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Solutions to the Violence in Taylor

What two sources informed *South Street Journal* was that a dispute of drug cuts due to heavy selling in the area cause one sector to want a greater percentage of profits and the other refuse to pay, lead to the recent violence in the Robert Taylor Homes. Then other report indicated that two factions of renegades disputed over tuff. The violence was taking place between six buildings from 43rd to 45th Street along Federal and State Street. It seriously wound the 13 year son of Doris Morris, a resident of the area.

The violence stories were chased by the media which Morris said was just a show, asking the media "Is this going to heal my son?"

At a press conference organized by Maurice Perkins, director of the Inner City Youth Foun-

dation, Wallace "Gator" Bradley stressed that the peace among the gangs is still in tack. "We are not for sure what totally happen here but we will find out" He continued to say that the media is distorting the truth, and that all shooting is not gang related.

In search for solutions to the violence that has taken place in the Robert Taylor homes, Alderman Dorothy Tillman has sought the security services of New Life Development Corporation head by Leonard Muhammad, a Muslim company that are members of the nation of Islam.

A meeting to further discuss the propose security program of New Life is schedule for Thursday, April 7th at Tillman's ward office.

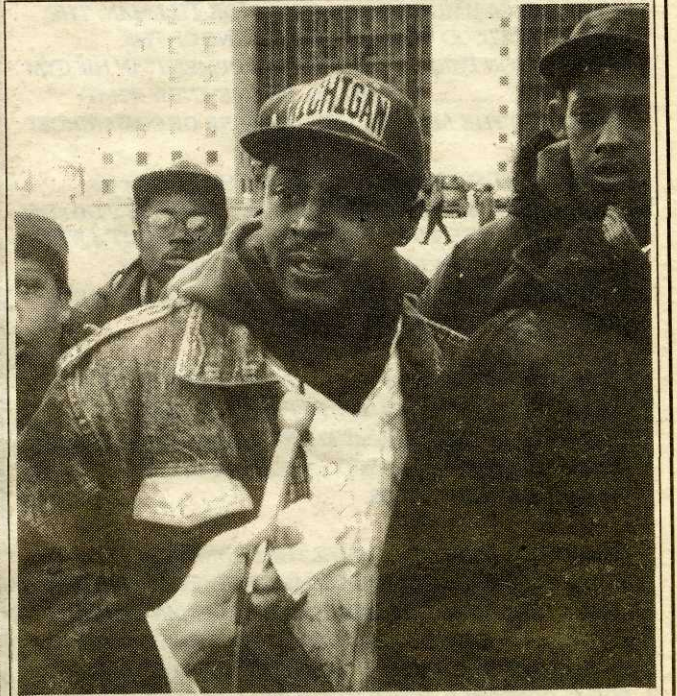
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Doris Morris, holding a picture of her child shoot in the cross fire.



Wallace 'Gator' Bradley, "The peace is still on".



Derrick McClain, (center) a resident of the area erupted with shooting said we don't know want to do other than jobs being the answer. "We have children go to school across the street, we care whats going on, You get some jobs and that's the answer."



Democratic winner in the March 15 election Howard Kenner (2nd from right) shaking hands with another winner John Stroger, campaigning on 51st and State Street is joined by (l) Cecilia Bulter of Washington Park Community Coalition, State Senator Donny Trotter and campaign workers.

Kenner Wins by Washington Park Community Precinct Votes

Howard Keener's Democratic primary victory was the example of a community effort, and in his opinion a classic study of the importance of getting out the vote.

Kenner, a Certified Public Accountant, and the son of former 3rd Ward Alderman Tyrone Kenner, triumphed over seven candidates in the March 15th Primary Election (in his second run for 24th State Representative District).

Kenner won the election over the incumbent James Phelan by 89 votes two days after the election, when the votes had to be physically counted. He gives a lot of credit to the Washington Park precinct and the 20th Ward organization. "They do the things a ward organization does in a campaign," explained Kenner.

In the precinct is the Door of Hope at 5313 South Indiana, where the men in the shelter came out to support Kenner. "Minister Plum and Doris Daniel lead people to get posters out," said Kenner. "Ms. Washington, Mildred Dennis of Robert Taylor Homes were among the volunteers that lead the precinct operations. There were just a lot of people all over the district that helped me. And I am grateful for their support."

The precinct bounds from 53rd to 55th, State Street to Calumet. It produced Kenner 113 votes to Phelan's 9. Kenner won ninety-eight percent of the overall 65% Black precincts in the district.

"That precinct is our home base," said Kenner. "My office is in this precinct (on 55th Street at Indiana Ave.), and historically it is the former office State Senator M. Smith who moved when her district was restructured. In addition former mayor Harold Washington had one of his offices in the barber shop two doors down.

A performance so much closer than he and others predicted that it raises a crucial question of who said they were behind him but actually wasn't.

Initially there was eight candidates in the race. "We had harder times in the beginning, Phelan had four Black candidates running in the race to upset me," said Kenner, "getting every one to support us, the churches, teachers, politicians wasn't as hard as raising the money. Every body had to be together."

Kenner did not receive the majority of his official political endorsements until early February till former Alderman (20) Clifford Kelly withdrawn from the race to support him.

"We had to set down and decide who should run," said Kenner. "The move to endorse me was a unity move to make sure the community have someone that is accountable and making sure the issues are addressed."

"My focus now is on the November election, getting the people to come out for the democratic party," said Kenner. He faces a republican candidate in the November 8 election. "We are not a majority. We use us that swing vote. No one owes us a thing. will must come out strong. One have a choice to put our own in it," said Kenner.

Smith Calls for Black Historic District

State Senator Margaret Smith has introduced legislation in the General Assembly which would create an African-American historic district on Chicago's Mid-South community.

Smith, the General Assembly's leader in promoting African American history, has proposed spending \$10.5 million for developing, restoring, rehabilitation and operating five buildings in the core of a historic district that would be known as the Black Metropolis. Money would also be spent restoring the surrounding area.

The buildings to be rehabilitated under the plan are the Supreme Life Building, on 35th and King Drive; the 8th Armory, on 35th and Giles, the Bee Building on 36th and State, between 31st and 39th Streets, in an area once known as "Bronzeville."

"The Community Workshop on Economic Development came to me with this idea," Smith said. "The plan is to create a broad historic district for African Americans that ties in with the McCormick Place Expansion and the redevelopment of the Near south

According to Harold Lucas, of the Community Workshop on Economic Development, the five historic buildings would be used for a variety of purposes.

Among the projected uses would be for housing, historical research, small business assistance, offices, job placement services and even as a branch of the Chicago library.

Smith said she strongly favors promoting African American history and of redeveloping the area in a way that is historically and economically beneficial to the African American community.

"Quite honestly, I think it will be difficult to pass this legislation this year," Smith said. "However, I will work very hard for this funding. I also urge the public to become involved in this issue and work with me, the legislature and the Community Workshop on Economic Development to promote this idea."

Smith said that people wanting more information on the Black Metropolis project may call the Community Workshop on Economic Development at (312) 243-0249.



Senator Margaret Smith

The UnZipped

HERE IS A COVERT COLLABORATION GOING ON, WHERE THE \$100 MILLION EMPOWERMENT ZONE WILL BE LOCATED IN CHICAGO! THE 2ND WARD WITH IT'S NEW BOUNDARIES THAT EXTEND FROM THE NEAR SOUTH SIDE TO THE WEST SIDE MAKES ALDERMAN MADELINE HAITHCOCK AN IDEAL ADVOCATE FOR AN EMPOWERMENT ZONE THAT ENCOMPASSES THE INNERCITY POVERTY AREAS OF BOTH THE SOUTH AND WEST SIDES.

WHERE IS COMMUNITY ORGANIZER JOE TILLMAN, THE MAN THAT STOOD TALL TO THE CLOSING OF THE WASHINGTON PARK HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS IN HIS GYM SHOES?.....AND DO ANYONE KNOW WHAT HAPPEN TO THE MID-SOUTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE?

HUSH, HUSH . IT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN THE THEME ON ALDERMAN TROUTMAN SICK LEAVE, THE STAFF DID SAY SHE IS EXPECTED TO BE BACK IN OFFICE IN ABOUT A WEEK OR TWO. WE HOPE HER A SPEEDY RECOVERY, AS "LAWYERS" ARE MAKING DEALS ON 63RD STREET WHERE HER OFFICE IS LOCATED.

LOOK FOR THE RAGE OF THE OAKLAND/KENWOOD COMMUNITY ON THE 60, 60, 60 PROGRAM. Ms. NEWSOME OF THE OAKLAND KENWOOD CONSERVATION COUNCIL HAS SOME RAISED EYELASHES ON THE PROGRAM OF BOB LUCAS.

THE THIRD WARD WILL HAVE THREE MORE CANDIDATES IN THE 1995 RACE JOINING WALLACE "GATOR" BRADLEY MAKING THE RUN FOR ALDERMAN TILLMAN'S POST. TWO WISH NOT TO BE IDENTIFIED TILL THE TIME IS RIGH, AS THEY SAY. THE THIRD, WE WILL NOT MENTION FOR EQUAL COVERAGE. HINT: THE Y ARE MEN, ONE IS EAST OF THE RYAN, THE OTHER IS WEST OF THE RYAN. THE THIRD HAS A STORE ON 63RD STREET NAMED AFTER HIM..

HAROLD LUCAS IS GETTING A NEW JOB, OR IS THAT NEWS? HE HAS BEEN CONFIRMED AS THE PROJECT DIRECTOR FOR THE MID-SOUTH BLACK METROPOIS PROJECT.HAROLD'S LONG TIME ORGANIZING BUDDY AND MID-SOUTH'S VERY OWN LEROY KENNEDY CAN BE CONGRATULATED FOR BECOMING THE NEW ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIR'S AT IIT.

WHAT HAPPEN TO THE SUMMER JOBS FOR ROBERT TAYLOR HOMES? WITH OVER 13,000 TEENAGERS, TAYLOR ONLY GETS 50 YOUTH JOBS FROM THE MAYOR'S OFFICE.....WORD IS THAT CHA TENANT CHAIRMAN ARTENSA RANDOLPH IS THE NEW FIRST VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CHA BOARD .

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CHA Tenant Board Members still on hold

CAC submitted selection to Daley, Housing Coalition wants general election

While the direction of the Illinois Statewide Public Housing Resident Coalition (ISPRC) focus is on the implementation of electing three Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) tenants on Board of Commissioners of CHA, the Central Advisory Council (CAC) (Presidents of Public Housing Developments) has already submitted their two names to Mayor Richard Daley. They are Louis Brown of Lawndale Scatter Sites and Marie Bellingsly of Senior Citizens Housing which represents 58 across the city. Artensa Randolph, 78, was reappointed by the Mayor in March to another five year term that would end in 1999.

The Legislation HB 2142, which was drafted by ISPHERC passed for Chicago in 1991, created the current open for three tenant commissioners on the CHA board.. According to John DeVaughn, Co-Chair of the ISPHERC, the legislation contains only a vague description of the process through which residents shall select candidates to be appointed by the Mayor. ISPHERC has spent months talking with and organizing residents throughout the city on an open election process which all tenants could participate. Local Advisory Council (LAC) groups, resident management corporations and many other active public housing residents have been involved in discussions and pledged their support for ISPHERC's democratic style selection process.

ISPHERC has also sought the advice of the League of Women Voters of Chicago and Project LEAP in the election process.

A CHA staff person at the CAC office, who did not want to be identified, said a board election of tenants would be too costly and that the CAC presidents are already elected by their developments. She continued to say "I understand what the ISPHERC is trying to do, but, the tenants have already voted for building presidents to be trusted with their concerns. The same way with the congress of the United States. It would muddy the water and we all would drown."

DeVaughn, also a Building President of Armour Square Senior Development said, "There are other tenants who would like to be

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Community Briefs

Tolton Begin's it Spring Session

For over three years Tolton Adult Education Center has had more than 150 adults enrolled in their adult literacy and GED preparation programs. The service offered through De LaSalle Institute, 3455 S. Wabash is free. "this is the Christian Brothers making a commitment to the community. But Tolton is a non-religious venture," said Robert Sherrel, Tolton's executive director.

"We offer a caring environment for the adult learner and education from the point it was interrupted," Mr. Sherrell said.

Classes are taught five days per week in the mornings and afternoons for a ten-week session.

Adults who wish to register for the Spring session should stop by the school from 9 am to 3 pm or call 268-4007.

The 2nd District police station is off and running implementing the Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS). CAPS is a new community-oriented philosophy of policing and crime prevention for the City of Chicago. An overview of the 2nd district (51st and Wentworth) March meeting address a broad policy and organizational issues of the 2nd District.

According to Neighborhood Relations officer, Marcia Johnson, the community sectors of residents, organizations and agencies have formed six committees to address crime. They are; Youth, Economic Development and Jobs, Housing and Environment, the courts and churches. Officer Johnson said the group direction is on what cause crime and the committees are focusing their crime prevention actions in those areas. Johnson also stated that their focus is the victim of crime and that the members are on stand victims.



Bargains at the Police Auctions

Interested buyers of former hot items will be auctioned off April 16, at the regular monthly Chicago Police Department Auctions, held at the Washburne Trade School, 3333 W. 31st Street. All auctions begin at 10:00a.m. Advance look at the merchandise may be seen on Friday preceding each auction from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., and on the auction date itself from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. The items are unclaimed and abandoned merchandise from the Department's Evidence and Recovered Property Section.

Lynn Martin, former secretary of labor in the Bush Administration, will be at Illinois Institute of Technology on Friday, April 8 to share her views on America's workforce as it approaches the 21st century.

The free lecture, "The New American Workforce," will begin at 2 pm in the Smith-Olson auditorium of Perlstein Hall, 10 West 33rd Street. Experienced lawyers will provide free legal assistance about landlord/tenant problems, consumer law, family law and unemployment compensation, from noon to 2 p.m., every Saturday, at the Centers for New Horizons, 4150 S. King Drive. For more information call the Cook County Bar Association Community Law Project, Inc. at (312) 630-9393.

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Photo VIEW

What is your view on the March 15th Election?



"Cheaters, never win. When you do things from your heart and put them in the right prospective, you will always win."
Venetta Waley
Aid to Howard Kenner



"My real view is we didn't go out like we could have. We could have made history. To many people died for this right. I really feel hurt about the election"
Ethel Washington, President
Taylor Homes, LAC President

April Calendar of Events



Thursday, 7

The North Kenwood-Oakland Conservation Community Council will meet at the Kennicott Park, 4434 S. Lake Park. For information call 435-5800.

Friday, 8

Comedian Bill Bellamy "MTV Jams" host performs at IIT, Hermann Hall auditorium 40 W. 33rd Street at 8 p.m. Deon Cole, comedian at Chicago's "All Jokes Aside" will open the show. Bellamy appeared on "Def Comedy Jam", The Apollo and appeared in movies such as "Malcolm X", "Boomerang" and "Who's the Man". Tickets are \$10. for information, call 567-3075.

Saturday, 9

Operation Push Oratorical Society Oratorical Contest. At Operation PUSH the competition will be held at the PUSH Headquarters. students are asked to present a five minute excerpt from one of WEB DuBois speeches, pre-registration by April 8th, 9:30 am. For information contact Stacey Tomilson at 373-3366

Monday, 11

Mayor's Community meeting The fifth round of the community meetings with City Hall officials will take place for the 3rd Ward on April 11th and the Talyor Park Gymnasium, 39 W. 47th Street. Residents of the ward are invited concerns, complaints or even compliments on any aspect of city government. The meeting

begin at 7 pm with registration at 6:30 pm. For more information call the Mayor's Office of Inquiry and Information at 744-5000.

Safety Seminar for Women sponsored by Ameritech, the Defender and the Prevention Office of the Chicago Police Dept. 6-8 pm at the King community Service Center 43rd and Cottage Grove.

New Structure Organization weekly Monday meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. at 5659 S. Indiana. Contact John Thomas at (312) 324-5256 for information.

Tuesday, 12

Mid-South Planning & Development Commission meeting. 6:30 at King Center 43rd and Cottage Grove.

Wednesday, 13

Ald. Tillman community ward meeting 4645 S. King Drive

Thursday, 14

Alderman Toni Preckwinkle personal meetings with residents, by appointment only. 536-8103.

CHA Chairman Vince Lane's public meeting (part 3) on the proposal for new housing in the Kenwood community to take place at the King Center, 43rd and Cottage.e Grove. 6:30 pm.

Saturday, 16

The Dunbar Vocational High School Alumni Association and Hall of Fame Committee will hold its Scholarship

Awards Dinner Dance on Saturday, April 16. This also encompasses the Hall of Fame induction and the Teacher Recognition Awards. Please contact (312) 471-1116 or (312) 374-8254 for more information.

Sunday, 17

Reparations meeting at Washington park Field house, 55th and king Drive. 2:00 pm

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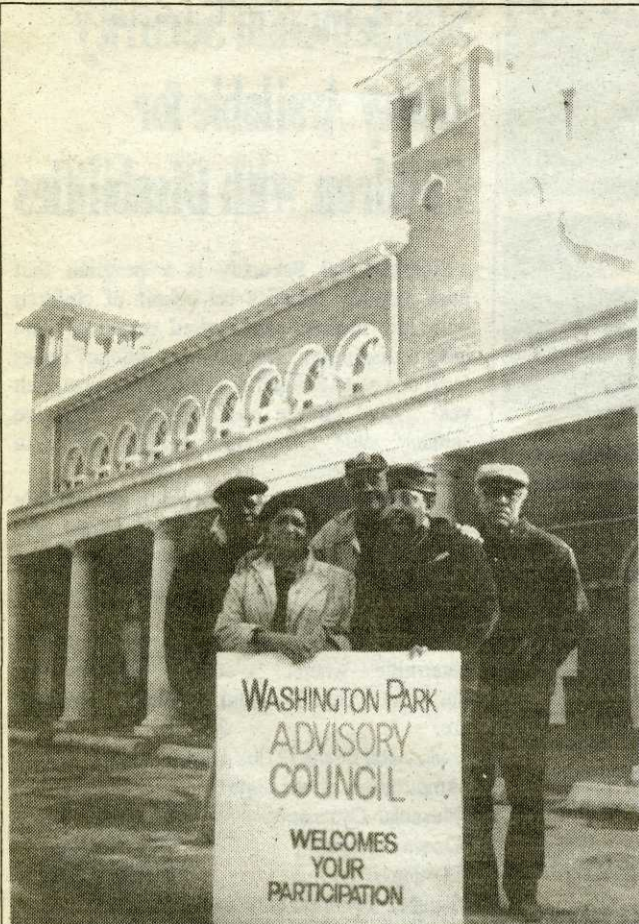
The Endangered Black Family: Problems and Solutions will be held 6 pm to 9 pm at the Center for Inner City Studies, 700 E. Oakwood Blvd. Free to the public and will be presented by Batu A. Shakari, Dir. the African World Research Institute. For infor. (708)331-3436.

Saturday, 30

Confessions, observations, stories, and poetry from recovering addict Beverly Reed at the Hall Branch Library, 4900 S. Michigan. Readings are 2 to 4 p.m. Call the library for more information.

Washington park Advisory Council meeting at the Washington Park Fieldhouse, 55th and King Drive.

Next issue: South Street Journal April 21. Deadline for material is April 14 South Street Journal will publish notices of community meetings, events and programs. Any organization or person in the South Street Journal circulation area may submit material. We will print others as it relate to the area. Send it one week in advance to South Street Journal c/o FNC 6439 S. Cottage Grove, Chicago, Illinois 60637. Phone number is (312) 239-0540. We reserve the right to refuse and edit material.



After a six year struggle in getting funding and picketing for affirmative action programs, the Washington Park Advisory Council and Washington Park Community Coalition is getting ready for the grand opening of the Washington Park Reflector and Aquatic Center located at 55th and King Drive. Pictured (l to r) is Andrew Roland, Erlene Arikpo, Gerald Ross, Cecilia Butler and Stanley Porter of the Council.

The center, at one time was scheduled for demolitions is being fully rehabilitated, in addition to the swimming pool, in which \$3 million was raised for the project.

The opening expected this spring will be in the honor of former mayor Harold Washington. Gerald Ross said, "It's been a long time coming and I think the community will be proud of the work the Council and Coalition has done to make this happen."

Kenwood-Oakland Land Grab KOCO calls for a 60, 60, 60, Housing plan for Kenwood-Oakland

With vacant land throughout the Kenwood/Oakland community, proposals and plans from the Kenwood-Oakland Community Organization (KOCO), to the Chicago Housing Authority, and the Parade of Homes of suburban developers have directed their attention to the North Kenwood Conservation Council meeting for April 7, where the council has the power to confirm what development will take place in the area. The meeting will be held at the Kennicott Field House, 44th Street and Lake Park Ave.

Bob Lucas, Executive Director of KOCO calls for the 60, 60, 60 plan for the community. KOCO and its Development Corporation will be presenting plans for its "New Homes for Chicago" proposal". According to Lucas KOCO plan will be split in thirds, balancing mixed income properties, with a potential 60 housing units targeted to each income bracket. The first 1/3 will target high income buyers with homes ranging from \$139,000 to \$220,000, will be developed by a Suburban developing company and will be named The Parade of Homes' (South Street Journal #10

issue, Ald. Preckwinkle). The second of the three targeted areas will attract moderate income buyers with homes ranging from \$75,000 to \$111,000, and will be developed by KOCO. Low income housing, which will be the rehabilitation of current multi-family dwellings will also be part of KOCO's developing plans into to balance the revitalization of the community with plans to build 120 new homes and 60 multi dwelling units.

In a meeting on March 28th, Vincent Lane, Chairman of CHA presented yet another scale of moderate income properties for the area to replace public housing. Twenty-five percent of CHA plans will be for low-income housing. CHA is expected to present its plans to the Council as well at April 7th meeting. However, residents of the area are against any addition public housing build in the area due to the concentration of public housing all ready in the area.

The revitalization area is targeted to the north area of Kenwood and the south area of the Oakland community, bound from 39th Street to 47th Street, Woodlawn to Lake Park. This areas housing units have decreased by more than 4,000 between 1960 and 1980. In the area north of 47th Street, there are less than half the units

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South Side NAACP's Rally thrives for the New

The Concerned Members of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) are undertaking the task of revitalizing what is the Nation's oldest advocate organization that fought untiringly for civil rights and equal justice.

The drive and rally will take place at Bethel AME Church, 44th and Michigan, where Dr. Cornelius Hayes is the Pastor, on Saturday, April 23, at 4:00 p.m.. Bishop J. Haskell Mayo (4th District, Episcopal AME Church, will be the keynote speaker. Also, there will be host of Chicago's well known ministers who will speak and a line-up of gospel choirs, musicians and soul-stirring singers.

The mission of the drive and rally is to breathe new life into the Alpha branch of the NAACP, said Dr. Hayes. "In 1994, old as well as new issues demand attention and people need to be educated so that they can respond with purpose and intelligence". continued Hayes.

"We are avoiding the same way of reaching out, this rally and drive will reach out to new people, gain new leadership, new membership put one on a new ground. Everyone should have a since of what the NAACP has contributed to the community, 99% from what we

do spring from the community."

He also stated that the NAACP is committed to maintaining a platform of advocacy by rising to the needs and concerns of minorities. Equal rights issues are no longer constrained to the African-American, but affect other races as well.

Gearing up the the national Convention to be held in Chicago in the month of August, Dr. Hayes said it will attract thousands of people. The membership Drive and rally is the first of a series of membership drives that will be held at various churches throughout the south sided of Chicago.

Dr. Hayes said, "We are bridging the gap with other minorities in order that we may establish a "collective conscience" platform, speaking with a unified voice demanding from the government, corporations and educational institutions what is constitutionally, politically and morally right."

"Our children are suffering, and the system demand it to be so, So we have made a decision to come together and make a difference. said Hayes, "We will ignite a new fire under the proper entities to correct our educational system and fan the flame of equality in the economic arena as well.

Tenants, Know your Rights

By Elaine Bowen, Staff Writer

Municipal Code 5.12.160 of the Chicago "Residential Landlord and Tenant Ordinance" prevents landlords from changing the locks, cutting off utilities or interfering with the tenant's use of the apartment.

However, some landlords violate this code and also initiate self-help evictions where they do not go to court but the tenant's belongings out.

"There's a definite pressure for them to cut corners and they don't want the expense of going to court," said Bill Leavitt, Staff Attorney with the Legal Assistance Foundation on 47th and Michigan.

In these instances, the landlords may have already lost rent proceeds and do not want the

extra expense of hiring lawyers to represent them. But tenants are advised that it's not wise to withhold rent unless they have followed certain procedures required by the tenant ordinance.

Under the tenant remedies code, tenants must make requests for repairs in writing. If repairs aren't done after 14 days, tenants are allowed to withhold an amount of rent that reflects the reduced value of the unit.

The tenant may have the repairs done and deduct on-half of the month's rent, but this amount may not exceed \$500. It is also important to have the repairs done in compliance with existing building regulations and to give all receipts to the landlord.

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Interview with Congressman Bobby Rush

By Chandra Hooks, Staff Writer

Who is this man that participated in the struggles of the sixties, held a position of authority in an organization ominous called "The Black Panther Party" that threatened the established norm, that was outlawed by the dominant society, and now is a member of the United States Congress?

Inconspicuous a gentleman, casually dressed for this interview in jeans and leisure shirt, Bobby Rush granted South Street journal this interview, as 'Someone You Should know'.

A resident of the Mid-South Douglas community since the early seventies, Rush was born in Sylvester, Georgia, the fourth of eight children, where he and his family lived for the first seven years of his life. In 1955 his mother relocated to Chicago's near north side to begin a new a better life.

Rush was disillusioned with school, watching his mother struggle, and developed some disciplinary problems. An angry young man at this time. Although he completed his elementary education at Franklin Elementary School, he dropped out of John Marshall High School frustrated with a system that seemed to work against him and his family.

Realizing how much he had disappointed his mother, Rush enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1963, to prove to his mother that she had not raised a loser. June of 1963, he had received his GED completed basic training, and enrolled in a local junior college in Oklahoma. By September of 1964 he had completed a full semester of college.

It became apparent to Rush that the American judicial system was not just and the radials climate of the country was most volatile. As an activist for social reform he became involved in the civil rights movement via the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee. It was there he met Stokely Carmichael and according to Rush, "followed Stokely" to become a member of the Black Panther Party."

"Contrary to what people were led to believe, the Black Panthers were mostly young African-American male activist committed to Congressman emphasizes. In fact, Fred Hampton was recruited from the NAACP Youth Division."

Rush was charged with the duties of Deputy Minister of Defense and Coordinator of the Illinois Chapter of The Black Panther Party.

RUSH:"The Party" as it was referred to, was an important force in terms of organizing people in the African-American community. It was the Party that fought to show institutions how to resolve our problems. Instead of government agencies instituting programs based on what they thought we needed, the Party went about the business of showing them what we needed.

The Congressman adds "it was the Party that instituted the Breakfast for children Program to feed hungry children, free Sickle Cell Anemia Program. Prior to the Sickle Cell Program, they didn't even recognize the disease. It was the Party that tested people and forced



society to recognize and treat this disease that is common amongst our people."

The Black Panther Party disbanded in January of 1974. The national headquarters in Oakland, California closed as a result of some of its members participation in petty criminal activities. Rush had left the party by that time.

What comparison 21st Century VOTE to the Panther Party?

RUSH: Credit where credit is due. If they had not marched around city hall and the state building, the school problem many not have been resolved as quickly. I give them credit for putting pressure on the involved electoral politics," he adds. "The Panthers were dedicated to alleviate the socio-economic problems that created the need for these programs in the first place. The Panthers wanted to re-shape the world that was discriminating against poor African-American people."

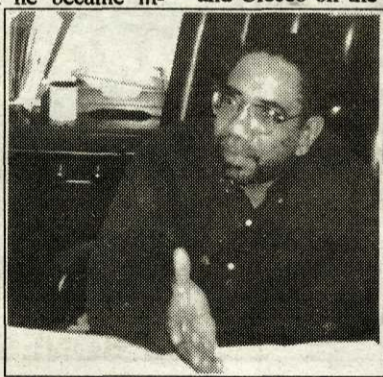


"youth.... we were motivated by a love for our people. The race as whole meant more than the individual. Today, the individual means more than the race"

What about the youth of today to the youth of yesterday?

RUSH: During the sixties we were motivated by a love for our people. The race as whole meant more than the individual. Today, the individual means more than the race in too many sectors of the population. What we're seeing is the other side of the coin. Its about self, The influence of Nixon, Reagan and Bush set the stage for egocentric. On the one hand you had Wall Street and corporate greed as reflected in persons such as Ivan Doesky and Michael Milkin. On the other hand, we have its counterpart - drug dealers, the drug czars that prey on the African-American community."

Congressman Rush say he is well aware of the society ills that hover over his district which spans from 26th Street north to 167th and Cieceo on the Southwest and Lake Shore



".. Earlier African-American politicians learned by going through the steps. They had a political background.."

Drive on the east parameter. His priorities for the 1st Congressional District...jobs, crime, and health care. The congressman emphasizes that "the economic viability of the citizens of this district is a top priority. Jobs are the number one issue."

In January of this year, Congressman Rush held a hiring event with Snyder Trucking Company. A truck driver training program.

RUSH: Two hundred thirty eight people were accepted into the program. These jobs yield an average of \$25,000 per year and according to the Congressman, "We are

happy to report that the program experienced a 85% success rate. He also worked this year with major corporation, e.g., Ameritech, Comm Ed, Peoples Gas, Jewel's, Dominick's, to name a few, to promote the "Earned Income Tax Credit Program."

This program allows an individual who worked a minimum of 6 months and made under \$23,064 with (1) dependent child to receive an earned income tax credit under the federal tax code. By creating a "Chicago partnership" with the major corporations and utility companies, it is expected that as many as 45,000 families will benefit from this tax information.

What about politics and politicians? Is there a new breed politician compared to politicians twenty years ago?

RUSH: Yes. Today's politician is probably more outspoken and has a better opportunity to provide more. Is more potent as a political force. However, in caparison to previous years, they don't have to do anything to be elected. Earlier African-American politicians learned by going through the steps. They had a political background and many learned through participation in the civil rights movement. Today there seems to be a lack of vision, skills and political savvy."

What is your assessment of the March 15th election?

RUSH:We had an opportunity to elect the first African American governor of Illinois.

Why the low voter turnout?

RUSH: For an off-mid-year-election, Burriss did pretty well. Although only 37% of all registered voters went to the polls, Burriss carried 42% of the African-American vote, 10% of the Hispanic vote and 5% of the Asian vote in the city. Most of our people will participate in the mayoral race, but not in the gubernatorial race. If one can coalesce similar minded voters and develop a campaign that addresses the 20 to 30 percent that do not vote regularly, one can carry the day. However, the people must be excited and enthused about the candidate. Burriss did carry Chicago, he did not capture the state.

What happened with you and Alderman Madeline Haithcock (2)?

RUSH: I really don't know. I asked Mayor Daley to appoint her to the aldermanic seat I left vacant, which he did at my request. In less than a year she turned her back on me and to this day has never told me why.

The Black panther Party advocated the right to bear arms, i.e., self-defense. Why are you opposed to public housing tenants having this right? Why do you support the 'sweeps'?

RUSH: In the sixties, we were focused on a legitimate concern - racial genocide, we had an oppressive and flagrantly wanton, brutal police force here in Chicago. Self-sense was necessary for our survival. The issue here is not genocide, but fratricide, brother killing brother.

What does it mean to you to be Congressman and what are your future political plans?

RUSH:To be a member of congress is another ascending layer of leadership for I want to make an immediate impact; a potent impact. Certainly I think that past experiences have sensitized me to understand and appreciate the basic needs of my constituency. I want to see some relief through government and continue to serve the 1st Congressional District.

What about president?

RUSH:No president.

Supplemental Security Money Available for Children with Disabilities

Supplemental Security is a program that pays monthly benefits on behalf of children with low income and limited resources who have a disability. The payment amount varies from one state to another and can increase each year, based on the cost-of-living. Effective January, 1994, the monthly benefit amount in Illinois is \$446.00.

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Some of the categories which can be used to determine whether a child qualifies for immediate Supplemental Security payments are:

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- *Amputation of two limbs
- *Muscular Dystrophy
- *Down Syndrome
- *Blindness
- *Significant mental deficiency
- *Diabetes with amputation of one foot.
- *Deafness
- *HIV infection
- *Cerebral Palsy

Personal service is available 7:00 am to 7:00pm, each business day by calling the toll free number: 1-800-772-1213 or by contacting the Social Security Administration office at 6349 Cottage Grove Ave.

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 E= Endorsed
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 *Ald. Preckwinkle had more than one endorsement sheet
 Ald. Haitcock and Troutman endorsement list was not available

	Con. Rush	5th Ward Org.	South St. Journal	CBUC/BIPO	Preckwinkle	Tillman	Soul Slate
Governor Roland Burris.....	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Dawn Clark Netsch.....		E					
Attorney General Marty Oberman.....		E	E	E		E	
Al Hofeld.....	E			E			
Secretary of State Pat Quinn.....		NE	E	E	NE	E	O
Comptroller Earlean Collins.....	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Treasurer Nancy Sheehan.....		X	NE	NE	NE	NE	
1st Cong. District Bobby Rush.....	E	NE	E	NE	E	E	E
2nd Cong. District Allan Streeter.....	NE		E	E		E	O
State Central Committee							
1st Dist. (f) Constance A. Connie Howard.....	O	O	E	E	E	E	E
1st Dist. (m) Bobby Rush.....	E	NE	E	NE	E	E	E
State Representative							
5th District, Lovana S. "Lou" Jones.....			E	E	E	E	E
23rd District, Jerry Washington.....			E	E		E	E
24 Howard Kenner.....	E		E	E		NE	E
25th District, Florence B. Cox.....			E	E			E
Commissioner of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District							
<i>Vote for three</i>							
Joseph E. Garner.....	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Audrey Jones Kenner.....		O	E	NE	NE	O	O
Derrick David Stinson.....		O	E	NE	NE	O	
Diane Shelley.....	E	O		NE	E		E
Board of Tax Appeals							
Wilson Frost.....		NE	NE	E	NE	EN	EN
County Clerk of Cook County							
David Orr.....	E	X	E	O	E	E	NE
Cook County Treasurer							
Edward J. Rosewell.....	E		E	NE	NE	E	NE
Sheriff of Cook County							
Tommy H. Brewer.....	NE	NE	E	E	E	E	E
Assessor Thomas Hynes.....	E	NE	NE	O	NE	NE	NE
President of the Cook County Board							
John H. Stroger.....	E	X	E	O	E	NE	E
County Commissioners							
2nd County Board Dist. Bobbie L. Steele.....	E		E	E		E	E
3rd County Board Jerry (Iceman) Butler.....	E		E	E		E	E
Judges of the Appellate Court							
Everette Braden.....	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Curtis Heaston.....	E		E	E	E	E	E
Leslie Elaine South.....	E		E	E	E	E	E
Judges Circuit Court							
James L. Hardeman.....			E				
Marsha D. Hayes.....	E		E	E	E	E	E
Victoria a. Stewart.....			E	E	E	E	E
Raymond Funderburk.....	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Everett McLeary.....			E				
Chanon Iena Williams.....	E		E			E	E
Cook County Judicial Circuit							
5th Subcircuit A Patricia Banks.....	NE	E	E	E	E	E	E
5th Subcircuit C Rickey Jones.....	NE	NE	E	O	O	O	O

Bring back the Good

This election was more of political maneuvering weeks and disappears the week after. However, South voters and their political needs are not tackled just over weeks. Large voter turnout with a community political agenda from election to election.

The identity of leadership with an agenda was that of the good ole' days. The 1987 political agenda not necessary coming from those elections with the community knowing what was the issue. Rather it was a good move or not. These three elected to bring the Mid-South community. As Tillman stated, "the traditional political leadership base with an agenda."

All city wards registered voters has dropped by an average of 20% in the 1992 election to the March 15th election the 2nd ward 28,740, the 3rd ward 32,707 down to 28,740, and the 4th ward 28,740. The other side of the story is that of the residents and of that only 40% do vote. Overall the Mid-South political agenda and less hope to people at the bottom.

Consider: Regardless of their elected positions, their agenda's D.C. to the Illinois House to the city council the same. Empowerment Zone was the same, their endorsements combined endorsements could have elected two more representatives to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District, Derrick Stinson and Audrey Kenner. All qualified and have roots in the Mid-South.

If the elected officials from 16th Street to 67th Street could translate a political agenda that the community could replicate to their neighbors. After all, crossing the street from Washington Park community the issues are basically the same. In return crossing the street to register to vote or get them to vote is no more steps. This could be a big step towards the Black political agenda. No different than the movement.

Rather than political maneuvering. Their united political agenda should address the political direction for increase awareness but a practical analysis for the community of what to do. Just as the talk of neighbors sticking together the neighborhood officials should stick together, promoting the same agenda.

Radical changes cannot come about to get the other side of the constituency exists to support them, and political action build and unify that constituency. Tillman, Rush, and start to do that in 1987.

By Lorna E. Barnes-Thornton
A MESSAGE FOR THOSE ON THE OTHER SIDE

Prespective

Black Community Deserves an Apology: Why I did not Vote

Those Black people who did not choose to continue to participate in anti-women, anti-Black and anti-humanistic behavior exhibited during the recent primary election deserve an apology. The malicious attempt by some political leaders, educators, ministers, media and hypocritical citizens to censor, program and coerce Black people to vote for certain political candidates with questionable records resulted in upheaval and backlash.

As a young Black woman who chose not to vote, and will not apologize for it, I based my decision on the previous behavior, insensitivity and neglect that many of the candidates displayed over the years relative to issues affecting the Black community.

I ask those who chose to participate in the latest political orgy the following questions: Where were you when the fraud was committed against Black students at some of the for-profit Trade Schools in the State of Illinois? Have you promoted, helped to appropriate funds or supported alcohol and drug abuse prevention? have you provided young Black people with some positive alternatives to crime and drug trafficking? Why did many of you refuse to address specific questions relative to the Daley Administration, Education, Crime and the like.

While some of the political candidates and cohorts disrespected themselves and bombarded the airwaves with their meaningless rhetoric during the primary

election, they chose to remain silent amid allegations of racism, sexism, ageism, exploitation and fraud throughout previous years. One of their lines of defense for voting was "Our ancestors died for the right vote". They died true enough. However, I really don't believe that our foreparents wanted voting to used as a weapon to further cause the demise and destruction of the Black community, which was vividly demonstrated on March 15, 1994. Too often some of our middle class Black people use voting as a crutch, an excuse to justify their jobs, and then cry racism so they can obtain grants and publicity. It is my belief that electoral politics is designed to elevate the elite and victimize the masses. As long as we remain victims, certain people benefit economically. Why have not our symbolic leaders found solution to our plight? For our votes, voting has not stopped the offenders from offending, recovered the addict, or caused the racists to change their wicked ways. I feel there is power and money in dehumanizing Black people, and that is who others spend so much money, and effort investing in it. It is unfortunate that many Black people have difficulty figuring this out, particularly our symbolic leaders.

I am deeply disappointed, but not surprised at the so-called Black Church. Why did many of them act as political roaches, squandering about under the political lights seeking out the crumbs? Is this indicative of Christian behavior? Perhaps, this explains the disconnectedness of the so-called Black church in relationship to the Black impoverished

communities.

While many of us within the Black community chose not to vote, I believe we had some valid reason not to vote. I feel the power that many of those evildoers tried to amass during the primary election lie within those who chose not to participate.

We must first and foremost overcome denial, deprogram our minds, take responsibility for the choices we make, make a concerted effort to commit our time, money, resources and skills to developing our most important resource: PEOPLE.

More, we must eradicate the class divisions, which separate Our so-called leadership must stop finding it convenient to bend over for the interest of others, and stand up for the interest of Black people. If they cannot do this; they should resign. The question we must ask ourselves now: Who will motivate, educate, and persuade those non voters to now participate? Obviously, the power does not lie with those who participated in the recent political fiasco, their negligent behavior, and the Black community therefor deserves an apology.

Lorna E. Barnes-Thornton is a Motivational Speaker and Founder and President of America's Back-To-Basics, Inc., a not-for-profit Training and Development Corporation.



South Street Journal "Insensitivity"

Dear Editor:

As a long time 2nd resident (38 years) I am enjoying your column in the South Street Journal. I am particularly in agreement with your item regarding congressional task forces, having served on some of them in the past.

However, I take strong exception to your item regarding commercial property on 63rd street. As an active fighter for Afro-American-Jewish cooperation, I feel that the reference to "Jewish Lawyers" serves no good purpose.

First of all, lawyers of all persuasions are always involved when it comes to buying property that appears to be located where in the future profits may be made.

Secondly, without knowing anything about the property you are referring to, there may well be Jewish lawyers involved, but what that prove, an what does your correspondent intend to bring out by this?

One of my pet peeves in inter-religious and interracial discussions is the all-inclusive of races, nationalities or religions in descriptions of news stories. "The Arabs", "some" representatives of these groups may not be involved while a majority of the accused minority may not even know what the commotion is all about.

So, please, be a little more discerning when mentioning various ethnic groups before your readers become prejudiced because they misread some of your comments.

Sincerely yours
 Hank R. Schw...
 33rd & King Drive

Editorial

Good Ol' Days, for a community political agenda

...making headlines a few... the real issues of the Mid-South... on long-term, and must... is still quiet waiting for... officials.



Theorizing about what our forefather died for us to vote does not feed hungry people, get the young girls off the corner, rid job discrimination or keep the youth from shooting each other.

The opportunity to officials to share the glory of an agenda could be based on at least five ways: (1) by providing direct services and technical assistance on appropriately scaled community legislation...



Ron Carter Publisher

...and voting from Washington or related; their choice for the... the same. For example, their community people to the...

Letters

The Hate Message of South Street Journal

Dear Editor: In Vol. No 9 of the Mid South Street Journal the item about "word from housing court from Tyrone...Jewish Lawyers...properties." is ugly, insulting and only serves to demean the writer of the column who has to stop to use what he/she sees as a way of negatively appealing to readers.

Sincerely yours, Frances R. Grossman Adams & LaSalle

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First Step Needed

Dear Editor: We, of New Structure Organization want the community of

Washington park in particular to learn and benefit from working together.

The best way to reach that goal, we decided, was to activity take part in the interest of the community and address those issues which are commonly notice.

The first steps to a solution are always the same- meet and then identify the problem and get organized.

With that in mind New Structure Organization seek the community to attended our weekly Monday meetings to get involved.

The Washington Park community has a unique blend of people and problems, and need workable solutions that deliver essential services and results to the community.

Perhaps the best way to illustrate the community involvement is be reaching a goal as an example. Our first example deals with launching a campaign to address the vacant buildings in the area and the handing out on the corners having the community residents being afraid to go to the store.

We hope that the Washington Park residents be so inspired by our efforts that they too will take action. If not with us, join or start another group to make things happen.

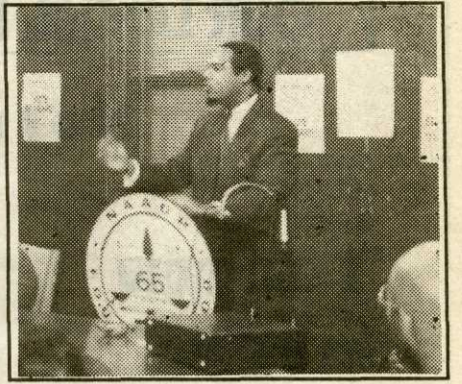
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The McNeal Report

What Should have Happen, Didn't



Dino McNeal

Tommy Brewer's bid to become Sheriff was not a total defeat. It points out a very important fact to all those progressive minded people in our community. We have a lot of work to do. We must cultivate our community to become more active and aware of what's going on.

The political process affects every aspect of life from birth to death. When you are born you are given a birth certificate. When you die you are given a death certificate.

Who decided to give you these certificates? We can't afford to say it does not matter.

We are bound to the process, as long as we pay taxes we are politically involved, because our tax dollars are the oil that keeps the political engine running.

Brewer ran an effective campaign on a shoestring budget. The responsibility to find out who are the candidates running for any office, city, county, state and federal, is primarily up to the citizens who are eligible to vote.

We as African-Americans should pay special attention to anyone black or white seeking our support. Brewer, raised in Washington Park Public Housing in the Mid-South community, was definitely the most qualified candidate for the job.

Hopefully we will hear and see more of Brewer on the political scene.

Brother Hannibal Afrik, a journalist and activist, stated in regards to the elections result, "We continue to destroy our friends and reward our enemies.

Case in point, one Michael Sheahan who never broke from the 29 bloc, lead by Edward Vrdolyak, which sought to embarrass and insult our late and great Mayor Harold Washington. Michael Sheahan, the alderman of the 19th Ward before he became sheriff, worked against Harold Washington in 1983 and 1987 and was a co-founder of the Chicago First party that was established to unseat Harold Washington in 1987.

My Ward, the 20th, which is one of the poorest in the city. Our Alderman, Arenda Troutman endorsed this Machine based candidate over Tommy Brewer. In spite of the fact that the vast majority of our Black and progressive white and Hispanic elected officials were proud to support Tommy Brewer.

The Sheriff's office is charged with administering the Cook County jail, providing police protection in unincorporated villages in Cook County and provide security throughout the entire Court system of Cook County. This is the key office as it relates to the criminal justice system.

There are many blacks who don't belong in jail, but on the other hand many do: who are really guilty. Stop and think, all of us probably at some point or another know someone who has been incarcerated in the County Jail.

Regardless of the situation, we should have elected the most qualified person, but unfortunately we didn't.

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BUSINESS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

OUR LOCAL BUSINESS PERSON

Norman Harris

Norman Records

"I am now servicing Grandchildren of some of my customers."

ONE OF THE OLDEST BUSINESSES ON 35TH STREET:

From 45's, 8 track tapes, LP's to Cassettes now Compact Discs, Norman Records has kept up with the times of music for over 34 years. Harris opened his record shop on the 35th Street off Calumet Street across the street was Nate's Shoes, a fruit market, grocery store, and other small businesses.

HIS INSPIRATION:

Harris says his wife inspired her to succeed in the record business.

PERSONAL BACKGROUND:

Born November 11, 1928. Harris came to Chicago from Atlanta Georgia at the age of 10 years old. He is the father of seven children.

GETTING STARTED:

Norman says he got into the record selling business by accident, simply because of his love for music. As a band player at Waller High School. "I want to continue my love for music while in High School. Not able to, I decided to sell what I love."

SPECIAL FEATURE:

Being the only music shop in the area, "If we don't have what the customer want, we will get." said Norman. "I take a keen interest in getting what the



customers want." Harris customers are 75% under the age of 30. However, he said, "I have some of the same customers from when I first open my doors."

THE COMMUNITY: "Well I've been here for over 35 years and have meet some nice people." said Norman, "I have had generation, and generations of customers. I am now servicing grandchildren of some of my customers."

ADVICE TO OTHERS: Norman says that an important factor in retail business is study your location before choosing it. "It can make a big difference in your profit." He also said that you should check your completions as well.



Photos by Willie Riley

Second ward Alderman (L) Madeline Haithcock joined Omar Shareef, President of the African American Contractors Association and Mal Foster-Thompson at the fifth annual AACA achievement awards held at the Chicago urban league office on 45th and Michigan.

Haithcock praised the AACA, which operates out of the 2nd ward, in their achievements for minority fair share of government contracts and producing jobs towards economic development.

Haithcock also stressed the direction of her office to taking a closer look at the McCormick Place Expansion project and the University of Illinois Circle Campus expansion, which is in the 2nd ward

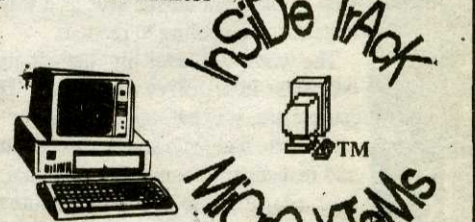
Present matters regarding the McCormick Place Expansion Project took place at the Illinois Institute of Technology where State Representative Lovana Jones and the Mc3D, Inc. held a community meeting to discuss the New South Hall and Grand Concourse of the McCormick Place. Since the start of construction of May, 1993 there is still concern over the fair hiring of minority contractors and skilled laborers. However, the Mc3Directions newsletter it stated that it has passed the 25% minority skilled hours to 36.4%.

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CTA Reports everything on Schedule

Everloyce McCullough, Staff Writer

Questions still raised on the residents jobs

The Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) in its newsletter "Green line II" The Second Century newsletter outlines the progress and the development of the Greenline project.

The newsletter states "The project is more than rebuilding the Transit line. It is the largest single investment on the west and south side of Chicago in several decades. It also builds a coalition between CTA, communities along the line, their neighborhood representatives and private industry."

The newsletter reports alternative services are performing well. Adjustments were made to improve the riding convenience and operations as follows:

*More service has been added to the local schedule of the King Drive route accommodate heavier riding.

*Sunday schedules are being revised on the 38th Michigan express bus route to improve connection for transferring ridings downtown.

*59/61 Street bus has been rerouted from 63rd station to Garfield 55th station so that near by traffic lights can aid in more convenient station access for customers who must cross the street there. The newsletter provided a listing of committees their facilitators and phone numbers. On the side they are as follow:

1. Technical Advisor committee: Mary Nelson

826-5540

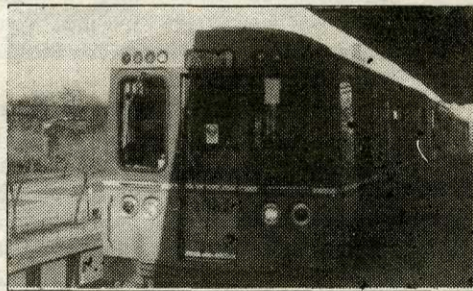
2. Alternate Transit Services; Jo Foster Murry 708 - 210-3293
3. Economic Development, Security,
4. Accessibility: ADA committee: Leon Jackson; 493-5000.
5. Mobility Limited Committee; Kathleen Moran, 337-2428
6. Job Training and Referral, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises: Artensa Randolph 791-8731
7. Station Location and Usage. Rev. Mary Parrish 752-8137.

Gerald Morgan of United Services is critical of the claims of the newsletter stating the content of the newsletter is a farce, not knowing that the newsletter exist as a member of the CTA Task Force. He further stated Randolph has conferred almost exclusively with Rev. Leonard DeVille, Alpha Temple 6701 S. Emerald. Rev. DeVille Southside on the job referral and. wanting to know where are the jobs. not giving the information out on the jobs.

Due to Randolph admittance to the hospital no comment was available.

John Paul Jones of Neighborhood Capital Budget Group said, "The Greenline project is progressing on schedule". However Jones stated that a dilemma existence regarding the degree of local hiring for the project."

Jones and Morgan agreed that greater community attendance of CTA meetings is

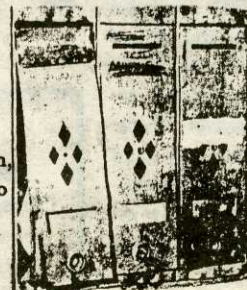


necessary to ensure community interest. Persons interested may call the above telephone numbers for location and time of committee meetings.

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YOUTH PAGE

LETTERS FROM YOUTH

Editor's note:
In our continuing series of letters written by youth, we are serving as springboards to bring our readers a first hand account of what's going on in the child's neighborhood, and in their hearts. As the letters illustrate, these students are versed in what's happening in the neighborhoods. It is however, apparent that our children are what really matters, the classroom and setting a positive foundation for a productive future. Everyone, teacher, parents, family members as well as friends and neighbors, should take responsibility for our children. As easy as it is to point fingers, pointing fingers will not solve the problem! Until we return to supervising what our child reads, participating in face-to-face verbal conversations, and basically monitoring/caring about what's happening in their lives, which includes the classroom, our children and our future has some doome days ahead.



Tamesha Bolden, 9 of St. Benedict; Mildred Bridges 11, Edward Hartigan; Themla Bridges 10, of Hartigan; Anglea Bolden 10, visting from Milwaukee, winc.

Cleaning the Environment

The City Hall need to put every person who litter in jail. The City Hall should get (give) someone there jobs. If I was the manager I would fire them all.

Tamaasha Boldon, 9
Hartigan School

Drug dealers need to go!

They need to clean the street. Put all these junkys in jail. If they can't do that, take them somewhere, but on (off) the street. And all these people that sale drugs are gone out of their mine.

Mildred Bridges
Angela Bolden

the street. And all these people that sale drugs are gone out of their mine.

I SEE THEM SELLING IT

The people on the street be sale drugs and I want them to stop selling drugs. Because people die and have a bad heart. I want to stop and walk around and be safe. I see people pass money to each other and drugs to other people to sell.

Telma Bridges, 10
Hartigan School



Present at the Beatrice Caffrey youth Services, Inc. 35th merit Dinner are Dr. Lauretta Thompson, Bd President, Angela Green, Director Public Relations, and Leadership Program participant, Shainda Lindsey. The agency has been operating since the early 50's. Today there are several committees that plan and execute youth programs. Pictured to the right at the affair as well, is Joseph Merriewehter, Russell Maryland of Dallas Cowboys, and Kenneth Winn.

In Five Years

- I would have finished
 - a. High School
 - b. Grammar School
 - c. College
 - I will be with the same
 - a. Girl/Boy Friend
 - b. Best friend
 - c. Both
 - The T.V. shows will still be on
 - a. Martin
 - c. Family Affairs
 - b. South Central
 - I will know when I am an adult that I will be a _____
 - I will move to _____
 - I would stop _____
 - Rap music will be
 - a. just as good
 - b. Long gone
 - c. Adults will listen to it more
 - I would have traveled to _____
 - I would still have the same
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Both sessions will be held on the university's South Side Campus, 40 West 33rd Street. There is a \$10 application free and a \$40 program fee. Application deadline is April 30th. For more information call 567-5250.

ATTENTION YOUTH TOO! CAN WRITE

Grade school and high school students, all youth are encouraged to submit stories, letters, questions, suggestions and information to South Street Journal.
Attention: Lois J. Branch, Youth Editor
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Chicago, Illinois 60637

Chicago's African-American Student Union College Student phone Survey of Registered Voters

Ward	Students Surveyed		Didn't No		Time Not	
	Attempted	Voted	Vote	Interested		
2	18	12	4	8	2	6
3	124	91	13	78	15	63
4	32	14	8	6	-	6
5	26	17	7	10	2	8
6	43	37	24	13	2	11
7	49	43	6	37	15	22
8	110	39	19	20	7	13
9	37	21	5	16	6	10
15	63	40	21	19	11	8
16	45	11	8	3	-	3
17	81	66	19	47	13	34
20	66	54	29	25	9	16
21	22	17	12	5	-	5
24	16	14	3	11	2	9
27	14	9	3	6	2	4
28	103	80	28	52	15	37
29	72	61	12	49	25	24
34	18	14	7	7	1	6
37	54	29	11	18	7	11
Total	993	668	238	430	134	296

Findings

- 64.5% interviewed didn't vote.
- 69% who didn't vote claim they weren't interested.
- 31% who didn't vote said they had no time
- Top three reason given for section (a).
 - 1] Politicians don't follow through on their promises.
 - 2] No economic plans for the youth or community
 - 3] Didn't know who to vote for (or) never saw or heard of the candidate.
- Top three reasons given for section (b).
 - 1] had to work.
 - 2] Lines in polling place to long.
 - 3] Didn't know which polling place to vote at.
- 76% said they will not vote in Nov.
- 87% would vote in 1995, just to get Daley out of office
- 43% said they didn't care for Stroger.
- 69% said Burriss was not in touch with the Black community.
- 4 out of 23 college campus' surveyed did not hold a voter registration drive between 12/93 - 2/94 at the school.
- 87% didn't know who Joe Gardner was (majority mistaken him for Ed Gardner of Soft Sheer, Inc.).
- 94% would participate in a Student Plebiscite to get Daley out.
- *This survey was conducted on 3/18 and 3/19 at Columbia College by the Chicago's African-American Student Union.

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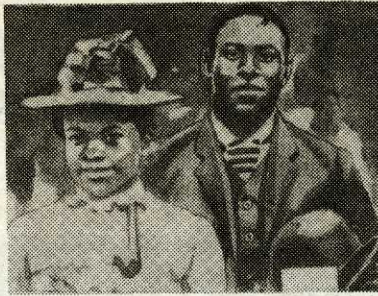
On this Day in History

- 7, Billy Holiday, blues singer born in 1917.
- 8, Henry Aaron, hit his 715th home run and replaced Babe Ruth as all-time major league champion - 1974.
- 9, Paul Robeson, actor, concert singer, born in 1898.
- 10 to 24, 1967 - Open housing demonstrations and several clashes intensified in Louisville, Ky. after City's board of aldermen rejected an open housing act.
- 11, 1898 - Percy Julian, Chemist and millionaire born. Died April 19, 1975.
- 11, 1955 - Roy Wilkins appointed Executive Secretary of the National office of the NAACP.
- 12 - Ernest J. Wilkins' appointment as Ass't Secretary of labor was approved by Senate, April 23, 1954.
- 13 - The United Negro College Fund was founded by Dr. Frederick D. Patterson, Pres. of Tuskegee Institute 1944. Dr. Patterson died 4/26/1988.
- 14 - Dr. John Hope Franklin was appointed to faculty of the Univ. of Chicago in 1963. In 1982 he became the James B. Duke Prof. Emeritus of History and Prof. of legal History in the Law School at Duke University.
- 15, 1960 - The Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC-pronounced Snick) was formed on the campus of Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina.
- 16 - Carol Brice. Concert singer born, 1918
- 16 - 1961 - C.F. Poole was appointed U.S. Attorney for the northern California District.
- 17, 1758 - Francis Williams, first U.S. Black collage graduate, published a poem in Latin.
- 18, 1959 - "Youth March for Integrated Schools" drew 30,000 students to Washington, D.C.

Tales of Bronzeville

Ezekiel saw a wheel-
 Wheel in the middle of a wheel-
 The big wheel run by faith,
 An' the little wheel run by the grace of God-
 Ezekiel saw a wheel.

-Negro spiritual



The Spirit of Bronzeville

"Ghetto" is a harsh term, carrying overtones of poverty and suffering, of exclusion and subordination. In Midwest Metropolis it is used by civic leaders when they want to shock complacency into action. Most of the ordinary people in the Black Belt refer to their community as "the South Side," But everybody is also familiar with another name for the area - Bronzeville. This name seems to have been used originally by an editor of the Chicago Bee, who in 1930, sponsored a contest to elect a "Mayor of Bronzeville."

A year or two later, when this newspaper joined the Defender staff, he took his brain-child with him. The annual election of the "mayor of Bronzeville" grew into a community event with a significance far beyond that of a circulation stunt. Each year a Board of Directors composed of outstanding citizens of the Black Belt takes charge of the mock-election. Ballots are cast at corner stores and in barbershops and poolrooms.

The "Mayor," usually a businessman, is inaugurated with a colorful ceremony and a ball. Throughout his tenure he is expected to serve as symbol of the community's aspirations. He visits churches, files protests with the Mayor of the city, and acts as official greeter of visitors to Bronzeville. Tens of thousands of people participate in the annual election of the "Mayor." In 1944-45, a physician was elected mayor.

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Tenants Rights

"However, most tenants just don't pay the rent and end up in eviction court," Leavitt said. The Foundation represents some of the tenants in the areas of Mid-South. Unfortunately, Leavitt says that cases are often held up in court for a year.

Leavitt says that eviction court, located on the 13th and 14th floors of the Richard J. Daley center, is a "high-volume, fast food operation. The tenants and the landlords don't get a fair shake because the judges are overloaded with a multitude of cases," he said.

Donald Pensack, associate director of the Illinois Tenants Union, says that it's important that tenants understand the law. "If tenants dare going to prevail, they need to act legally," Pensack said.

Pensack is located on the North side at 4616 N. Drake. Among other things, the Tenants Union helps tenants understand the section of the municipal code that provides for reduced rates for reduced services. It also inspects rental properties.

Pensack says that the Tenants union is expanding its overall involvement in tenant complaints. As older properties on the South and West sides of the city further deteriorate, the Tenants Union will probably also become involved in any complaints in these areas.

"Tenants would benefit from professional advice," Pensack said. Assistance is available for tenants with complaints, and tenants should not act on their own.

Copies of the Chicago "Residential landlord and Tenant Ordinance" may be obtained at the City Clerk's office on the first floor of City Hall.

Harris YWCA's April Activities highlight Sexual Awareness

Sexual Assault Awareness is the theme of free activities during April at the YWCA Harris Center, 6200 S. Drexel.

"Brothers Against Sexual Violence", a forum which gives men an opportunity to discuss issues of sexual assault and attitude changes from their perspective, will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 30. The forum is being held in recognition of Sexual Assault Prevention Awareness month, April.

A Community Health Information Fair will be held on Wednesday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free blood pressure checks, CPR demonstrations and health information will be provided. There will be performances by senior and youth dance troupes, local rappers, and city choirs. In addition, there will be an appearance by the Chicago Police Department Mounted Patrol.

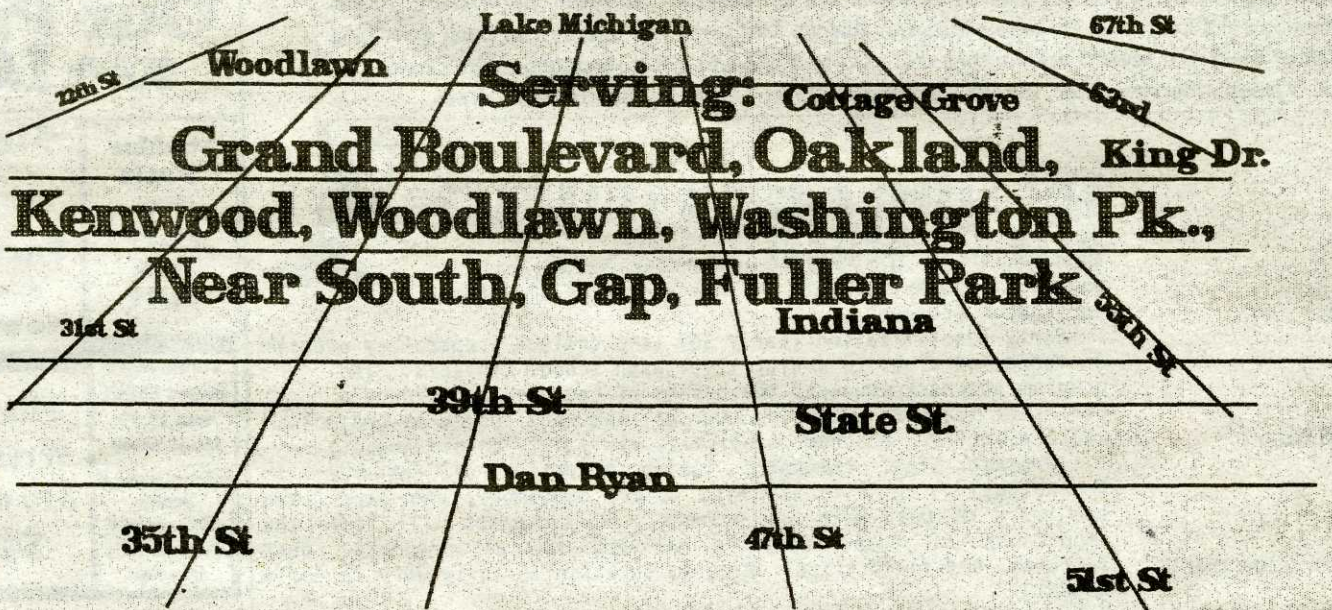
Admission to the Health Fair is free. Organizations desiring a table at the fair should call the Harris YWCA at (312) 955-3100 before April 10.

"The YWCA has had a sexual assault program for the past 11 years," said Karen King, Director of the Harris YWCA. "These special activities in April give us an opportunity to broaden the community's awareness of our efforts."

The Harris YWCA provides counseling and support for victims of sexual assault. The center also offers recreational programs for all ages, including swimming and gym activities, and meetings pace for local community groups.

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Solutions

Police Superintendent Matt Rodriguez, 2nd District Commander Richardson, CHA Police Commander Mayo and Public Housing-South Commander Gunthric, along with other principals and school administrators have agreed to join in on the meeting.

Their purpose will be to develop a comprehensive plan to save the children and strengthen the community.

Tillman stressed in a letter to Vincent Lane, Chairman of the Chicago Housing Authority that the force headed by Muhammad has had a good measure of success in other developments and should be considered for Robert Taylor.

Doris Morris said "I don't see the security, I don't know where they are, talk about Sweeps what we need is decent security"

mobilize African-American men April 4 to assemble and march to reclaim the streets and stop the violence in the communities where the latest killings of youth have occurred.

The march and memorial service commemorate the anniversary of the man for Peace, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who was killed by a rash act of violence 26 years ago.

The PUSH Minister's Division called for 49 pastors to organize 5,000 churchmen to participate in the march to reclaim the streets by implementing a program called Operation Man the Streets. Every man participating in the program will be asked to adopt a street he is willing to man and a young man he is willing to mentor.

"A central theme for our message on April 4, is to challenge America to reclaim our children and communities with Push in 1994." Stated a spokesperson for PUSH. "Each man participating in the march will stake a claim to reclaim the streets and our children who are lost to

In a statement from PUSH, it stressed that, "Everyday we watch our children engage in senseless crimes, many of which we never hear about because there's simply not enough newspaper space, radio or television air time to report them all. We are eulogizing grandchildren and not grandparents. Thirty years ago Dr. King was marching against racism and for voting rights. Thirty years later we must march to Reclaim our Children and Communities. If our children were being killed by klansmen or white terrorist we would be marching and demonstrating all over America to take control. In 1994, we have allowed murder and violence to be acceptable behavior."

In the Mid-South community the core church is Progressive Community Church 56 E. 48th Street, where Rev. B.H. Martin is the pastor.

The campaign will organize a meeting with young men on a block by block basis by April 30th to create a street patrol in conjunction

According to Rev. Donald Parson, Chairman, PUSH Ministers' Division They are to adopt one male youth under age 18 to mentor for at least one year, attend the PUSH Man the Streets Report Meetings, Meet with the PUSH Man the Streets Task Force on May 5th and Sponsor the mentor youth to attend the annual PUSH convention in July. In addition, work with a pastor and encourage the mentor youth to attend at least two (2) worship services each month

the Derrick McClain said "What it will take is jobs. Just give us some jobs and we'll do it ourselves." He continued to say that "I have children that go across the street, I am concerned, all are concerned, but what can we do. There is no resources for us to do anything. If anyone is serious, produce some jobs."

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Land Grab

counted 20 years ago. Only the southeast corner of Kenwood, east of Dorchester Avenue, had been extensively redeveloped.

The south part is usually identified with Hyde Park, while north (of 47th Street) is usually associated with the Oakland community.

The city of Chicago has been given credit by some community leaders in acquiring the land for developers.

Lucas stated his organization has been working for a balance of income in the revitalization of the Kenwood-Oakland community for some time now. "Our mission is to build low and moderate income homes for the community" says Lucas. "...we feel that a balance of income is the best way to really revitalize the community."

The overall development is part of the planning initiative of the North Kenwood-Oakland Conservation Community Council. It is the official neighborhood planning organization of the area (similar to the Mid-South Planning and Development Commission its east neighborhoods). Ms. Newsome, the council's executive director stated that plans are being put in place by organizations and developers, however any development in the area must be approved by the council first.

In the Spring of 1994, building on 10 'Parade Of Homes' houses will begin on what is almost 50% vacant land in the area around 45th and Oakenwald.

KOCO plans to get off the ground with their 10 homes in June, following with the rehabilitation of the multi-units for low income families.

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CHA Tenant

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appointed as well, that are not on the CAC so the process of electing should be open to all the tenants." He continued to say, "We believe that these broad based discussions of various organizations have created an open process, ensuring that all residents have an equal opportunity to participate in the mayor's selection of tenant commissioners. This, we believe, will also provide the mayor with the best slate of public housing leaders, from which to make his appointments."

The mayor's press office did not return telephone calls *South Street Journal* on his position. However, other members of IS-Phrc stated that they have met with the mayor's staff and the mayor understands the need for an open process which is part of the reason for his delay in not confirming the CAC two officials.

The CAC spokesperson added that as tenant commissioners, it is not a paying position and that it should be as other official commissioners are.

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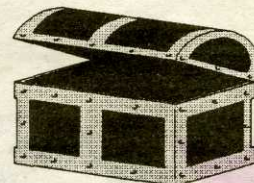
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