Public Transportation

Washington Pk Residents Petition for alternative to Indiana 38 Bus Line

A petition is presently being circulated in the Washington Park community by Concerned Citizens of 57th & Indiana in protest of the Chicago Transit Authority No 38 bus on Indiana Ave. "The buses shake buildings, loosen plaster from walls and ceilings and over the long haul will damage our homes," said Donna Hampton-Smith, president of the organization. "We have made our complaints to the Alderman, and to CTA and as of today on no one has our concerns." Troubled while the CTA dose the Greenline

Awards

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Community Resident Wins First Place in Poetry

Grand Boulevard resident Beverly Reed won first place in the Acra Poetry competition held at Carter Woodson Branch Library. The competition is sponsored by the Department of Cultural Affairs, Chicago Sister City International Program. Reed has proceeded to the semi-finals to be held in August at the National Turf Chicago Poetry Festival, Operation at Navy Pier. Her first prize winner will win a trip to Accra, Ghana, in Africa. Reed has been writing since her recovery from substance abuse. She is also a contributing writer to the South Street Journal. Reed is employed as a substance abuse counselor for Gateway Foundation at Cook County Jail.

"I firmly believe that people who need to strengthen their roles in society by strengthening themselves from the inside out. This contributes to my writing desire and ability," said Reed.

Rosemarie Gully Pass

Sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Rosemarie Gully, 31, director of development and the voice of the Chicago Transit Authority answering machine. Ms. Gully passed on June 23. She was one of the first African-American female t.v. reporters in Chicago.

Rev. George "Ed" Riddick goes Home to Glory

Sadness darkens the homes and lives of African Americans around the nation in the passing on July 12 of one of Operation PUSH's founding members and the voice of Operation PUSH, Rev. George "Ed" Riddick. For 21 years, Rev. Ed, as he is also known as, was the voice of PUSH's Saturday Morning Forum. Rev. Ed, 61, was the pastor of Blackwell Memorial AME Zion Church, 39th & Langley. He is survived by his wife, Beatrice Williams.

6000 S. Lafayette Block Club Committee Annual Tea

For youth held on July 31. They are seeking support of businesses, organizations, etc. for donations of funds and needed products. For information on assisting the block club contact Ms. Yolanda Keith, president, 6038 S. Lafayette, #2, Chicago, Ill. 60621.

$28.8 million Plan for Taylor and Stateway Safety

HUD and Attorney General Reno recommended an anticrime plan to President Clinton for Robert Taylor Homes and Stateway Garden. HUD officials stated the strategy elements of the plan resulted from meetings with residents, mayor Daley, Housing authority Chairman Vincent Lane and others. General security issues, illegal gun trafficking, and preventive programs are the focus of the $28.8 million plan.

The enforcement includes CHA-Chicago police Building Interdiction Team Effort (BITE) will secure buildings and patrol and search the buildings with an additional $15. million. an additional $50,000 will come from the Justice Department.

$20,000 for New Stateway Gardens Library

Mayor Richard Daley has announced that over $20,000 has been appropriated through the municipal percent-for-art ordinance to purchase artwork for installation in the Stateway Gardens Branch Library at its new home in the historic Chicago Bee Building, 3647-55 S. State St., which is undergoing rennovation. A project of the Mid-South Planning and Development Commission.

A 1-33 percent of the construction budget will be used for artwork. Artist applications are being accepted for consideration through September 15, 1994 for this project. Artists interested in being considered should request a slide registry application from the Dept. of Cultural Affairs public art program, 78 W. Washington St. 4th fl. or call 744-7447.

Smith Legislation to Help Older Women

The Illinois Senate passed legislation designed to protect older women from a bone disease known as Osteoporosis. State Senator Margaret Smith was the original sponsor of the legislation, which now goes to the Governor for his signature.

"Osteoporosis is a bone disease that strikes post-menopausal women," said Smith. "Our legislation requires the Department of Public Health to develop a prevention and education program about the disease."

Smith said the program will promote public awareness of the disease and the care of the disease, especially among high risk groups. The education part of the program will focus on ways to prevent the disease through nutrition, diet and exercise as well as the availability of the service.

"For years, women's health issues, especially older women's health issues, were virtually ignored by the medical community and by public policy makers," said Smith. "The legislation would not cost the state additional money, as its provisions will be implemented by the Department's existing staff."

Looking for Work, STRIVE Chicago Employment Services, Inc. located at 4910 S. King Drive offers 3 week workshops for developing excellent job seeking skills. With more than 390 people placed, STRIVE commitment to everyone enrolling in the workshop a lifetime employment need. To be eligible you must be 18 years old, have never worked before, or have been unemployed more than 6 months, and have only a short work history. All services are free. Workshop starts July 1. Call 624-9700 Ext. 10.

COMING EVENTS

July Calendar of Events

Wednesday, 20
Youth Consortium monthly meeting of organizations addresses youth issues and concerns. 7 p.m. at Metropolitan Community Church, 4100 S. King Drive For information contact Gwendolyn Ross (312) 587-7116

Thursday, 21
4th Ward Senior Services Planning Commission 9 a.m. meeting at the 4th Ward office, 40th and Drexel.

Saturday, 23
Washington Park Community Coalition meeting at the Washington Park Field House, 55th and King Drive begins promptly at 2 p.m.

Congressman Bobby Rush Free Family Fest at Washington Park from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. It is the largest family, the oldest grandparents with grandchildren, and the largest church family picnics in Chicago. Also cocktails, magic, T umbler's and special events for the children.

Sunday, 24
Brothers for the Brothers Fundraiser De LaSalle Institute African American alumni will host a reception for the school's alternative community outreach program, the Tobin Adult Education Center, at the Chicago Chop House, 60 W. Ontario, from 30 p.m. There will be door prizes. A limited number of tickets will be sold for the grand prize of a trip for one Bulls game at the new United Center next season. The Tobin Center opened in 1991 provides free adult literacy and GED preparation classes to adults living in the Grand Boulevard and Douglas Park area near the Robert Taylor Homes. For information call 842-8350.

Monday, 26
New Structure Organization's weekly Monday meetings begin at 6:30 p.m., 5659 S. Indiana. Contact John Thomas at (312) 324-5256 for information.

Progressive Community Church 4th and Drexel holds weekly Bible study in the Fellowship Hall.

Tuesday, 26
Chicago 2nd Police District, CAPS program meets at 7 p.m. at 7040 S. Cottage. Meeting are held every second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

The Chicago Black United Communities hold their weekly meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. at 530 E. 37th Street.

Mid-South Planning & Development Commission monthly committee meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. at King Center, 43rd and Cottage Grove.

Task Force for Black Political Empowerment meets weekly at the Center of Inner City Studies, 700 W. 0akwood.

The 6:30 p.m. meeting covers political issues of the city.

Thursday, 28
Alderman Toni Preckwinkle holds personal meetings with residents, by appointment only. Call 356-8103 for more information.

SOUTH STREET JOURNAL

South Street Journal

There's a city ordinance to come in effective to help to keep kids off the street and go to school.

"That's pretty tough one. It is a lot of trouble in the streets. And it can be a lot of conversation about it.

But, I still don't agree with it." Ruth Cummings

6th and East End

"No, I don't agree with that. Some parents are not home, working at night and there can be many reasons why the children are out. The law should be making sure they are in school during the day where it counts. I don't agree." Tosby Brown

35th and Cottage Grove
Clinton in Taylor
'THistory Without Substance'
John Otrompke, SSJ Staff Writer

"They put flowers down when the President came," said South Sider and Boys Club volunteer Paris Thomas, "but they haven't cleaned the playground since." In front of the Robert Taylor Homes Friday June 17. Residents showed concerned that it was a show off without substance. Taylor LAC President Ethel Washington and Benny Johnson of the Inner City Youth Foundation were upset when denied access to the President's speech.

Clinton spoke before an audience composed mostly of excited school-children, praising Beethoven Elementary student Tiffany Hudson, who has exceeded beyond expectation as a scholar. Rush, State Senator, CHA chairman Vincent Lane and alderman Dorothy Tillman were present as the president highlighting his theme that the children are the future.

As federal housing official Henry Cisneros and Mayor Richard Daley devise a strategy for constitutionally permissible sweeps, Friday marked the first time Clinton or any other American president appeared to demonstrate concern for the South Side with his presence. Clinton also assured that the warrantless sweeps of CHA buildings are necessary to protect children like the late Dantrell Davis from gang violence.

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Scandals at CHA
Tillman seeks Lane's Resignation
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A lawyer and money manager employed by the CHA since 1989 who said the agency's employees undisclosed millions through the improper investment of their pension funds may have come to his position through an alleged favor network, sources say.

John Lauer, son of Chief Executive Officer Robert Lane, who heads Chicago's Sarah Lee Foundation, a snack food firm, has been suspended without pay pending termination, according to CHA spokesperson Katey Kelly.

"The Securities and Exchange Commission put down a temporary restraining order on Lauer's use of the fund, and now they're working with the U.S. District Attorney on an indictment," said Kelly.

The accounting firm of Ernst and Young has been retained by the agency to investigate the matter and determine exactly what did happen to the money.

"We may also file a civil suit against Lauer seeking repayment of an missing funds," said Kelly. Nonetheless, there is no imminent danger and community residents and CHA employees should not panic, Kelly stressed. "Right now nobody is affected. We're still able to keep our obligations and pay people their pensions. But we need to see whether the pensions need to be funded in some other way," she said.

John Lane was hired as a money manager in 1991 and was transferred to the legal department in 1992, with the approval of the CHA's general counsel.

In 1993 Richard Sulkamer retired as the CHA's top money manager for the insurance and annuities funds and Lauer was promoted to that position.

Lauer's promotion to the position that was allegedly to cost the CHA millions and risk the livelihoods of its employees was recommended by Bill Caruso, who was CHA's General Counsel at that time. Caruso is a fair housing lawyer who was nationally known in his private practice.

The CHA has seen 4 separate scandals this month which may have cost the agency as much as $29 million, leading Alderman Dorothy Tillman to call for the resignation of CHA Chairman Vincent Lane. Lane is an owner of a private real estate corporation, American Community Housing Associates Inc. which recently announced plans to acquire $500 million worth of government-subsidized housing in California, as negotiated with HUD, as the Chicago Tribune reported. Lane's firm will also receive $40 million in tax credits to finance New Jersey developments.

"Well, this city is going privatize-crazy," said Thomas. Martin's own expectations were raised and dropped when the President made plans to attend an 8 AM service at the church and had to cancel.

"The way money is spent in this society raises the issue of values," said Martin. "That's why they're inviting religious leaders to come to the table, but HUD's regulations are prohibitive to dealing with religious institutions." They used to have house inspections to make sure your power was on, but I'm against them going through your drawers. I'm against the sweeps, and I'm for them. More violence happens outside the buildings than in them. I am a taxpayer, but Chairman Lane is a dawdler. He's into privatization, explained Martin.

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Mayor Signs Off on Empowerment Zone Funds; Task Force Prepares for 100 Days Outreach

As community organizations watched Mayor Richard M. Daley and Illinois Governor Jim R. Edgar sign the city's application for the Empowerment Zone (EZ) to receive $100 million in federal funds for three Chicago communities including Mid-South, North Lawndale, and Chinatown, Mayor Daley was scheduled to announce to the media that he would sign the application calling it a "Dog and Pony Show." These organizations signed the agreement without reading the final document. She added, "It was just finalized days before the mayor sign it, I am not going to sign something I haven't read." Mayor Daley told all of the members of the Coordinating Council and praised them for persevering on the application. He pointed out that the applications were unanimously approved by the City council, adding, "Everyone recognizes that what is good for one community is good for us all."

Chafets, a member of the South Side Cluster in Congressman Community Task Force is however moving forward with representatives from Mid-South to organize 14 meetings over the next 100 days to inform the community of the programs that will benefit from the EZ. In line with the community Mayor Daley has also launched a 100-day campaign to secure private sector commitments to invest, expand or locate in the EZ area.

Cecilia Butler a member of the Task Force said, "There must be commitment necessary in the planning process that has been taking place since February." Other community representatives on the committee are Derrick McNeal, Christine Perkins and Linda Washington. It is in conjunction with only four others across the U.S. will ultimately receive the current Empowerment Zone grants and there's more than a hint of competition beneath the surface.

Robert Lucas, executive director of Kehoe Oakdale Community Organization, said, "If the Chicago proposal prevails in Washington, it will be a long way toward alleviating poverty in the areas."

The Empowerment Zone and Enterprise Fund Community programs are part of the experimental "Reinvigorating Government" theme developed by the national Democratic administration to replace the Urban Development Action Grant program, another economic development tool which was dismantled by the previous Republican administrations.

"The Empowerment Zone will affect mostly Woodlawn and Washington Park," said Alderman Trotman, "but some of Englewood may be affected by the Enterprise Community. The Enterprise Community program will bring in $3 million in grants, but it will involve a lot more in tax breaks and employment credits for the businesses in that area, which is the new quality of the program."

The Mid-South, Pilates, and West Side clusters will compete in Washington with proposals from New York, New York, and other cities across the nation.

Congressman Bobby Rush said he feels certain that Chicago will be awarded the funds.

Mid-South Communities Empowerment Zone Next 100 Days Meetings

July 13 63rd & Evans
20 Washington Pk FDHS
5332 S. King
27 Hall Library
14 Chicago FDHS
5318 W. 47th St.
10 Fuller Pk FD
331 W. 47th St.
17 Kennedy FDHS
4434 S. Lake Park
24 Corner Inner City
700 S. Indiana
31 Munden park FDHS
3800 S. Rhodes
Sept. 7 63rd & Evans
Stewart Stateway FDHS
3658 S. State
16 King Library
3436 S. King dr.
21 Jackson Pk FDHS
64th S. Chicago
28 Bosse Community Library
63rd & Evans
October 4 Washington Pk FDHS
5332 S. King
12 Hall Library
18th Michigan

Meetings are held on Wednesdays
*except 9/15/94 held on Thursday

Congressman Bobby Rush Meets the Black Press;
Contemplates Mayoral Race

In a meeting with members of the Black Press, Congressman Bobby Rush stressed the importance of Mayor Richard Daley must be challenging and did not make comments endorsing Commission Joseph Gordanor for mayor.

Rush's strategy, the of the 'Metro News' lead the discussion saying "what the mayoral race needs is a voice from the 60's, a charged that will reach the popular and link with the new interest of lenders as Malcolm X. Indicating that Congressman Rush can be that charge. Being modest on the comments Rush stated he has not ruled out the possibility of running for mayor.

Rush also said President Clinton's welfare reform plan rated as "fails miserably" because it failed to address jobs and job creation, a critical component of any reform plan. Rush said that among its shortcomings, the president's plan fails to create jobs for the five million unemployed on Aid to Dependent Families and Children (ADFC); to provide a safety net for children whose parents lose their benefits; and failed to raise the minimum wage salary of public sector jobs available to welfare recipients.

Rush touched on Public Housing with disappointment to the ruling by a U.S. Judge calling for warrants to be issued prior to gun sweeps and job developments. Rush, who attended the public housing Congressman Rush attended a hearing in April, said: "I'm optimistic that Judge Andemene did not offer even a slice of opportunity for sweeps to be conducted. I fully understand the implications of the constitutional issues, but i also firmly believe that the safety of the residents is as sagged and as worthwhile as the other issues deliberated at this hearing."

Rush said that in addressing welfare reform, lawmakers must realize the inextricable link to poverty and societal problems such as drug abuse and faulty public education programs.

The congressman summarized his accomplishments and activities as being a progressive congressman. Cosponsoring over 150 legislative issues since becoming a congressmen on November 2, 1982. He serves on the Banking, Finance and Urban affairs government Operations committees.

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The service area extends south to the city limits, north
to Madison, Wisconsin, and east to the lake. The Center's
target areas are Kenwood, Oaklond, Douglas, Washington
Park, Grand Boulevard and the
The services offered are designed and
and tailored to meet the unique
requirements of the service population.
Abraham Lincoln Centre has
been a pre-eminent provider of
social services to residents of the
near south side since 1905 and
offers multi-faceted programs with
various components.
Program services include special
education and mental health
components that provide children's
education, adult training, home
bound programs, residential
programs and programs for the
mentally ill. The Early Childhood
Development component includes
after school care, 2 head
start programs, and 2 child
development day cares. Social
services include school counseling,
senior citizen programs, family
intervention, arts and crafts, game
rooms and dance. The International Exchange Program offers
the unique opportunity for children at the
day care level to interact with other children from Asian,
Hispanic and Slavic cultures.
Mr. Madison is especially fond of the Rampic Care
component of the Homebound Program. "Respite Care
does just what its name implies, Madison states. "It allows
the caregiver(s) of the severely or profoundly
retarded to get some rest." He is also fond of Foster
Care Program for the developmentally disabled.
Through a special program instituted by the Center,
persons that would normally become wards of the state
judges (Dep. of Children and Family Services) are
assigned to DDD (Dep. of Mental Health) and all
attempts are made to place them in a loving and caring
ehome versus a lifetime of institutional confinement.
All services are free to qualified individuals
and are made available through federal funding, the
United Way and private donors.
Madison himself is a man with strong Christian
beliefs was born in Memphis, Tennessee on New Year's
day, 1939. After graduating high school he relocated to
Chicago's west side where he resided with his aunt in
order to attend college. Initially he attended Wilson
Jr. College full-time and worked part-time. In 1959 he
met his wife of 35 years in December, worked full-
time and attended school part-time. After 10 years of
night school, Madison graduated from Roosevelt
University with a B.S. of Accounting. Madison is a
CPA by profession.
Hooks: When do you get involved in politics?
Madison: "I became involved in politics during the
Carter Jones aldermanic campaign of 1979 in the 27th
ward.
Hooks: How do you think about that time?
Madison: "I was more angry than afraid. I kept
asking myself, Why are they threatening to kill me?
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You think you
cried, I was in the room with Harold when he was
pronounced dead, just stood there and held his hand
for a while."
Hooks: How did you come to the Abraham Lincoln Centre?
Madison: "The position at Abraham Lincoln
Centre was offered to me in 1981. By then,
Madison had been a political activist on the west side in various elections. In 1964, he
ran for Congress on the 3rd Congressional District against an incumbent
Congressman who was white with a 60%
African-American constituency. Three
days prior to the primary election the
Congressman died. Howell changed her
whole strategy and on election day a dead
time was pronounced all over this Black
corner."
Hooks: "Why?"
Madison: "Politics. Political ignorance. The people felt their vote didn't really
count, nothing was going to change and they cast their vote for the highest
bider."
Hooks: An extension of slavery?
Madison: "Yes, they passed out trinkets. An extention of slavery?
Hooks: How do you come about running for office?
Madison: "I made my entry into politics as a candidate in 1972
when the Daley
organization decided not to reelect Otis
Collins as SUre
Representative.
During that time I was Deputy
Director of Finance and
Administrative CEDCO (Chicago
Economic Development
Corporation. I and other political
activists tried to get Otis to run
independently. Otis declined. I
decided to run and lost. The day
after the election I began
preparing for 2 years later.
Richard Barrett and I kept one of
the campaign offices open and
began teaching political education
to the community. We came to
realize that many people did not
know what a State Representative
does. We educated the community
about politics in general, from
Precinct Captain to
Mayor. During this time Harold was one of our guest
Hooks: How did you and Harold become friends?
Madison: "When I became a State Representative, winning by 162 votes. Vernon Jarrett called it
'historic.' Harold was my seat mate for 3 years and was
considered a naysayer. He refused to be a good
guider who has no place. I removed my nomination
for 4 years and Harold moved on to become a State
Senator."
In 1981 Madison became Vice President in charge
of finances for the Chicago Urban League. In 1983 he
became actively involved in Harold's campaign with
responsibility for 3 wards on the west side. After
Harold's election Madison was asked to join his cabinet.
I was appointed Commissioner of Community Services
for the city, June Byrnes's old job.
In 1989, then Mayor Harold Washington offers
Madison the controversial position of Park District
Commissioner and gives Madison 10 minutes to
respond.
Madison: "At first thought he was offering me a
Board position which is a non-paid position. I didn't
think he had the vote to get the appointment through. I
tried to reach my wife and no one could find her. I felt
this was a decision that would affect her life as well, not
realizing at the time just how much it would. My life
was threatened, they threatened to burn my house,
I received telephone threats. I had never been through
that type of thing before."
Hooks: What was taking over the Park district like?
Madison: "The park district was a political cesspool. Ed
Kelly had been with the park district for 2 years and it
was his (political). After the appointment was made, we
were in court over a month. Kelly fought the appointment
in court charging that Harold's appointment of me was unconstitutional.
Hooks: Were you afraid?
Madison: "I was more angry than afraid. I kept asking
myself, Why are they threatening to kill me? I've never
seen such racism. Homeboy, the general attorney for
the Park District at the time, led the charge against me. He orchestrated the lock-up (of Madison's office)
and instructed all departments heads not to report to me.
Homeboy was no hold and blatan, he led the tape to
tance his instructions via written memos.
Hooks: How did Kelly react?
Madison: "Kelly's term was not over. Consequently,
Harold changed the code for my appointment to
Executive Vice President and C.E.O. which meant Kelly
had to report to me. Rather than me report to him.
Kelly resigned.
Hooks: You seen on T.V. very emotional
when Harold past.
Madison: "Harold and I became very close friends. I
was one of his key players. In fact, when Harold passed
I became totally distraught. You think you
cried, Madison

Hooks: "I was in the room with Harold when he was
pronounced dead. I just stood there and held
his hand for a while."
Hooks: Why didn't you stay with the
park district?
Madison: "I didn't have the vote to get the appointment
through."

Hooks: How did you come to the
Abraham Lincoln Centre?
Madison: "The position at Abraham Lincoln
Centre was offered to me in 1986, then Mayor Harold
Washington offers
Madison the controversial position of Park District
Commissioner and gives Madison 10 minutes to
respond.

Hooks: Do you plan to run for the political arena?
Madison: "I have no plans at this time. Right now it
feels great to be back in the hood."
Clarification on BCU

Dear Mr. Taylor,

This is to reference to the June 16-29, 1994 issue of the South Street Journal newspaper. Reference is made to an interview with me on page 6. I am known for standing up and speaking the truth. Not my version of the truth, but the truth.

After approximately 45 minutes, she or someone decided to release me. (Maybe after realizing I am the publisher of the community newspaper in the area she serves).

Upon returning to the second district that morning to meet with neighborhood relations officers for close to an hour, the determination was, "it was a judgement call.

I had obeyed the officer and not attempted to speak up on my own behalf, in other words, just along with Officer Muhammad's harassment, the whole incident could have been avoided.

However, all we agreed that there was no need for the physical abuse.

Harold L. Lucas

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KIDS HAVE EYES TOO!

Throughout the many different things that happen in the world today, kids hear and see more things than many adults may see.

In our first segment of kids have eyes too, we will sum up what kids think happened in the O.J. Simpson trials. Most people believe that he didn't, while others think he did. So, I am using the freedom of the press to get the children's opinions.

This is what some kids think.

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Tajjuan Herrell, Youth Editor 213 E. 50th Street Chicago, IL 60615

O.J. like Rodney King

Dear Editor,

The O.J. Simpson case is causing a lot of attention. Personally, I don't think he did it. I think he was framed. I saw the trials on Channel 7 where they had a neighbor on the witness stand. They asked where O.J. was and where he parked his car everyday. The answers did not make sense. I really think the case may go on like the Rodney King trials.

LaTasha M. Herrell 16

John Hope Academy

The O. J. Juice Spilled

ON PURPOSE

Dear Editor,

Expressing my views on the O.J. Simpson case would be hard to do without looking over the facts and opinions shown. If you heard the 911 tapes and listened to the pain and anger in Nicole's voice, you would prosecute. Looking over the evidence, you would prosecute. Think, how did O.J. do it and he was in Chicago. Now, the question lies, did he do it or was he framed?

Shanise Douglas Age 13

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About the Grand Teen Line

The Grand Teen Line, a Hot Line for youth is sponsored by Beatrice Caffrey Youth Services. It is helping me to see the business world for what it really is. What I mean by that is how people act dress, talk and most importantly react to the attitudes of others both good and bad.

In the future when I go to get a job in a business type environment, I will know the proper ways of acting because of the Grand Teen Line. But for the present time each of the Grand Teen Line participants has a specialty area.

My specialty area is in Sexually Transmitted Diseases [STD's]. Now we had choices and I choose this because when I get to talking about something that I feel is important, or an area that I feel strongly about then I start talking openly and frankly very frankly. I feel in nothing to play around with. Statistics show that STD's is the fastest killer of Americans today rather than guns, drugs, etc.

When people call in with problems pertaining to sex or the diseases that sex spades, then I'm the one. If a questions even arises like, me and my girl friend have been going together for quite some time and now I'm ready. But she's not so what should I do?

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Call Grand Teen Line, we are waiting on you and your friend call.

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The workshops were; D.A.R.E., Good Touch Bad Touch, Fire Safety, Healthy Teeth and Body, Cultural Awareness, Nutrition Education and AIDS Awareness. The children received incentives for participating in the workshops. The incentives consisted of face painting, clown, pony rides, jumping jack, entertainment and food.

Agencies involved were Self Awareness Workshop, Jae Raves, Abraham Lincoln Centre, Caridee Wells Just Say No, Center for New Horizons and Madden Park Youth Group. For information on the Kid's Day Committee call 624-1440.

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will impact the way youth think

a. Computers
b. Religion
c. Rap
d. I hope to be living...
   a. in the neighborhood
   b. moved out of Chicago to...
   c. moved in... to community

Youth watching T.V. will be

a. decreased
b. increased
c. about the same

My pet's future will be...

a. King Forgotten
b. still in contact
c. talking about getting married

My parents will...

a. not let me move out on my own.
b. make sure I move out on my own.
c. prefer that I didn't.

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Alderman Haithcock/Community
Oppose Fast Food Chain on 35th St

Alderman madeline Haithcock is calling for a decision that there will be no more fast food franchises on 35th Street, between State Street and King Drive.

The CDBG money distributed in Chicago this year totals $118 million, according to city planning officials.

"Over half of it goes for housing projects in poor neighborhoods," explains Richard Wilson, director of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Planning. Chicago is also using a new three-year program called "CDBG," which was specifically designed for housing development projects. "We permit them to do twice as many projects in the two programs," Wilson said, "but HUD doesn't tell them how much to spend on what; choices are made in community meetings throughout the city.

CDBG money is distributed by various departments of the city government in a "pretty even-handed manner throughout the city," said Jim Barnes, another HUD community development director. "Chicago provides money for community organizations in any other city in the country. But the city has broad discretion as to how it spends the federal grants, and community organizations are just one way to do it. It's hard to compare our grant program with another," said Barnes.

"CDBG is now a year-in, year-out program that covers a large area." Records from the Department of Planning indicate that South Side community organizations have received nearly $22 million in CDBG funds this year. One such organization, the Martin Luther King Drive-Thru/Franchise Corporation, which was rejected. The largest award, and the only community in the hundreds of thousands of dollars, was to the Neighborhood Health Institute, of South Shore which received $135,000.

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Nevertheless, Ms. Tate said the Henry Booth House president maintains a relationship with_know what the community organizations are doing. Alderman Arenda Troutman (20th) said "I have the CDBG money with the funding for last year. Most of the community organizations that came in for the Community Plan for Business Development, a program to provide the federal funds allocated for public services, said Don Davis of the city's budget office. His office monitors the CDBG funds. Ten percent of the funds were for administration and planning last year, Davis said.

Documents from the department of planning show that city has received over 150 CDBG applications this year totaling $13 million. The city approved over 50 of the requests, funding over $2 million, just under 15% of what organizations asked for.

The 2% of the money organizations received was allocated in chunks averaging $200,000 to $500,000. Requests averaged less than $100,000. The largest amount requested was $5.5 million by the Woodlawn Community Development Corporation, which was rejected.

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Amoco Award
$200,000 to Neighborhood Issues
Youth Services Project, Inc., has an innovative plan to reduce youth violence in Chicago's Humboldt Park neighborhood. LeClaire Courts Resident Management Corporation wants to make their Reverse Commute Program, which shuttles Chicago Housing Authority Residents to and from jobs in the suburbs, financially self-supporting.

In addition to support from community-based construction cooperatives, contractors, and the Young Children and Families Initiative, the Chicago Park District, the Children's Board, and the Amoco Foundation, funded by Amoco Corporation, will target 2,000 residents in the area to help target the one-third of the youth population who are involved in crime or have been arrested.

In the Pre-college education, $10,000 each was given to five elementary and secondary schools to support programs designed to improve student learning and achievement in math and/or science. Winners were notified in early June.

Amoco Foundation, funded by Amoco Corporation and its operating companies, is the largest corporate foundation contributor in Chicago. In 1996, the Foundation will donate $5.5 million to Chicago-area educational institutions, and about $20 million to organizations and school partners worldwide. For information call 565-3900.

Do you live, work and/or play in this area of the city? Surely you know someone who does.

Legislative Logjam
Hampers Hopes to strengthen Chicago School Reform
State lawmakers Fail to Pass Bill despite 165-1 Vote in Favor of Coalition's Proposals
Mid-South organizations, The Woodlawn Organization, Urban League, and the East Oakland Community Organization have joined a coalition of 23 other organizations addressing Chicago school reform may not get a bill of critically needed reform proposals on Governor Edgar's desk during this legislative session, despite near unanimous support for the proposals from both parties in both houses of the Illinois General Assembly.

The proposals, backed by both the State and Chicago Boards of Education, in addition to Coalition participants, contain measures to:

- Shift LSC elections to spring Report Card Pick-up Day, while beefing up the training opportunity for LSC members.
- Clarify the curriculum powers of LSCs. Reconcile the 1988 Chicago School Reform Act with the State Accountability Act so that schools don't have to write two separate school improvement plans.

These proposals will increase local school autonomy and authority while improving the performance of Local School Councils and ultimately of Chicago public school students.

More than 2,000 people enjoyed an assortment of music ranging from jazz, gospel, and R&B from dawn to dusk during the 4th Annual Bring It On Home To Me Roots Festival held on the future site of the Lou Rawls Theatre in Woodlawn at 77th & King Drive. Performers included former and present (3rd Ward) residents Gene Chandler (left), Melvina Allen, the Chi-Lites, Roy Hargrove, Marvin Staples, Alberta Walker, Inez Andrews, Barbara Acklin, and Lou Rawls.

Surely you know someone who does.
First, but after seeing the presentation I agree with it.

Some residents stress the need for commercial development on the 63rd Strip. But saying that it is not the main problem for 63rd Street is in the community.

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Scandals at CHA

Alderman Dorothy Tillman addressing the scandals called for Lane's resignation. "He is responsible for the mess because it happens in his tenure." She added, "there is no check in balance based on Lane being chairman and his tenure."

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