarket lines get slowed down, because people are fishing through their pockets for the elusive coin. Pennies are a major inconvenience that has long since reached its peak. A real change must be made in our monetary system, and by eliminating the one cent coin and the 50 cent coin, which is dying of malnutrition right now, and installing a sensible dollar, our way of life may be changed for the better.”

There is a new bill in the House of Representatives, sponsored by Representative Jim Hayes of Louisiana, calling for the legalization of rounding out final sales to the nearest five cents.

This isn’t the first time the Geigers have used the almanac as means of putting in their own two cents. In past years, they have campaigned to have the government print different denominations of money in various colors and to restore city names to postmarks, among other issues.

But while the crusade changes from year to year, the almanac continues to be filled with its traditional household hints, weather forecasts, and humorous letters written to the editors, Peter Geiger said.

Columbia has been sponsoring local production of the almanac since 1977. This year’s edition can be obtained at any one of Columbia’s 25 branches.

Montgomery Neighborhood Center, Inc.

Montgomery Neighborhood Center announced its initial offering in the area of adult continuing education and training. The basic welding course was provided through the networking of Mr. Joe L. Sanders, a well-known and accomplished master welder and self-made neighborhood businessman, over the past thirty-plus years. He has previous experience in teaching welding courses in other continuing education programs in the Rochester community.

The eight-week adult welding course consists of theory and phases of oxyacetylene welding and cutting, equipment set-up, safety practices, and arc welding. Electric covering covers various types of machines, electrodes selection, single, multiple pass and other special applications.

In keeping with the declaration by Governor Mario Cuomo, this is one example of utilizing the vast talents of skilled senior craftspersons in the transfer of their knowledge to the current work force. The perpetuation of these skills are vital to the future of our economy and way of life.

Mr. Sanders is among those recently selected by Governor Cuomo as a “Skilled Workers Emeritus”. We commend Mr. Sanders on his willingness to share his immense occupational knowledge and experience. This display of a commitment to pass on to others what he has spent a lifetime developing is of immeasurable value to the labor market.

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Although Dr. Woodson devoted much time and energy to promoting the cause and various activities of the association, he wrote many books himself. They range from A Century of Negro Migration to The History of the Negro Church.

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A Universal Prayer
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Heavenly Father:
We pause, in the course of our busy day, to acknowledge Thee, personally, as our Lord and our Creator. We plead no rights to Thy Divine Grace. No actions of ours has merited favor in Thy sight. Rather, have we fallen far short of Thine expectations, have hindered ourselves and our fellows by denying, rejecting, or ignoring Thee. We acknowledge and confess this and affirm that the fault lies within ourselves.
We are overwhelmed and brainwashed by the materialistic evils of this world: the love of money, the desire for prominence, power and recognition. The maturing of ambitions for our own personal aggrandizement, without regard to the feelings, circumstances, hopes and conditions of others.
We have failed to consider the larger issues of life:
1. To know Thee, to love Thee, to possess Thee as our Counsel and motivating guide.
2. To know the brotherhood of Jesus and His partnership in every phase of our everyday lives.
3. To know that Thou art Our Father and that we are Thy children.
We therefore, determine and decide that Thine shall be the honor and the glory, the praise, and adoration, for we know that only in Thee do we live and breathe, and have our being; and only through Thee are all things made possible. Surely, to state the case: "If Thou be for us, who can be against us?"
Accept now our humble thanks and gratitude for Thy Divine watch-care and Benign Mercy over us as we resume our busy schedule; being ever aware ... of Thine Omnipotent and Awe-inspiring presence with us, always in Jesus' name ... Amen.

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Have We Finally Reached the End of Our Apathy? Or Are We Burrowing in for a Long Winter?

by Carolyn L. Bennett, Ph.D.

When the next Full Moon rises, Election '89 will pass into history, and some of us will hold vigil in memory of a slain leader who inspired us and sparked our idealism. Some things are unforgettable, some unforgettable. Some things change; some are to change, but don’t. And I’m wondering how we have changed in these years since John F. Kennedy’s death, since the momentum of his life, since the latest presidential campaign. Are we turning the corner on our apathy? Or are we burrowing in for a long winter?

It’s been a long siege. After watching one after another of our esteemed leaders fall before our eyes, we became numb, passive, and unconcerned about who we are and where we are heading. We sigh while the “old guard” remains with new falsehoods, sanctioned at the highest levels of government. The reverberations shook us, but we are hardly ready, at all, just turned over hoping they were a bad dream that would go away once we got up — if we ever get up.

Some observers would have us believe that we have come through our era of apathy, but have we really? Will we prolong this period of indifference, suffer what comes, while waiting for our prince to come along? Or will we transcend these pious words, sanctioned at the highest levels of governance, despite the circumstances. And because of their personal power, because of their response, things and relations changed. Like pebbles in a pond, they grew larger like boulders. Whether or not they like me, whether or not they respect me, I am changed through their response. A pious word, a personal power of response and transformation. It’s a choice. It’s a responsibility. It’s a response. We can respond. We’ve done it before. And our history tells us that our response changes things and people. Our times and circumstances more difficult than the 1800s for Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, and Frederick Douglass, who threw off the shackles of slavery and traveled the breadth and breadth of this country preaching civilization and human rights and integration, even before white men garnered the courage to break these chains. These pioneers for Liberty risked their lives for our freedom. They gave the full measure of self-denial, standing stone, despite the circumstances. And because of their personal power, because of their response, things and relations changed. Like pebbles in a pond, they grew larger like boulders in an ocean, and the waves brought on by their response moved surrounding generations, including our own.

When I was young and naive, I wanted to change the world. And thought I could. When I found out the world wasn’t changing according to my game plan, I became frustrated, disillusioned, hurt, and angry. Now I know that I don’t have to change the world, singlehandedly or otherwise. Nor do I have to let the world rob me of my freedom and dignity. I don’t have to succumb to apathy. I can transcend my activeresponse in participating in these situations. And my confidence grows each time I persist in being the person that I am. It matters that I involve in these situations and, at the same time, rise above them.

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The question is: Have we had enough? Have we finally reached the end of our apathy? Or are we burrowing in for a long winter? Let us hope that Election '89 marks the beginning of our personal power of response and transformation.
David Gannt’s DTAC Program in Progress

Assemblyman David Gannt (D-133) announced that his Drug Trader Arrest and Conviction Program (DTAC), in operation for two months, has received over 60 drug tips about persons suspected of selling narcotics in his Assembly District. The information collected through the DTAC program will be turned over to the Rochester Police Dept. through an agreement between Gannt and Mayor Thomas P. Ryan, Jr.

"My program enables citizens to take an active role in the drug war without risk of endangerment," said Gannt. "The information sent in is recorded and the source of information is kept confidential."

Gannt started DTAC in the beginning of August. The program identifies drug dealers by requesting community residents to mail back to the Assemblyman’s office detailed information of persons they suspect are selling illegal substances. The original request for information was published in a Gannt newsletter.

"If this program proves successful in shutting down these dealers and their operations, then we have helped to improve the quality of life for the residents of Rochester," said Gannt. "As long as we tolerate the drug problem, we are giving drug dealers a license to operate in our community."

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"I’m very pleased with DTAC’s results and I am confident this program will continue to be a success because community residents are directly involved," said Gannt. "This is a very positive step towards ridding our community of drugs."

In describing the agreement, Mayor Ryan stated: "As I’ve maintained all along, the only way to combat the drug problem is by joining together with all concerned and affected parties. Gannt’s initiative and sharing of information is a sterling example of the type of involvement and commitment required to win this war."

The Mayor’s Drug Crime Hotline (428-6000) which began in February of this year, encourages citizens to share information about suspected drug activity with the guarantee of total anonymity. As of September 30, the Hotline has received 4,117 calls, leading to 1,526 completed investigations resulting in 439 arrests, recovery of 12 handguns and 13 rifles, and 87 search warrants allowing seizure of 970 decks (single use "kits") of cocaine, 156 ounces of cocaine, 8 lbs. 10 oz. of marijuana and $44,600 in cash.

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Sometimes it’s a strange dizziness.
And sometimes it’s a dull ache
that comes from nowhere.
It sneaks up on me, this feeling.
It attacks when least expected.
and heads straight for the heart.
Whenever I get this feeling,
everything else in life loses meaning.
Sleep is a word unknown to me.
And even the greatest meal becomes tasteless.
Even though it does all this –
I like this feeling that I get.
I rejoice when it comes,
And I know that I’ll cry when it leaves.
I don’t know exactly what this feeling is,
And perhaps I never will.
All I can do is give it a name.
I think I’ll call it love.
— Marc Washington

Liquid Emotion
The ink that flows from pen to paper
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Carrying the contents of the inner depths of my soul
To the surface,
For all to see.
Flowing with the tides
of joy and sorrow.
Swirling with the emotional fury
of a tempest.
Soothing, with the rise and fall
of hypnotic waves.
From pen to paper,
This liquid emotion
Flows.
Flows.
Flows on.
— Marc Washington

To Those We Leave Behind
To those we leave behind
In our, forever-forward march into the future,
To those dear memories,
Whose making brought smiles to the saddest faces
and warmth to the coldest hearts.
It is to these that we now bid farewell,
To the good times that have kept us going,
And the friends that have given us happiness.
You shall hereafter fade to memories.
No more to hear a close friend’s
laugh.
No more to see a comrade’s
smile.
No more to feel a loved one’s
embrace.
The time has come to part.
And here our paths diverge.
Destiny pulls us away.
Yet, the more we remember.
The harder the tears will fall.
And the harder it will be to say goodbye.
To those we leave behind.
Though the pain of the moment may fade.
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Black History — Ancient to Contemporary

There’s an old Negro spiritual entitled “God Has Your Number.” It goes on to say—“He know who you are, He knows where you stay, and He knows you number.”

In radio and television, the program manager always wants to know who is the author of any musical number; when it was written, by whom it was written — this because no station wants to be sued for infringing on a copyright.

In the case of the Negro spiritual, it is generally impossible to furnish this type of information, since the spiritual was rarely written, but rather sung, and passed on by word of mouth from one generation to another; so that one seldom is able to determine the author, or even the period during which it was given voice. Some few spirituals in minor keys which were recently tuned to an American key was that he might be able to study the Negro more objectively from an unbiassed point of view, since Mr. Myrdal came from a country where there was not much stress laid on color, and in which the Negro blood should be returned as a Negro, unless the Indian blood very definitely predominates and he is universally accepted in the community as an Indian. Mixtures of non-white races should be reported according to race of the father, except that Negro blood should be reported as Negro.

In 1947, a great sociologist, by name Gunnar Myrdal, a man of Scandinavian descent, who was employed by the Rockefeller Foundation some years ago to make a study of the Negro in America (the Black Man in America), was given the opportunity to study Negro, in preference to an American sociologist was that he might be able to study the Negro more objectively from an unbiased point of view, since Mr. Myrdal came from a country where there was not much stress laid on color, and in which there were few blacks living. After having made the study in depth, Mr. Myrdal was requested to give his opinion of the man in America, knowing as he did, that the Negro is child-like in his attitudes.

Leading sociologists of the day, both black and white, immediately attacked this new theory with regard to the Negro in America. A continuous controversy has existed from that day to this regarding the mores of the Negro in America.

The above incident happened in the mid-1940s. Reflecting that the black man has been in America for more than 300 years, and that his history has no way ever been a part of American history as recorded in historical volumes and school textbooks, it is not surprising that sociologists know little about him. Throughout most of America’s history, the black man was looked upon as a thing, a chattel, especially by the courts until well after the middle of the 1800s. Historians, either directly or indirectly, have forgotten the place of the black man in history; the anthropologist on the other hand, has been to all the trouble to study the black race. His origin, his customs, his folkways — indeed their studies made him a part of the Negro in America.

It is imperative, therefore, that course in black history — black studies should be taught in the armed forces, literature, religion, education, music and the other arts, race relations, Supreme Court decisions affecting the black man, the civil rights revolution — it is the theory and leaders and its impact to the American scene. A listing of supplementary readings from the Board of Education library.

— by Howard Coles

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Ronnie Thomas Moving Up The Ladder
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