Commonwealth Edison says Yes, Activists says No.

In August, over 200 residents of the Washington Park community and members of the United in Peace organization marched in protest to Commonwealth Edison's proposal to construct powerlines between 54th and Federal and 61st and Lafayette. During the first day march (from the location of an Edison substation) it drew over 200 additional participants. The rallying cry seemed to have fallen upon deaf ears at the offices of Commonwealth Edison.

"It seems that they can't seem to listen to our community," stated Cecilia Butler, President of Washington Park Community Coalition (WPCC). For when one takes a look at the once empty power towers, the lines have been drawn. Powerlines can be seen draped the air, and while the members of the WPCC continue to create methods in alerting their community of reported dangers of the powerlines, Commonwealth Edison has taken on the task of saving face in a major public relations blitz.

In a recent Chicago Sun Times article, staff writer John Ritter reported that "Citizen groups have forced Edison to cancel or postpone several new transmission lines, so the company has decided to change its tactics." Ritter went on to report that an Edison tradition was to select the route for the transmission lines first, and deal with the "locals" later. And according to John Costello, Edison public affairs manager, "From now on the company will ask the residents advice first." However, Butler believe that "It is too late for this community, and that this community never got a fair opportunity to have stemmed from residents' fears of electric and magnetic fields (EMF). These fears have now been expressed by the WPCC, but Better Electric Safety Today—a network of eleven area EMF groups—have consistently attacked Edison regarding reports that the degree of exposure to the EMFs could cause cancer and other illness.

One such study conducted at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden concluded that the threat of cancer was not as serious for adults who lived within 300m (328 yd) of a high-tension powerline. The drive to rename Lake Shore Drive, DuSable Drive is still alive. (From left to right) Alderman John Steele (6) Alderman Lorraine Dixon (8), Dr. Margaret Burroughs, Alderman Toni Preckwinkle (4), Alderman Allen Streeter and other officials held a press conference announcing a petition drive and campaign to honor Jean Point DuSable the City's first non-native settler by renaming Lake Shore Drive to honor him. The committee has started the city wide campaign reaching out to organizations, schools, churches and institutions in support of the renaming. The issue will be presented again to the city council next year. Persons wanting petitions to circulate, or want to get involved may call Greg Hall at the 2nd Ward 225-3444 or Al Kindle at the 4th Ward 514-8103. Speakers are also available for meetings.

Power to the 'El' to Stop, January 9, 1994

After pressure from local businesses along the Englewood/Jackson Park train lines the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) delayed its plans to close the El before Christmas. Instead decided to make the close on January 9, 1994 regardless of residents and organizations demands not to close the stations. However, at a public hearing last week on the 'El' closing only 20 to 30 people attended.

Community activist Dorothy Oliver states that she knows the line is in need of repair but the closing of them all together is going too far. She has been fighting to keep the stations open during repair.

CTA has reported that the cost is about $300 million to repair the El. CTA states that if it stayed open during repair, the cost could be as high as $900 million and longer than two years oppose to closing it. Reconstruction of the Green Line (Lake-Englewood-Jackson-Jackson Park rapid transit lines) will require a temporary service shutdown for up to two years citizens were told at the meeting. Bus service replacement of the Green line and improved access to other rapid transit lines are proposed strategies for maintaining service to the communities affected during the shutdown period.

Community hearings have been on going throughout the city, expressing concerns of the closing. Arenda Troutman (20th Ward) said in a community meeting in November at King Center on 43rd and Cottage Grove said, "We want to monitor the behavior of the CTA. The next thing is keeping this construction with the frame of a two year period." she stressed that, "We are definitely concerned about our mode of transportation when this project goes underway."

Other concerns were raised on how many community and minority people will be hired to do the work.

Proposed Green Line replacement bus
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*Word on the Street...*

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONALIST COMMUNITY WOULD LIKE TO SEE ROBERT X AND WVON HOST DR. CONRAD WORRIER COOL DOWN A BIT ON THEIR HEATED DEBATE.

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THE BLACK COMMUNITY AND WORD ON THE STREET IS SEE YOU IN THE ZONE, LATER.

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SEE YOU IN THE ZONE, LATER.

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**Calendar of Events**

**Friday 17**

Thespian De Imani Ensemble, "Video Feast" will show dramatic and documentary videos by established and emerging producers from Chicago. Also, a live performance written by Billy Lot will be featured at the Center for Inner City Studies (Auditorium) 8-10pm. Admission $5.00 at the door. 47th & Wentworth, 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday 11**

Open Meeting with Alderman and Committeeman Arends Troutman

Auburn Park Baptist Church 415 W. Englewood (62nd and Steward) 10:00am

**Saturday 18**

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Antioch Baptist Church 415 W. Englewood (62nd and Steward) 10:00am

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**Power to "El" To Stop**

services were designed to replicate the existing rapid transit service. Also, bus routes that now serve Green Line stations were realigned to serve other rapid transit line stations where possible reported by CTA.

Comparison with existing rapid transit service, CTA reports that the proposed replacement bus route will add an additional 10 minutes to riding time.

Dear Community:

Though a long, uphill struggle, South Street Journal is proud to present our readers of the Mid-South Community, the first issues of a bimonthly publications. Yet, we apologize in the delay of this issue to the advertisers and well as the readers. And, as we grow improvements will be made that will address your concerns with the mistakes.

We pledge to research and investigate topics of interest and report back to the community on pertinent facts. Our plan is to provide this service in a timely and sound manner.

If there is a concern regarding the paper or the community, this will be an open forum to the citizens, political leaders, community workers, businesses, and organizations to express yourself and opinions. It is in our intention to provide articles that commensurate for a job well done, blow the whistle on corrupt practices, and incite our community into action to take control of our own lives. South Street Journal is to be an organizing tool for the community.

Even though our circulation area will target the areas on page ten (outside of Hyde Park), we welcome information pertaining to the African American community as a whole. It is our belief that only as a whole community with information and communication can we address our destiny while supporting each other in ventures designed to uplift all.

Yours sincerely,

South Street Journal is proud to present

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Publisher

Ronald L. Carter

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**#38 Michigan Express**

- Express Stops
  - (local stops in downtown)

**South Street Photo VIEW**

How do you feel about the "Le" being closed down?

Photos Robert Thornton

The CTA has no business closing the 'Le', due to the rate increases it just had. No consideration is given to the people on how this will effect them. No matter how much they say it's needed. My understanding they had the money since 1972 to fix the 'Le'. Laural Smith, former 49th A&D

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**December**

Wednesday 8

Green Line CTA hearing at King Center 5:30 - 8:00, 4314 S. Cottage Grove, Contact Al Kindle

Friday 10

Centers for New Horizons, Inc. will present "Ebony Male Expressions II", at Annie Tiques, 820 S. Cicero Ave. 7:00 pm to 12:00 am. Dinner will be served at 8:00 p.m. Tickets $25, Contact Cheryl Anderson.

Wednesday 15

CTA Green Line Task Force Meeting on what the community would like to see happen on the closing of the Le. Meeting will be held at Kennedy King College 69th
Why Wentworth Works

By Henry L. Jones

Do you enjoy watching TV? There’s violence on the news, talk shows, soap operas, movies. Regardless what channel or time of day, you can tune in for some good old fashioned violence. Wentworth Gardens, a Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) residence, is a place that is rarely mentioned in the media.

If you stand at the corner of 39th Street and Wentworth, you can see most of Wentworth’s complexes and the management office. Wentworth’s located between 37th - 39th and Princeton along the Dan Ryan. Things seem quiet.

East of Wentworth a series of blocks are lined with CHA high-rises on State Street. As low-rise complexes which can accommodate 422 families (roughly enough space for 1500 people). Wentworth was built in 1947. Recently, new termowidows were installed, and garden, a gift from the city, was added to beautify the area. Clean and manicured yards surround the complex. When you walk around the Gardens, you’ll see smiling children playing. There’s a park which was built for residents which is a small version of Grant Park. The grass is still green and thick even for this time of year.

Evelyn Ramsey, a resident of Wentworth for twenty years is one of the people who helps to deter violence and make a safe, clean environment. A woman of wisdom and courage. Most of her time is spent working on committees set up by the Local Advisory Council. The Exterminating Committee of the Council ensures buildings are ex-terminated every two months. Residents work with the management and the committee, providing 98% cooperation. Ramsey said some people give excuses because of the smell and refuse to have their homes sprayed. Extermination prevents roaches from spreading diseases. At one time the roaches were unmanageable recalled Ramsey. She explained how people such as Sally Amy fought to improve Wentworth’s conditions. “People are lining up to get into Wentworth. Wentworth used to be known as the forgotten development’. Ramsey said "There’s no magic at Wentworth. It is residents working together... They don’t wait for the janitor..."

Evelyn Ramsey, of Wentworth Gardens

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Healthy Moms & Healthy Kids

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Howard Kenner

In a second effort to be elected State Representative of the 24th Legislative district, Howard Kenner a young (35) and energetic man of his own is moving full force to unseat the incumbent Jim Phelan. Kenner says government can be involved in community activities, Being part of the Young Democratic organization was a main part of getting started. We must attack problems in our community on two major levels. One, education. We have to start reaching our kids at early stages in their development. Through intense, head start and other preschool education. To instill a sense of self worth and self respect. We also have to deal with the problems associated with drug addiction and alcoholism. Those problem can be dealt with thought education and rehabilitation with job training. What do friend say about you? They say I am a very driven and intense, person and self driven. Do you have a family? I have four sisters, one brother, father Tyrone Kenner, I am single and have no children. What are your goals? To continuously strive for self improvement and fairness and equality for my community. And to become an outstanding State Representative. What is a major accomplishment in your life? As a leader of the Young Democrats, I was able to involve young people in the Robert Taylor Homes in the political process which manifested itself in self achievement for those individuals, Many of whom are now holding down jobs and raising families. Who is your personal hero? Adam Clayton Powell Jr., who is one of the most important, yet underrated figures in our political history. He served in congress over 25 years and rose to become Chairman of Education and Labor committee. Working hand-in-hand with President Johnson, he was responsible for most of war on poverty legislation which we benefit today from. Although he represented a small district in Harlem he was a national voice for our people. He never lost his sin of connection to the common person. What is your most humble experience? People told me that they would support me upon quitting my job to become self employed with my accounting practice. They didn't but I made it anyway. What is one most important thing you learned in life? If you prepare yourself and work hard people will support you. What would you like to add. Our community must learn to recognize potential leaders. Support and nurture their development. If you prepare yourself and work hard people will support you. The community needs. I welcome their direction in becoming their State Representative.
The Lou Rawls Theatre & Cultural Center

By Steven Rhodes

4th Street corridor, once the heart of the black community. The Buckel of the Black Belt. The question always come up, "What incentive can be used to recapature it's past?"

"The New Lou Rawls Theatre and Culture Center will transform the vacant lot which once stood the Fuller Building to rejuvenate 47th Street by attracting new business in hopes of making it the new business in hopes of making it the old community, in terms of providing employment and business opportunities and will also be a teaching facility where the young and old can come together. They will learn and share respect and knowledge about each other and the rich music and culture of African American people."

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"The multi-purpose facility that will bear Lou Rawls name will help revitalize his old community, in terms of providing employment and business opportunities and will also be a teaching facility where the young and old can come together. They will learn and share respect and knowledge about each other and the rich music and culture of African American people."

"The Lou Rawls Theatre and Cultural Center launches new ear for the community around 47th and King Drive. Once a mozza for entertainment life anchored by the Regal Theatre, hundreds of performer got there start and direction by being exposed to the rich culture of this community."

"The center is just the beginning for revitalizing the inner city community."

"In building this center we have only just begun to revitalize and revitalize our community. I think this center will show other communities in this city and across the nation what can be done if those who made it follow the example set by Lou Rawl and reach back to help someone else. No one will do it for us, but it said Tillman. "We thank Lou for his insight and vision, his determination and hard work, his love for the children, as exemplified by his work with the United Negro College Fund.""

"Jimmy Tillman, a musician and Alderman Tillman's husband noted, "This will not only be resurrection of the old Regal 'spirit' it will signify the rebirth of a new generation, a renaissance in the Black community."

"The project, which also has a residential component will eventually mean the rehabilitation of 550 to 60 apartment buildings in the area. Elzie Higgbonites of Eastlake Management Corporation is the project developer. Commitments from people in the entertainment industry to donate their time and talent to fundraising is moving the project forward with deliberate speed. Construction will begin in early 1994."

"In the words of Cook County Commission. Jerry "Iceman" Butler, "Let's bring it on home to 47th and King Drive, where a place the ghost of greats still come to get down, and where unborn stars will be lifted up."

"As stated by Lou Rawls, as the song goes, "I'm gonna get me some dynamite and a crane, blow it up, tear it down and start all over again. I'll build me a town that I'll be proud to show and keep the name, Tobacco Road."
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Overview of Town Hall Meeting: Drexl/ Indepence Bank Future Owner

CRA statement by: Harold L. Lucas
OminiBanc/Indecorp Town Hall meeting
November 22, 1993 Kennedy/King

As a Community organizer and Policy Advocate for the Community Workshop on Economic Development (CWED), it is my direct responsibility to work on Local Development Issues thru our network of city-wide working groups. Community Reinvestment (CRA) Agreements effect local development issues. Working from the bottom-up, CWED provides capacity building skills and technical assistance to start-up Community Based Organizations (CBO's), black clubs, local development Corp., and public housing residents to enable those grassroots organizations to develop strategies around economic empowerment initiatives.

The potential sale of Indecorp and its two Bank holdings, Drexl and Independence to Omnimisc in Detroit Michigan, is a major local development issue that will effect the future revitalization of the southside of Chicago. And, will also set the tone for how banks operate and lend in revitalizing African American communities throughout the city. I have personally sat in on several CRA meetings with William Johnson of Omnimisc and read his CRA principals. I find Mr. Johnson to be extremely effective as an administrator in his knowledge and understanding of the banking business. But, I'm even more impressed by his compassion for his native community in Chicago and by his outreach initiatives to gain informed input and ideas from the broader southside community in the formation of his great significance that we sign a CRA Agreement in 1993 with Omnimisc. So, in 1994, we can launch a strategic campaign to revitalize low and moderate income neighborhoods before further gentrification takes place.

It was a wise decision for Johnson to retain the services of Mr Allen and the Black Leadership Development Institute to enable Omnimisc to reach out beyond the dominant community bases organizations to get strategic input form startup CBO's and smaller development groups. Mark has done his job effectively and has been attacked by certain leaders who perceive themselves to be authorities on the CRA issue.

We in the African American community need to be more inclusive and collaborative in organizing around community empowerment issues like CRA. Clearly, the Black community has become stratified along economic and class lines, resulting from political compromise an elitist classism.

In closing, let me say a few words about State Treasures Pat Quinn. Treasurer Quinn's office has been under attack by certain leaders in the Black community for trying to facilitate this CRA Agreement. Franklin, in my opinion, had Treasurer Quinn not done effective outreach to increase grassroots participation in the CRA negotiations, the same dominant CBO's would have been at the table to cut an agreement that would only benefit that same few CBO's that have traditionally controlled the development process at the local level.

Treasurer Quinn and his staffer, Eric Hudson, has worked closely with the Community Workshop on Economic Development to insure that this CRA negotiation is open to all who chose to participate in the Agreement. The Monroe Foundation and it's Director Odis Monroe will provide technical assistance to any local group on the specific of CRA Agreements.

Further, Treasurer Quinn's Economic Targeted Investment Program, his Housing Linked Deposit Program and his Currency Exchange Reform policy initiative have empowered the African American community in Chicago.

Lastly, in my view, Pat Quinn has exhibited the kind of political leadership in the Treasurers office that is lacking among most established Black politicians.

That leadership style I'm speaking of is that of inclusiveness, respect for the taxpayers and an innovative, fair and grassroots approach to investing your state dollars to empower the African American Community in Chicago and Illinois.

From Left, Harold L. Lucas, Program manager of the Community Workshop on Economic Development (CWED) facilitates questions and audience participation during a community reinvestment (CRA) Town Hall meeting at Kennedy-King College on October 23, 1993. While Odis C. Monroe III, President of the Monroe Foundation provided technical assistance on the specifics of the OminiBanc CRA Agreement. This capacity building process enables more inclusive participation by smaller community-based organizations in the CRA agreements involving the sale of Drexl and Independence Bank to Omnimisc Corporation.

Allen says the purpose of BIP is to set up a community production studio and to train the community men and women in the basic skills of video production.

"We want to provide scholarship to future producers, directors, writers and commentators as well," said Allen. "To place them in jobs, video production companies, film companies and television stations around the United States.

Allen intends to pursue new fields of creative art based upon life problems and solutions. The Woodlawn video will be a showcase to the community will be able to have a broader perspective of history and understanding through the use of audio visual technology.

 Spend an Evening At the Ritz!

Black Image focus Film from & on Woodlawn
Board Them, or Fix them up, Before Somebody Gets Hurt!

Somebody is going to get hurt, or killed in one of those vacant properties along 39th to 63rd Street. It always happens that way.

Some parts of 63rd Street look like a bombed-out ghost town. Abandoned buildings stand scarred and damaged by vandals, and arsonists. The corner of 63rd and King drive is just awful. Then on 47th and Champaign it's just like a hangout. On 49th and Prairie across from a School, the building is just waiting for a human body. Then there will be a big out cry when someone gets hurt with media attention.

This is the community, that will continue to last for generations if no one takes at least the first step to board them up. Show the community that someone in power does care and is taking action.

While consumers leaving going to the suburbs malls. This happen when unkempt properties are needed in the community. This person is the blame, that person is the blame. It will be the city that takes the responsibility of getting the buildings boarded up. Or the city will find the money to tear them down, then find the owners and bill them for the cost. Or worst yet the person(s) responsible can have their power and will do whatever they should have done long ago.

Let's find the money now to board them. Find the owners now to turn them over to the community for needed store front businesses in the community. Forget about secret meetings and meetings. Elected officials and candidates will blame it on each other. People will blame the banks for redlining, the junkies, the gangs, lack of police foot patrol, and on and on. Someone will want to take on someone else responsibility of getting the buildings boarded up.

The government has three economic functions: Stabilization; Income redistribution and Resource allocation. With this tool the government is met with monetary and fiscal policy as it was done between 12th to 16th Street. Where the mayor is reportedly to be moving to take over a vacant land, vacant buildings and an eye sore. Now, with the redistribution of some city funds, resource allocation of city and private money, and a policy from the city to support the part of the city (with a new CTA station) it was done. No one is available business property, jobs and economic growth, Scaring other businesses away. We need more leaders in our community for needed store front businesses in the community. Forget about secret meetings and meetings. Elected officials and candidates will blame it on each other. People will blame the banks for redlining, the junkies, the gangs, lack of police foot patrol, and on and on. Someone will want to take on someone else responsibility of getting the buildings boarded up.

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Dear Editor:

A Salute to Rev. Jones, her work with the youth.

I read an article on Rev. Deborah Jones. It was very nice. I was with Rev. Jones during her summer program. It is a good program for the teenagers. They learn things off the streets. Some them earned their GED.

We need more leaders in our community like her. May God Bless her always. It takes God to make these bad things out of our community.

I lived in Robert Taylor 28 years. It was very nice. I was with Rev. Deborah Jones. It was very nice. I was with Rev. Deborah Jones.

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Letters

December 9, 1993, marked the sixth annual observance of World AIDS Day. The day was part of an international campaign to increase AIDS awareness. It was a day to bring compassion, hope and understanding about AIDS to people in every country of the world.

The cost of this epidemic is measured in human lives and dollars. But the only appropriate response to AIDS is one based on compassion for those whose lives have been affected most directly. That is the main focus of the special Day.

A memorial Service was held at Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center, there the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt service was held. The project has grown from a neighborhood cause to an international symbol of love, loss and hope. The national event comprised of fabric panels, each measuring three feet by six feet, the Quilts memorials the hundreds of thousands of people who have died of AIDS in the United States and across the globe. At Michael Reese two of those quilts were present.

In the Mid-South neighborhoods there have been reported at least over 500 people have died from AIDS.

AIDS is still with us, infecting an estimated 5,000 people per day. Rev. Deborah Jones of St. Elizabeth's Church on 41st and Wabash, has stated that in Robert Taylor Homes a neighborhood she services, persons with AIDS/HIV is much higher than we are able to report at this time.

The question is, are people getting tested for AIDS? The thought of waiting for the final results of a test can be frightening to many. What's even more frightening is not knowing a person infected and possibly are infecting someone they love or beginning to love.

Let's say you are "positive". Is it the end of the world? You could begin to read the many statistics about projected deaths in epidemic proportions. If your idea is to stay in your bedroom hiding from the world, there's support for you.

At Michael Reese Memorial Service, in an invitation to share memories, a candle light vigil took place. (At the lighting of the first of seven candles) it read:

"We light this candle in living memory of those who have died from AIDS, who served God's people as teachers, instructors, librarians, writers, news reporters and others who served by communicating truth.

May your light shine forever."

(At the lighting of the last candle)

"Let us each light our own inner candle, and let us dedicate ourselves once more to be lights to enlighten the world, beacons of hope for those who suffer, bright flames to burn away hatred, fear and alienation, torches that proclaim God's final victory, not only over AIDS, but over all the darkness of this world."

Here are some resources to help begin ones spiritual, mental, and physical healing. Contact these agencies for assistance in the Mid-South area.

Daniel Hale Williams Center
538-6750
3044 S. State Street

Kupona Network
536-3000
501 E. 43rd Street

Michael Reese Hemophilia Treatment Ctr.
791-2105
530 E. 31st St.

Lake Shore Drive at 31st St.

Wyler Children's Hospital
702-6176
5841 S. Maryland Ave.

World's AIDS Day
Focusing on Resources in the Mid-South Community

By Henry L. Jones
Dr. Maulana Karenga will be the special speaker at the Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration for 1993. Noted to be the world's largest community sponsored pre-Kwanzaa event, Anthony ‘Taifa’ Daniels says, “This year Kwanzaa is to reach out to the community. Make your brother’s problem your problem.

The kick-off is Friday, December 10, at South Shore Cultural Center, 7059 South Shore Drive 8 pm to 2 am, with a celebration to benefit La Rabida Children’s Hospital, New Concept Development Center and the Ayo Children’s Dance Theater.

There will be Caribbean, African and African-American food delights, comedians, singers, poets, African Games, Contemporary R&B dance party and guest singer debut. The donation is $10.

On Saturday, December 11, and Sunday, December 12, the admission is free. On Saturday only Dr. Karenga will speak, the founder of Kwanzaa.

Attention Youth Too! can write.
Grade school and high school students are encouraged to submit stories, letters, questions, suggestion and information to South Street Journal for publication. Forward your information to Eniwetor Wright Reed, South Street Journal c/o FNC 6439 S. Cottage Grove, Chicago, IL 60637.

Parents, Friends, Teachers pass this information on to Youth Too!

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Your Neighbor and Unknown Neighbor will be checking you out. Shouldn’t you be checking them out?

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Sun-Man - The greatest hero of them all. This 5 3/4 figure comes with removable breast plate, vest, wings, and sword. By Olmec.
Bronze Bomber - Fearless Black Military figures. By Olmec.
Baby Dolls
Latoya dolls - Highly crafted beautiful dolls with a variety of different looks. By Latoya Dolls of Chicago 902-3483.
Huggy Bean - Beautifully crafted dolls with detailed features. By Golden Ribbon Playthings, Inc.
Sandy Gift Set - This is a adorable 14" soft baby doll with accessories. By Olmec.

Books
African American Holidays - The first extensive publication on African-American cultural celebrations and how they should be observed. By James C. Ayele, Popular Truth, 548-6000.
Afro-Bets - 123 Book and Afro Bets "ABC" Book. Two books are included in this colorful set that helps children learn the alphabet and numbers from 1-10.

Rag Dolls
Aye’s Doll - Beautiful 25" hand-sewn dolls with hand crafted clothing, available in various compositions, hair textures, and sizes. By Aye’s handcraft, 434-9889.

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Why Wentworth Works

comments concerning the management's effectiveness with working with the residents. However, one CHA worker said breathing room helps the residents. Ramsey agreed, pointing to the overcrowded complexes across the Dan Ryan.

"If you compare Wentworth Gardens with the high-rises on State Street," Ramsey said, "Living in a low-rise is not like you're on the 17th floor (of a high-rise complex). You do have breathing room."

The high-rises resemble prisons, Ramsey explained. "You might wonder what city planners and their architects had in mind when they built them." The complexes stand in rows like concrete toy soldiers. Have these soldiers been trained to kill each other? Is a question many ask.

To improve other CHA complexes, Ramsey suggested tearing down the high-rises. "The high-rises seem to breed crime and undesirables." She exampled that State Street high-rise should be designed as single level dwellings similar to Wentworth Gardens. In order to manage each high-rise floor like Wentworth would need enormous people power.

Whether violence results from conditions in a community or from a person's personality, Wentworth works. Why does Wentworth work? People who are organized and concerned make it work as Ramsey points out.

Power to the People?

While studies such as this have been downsplayed by skeptics, activists and residents alike in the Washington Park community continue to play up what has been a serious health hazard in this community. The WPCC plan to meet further to bring attention and action in addressing the issue with Commonwealth Edison on this matter.

Job Related Services

Canfield's Soda is having open house at Holiday Inn at 4140 West 95th Street, and application can be pick up at A.J. Canfield Co. 50 East 89th Street

The Partners in Community Development is offering pre-employment training, resume preparation, job placement assistance, and self employment training, transportation support and limited child care is available during training. If you are 18 or over and unemployed these benefits are free. For more information call: Larry at KOCO 548-7500 also at KOCO

Earn while you learn. The community Internship program is targeting single eligible adults for food stamps. You can earn a cash stipend for 62 hours per month, with transportation provided preparing for job placement.

Nia, is targeting the Grand boulevard community for job readiness skills, basic educational and specific skills in their job program. Contact Nia at 873-2300

Strive employment service provides job training, placement and counseling services to people who have not succeeded in the work place. Their training program is three weeks, offering courses to prepare people to get hired. Strive is located at 2641 S. Calumet and can be reached at 842-2800.

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