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TWO Conference Addresses Urban Issues

Vince Lane Key speaker: The New Vision for public Housing

During TWO's 30th Annual Conference, residents of Woodlawn and Chicago's greater Southside, joined forces with local leaders and experts in hammering-out solutions to pressing

TWO hosted its Annual Conference entitled "African-America Family Safety and Support" at Illinois Institute of Technology at 32nd and Federal. More than 300 people attended the two day event.

Workshops included: "The Challenge of Finding Affordable Housing," "Combatting Youth Delinquency: A Programmatic Approach," "Substance Abuse and Its Impact on the African American Family," "The Church and the Community," and "Job Training-Work Force

Although TWO has historically held an annual convention, Dr. Leon Finney explained "we wanted to host a conference."

Attending the conference included Ella Muhammad, assistant commissioner, City of Chicago, Department of Human Services; Dr. Ken Rivers; and Rose Cunningham, a nurse for the Chicago Board of Education.

A special roundtable discussion on combatting crime in the African American community kicked-off the conference.

"We explored and examined opportunities for government, business, social service agencies, and civic institutions to address the critical issue of safety and support for the African-American family," said Finney, who is chair-

In the early 1960s, the Woodlawn community

became best known by the efforts of The Woodlawn Organization (TWO) with its controversy with the University of Chicago South Campus expansion. Saul Alinsky (the Back of the Yards organization) founded TWO.

In 1960, the Woodlawn community had almost 30,000 housing units, and today there are fewer than half of that. Looking towards the future Dr. Finney predicted that by the year 2000, TWO and its affiliate, the Woodlawn Community Development Corporation (WCDC) will build or renovate more than 1,500 housing units on the city's southside.

Lane outlines his vision for CHA at TWO conference Lane who was the keynote speaker during TWO's luncheon outlined his new vision for public housing during the conference. He said

Chicago Housing Authority Chairman Vince that his vision for public housing is to "rebuild Chicago by tearing down 12,000 CHA housing units and building 21,000 new units.

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Work, No Body

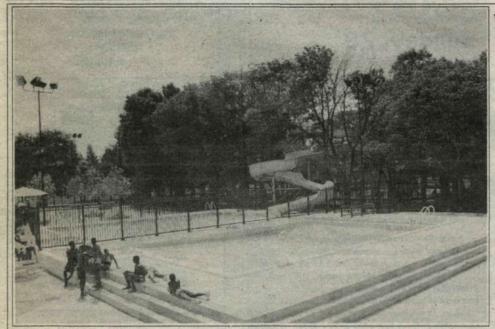


Left photo Lu Palmer, Chairman (L) of Chicago Black United Communities (CBUC) and Eddie Read, the organization's president, leads a mass rally (photo R) of attendees in the Black National Anthem at Bethel AME Church on 44th and Michigan. The rally was held to protest the many construction job sites around the city that did not meet affirmative action requirements in hiring Black workers. The Slogan "If We Don't Work, No Body Work!" was the focus of the rally, referring to nonblacks working in the Black community.

Addressed also at the rally was the arrest of Read by the Chicago Police Department for protesting and standing near the construction sites. The rally speakers included; Atty. Lu Meyers, Judge Eugene Pincham, Ald. Vigil Jones (15), State Rep. Coy Pugh, State Senators DonnieTrotter and Ricky Hendon, Rev. Al Sampson and Mark Allen.

Read reported recently that CBUC protesting the sites has produced over 50 Black workers hired by construction companies working in the Black community. Stressing the protesting has been successful and will continue address the issue.





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Washington Park Reflector and Aquatic Center, a renovation \$3.8 million pool at 55th and King Drive going under use by the community.

Washington Park Reflector

Washington Park is the fourth largest park in Chicago. When African-Americans moved in the Mid-South area it became the major recreational center of the community. In the past has seen horseback riding, boating, carriages, and families sleeping overnight.

Today, residents can thank the hard work of the Washington Park Advisory Council (WPAC) for some of these activities are back, plus an added feature, the Washington Park Reflector and Aquatic Center at 55th and King Drive, with the only water slide in Chicago.

The park also hosted the first renovated structure for public use in the Mid-South area, the Refectory. The job did not come easy, stated Cecilia Bulter, president of the WPAC, they had been working since 1989 to make the

"It took 2 1/2 years and \$3.8 million for the renovation to be completed, "said Butler, "The WPAC spearheaded the renovation because when the Park District had it they were slum landlords. The Refectory had not been touched since W.P.A.C in the 1930s."

With the help of former State Rep. Paul Williams and Build Illinois Funds the dream became a reality. Today, the same people who worked hard to have the facility renovated are having problems getting office space for extended community use. The complex was paid for with public funds, "which means the taxpayers" emphasize Bulter.

"The sad thing about the facility is that children are not taking advantage of the water slide like they should," said Butler.

Gerald Ross, a member of the Council stated, "it's been a long time coming and I think the community will be proud of the work that has being done by the community to make this hap-

The council now is hoping more residents take advantage of the facility before it closes for the

For information on WPAC call 667-4160.



Weeks ago Comm. Danny Davis, Congressman Rush, Comm. Joe Gardner, & Former Mayor Sawyer met at Sawyer

house to discuss Mayoral race, who should be the candidate to challenge Datey.

When this columnist had the opportunity to meet with President Clinton, upon thanking him for coming, the request was made for the opportunity to bring a group of children to visit the White House. Clinton agreed. Now the children need a sponsor for the trip.

The President came to Taylor Homes with \$28,000,000. Monies thought to be used to enhance and enrich the lives of children living in public housing. We learned that \$10,000.000 will go toward the Chicago Police Department B.I.T.E TEAM program; \$10,000.000 towards CHA police; and \$100,000 will go to the Robert Taylor girls and boys for a Big softball league in 1995.

Wouldn't it be a service to the Black community and it's culture if somehow Alderman Dorothy Tillman with those wonderful hats and Wallace "The Gator" Bradley with his African Garments were able to serve together in the city counsel.

Hats off to the owner on 49th & Calumet rehabing his building, now the other owners need to join in, that block really needs a block club On 54 & Calumet the white & black house that should get a golden apple while the others need a rotten one.

Get this -- Gil Walker the man who gets paid from CHA, free gym shoes from NIKE, for every player, will receive \$\$200,000 to play basketball at night! Now that's a king

Shame on the People at 37th and Langley. It's no wonder they have to work in offices with bullet-proof windows. One never knows when a basketball will come bouncing through their window!

Is CHA Chairman Vince Lane considering resigning. Word on the street and in some broadcast media outlets is that he is contemplating a move. Umm, there's a leak somewhere besides the faucets of CHA apartments.

Walgreens is selling a product used on a horse's hoof. That's right, HOOF! The product claims to make the hoof and hair of a horse silky smooth. As far as we know you can't own a horse in the city boundaries. Is the company saying that certain hair and feet are so rough they need a product used on a horse. Thinks the company should pull the product from the shelve before Operation PUSH calls for a boycott..

Look like the LUCK organization in Fuller Park lucked out on the carnival in Washington Park, Alderman Troutman has beat them to it, a week before Bud Day.

A large-stature Kenner was recently seen scouting the the 3rd Ward seeking office space. Sounds like the upcoming aldermanic race is getting tighter, and interesting.

Do you have something or someone who need to be UnZipped. Send your information to the South Street Journal c/o Ziff Sistrunk

"NO CRIME DAY" HELD IN WASHINGTON PARK

Black on Black Love, an agency devoted to breaking the cycle of crime in the Black community, held its 9th annual "No Crime Day," on Saturday, August 6. The event, held in Washington Park, featured a bevy of entertainers, political leaders and others from the community

who will exhort the crowdthrough music and inspirational addresses-to end the scourge of crime. The event began at noon and culminated at 7 p.m.

In the past, thousands people have converged upon Washington Park to drive home



Edward Gardner, Founder of Black on Black Love

the message of "No Crime" with the hope of raising an anti-crime consciousness that can continue indefinitely.

In making the announcement, Frances Williams-Gutter, executive director of Black on Black Love, stated that the Rev. Harold Bailey of Probation Challenge had accepted the responsibility of being chair of this year's event, that WGCI-FM and AM had come aboard as the official radio sponsor and that Jerry Reinsdorf, owner of the Chicago White Sox and the Chicago Bulls, had pledged his all- out support.

"We at Back on Black Love are excited about this year's event and as we counted down the days to 'No Crime Day,' we provided more specifics about entertainers, speakers and organizations that have partnered with us to make this year's 'No Crime Day,' the best ever."

Black on Black Love was founded in 1983 by Edward G. Gardner, chairman of the board of Soft Sheen Products, after a female employee was shot and wounded. It is an umbrella agency designed to promote "Black on Black Love" through a host of initiatives. Each program attempts to focus on the causes of crime, and offers positive alternatives to potential perpetrators of crime.

Community Briefs

Black Awareness Essay Contest to promote dialogue, solutions and brotherhood in the Black community. No fee. Theme: "What Do You Think Is the Single Major Problem Facing The Black Community In Chicago." Cash prizes. Deadline Oct. 15. Contact Min. Jamal M. Shabazz at 779-4569.

G.E.D., college, and job training programs. If you are between the ages 16 to 30 and are currently receiving AFDC you qualify to participate in the Kenwood-Oakland Community

Organization's free G.E.D., college enrollment, of employment training program Call recruiter Paul Cleveland at 548-7500 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Harold Washington Library's year-long photo exhibit "Views of the Blues" features numerous blues artists and the Checkerboard from the Mid-South area. Although the exhibit features our music, only one--out of six--features the work by African American photographer Ron Heard. A free gala reception at the library's lower level auditorium will be held beginning at 12:15 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 11.

Money for invalid arrest warrants. If you have been arrested or detained based on an invalid arrest warrant listed in the Cook County Sheriff's Warrant Computer system the Office of the Sheriff may owe you money. Call Attorneys Thomas Morrissey and Mary Lou Boelcke at 233-0050 for more information.

Free shots for all ages. Watch for the Chicago CareVan on the second Thursday of each month at Washington Park Homes, 4120 S. Prairie, Apt. #103, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Chicago CareVan is sponsored by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois and the Chicago Department of Health. Remember to bring your child's immunization record.



Trade Union Apprenticeship Program Booklet available with information and listings in the Greater Chicagoland area. The free booklet can be picked up at any of the weekly Sunday meetings of Community of Islam. Call Minister Jamal M. Shabazz at 779-4569.

Exercise at the Sutherland Hotel Ballroom, 4657 S. Drexel Blvd. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6 to 7p.m. Monthly fee is \$25.00 per person. Seniors pay \$15.00.



Adult Leaning Skills Program. Free classes begin every eight weeks at the King Center, 4314 S. Cottage Grove. Enroll in GED, English as a Second Language, adult basic education, reading, writing, and math. Classes are held every Monday and Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m., and Tuesday and Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. Contact Ms. Adams at 747-2300 evening or Ms. Johnson at 747-2279 days.

Ben & Jerry's Seeds of Hope is assisting and giving [visibility to unique gardens in the Robert Taylor Homes. The Elliot Donnelly Youth Garden, located within the housing complex, are tilted by families giving it a sense of serenity and escape.



Calendar of Events

Cottage Grove.

Wednesday, 17

Tillman bi-weekly community ward meeting, 4645 S. King Drive. Call the Ward office for the time. The Youth Consortium of

Greater Grand Blvd. meets at 3 p.m. at Metropolitan Community Church, 4100 S. King Dr.

Saturday, 20

DuSable Museum "Harambee Soiree" summer fundraiser, a cultural pavilion representing the French-speaking countries of Africa, from 6 to 11 p.m. on the grounds of the museum. For ticket information call 947-9466

Oakland Community Kenwood Organization (KOCO) Annual Summer festival from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Drexel Blvd. between 47th & 49th St.

DuSable District Boy Scouts of America honors Dr. Sokoni Karanji, president and founder of Center for New Horizons, as "Man of the Year" beginning at 8 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 151 E. Wacker Drive. Robin Robinson, anchor of Fox 32 News, will host the benefit. Tickets are \$45. Call 559-0990 for info.

Freedom Now Center celebrates its first anniversary at their office, 6439 S. Cottage Grove. South Street Journal publisher Ron Carter and other community representation will celebrate the newspaper's upcoming first-year anniversary in September.

Monday, 22-26

U.N.I.A. holds its 41st annual convention at Northeastern Illinois University at the Center For Inner City Studies. Delegates from the U.S., Canada, Caribbean, and the

diaspora will attend. Call Bro. Hannibal Afrik at 568-1243.

Tuesday, 23

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.

Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA) holds a mass meeting on Tribute to Youth from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Center For Inner City Studies, 700 E. Oakwood Blvd.

Thursday, 25

UNIA holds a mass meeting on Cultural Expressions from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Center For Inner City Studies.

Sunday, 28

Jazz In The Alley, Dunbar Park, 2900 S. Indiana, from noon to 10 p.m. For more information call 624-4620.

On-going

Alderman Toni Preckwinkle holds personal meetings with residents, by appt. only. Call 536-8103 for more information and appointment.

Next issue: South Street Journal Aug. 25 Deadline for material is Aug. 18

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 material one week in advance to South Street Journal 4305 S. King Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60653. Phone number is (312) 924-0461 or 924-4311. We reserve the right to refuse and edit material.

South Street Journal

Do you feel public housing high-rises should be demolish?



"Certainly not! We should invest in properties that are here. They can be good-standing properties if C.H.A. stops wasting the money." B.T. Long

37th & Rhodes



"Well, it depends on the conditions of the buildings. Once demolished what happens to the property and the former tenants."

LaRhonda Burton 53rd & State St.

August Saturday, 13

Bud Billikin Day Parade Saturday, 13-14

African American Family Gathering, meets from 10 a.m. to dusk at Jackson Park/Wooded Island. 63rd & Columbus. Picnic Area 14, across the bridge. For info.

Sunday, 14

Ibariki (bless) Rwanda. Help the dying and suffering of Rwanda by bring clothes and money to Washington Park at 1 p.m. Music, drummers, and dancers will entertain. Call the Daughters of Africa and the Rwandan Relief Program at 586-9406.

Monday, 15

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

Tuesday, 16

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

Celebrating **Bud Billinken Day**

Who is Bud Billiken is a question asked every year around this time as that great day of fun and frolicking for hundreds of thousands of Chicagoland residents draws to King Drive. Bud Billiken inspires young and old alike each year the second Saturday in August.

For the past 65 years, the Bud Billiken Parade has diverted the children of Chicago from the handicaps of poverty to become leading American citizens. For wherever the legend of "Billiken" lives in the hearts of children there are inspiration and hope for all who dream of being free, equal, and aim at greater heights of fame, recognition, and achievement.

Who Bud Billiken is. One thing for certain he lives in the dictionary. The Second Interna-Merriam-Webster Unabridged Dictionary defines Billiken as "a squat, smiling comic figure used as a mascot." He is everything a youngster ever wanted.

"Bud" first attained public recognition in 1923, when Robert S. Abbott, late founder of the Chicago Defender, delegated to the late Lucious C. Harper, then editor-in-chief of the Defender, the task of organizing and finding a suitable name for his "brain-child" ... a youth organization.

Harper drew the name of the club from the Chinese legend of the Billiken, guardian angel and patron saint of children all over the world. Since that eventful day in 1923, child of many races and creeds have flocked behind the banner of Bud Billiken.

And why do they keep in step with Bud? Bud is fun. Because Bud is for them. And because Bud has the special magic something that

makes everything somehow come out right. Each year a King and Queen is chosen to head the annual parade. They are selected from the youth of the communities by popular vote.

This year's Bud Billiken Parade and Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 12, from 35th & King Dr. to 51st St. at Washington Park.

Intended as a day of fun and taking it easy, on serious side some groups raised the economic side of Bud Billiken Day Parade. Groups have protest the beer floats, to Homosexuals. While Angelo Rose, Chairman of the Mid-South Planning and Development Commission address the millions of dollars that leave the community each year from the parade. Saying that "the money spent on that day in the Grand boulevard community, if organized it could produce a resource to help stabilize the community."

Facts about the Bud Billiken Parade:

*David Kellum, a past Defender employee, was known as Bud Billiken. Today, John H. Sengstacke, chairman and editor of the Chicago Defender, is Bud Billiken.

*The parade and picnic is the largest such event in America.

*In 1993, more than 2 million spectators lined the parade's route.

*In 1993, the parade and picnic captured the number one and number two spots in "General Households" and "Black Households" television

*The parade and picnic is the largest as well as one of the oldest African-American parades in the country.

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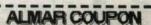
by John Otrompke, SSJ Writer

The City of Chicago has reached an agreement to fund the Chicago Urban League and five other community organizations to monitor African-American hiring practices on the Green Line construction project and on other city construction projects. Funding for the year-long project is more than \$500,000.

The Urban League has formed a coalition with other community organizations: the Inner City Youth Foundation and the Central Advisory Council of the Chicago Housing Authority, (both located in the Mid-South community, other or-

ganizations are the Midwest Community Council, the Coalition for United Community Action,, and 21st Century V.O.T.E. who was voted-out by the City counsel lead by Alderman Larry Bloom because of the organization's association with street gangs. The coalition will seek a minority hiring level of 40 percent, and a women level of 10 percent.

21st. Century V.O.T.E. has been frequently criticized by the Daley Administration and has been accused of being a front for the Gangster Disciples street gang. Further, the Daley Continue on page 11



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Senator Smith Secures \$700,000 for Community Shelter Opens for

Creation of Black Metropolis **Targeting 35th and State Streets**

said she is proud of the efforts taken by Senate Democrats and Senate Minority Leader Emil Jones Jr. in improving this year's state budget. She also noted that her efforts helped secure \$700,000 to establish an African-American Historic District in the Mid-South, Grand Boulevard community.

"The new state budget, which was approved July 12, contains \$30 million more for education than the Governor requested and also pays more of our old Medicaid bills than the Governor had requested," Smith said. "Senate Democrats, led by Senator Jones, fought for both these improvements to the Governor's proposed budget and we won."

"In addition, I was able to secure \$700,000 to help with the purchase and restoration of five historic buildings in the old Bronzeville area in my district. The money is needed to begin the creation of the Black Metropolis, a

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State Senator Margaret Smith (D-Chicago) historic tourism district and economic development zone around 35th and State Streets."

session, which ended July 12, was not success- property, is beautifully decorated and kept

legislation was defeated or never voted upon in Indiana, male and female residents can stay for the General Assembly because lawmakers were up to 120 days. After this time, if they are not nervous about any form of controversy," Smith reunited with their parents, residents may be said. "As such, we did not get strong assault placed in Teen Living Programs (TLP) Project weapons ban, Chicago schools were again ig- Opportunity, a North Side agency that manages nored, and some very good social and human the programs offered by Belfort House. The service legislation failed."

However, I was pleased that the legislature the streets through its outreach to require the Department of Public Health to program and also begin a prevention and education program on a community settings through its bone disease known as osteoporosis, which shelters and transitional living affects older women. "

Smith said the legislature will go back into House. session next November, for what is known as

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by Elaine Bowen, SSJ Staff Writer

The lights shine brightly at Belfort House, a transitional shelter for homeless youth, which Smith said the rest of the spring legislative opened in May of this year. The eight flat spotless by the residents.

"This is an election year and a lot of good | At this south side shelter located at 3739 S. agency is dedicated to helping at-risk youth on

programs such as Belfort

But, Belfort House isn't just a homeless shelter. Youth are expected to complete pre-employment training and seek employment. And those not in school are encouraged to obtain a GED.

The program offers substance abuse counseling utilizing small support groups and meal preparation. Obtaining employment is also emphasized at the program.

Overton says that residents are obligated to save 80 percent of their salaries for use when they leave.

"One important aspect of the outreach program is that we see kids for the first time who aren't homeless but are at risk," Overton said. He added that at-risk youth have been

waiting for a place such as Belfort House and that no one is turned away. "If you get the kids early before they burn all

their bridges, they have more options," Overton Overton said that he's seeing children as young as age 8 and that this means that parents

nay not be taking care of them. Children are offered a shower, clothing, food and that ever-important hug. They are also encouraged to attend school and truancy prob-

lems may be discussed. "Education is very important to the success of our kids," Overton said. Moreover, indepen-

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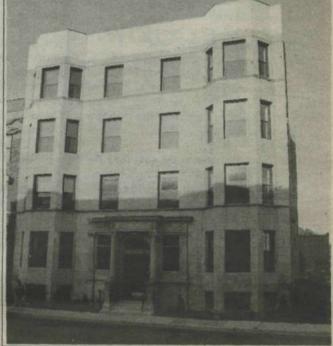
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dence is important to overall success," he said.

Project Rush, a philanthropic group, bought the abandoned building, which occupies Belfort House, from the city for one dollar and after paying more than \$500,000 for renovations, donated it to TLP.

Committed to alleviating the homeless problem in Chicago, the group estimates the homeless problem for youths between the ages of 14 - 20 to be 10,000. "For whatever reason, a thing about homeless people touches me," Fred J. O'Donnell, founder of Project Rush, said. He and some of his college friends wanted to contribute to the community so they pooled their



SSJ Photo by Damien Lee

Belfort House which is dedicated to helping at-risk youth is located at 3739 S. Indiana, is a shelter for homeless youth.

resources and networked with other individuals and foundations to raise the funds for Belfort House. He added the Mid-South area was in dire need of a shelter.

"About 60 percent of the youth we serve at the TLP are African-American and from the south and west sides of the city," said Debbie Hinde, executive director of TLP.

Although the shelter has received donated dinnerware from Dr. Margaret T. Burroughs, founder, DuSable Museum of African American History, and office furniture from GATX, a transportation corporation, Overton says that items such as books and clothing are greatly

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Finney and I

he Woodlawn Organization (T.W.O.) is one of the most premiere community organization in the country, and one of the most influential and controversial organization in Chicago. Over its 30-year life span, T.W.O. has invested, or caused to be invested, over \$113 million in the Woodlawn area. Under the leadership of then Executive Director, Leon Finney, Jr., T.W.O. has had a profound affect on the revitalization of the Woodlawn Community and what

it is today.

Woodlawn was victimized by the infamous "Blackstone Rangers" in the late sixties and early seventies. This notorious inner-city gang left a community raped of its dignity and economic strength as the South Shore community is beginning to witness. A community that thrived on the 63rd Street business strip which supplied jobs that pumped monies back into the community. Through gross vandalism, terrorism, and killing, a once prestigious moderate-class community was left thoroughly devastated and still limps from the economic peril it experienced. According to the 1990 census, the total population is 27,473. The medium household income is \$26,301; one-third comprised of female households with children under 18 years.

Dr. Finney, now chairman of T.W.O has been actively involved in the growth and development of Woodlawn since the early 60's. Born in Louise, Mississippi, he resided on Chicago's southside within the Woodlawn/Washington Park area with his grandparents after relocating to Chicago. After graduating from Hyde Park High School, Dr. Finney served a 4-year stint in the U.S.Marine as a criminal investigator prior to obtaining his undergraduate degree from Roosevelt University. He also has a master's in Economics from Goddard College in Burlington, Vermont. He began his career in civic and community affairs as a volunteer for T.W.O.

Hooks: How was T.W.O. organized? Finney: "By going door-to-door talking with community residents. We met in their homes and discussed the various issues that were confronting

the area; primarily housing issues that affected the African-American population."

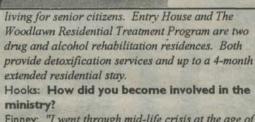
Hooks: Is the focus still the same? Finney: "Today, T.W.O. is recognized for its initiatives and successes in the areas of advocacy, community development and human services. We (T.W.O.) are a not-for-profit grassroots, community based federation of civic and neighborhood associations that include churches, block clubs, businessmen's associations, tenant councils, social welfare unions senior citizens' groups, schools and community agencies. T.W.O.'s mission is to improve the quality of life for Woodlawn residents and people of the southside of Chicago in-general."

Hooks: How many employees does T.W.O.

Finney: 'We have a staff of nearly 200 assigned to the various T.W.O components. For example, T.W.O. provides housing for Woodlawn's special needs residents. Smith-Blair House is a safe handicappedaccessible living environment that promotes independent



On the "L": Most importantly, residents support was gained once it was understood that additional housing could be constructed in the area affected by the L demolition.



Finney: "I went through mid-life crisis at the age of 50 and realized I had to get right with God." Hooks: Are you Pastor of a church in Woodlawn?

Finney: "Yes. I am Pastor of Christ Apostolic Church located at 63rd and Cottage Grove." C.H.: How are you affiliated with Mc Cormick Theological Seminary? Finney: The African-American Leadership Partnership (A.A.L.P.) of which I am director, is a graduate level program developed by McCormick Theological Seminary. A.A.L.P. affords Black Clergy, from traditional African-American

churches, who have answered their calling and demonstrated leadership abilities to participate in the program. African-American ministers are provided with the tools necessary to circumvent the deterioration of their communities."

Hooks: How do you do all of this and continue to officiate over your restaurants? Finney: "There are (3) Leon Finneys. Leon Finney, Sr., (my father), Leon Finney, Jr., (me) and Leon Finney III (my son). My father, Leon Finney, Sr. is the entrepreneur, owns Leon's Bar-B-Cue and is socially active. My son, Leon Finney III, is a student at Morris Brown College. Oftentimes people confuse the activities of one with that of the other. My father was actively involved with T.W.O. until 1965 after which time he applied his energies in the restaurant business. He now has 3 locations. He's the millionaire; not me.'

Hooks: There has been much controversy regarding your involvement in Green Line and the additional delineation of Jackson Park L Structure?

Finney: At first there was much community dissent as the L is a major artery for 63rd Street. However, the proposed plan is for the L to stop at Cottage Grove instead of Dorchester. Cottage Grove is a bus line, i.e. a transfer point. And quietly it makes more sense for it (the L) to stop where it is convenient for riders to make their transportation connection. Most importantly, residents support was gained once it was understood that additional housing could be constructed in the area affected by the L demolition. It is a city ordinance that

residential construction can only exist 60 feet from the L-structure. By removing the portion of the L in question, we can provide new housing structures and create our own little town.

Hooks: Does your relationship with Mayor Daley impact your relationship with Woodlawn residents negatively?

Finney: "I get along with whomever necessary in order to get the job down. T.W.O. is known for

being 'a model of what can be done by a local organization when a real partnership is developed with government.' T.W.O. was founded on the basis of self-determination. We contribute our success to our 'cooperative spirit to establish new bonds for prosperity."

Hooks: Commissioner Joesph Gardner has announced his interest running for mayor. Will you support his candidacy?

Finney: "T.W.O. is a community organization and as head of T.W.O. I cannot take a political position, although we do take a hard look at each candidate individually. Joe (Commissioner Gardner), Vince Lane (Chairman and C.E.O. of C.H.A.) and I worked together for 7 years. I respect them both for making a difference in the health and well being of Chicago.

Hooks: Woodlawn seems to have the "Midas Touch" and seems to be flourshing under the leadership of Rev. Brazier and yourself. Why do the two of you receive so much criticism and backlash from other community leaders? Dr. Finney looks with a sharp straight eye to eye

Finney: "When I was coming up Sister like you with so-called [good hair] and keener features were discriminated against by sister with so-call [kinky hair] and broader features. And, sister that looked like you separated themselves and looked down on the sisters with the kinky hair and broad features." "It all relate to The Willie Lynch Speech of 1712' used in a sermon by Dr. Hycel B. Taylor, Senior Pastor of Second Baptist Church, Evanston, Illinois." as he hands me a copy of the authentic speech. Dr. Hycel Taylor refers to the King James version of the Bible "whose version they cherish" and compares the brutal force of the Romans to control their slave population.

Dr. Taylor offers a methodology for controlling the slave population is the U.S. According to Dr. Taylor, "my method is simple, any member of your family or any overseer can use it. I have outlined a number of differences amony the slaves and I take these differences and make them bigger. I use fear, distrust, and envy for control purposes." Dr. Taylor state, "they must love respect, and trust only us." After outlining his strategy Dr. Taylor in his speech relays, "The Black slave after receiving this indoctrination shall carry on and will become self refueling and self-generating for hundreds of years,

> Hooks: And that is the reason? Finney: "Jealousy, envy, mistrust; that is the reason."

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On his Ministry: "I went through mid-life crisis at the age of 50 and realized I had to get right with God."



On Mayor Daley: "I get along with whomever necessary in order to get the job done. ... We contribute our success to our 'cooperative spirit to establish new bonds for prosperity."

Editorial Reply

Police Misconduct Exposed

No Surprise to 2nd Dist. Fellow Cops

Dear Editor:

am writing this letter to apologize for the way you were struck by one of my fellow officers. Hopefully, you won't let this reflect on the entire 2nd Dist. Unfortunately, I'm not able to disclose my identity due to the possibility of retaliation from my peers.

I read your article in the South Street Journal (July 21-Aug. 3, 1994). The officer that struck you, Al Williams, has a history of mistreating citizens of the 2nd. Dist. You're not the first person to be struck by the officer and unfortunately you won't be the last.

Officer Williams has been transferred to Unit #715 that handles Chicago Housing Authority complexes, this has nothing to do with your case, but was a voluntary move on Ofc. Williams part.

I'm afraid that the residents will be subjective to being struck, cursed, mentally and physically abused by the officer. Ofc. Williams has a dislike for these residents and it shows.

Hopefully, this letter will correct the problem or at the very least bring it to the open. Ofc. Williams is someone that his fellow officer refuse to work with because of his attitude towards the citizens. Supervisors are aware of this, but do nothing. Around the station they're betting how long Ofc. Williams will work housing before they kick him out and send him back to the 2nd. Dist. That's how much his fellow officers think of him.

the CR number you obtained on Vanessa Muhammad considering he's the one who struck you. No one will openly admit to it on paper.

Ofc. Williams and Muhammad had some words over the incident. Ofc. Williams accused Ofc. Muhammad of breaking the code of silence by telling Sgt. Chaffee that he had struck you. Both of these officers people refuse to work with Ofc. Muhammad as long as she brings in tickets will continue to belittle people as she works the traffic car. For Ofc. Williams there's no hope after 5 1/2 years.

The bottom line to this letter is everyone must be treated fairly regardless of their economic situation.

I look forward to reading your response in the upcoming

edition of the South Street Journal.

Concerned Wentworth Officer

Publisher's response:

Dear Concerned Wentworth Officer: Thank you for your letter. I am surprised that you

broke the code of silence of your fellow officers, which protail the seriousness of the matter.

The incident does not reflect my judgment toward members of the police department, who are dedicated to serving the community.

Although I am personally upset about the incident, Ron Carter It's ironic that Ofc. Williams has to submit a witness statement regarding I am more concerned about how many citizens are Publisher/Editor



subjected to the same stereotypical treatment/manner, which has often been depicted by not only the media (movies, novels, etc.), but also the general public. I am also gravely concerned about the number of innocent victimswho are not coming forward-that Officer Williams has mentally, verbally,

Also, Officer Muhammad did not appear in court on our scheduled date. The case was dropped because she failed to appear, but the court did attempted to fine me \$50 for disorderly conduct without her presence.

Although officers Williams and Muhammad got away with their misconduct, a complaint was filed with the Office of Professional Standards (OPS) that stated nothing may happen because of the code of silence among officers. However, as your letter is being made public to our readers, I will be meeting with Commander Richardson of the 2nd district and submitting your letter to him and OPS.

Thank you for standing up, eventho, you are unidentified. You are a true police officer serving and protecting the community's rights.

Perspective

Community Development Block Grant & Other Funding for Economic & **Community Development**

by Ald. Madeline Haithcock 2nd Ward

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is a vital of funding for organizations, which provide a wide range of programs and services that are essential to our community. How-

ever, there definitely is room for improvement in the CDBG program, especially in regard to the assessment of community needs in determining funding priorities and allocating CDBG resources.

I feel that is a particular need for improved coordination in the funding-allocation process, to ensure that maximum benefits are produced for the community through CDBG funds in terms of needed programs and services, as well as overall community improvements. specifically, in order to be effective in revitalizing distressed community areas, which are most desperately in need, there must be greater emphasis given to coordinated funding of community development programs that are directly linked to projects focusing on business and economic development in the community.

I further anticipate that the n for coordinated funding will become even more important with approval of Empowerment Zones for Chicago, which is expected to generate \$100 million in federal funds for proposed community-based development activities. I would also point out that in addition to the CDBG Program, and proposed funding of the City's Empowerment Zones, there are also a number of other federal grants and funding resources presently made available through various City agencies, for organizations providing varied programs and services for community residents (such as job training and employment assistance, health and social services, housing rehabilitation and construction, economic planning and development, and many other development and improvement activities).

At present, however, there appears to be little coordination by City agencies with respect to the allocation of CDBG funds and other resources, either in terms of needs assessment or service priorities for a given community area, or

by City efforts to

maximize potential

benefits and improvements through funding projects which combine both community and economic development activities, or which otherwise complement and enhance other development plans and initiatives. Instead, there seems to be a somewhat disjointed, "piecemeal" approach to funding, which tends to produce an under-utilization of funding resources in some instances, and a resulting lack of adequate services, programs, and improvements for the community as a whole. Unfortunately, in all too many instances, this piece-meal approach also tends to diminish the

As an important first step, the City must seek the increased involvement and participation of residents, businesses, community organizations, and institutions, in undertaking a comprehensive assessment of community needs initiating community and economic development plans and strategies, and in ultimately determining funding priorities for our community.

overall effects of funded programs.

This process would allow for the effective coordination of funding resources and proposed development activities, based on assessed needs and priorities, and would serve to facilitate the desired linking of community development programs and services, in the form of housing, social services and other related activities, with viable economic development initiatives designed to stimulate business development and create jobs for residents.

I believe that by adopting a more comprehensive approach to community development and reinvestment, we can begin to make significant strides toward alleviating existing problems and conditions, and thereby improving the quality of life throughout our community.

"No More Fast-Food Restaurants In The Mid-South area"

by Steven Redfield

or the record, I am director STRIVE, a nonprofit employment service located in Grand Boulevard, that has assisted more than 450 low income adults,, enter, or return to

For those of you who may not know, the Mid-South Planning & Development Commission is a non-profit, community-based organization with more than 200 members who are residents and businesss owners in the community, as well as representatives of organizations and institutions with offices within the mid-

Last June, Mid-South officially released a comprehensive strategic plan for the community, the result of three years of work on the part of local residents, not only the members, but more than 500 individuals who participated in public issue forums, planning charettes, and weekly work meetings. The result is a living document that envisions a balanced redevelopment from 22nd Street to 51st Street, building on the rich and deep heritage of this community, and providing opportunities for all residents to improve their quality of life, their standard of living, their security, and the prospects for their children's future.

As a result of these endless volunteer hours from the community, and support from various public bodies and elected officials, we are on the brink of a very exciting new period that will see the beginning of projects that combine cultural sensitivity, neighborhood preservation, and economic opportunity.

State funds are about to become available on several of our historic structures, including the 8th regiment armory down the street. Not far from here, work is already under way to restore the old Chicago Bee Building and the Wabash YMCA. There will soon be a beautification project on King Drive and a gateway on 35th Street, welcoming people to the city's proud and historic Black Metropolis.

With this excitement, homeowners on King Drive continue to take pride in their homes and community and invest in maintaining and upgrading their properties. Small business owners in the community work to provide goods and services here, and at the same time create employment and advancement opportunities for residents. Institutions here are looking at ways to enhance the community around their

facilities, and residents of public housing are fighting for upgrading the housing stock available to them. This is truly a time for

vision and change. It is a time when we can tap the vibrant energy of this community and build an African-American beacon for Chicago

and for the nation. But unfortunately, it is also a time of enormous perril. The balanced redevelopment I have described is still very fragile, and each wrong move erodes the potential for long-term The loss of the Alco building from community ownership and entrepreneurship is a wrong move of enormous proportions. That site has been a center of community business for decades, and it sits at the very intersection that will be the threshold of the community and the symbol for the future direction of development.

This tragedy is only surpassed by the atrocity of having yet another fast food outlet on 35th. Street. No one here needs another junk food pit-stop-there are plenty. No one here wants another junk food pit-stop-they want good stores, a family, sit-down restaurant, doctors' offices, book stores, entertainment centers. A fast-food sink-hole encourages none of those now or in the future; it only condemns 35th Street more deeply to a permanent second-class status.

Let's remember, the mid-south area has an annual retail expenditure of \$150 million, we learned in the planning process, and 60% of that is lost to the community--\$90 million of business-- because residents must go elsewhere to find the goods and services they need. As for new employment opportunities, the community needs skilled positions and training for them, and local business ownership and reinvestment far more than it needs low-wage, low-skill, high turn-over part-time jobs.

At a time of such enormous promise for mid-south, we need community-generated enterprises, we need high quality stores, and we need development that matches the goals for reaching and indeed surpassing the vital heritage that people here know as Bronzeville and Black Metropolis. Adding a Checkers is not the way

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s Religion Editor of this new section called "Spiritual Food" I envision for this as offering more that just a list of churches and their schedules. I see this section as being a source of spiritual food for our communities. There are folks who may not attend church regularly, but still maintain a sincere belief in and a strong desire for spiritual enlightenment. I believe that this page can act as an unique instrument to bring the myriad of spiritual messages that abound in our communities, to the people.

It is well known that our history as African-Americans has proven to be rich and diverse in the areas of economics, politics, and the sciences. Come let us join together to showcase and inform our flock as to the richness and diversity of our spiritual heritage as well.

I am asking that you assist me in increasing the awareness of the people by not only involing your church listing in the directory, but by also participating in the Spiritual Education section with news, activities, letters I are currently

Send me a brief history of your denomination, the church's history, and what you envision for your church and its community. We may interview your minister and feature your church in an upcoming issue.

I would like to give a personal welcome to Ms. Joyce Price, who has taken time from her busy schedule to help us get this page off the ground. Ms. Price is the institutor and religion coordinator for the South Street Journal's Spiritual Food. Ms. Price brings broad experience working with community churches, along with the sincerity of a true Christian spirit.

Joyce Price

The lady is most certainly a channel for His good works, just ask all the kids she's given her time and energy to. God Bless you, Joyce.

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In Memory of

Rev. Ed

On Saturday, July 15, Chicago saluted "Rev. Ed" at memorial services held at Operation PUSH for his relentless pursuit of excellence.

Being a civil rights activist, Rev. Riddick was also pastor of Blackwell Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church, located at 39th and Langley in the Oakland community.

Reverend Willie Barrow, Chairman of the Board of Operation Push said, "Rev. Riddick, "he was the soul - the voice of this organization-the preacher, the friend, the father. Always at his best with the disadvantaged."

Rev. George Edgar Riddick was a man whose pursuit led him to and through some of the best universities in America. He began his mission in high school where he was involved in ministerial as well as academic and political forums.

Rev. Riddick went on to graduate from the University of Denver. His hard work from high school and college earned him the university's oratorical award along with many other honors.

Rev. Riddick then attended the University of Wisconsin, where he received the Wisconsin Scholars Award along with the Baptist Student Center's Belle Kinney Wright Award. Thereby maintaining his standards in academics as well as humanitarian efforts. After serving in the

military (U.S. Quarter Master Corps). Rev. Ed held a brief internship at the Denver Christian Center. He was then matriculated at the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, where he also pursued graduate studies for the ministry.

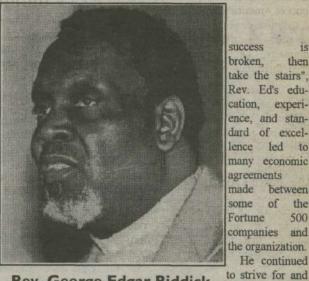
Rev. Riddick has said, "I decided long ago, I'm going to live my life fighting for the rights of all humankind." In line with this mission Rev. Riddick started his mission working with the Cook County Dept. of Public Aid followed

by an appointment with the Church Federation of Greater Chicago as associate director of the Dept. of Christian Citizenship and later with the Dept. of Welfare.

While serving in the position Rev. Ed became a liaison with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and worked with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., on his Chicago campaigns.

Rev. Riddick was appointed to the staff of Operation Breadbasket as director of research, a position he also assumed upon the advent of Operation Push.

With the quote of "If the elevator to



Rev. George Edgar Riddick (Rev. Ed") March 24, 1933 - July 12,

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educational, labor and human relation factions as the spokesperson for Operation Push and as a concerned human being.

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Rev. Riddick's philosophy embodied the true meaning of the quote-"you come into this world naked and you go out naked" -"Therefore he gave of his mind, his heart, his money, and his soul." said Rev. Barrow "death may have taken his breath, but his memory and his love lives on."

It is with respect and admiration for the man and condolences for his wife, mother, sister, PUSH family, church family, and all those who loved him that he is tribute.

Church events:

Fellowship M.B. Church Educational Center continues its Community Academy Summer Program for children and youth until August 26, at the church, 45th & Princeton. Call the church for more

Progressive Community Church, 48th and Wabash, holds its weekly Bible study in their Fellowship Hall.

August 12

4th Ward Aldermanic Ministerial Meeting at 4646 S. Drexel, begins at 9 a.m. Call Aldophus Kindle at 536-8103.

Happy 90th Birthday to Rev. Louis Rawls (July 16) Rev. Rawls has been ministering for 62 years with 53 of those at Tabernacle. Rev. Rawls is also very active in the community. He is currently involved

in the Lou Rawls Cultural Center that will be developed at 47th & King Dr. Named in honor of his son entertainer Lou Rawls.

A heartfelt blessing goes out to the family of Wayne Jackson, Mentor, Friend, Husband, Brother, Father- A

Good Man. We will love and remember him always. From his friends and coworkers at Gateway O.P. South. Numaskar!



Rev. Louis Rawls

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New Horizons Founder Named "Man of the Year"

Dr. Sokoni Karanja, founder and president of Centers for New Horizons, Inc., located at 41st and King Drive, is the DuSable District Boy Scouts of America's "Man of the Year" for 1994.

A longtime community leader and advocate for the poor in the Mid-South community, Dr. Karanja has served thousands of families in the Greater Grand Boulevard neighborhood. Battling urban poverty is the mission for Centers for New Horizons, which provides educational services and promotes economic Dr. Sokoni development.



After studying African methods Karanga of childhood education and self-reliance in Tanzania, Dr. Karanja returned to the U.S. in 1971 to start his own social service agency based on that model. His efforts in the community were nationally recognized last year when he received one of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation's genius awards-an unsolicited grant worth several hundred-thousand dollars.

Robin Robinson of Fox 32 will present Dr. Karanja with the DuSable District's "Man of the Year" Award at an Afrocentric Benefit Dance to be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on Saturday, August 20 at 8 p.m.

Three local artist group will provide entertainment for the celebration. Accomplished musician, Kevin Morrisette, and his band, will kickoff the event with live jazz entertainment. A special poetry reading by Kuntu Drama Inc., will be dedicated to Dr. Karanja and his commitment to the Community, and the Chicago Dance Troop, S.P.I.R.I.T.S., will cap off the evening with an African performance.

All proceeds will be donated to the Boy Scouts of America, on behalf of the DuSable District. Tickets cost \$45.00. The DuSable District is a network of 70 Boy Scout Troops and Club Scout Packs, including many in public housing developments. The District's Scout members are predominantly African American boys between the ages of six and 18. For ticket information call Keith Walton at 559-0990 ex. 275.

4th Ward Annual Community Health Fair

Ald. Toni Preckwinkle (4th Ward) through the sponsorship of the Chicago Osteopathic Hospital and Medical Center, and in cooperation with Michael Reese Hospital, Provident Hospital of Cook County, Doctors Hospital of Hyde Park, the Komed Health Center, and a host of community-based health providers, will host the 4th Ward, 4th Annual Community Health Fair, on

Friday, August 19, at 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Drexel National Bank parking lot, 4646 S. Drexel Blvd.

The Health Fair will offer health screenings for diabetes, vision, audio, cholesterol, dental, blood and

mammography. Back to school physical for youth in Preckwinkle elementary, high school, college, and for young people involved in school sports programs will also be provided. Immunizations will be offered. Parents are urged to bring their children's updated immunization records. All screenings and services are free to the public.

Other service booths will have information on family planning, medication review, emergency medicine, HIV/AIDS, home health, and much more. Ald. Preckwinkle stated one of the most important aspects of this Health Fair, however, is that individuals who are found to have a medical problem, will be scheduled immediately for an appointment with one of the medical providers who are participating in the fair.

Music, free refreshments, balloons, and other fun-filled activities for all participants. Call Bob Taylor at 536-8103.

Congressman Rush **Expresses Outrage** at Minority Police **Promotions**

Congressman Bobby Rush (2) expressed outrage during a recent press conference regarding the city's and Mayor Richard Daley lack of minority police promotions and "clear racial bias as simply business as usual in the City of Chicago."

"Richard Daley may not feel a moral or ethical responsibility to create a diverse police department, but the fact is, he has a legal obligation to do so. Under an injunction filed in 1988, the U.S. Dept. of Justice issued a clear mandate to the City. The City was to notify the Justice Department before administering another promotions exam and was to submit that exam to the Justice Dept. for review prior to administering another exam.

The City and Mayor Daley have flagrantly and shamelessly violated this directive from the African-American Patrolman's League."

Rush said he has written to U.S. Atty. General Janet Reno advising her of the situation and asked her to investigate for possible civil rights violation relating to testing and promotion procedures within the Chicago Police Dept.

Rush said in three years' time only 40 out of 500 minorities will pass the sergeants exam.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor are welcome and encouraged. Mail them to SSJ 4305 S. M.L. King Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60653. Chicago, Illinois 60637. They also can be telephoned in by calling (312) 239-0540. They should be typed or print written, accompanied with a return address and a day time phone number. Letters may be edited for space or clarity, and we assume no responsibility for the accuracy of facts stated in any letter. Names may be withheld. We also seek suggestion for improvement and stories you feel South Street Journal should address.

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TWO Conferences; Lane's New Vision

Lane said the \$1-3 million project, which will create 20,000 to 40,000 jobs, has passed the Senate and is waiting for the House of Representatives to pass the bill. If this happens, Lane said Chicago will receive \$750 million by 1995.

"Every problem presents an opportunity," said Lane. "At C.H.A. we will leverage the resources that exist to solve the housing problem.

"Every year C.H.A. has \$350 - 400 million a year coming through its portals. We keep batching up. Now is the time to de-densify poverty and give the people in public housing a choice that they don't have.

"It's necessary to give people choices because if they are living where they want to be they will take care of it.

"Public housing is no place to raise a child.

"We must start a legacy of leaving things better for future generation," said Lane.

The MINCS [Mixed Income New Communities Strategy] of CHA in Oak!and/Kenwood Community

A summary submitted to the community by CHA on Aug. 4

-CHA is proposing to return public housing to its original purpose with transitional housing to working and non-working poor through reducing the number of public housing units.

-CHA will permit 50% of the units in existing public housing to be occupied by working families.

-Will develop 75% new, market-rate housing unite-with 25% public housing eligibility.

Proposals for the Replacement Housing of Four Lakefront Buildings
by the Chicago Metropolitan Housing Development Corp. (A Subsidiary of CHA)
4040 South Oakenwald, and the Horseshoe buildings:

1130 East 41st Street

4155 South Lake Park Avenue

1132 East 42rd Street

Plan A: Demolish 4040 South Oakenwald and the Horseshoe Buildings Horseshoe Site: Rebuild 103 Townhomes (26 low income) 4040 Site: Rebuild 37 Townhomes (9 low income)

Total: 140 Townhomes (35 for Public Housing Eligible Families)

Plan B: Demolish 4040 South Oakenwald and the Horseshoe Buildings
Horseshoe Site: Rebuild 61 Townhomes and 66 Garden Apartments (32 low income)
4040 Site: Rebuild 21 Townhomes and 36 Garden Apartments (14 low income)

Total: 82 Townhomes and 102 Garden Apts. (46 for low income eligible families)

Plan C: Rehabilitate 4040 South Oakenwald and Demolish Horseshoe Buildings

Horseshoe Site: Rebuild 100 Townhomes (25 Public Housing Units)
4040 Site: Rehabilitate building 150 High-rise apartments (75 Public Housing Units)

Total: 100 Townhomes and 150 High-rise Apts (125 low income eligible families)

Plan Contemplating the Demolition of 4040 S. Oakenwald and three Lakefront (Horeshoe) Buildings

Plan Contemplating the Demolition of 4040 S. Oakenwald and three Lakefront (Horeshoe) Building (For Discussion Purposes Only — Unit Counts Approximate)

CHA- DEVELOPED FAMILY PROPERTIES	ORIGINAL	PROPOSED PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS AFTER REDEVELOPMENT		
IN NORTH KENWOOD - OAKLAND (SOUTH OF 39th STREET)	Public Housing Units	On-Site CHA-Owned Land		Outside of N Kenwood- Oakland Area
Lake Parc Place (3939 and 3983 S. Lake Park Avenue)	300	141	131 •	18 (Deprogrammed for Community Use)
Horseshon Buildings 1130 E 41st Street - 150 Units 4155 S Lake Park Ave - 150 Units 1132 E 42nd Street - 150 Units	450	32	36	382
4040 South Oakenwald	150	14.	36	100
Washington Park Homes (Units in Demolition Application at HUD)	187	10.	0	187
TOTAL	1,087	197	203	667

* Note: Represents ten (10) MINCS replacement units for Lake Parc Place planned for construction on Washington Park Homes site submitted for demolition.

Ald. Haithcock Opposes Checkers on 35th Street

A growing controversy in the Douglas/Near South community regarding reported plans by Checkers Restaurant to open a franchise on East 35th Street has prompted Ald. Madeline Haithcock (2) to call for a public meeting last Tuesday. Numerous residents and community leaders attended the meeting.

Checkers reportedly plans to open a franchise at 35th and King Dr., at the site formerly occupied by ALCO Drugs, which closed earlier this year. With no less than

...the 35th Street strip, the area is frequently referred to as "Fast Food Row." Ald. Haithcock

nine existing drive-thru restaurants along the 35th Street strip, the area is frequently referred to as "Fast Food Row."

Ald. Haithcock, who indicated that her office has received numerous telephone

calls and letters regarding the proposed opening by Checkers stated, "the residents of this community have a strong interest in this proposed development, and I intend to en-

"I am fully prepared to take whatever appropriate action may be necessary..." Ald. Haithcock

sure that their views are fully heard and respected. Many people are very concerned about the addition of yet another fast-food franchise in this area, which is already over-saturated with establishments of that nature."

Ald. Haithcock added that while representatives of Checkers Restaurants have been invited to attend the community meeting, "I firmly stand with the community on this issue, and I am fully prepared to take whatever appropriate action may be necessary to support the wishes of the people I represent."

This day in HISTORY AUGUST

11, 1962-Police closed the Municipal parks and library in Albany, Ga. after integrated groups tried to use the facilities.

12, 1922-Home of Frederick Douglass dedicated as a Race Shrine.

13, James B. Parsons, Federal Judge, born 1911.

14, Ernest E. Just, biologist and first winner of the Spingarn Medal, was born in 1883.

14, 1964 - Black students registered at previously all-white elementary schools in Biloxi, Miss.

15, 1979 - Andrew Young, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, resigned from that position.

16, 1979 - Betty Jackson King, composer, educator, pianist and choral conductor, became president of the National Assn. of Negro Musicians, Inc.

17, 1938 - Henry Armstrong won world lightweight title from Lou Ambers.

18, 1963 - James Meredith became the 1st Black to receive a degree from the University of Mississippi.

19, 1954 - Dr. Frank M. Snowden was appointed Cultural Attache in Embassy in

20, 1965 - Aug. 11-21 riots in Watts section of Los Angeles, Death toll-35.

21, 1987-Bayard Rustin, internationally known civil rights activist, leader and advocate of non-violence, died in New York City on Aug. 24th.

22, Mal Goode became the 1st Black TV news commentator on major TV network (ABC-TV) on Aug. 29, 1962.

23, 1796 - AME Church incorporated in Philadelphia, PA.

24, 1950 - Edith Sampson named 1st Black alternate delegate to United Nations by President Truman.

New Structure Organization kick-off South Street Journal's Subscription Drive



(Left to right) Alberta Moore and Jenola Jones are members of New Structure Organization's South Street Journal subscription drive. They will head-up the subscription drive in the Washington Park community, targeting 51st to 63rd streets and the Dan Ryan to King Drive. NSO will target 2,000 residents in the area during the subscription drive. The organization has been circulating the South Street Journal since its inception in September 1993.

The subscription drive is also a fundraiser for NSO, which hopes to raise more than \$15,000 for their

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Urban League/CTA

Administration questioned whether the organization was legally eligible to receive federal monies and participate in the monitoring project because the organization has registered itself as a political organization, and political organizations are not eligible according to the statute.

"We're not running anybody for office, we're not a political group," said Tom Harris. "We're just a Political Action Committee and we're not dope dealers or killers."

What the Daley Administration has frequently referred to as "gang ties" involving the organization are really the projects of the organization attempting to reform the youth of the African-American community stress Harris.

"I don't think our problem is the Mayor, " said Harris. "We're still the subcontractor. The C.T.A. has opened the door for us to make sure that everything goes right. They're letting us look at their certified payrolls, and it's up to us now to go out there with the monitoring teams and do the head counts. We should have a report out real

"I think our biggest task is to make sure they get young African-American people on the job," said

In light that the Chicago Black United Comand an analysis of Chicago was voted by civic and community organizations early this year to monitor the CTA Greenline hiring of mimority jobs, the Urban League has came under criticism by community groups accusing them of blocking CBUC from getting the contract.

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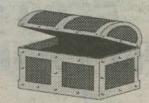
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crowd. Peterson perfectly executed his craft as a skilled surgeon performing a delicate Peterson has recorded with numerous musicians including Count Basie, Ella, Dizzy, and Duke Ellington.

His "Hymn to Freedom" became one of the crusade hymns during the Civil Rights Movement. Throughout the night rumors floated around that this was Peterson's farewell performance. Let's hope that these are just

Singer and jazz guitarist George Benson will appear at Ravinia beginning at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 16. Benson is best known for the million-selling albums "Breezin'," "Weekend In L.A.," and "In Flight"

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