Gardner address Freedom Now Center members, salute to Harold

Organizing the Vote: 1995 Mayoral Exploration

Congressman Rush Withdraws from Race

By Christopher Moore
SSJ Staff Writer

On February 28, 1995 Chicago voters will once again fill the ballot box to choose the next Mayor to head the city. Believing that the punch number they select, will help bring forth the ultimate victory for the faithful. In a city divided by neighborhood/racial boundaries, issues like crime, employment, education... etc... are usually the headlining issues that begin a political campaign. In the African-American community there is a greater agenda shaping up to be the focus of this mayoral campaign.”

For Unity*

As U.S. Representative Bobby L. Rush announced at a news conference that he will not seek election to the office of Mayor of the City of Chicago Rush stated “Unity is the paramount principle” reason that guided his decision. Rush further went on to urge Attorney General Roland Burris to end his campaign immediately and join this united effort to elect Joe Gardner.*

Joseph E. Gardner, commissioner of Water Reclamation District of the City of Chicago, is new one of three remaining African Americans contenders, the other two being Attty. General Burris and Sheila Jones, along with Jones is an officially announced candidates from the Black community. In commenting on the endorsement he received from Rush, Gardner extended thanks and said, “I commend Congressman Rush for taking this crucial step to promote unity and strength within the African-American Community. Published news reports characterize the response from the Attty. General Burris exploratory committee, headed by Lou Palmer (Chairman of Chicago Black United Communities) and Rev. Al Sampson (Convener of the Coalition to Elect a Black Mayor, (which meets on Friday nights at Liberty Baptist Church 48th & King Dr.) and designed to test voter appeal for a Burris run for mayor, was one of “abysmal" and "defiance" to Rush and Gardner setting the agenda for African-American citizens of Chicago. However speaking to South Street Journ.

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Also a speaker at the ceremony was South Street Journal publisher Ron Carter. The event was hosted by Paul Oliver, and FNC director Dino McNeal, (who is a prospective 20th ward aldermanic candidate).

Many of the participants were Harold Washington’s 1983 campaign benefactors. Gardner praised Harold Washington as his mentor. “I commend Congressman Rush for taking this crucial step to promote unity and strength within the African-American Community. Published news reports characterize the response from the Attty. General Burris exploratory committee, headed by Lou Palmer (Chairman of Chicago Black United Communities) and Rev. Al Sampson (Convener of the Coalition to Elect a Black Mayor, (which meets on Friday nights at Liberty Baptist Church 48th & King Dr.) and designed to test voter appeal for a Burris run for mayor, was one of “abysmal" and "defiance" to Rush and Gardner setting the agenda for African-American citizens of Chicago. However speaking to South Street Journ.

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Prospect to purchase Hotel on 43rd Street

(Developing in the Mid-South area for 10 years)

By Beverly A. Reed, SSJ writer

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Sat., 3
Book Party for SJW writer
Vanessa Cross, whose recently
published "An Anthology
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Gallery, 345 S. Wabash.
3:00 to 7:00.

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Community Briefs

Stephanie Mills to star in Fox 32
Christmas Special at Apostolic Church
of God. One of Chicago's largest churches, in the Woodlawn
community, the Apostolic Church of God will host Grammy Award winner
Stephanie Mills and members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra performing
with the church's 200-voice choir in its annual Christmas concert, "Christmas
Glory," on Saturday, December 11, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will
be held in the Apostolic Church of God's 4000 seat sanctuary located at
5391 S. Cottage Grove. In addition to the concert, the church will
be honoring with a special award the Rev. Dr. Bobby Kyle, the church's
pastor, for his many years of service to the church and community. The concert
will feature performances by various artists, including Stephanie Mills, the church's
choir, and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. The concert is free to the public.

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April 4, 1993 - The sale of Indecorp
(Detroit and Independence Bank) may be
on hold. According to William Johnson, head of
Indecorp, the Detroit bank is not able to
buy the banks. Among his concerns on
closing are: Outstanding debt of $20 million,
which he do not want tagged on to the
selling; a sexual lawsuit; and a meeting with
Indecorp's lawyers to iron out the
differences he states he has to
buy with Indecorp officials.

Indecorp bank officials were
not available to return South Street Journal
telephone calls. Sources inform us that
Indecorp may not be buying this to end a
long lawsuit.

Mark Allen of the Black Leadership
Development Institute, who is a key
organizer involved in the sale said
the most important thing now is to get the two
financial institutions together. Community
organizations all over the city will be
very important to the Black community.

Johnson pledged to invest $210 million in
the communities of Chicago. Whether or not this
do not go through he will find a way
to invest in the Chicago area.
Organizing the Vote

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The Rainbow Coalition Now based in Mid-South, Operation PUSH Celebrates 23 years

Jesse Jackson, Jr., head of the Rainbow Coalition now based in Chicago, from Washington D.C., heads a Voter Registration and Education Workshop held at Operation PUSH every Thursday from 6:00-8:00 p.m. As Operation now will focus more on civil issues, the Rainbow Coalition will focus on political issues.

Operation PUSH was founded, on Christmas Day, 1971 by Reverend Jesse Lewis Jackson, Sr. Will begin a month-long anniversary celebration commemorating 23 years of services to the community and nation. The civil rights organization will sponsor a gospel Celebration, Saturday, Dec. 3 at 9 am at the national Headquarters, 530 E. 12th Street.

High School students are especially urged to attend. Community residents are also invited to come out and become involved in the political process. Jackson, Jr., the son of Operation PUSH founder is also considered to run for congress in the 2nd District against Congressman Mel Reynolds.

In the Spirit of Giving

Youth Leadership Council, is an organization dedicated to African American Youth. In operation since 1991, YLC has engaged young people in the understanding and implementation of the Nguzo Saba, or seven principals, in our Black value system.

Operation PUSH is an opportunity for our children to learn more about the Nguzo Saba, or seven principals, in our Black value system.

Mid-South Planning Launches the Bronzeville Institute

The Bronzeville Institute Planning Project is the latest venture by MSPEC to ensure the availability of training programs for the residents of the Mid-South. Enabling them to take advantage of the economic development that is taking place within their community.

Irene Episonou, a Chicago native, has recently been named as Project's Manager. Ms. Episonou has acquired extensive experience in project management in the corporate environment. Recently she has been in economic development research and planning, for Dearborn Homes Resident Management Corporation (DBHRC).

Ms. Episonou's aim is to solicit input from all groups in the Mid-South area that have a stake in the Institute. The input received will be the basis for the design of the Bronzeville Institute.

Former director

properties in their ward.

Gatton, as a former Regional Administrator of the six state region of HUD began to do development for his own portfolio in 1985. Since then Gatton has been general partner for the development of 622 rental units in 13 projects in Illinois, Michigan and Iowa. RSC has been involved with the development of more than 18 buildings (over 300 units) in the Mid-South community. Including 44th & Vincennes, 44th & Greenwood, 49th & Drexel and St. Edmunds Place. Many of the properties are low-income including 4351-59 So. King Dr and 44-47 E. 56th Street.

Gatton told South Street Journal, "I sort of stumbled across my first project at 44th and King Drive. It was such a nice building, as I began to look around the neighborhood, I became more and more taken with the development potential as well as the historical significance and architectural style of the property." Gatton continued, "It was my theory that if the big buildings [that require more capital and experience to renovate] were done, it would motivate the other property owners (single family homowneर, two and three flat properties) to upgrade and stabilize the community. It would set the stage and condition of the 43rd and King Dr. Building would deter some of this daunting task, yet Gatton is confident that his company can meet the challenge to provide the community's seniors with affordable housing at this location. Noting that his Drexel Towers development at 48th, 49th and King Drive has over 130 units.

With regards to development consulting, RSC is thoroughly familiar with a wide variety of governmental and conventional financing programs, various developmental and rental subsidy programs and matching equity through the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program. Acquisition of abandoned property can be made through the Chicago Abandoned Property Program (CAPP).

Qualified properties must be proven to be dangerous and hazardous, abandoned, vacant or water bills must be unpaid for at least two years, and the owner must fail to appear in court. The listing of CAP building comes out quarterly, anyone may apply for a CAP property, but should be able to demonstrate the capacity to complete the project. Good credit, a steady income and sufficient savings are also required if a loan will be needed to renovate property. For buildings larger than six units, you must have prior rehab experience.

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Together We Thank Our Creator from Thanksgiving to Christmas
By Dawn Ewing

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his holiday season is very meaningful one for some. It is a time to get closer to God and family. We are not just eating and conjugating. "We are grateful for togetherness, health and hope," says LaTonya Goldsmith. She and her three boys are thankful this year.

These are not idle words, but are based on my own gangbanging days around 53rd & State and Princeton during the mid-80's, which could have culminated in jail or worse, fortunately someone gave me a copy of 'The Autobiography of Malcolm X and Soul on Ice' by Eldridge Cleaver, which addressed the inner-city frustration, recognizing and pointing out to me, that this was a collective frustration. I then realized, destruction of self and the community environment, was definitely not the answer. We (like you) were mad about something and didn't know what.

Now, it is still those same needs that draw you into gangs but the results are far more devastating. No longer interested in hub-caps and petty theft, many of you are making hundreds of thousands dollars peddling drugs, which we all know is the main trigger to the madness. Violence is so commonplace a murder is unusual only when one does not occur. How many times have we heard the phrase "senseless killing."

Now adults view a young 13 year old shooting dice, at 4535 S. Federal by the elevator, in silence. Parents seem to have lost their authority and no one else dares say a word to the pistol-toting angry young men who seem to rule the streets. Not based on being afraid, but because you are seen as a lost cause.

We are bombarded by the media with images of viciousness and brutality in Blackface. Especially when the perpetrator strays from his own neighborhood and someone (white) else gets hurt. Unless of course, a child is "killed" on the block then it is smeared over the screen. Look, they killed again. The elected officials, playing on the grief and tragedy that is inflicted upon "good African-American citizens" and the basic underlying fear that folks have of Black Young Men. Have now come up with the perfect solution (and what politicians hopes is a surefire election winner). The Safe Neighborhood Bill designated to incorporate as many of you as they can get their hands on. It is on the ballot this November. It is sponsored by State Senator Emil Jones of Chicago and State Representatives Tom Daulton of Chicago and Tom Cross of Yorkville. Their targets include guns, gang traffickers, drug dealers.

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Without fanfare, African Americans continue to lead in many of the crimes that are sent to prison. Backs make up over 75% of those filtering through the Cook County Department of Corrections. Information obtained from the Illinois Department of Corrections.

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The Supreme Life property at 35th and King Drive was vacant for 4 years, from the time that Supreme Life ceased doing business as an insurance company. The corporation itself is currently in the process of legally dissolving under the supervision of the state insurance department—which is required, by law, to oversee the distribution of the company's assets to shareholders.

The major asset, of course, is the company's real estate which consists of the mid-rise office building at 35th & King Drive, the former headquarters and corporate offices of Supreme Life Insurance Co. This property also includes five adjacent row-houses that were originally a residential unit, but were later converted by the company and used for records storage. Area residents and community representatives participated in the tour, on November 15th, along with two experienced architects who offered their opinion as to the feasibility of rehabilitation and reconstruction for proper rehabilitation and restoration of the property.

In supportive viable proposals for development of that site—which in the interest of commercial profitability we are preparing—we believe not only the legal property, but also the legitimate concerns, that this property not be allowed simply to become another white elephant or, worse yet, a monstrous eyesore that continually sits vacant for yet another 3-to-5 years, or perhaps even longer, while progressively deteriorating to the point of eventually crumbling and collapsing completely.

The position to forgo the purchase

We have been considering in mind, recent discussions with the developers of Del Ray Farms, from the community in response to their proposal. I would like to have seen a community consensus on this project. While that has not been the case, we have nevertheless reached a determination to resolve this controversy.

The developers fully recognize, as do I, that this is entirely a private business transaction between private parties, involving no tax dollars or public funds whatsoever. Therefore they have a legal right to proceed with their contract for purchase of the Supreme Life property and development of their proposed business at that site. Based on our recent discussions, however, the developers have instead determined that they willforgo their existing purchase option of the property and will not proceed with their plans for the Del Ray farms development at this time.

This decision comes as a big disappointment to residents in the immediate area of 35th & King Drive who, almost unanimously, were in favor of the Del Ray farms proposal. Other bids have been rejected and relieved by this decision in particular, the Mid-South Planning and Development Commission, which has had no opportunity to forgo their interest in the Supreme Life property as part of their "Bronzeville Plan".

Steps needed to move ahead

In any event, there are serious implications for the future status and development of this property. I will continue to encourage and support the development of that property in whatever manner is viable, expedient and appropriate whether that development is undertaken by Mid-South Planning, or whether it is an acceptable proposal from some other successful purchaser.

If Mid-South Planning is indeed interested it should therefore have been the task of a stepwise process necessary and appropriate to actively pursue that objective.
Wadsworth School Seized the Banner and Carried the Torch

On November 5, 1994, Wadsworth Elementary School seized the banner and carried the torch at the District Six Parenting Conference, held at the District Six Canal Office, located at 4071 So. Lake Park. The conference was sponsored and planned by the District Six Council, which consists of a Local School Council in the district. Mrs. Ruth Cummings, the district representative from Wadsworth, played a leading role in organizing the conference.

The conference opened with a general session, followed by workshops on Parenting Skills, Conflict Resolution, How and Why of Homework, Self Esteem, Safe Schools, Common Sense Parenting, Substance Abuse and gangs. Parents were encouraged and recruited to attend and Wadsworth seized the banner and carried the torch by having the largest number of parents in attendance of any school in the district.

Parents attending were Marlowe Cribs, Gloria Smith, Helen Cunine, Everline Smith, Staundra Williams, Regina Gunnigan, Geraldine Ligon, Dorothy Scott, Rachel Craig and Alias Whiteley. These parents came out in horrible weather to support the conference and Wadsworth. Mrs. Gunnigan was commended for braving the elements with her smallest child in a stroller.

Other children in attendance were Diamond Liggan, Dorothy Jones, Rachel Craig and Sandra Williams, Regina Gonnigan, Geraldine Brown, Dorothy Liggan, Dorothy Jones, Rachel Craig and Sandra Williams. A bus was provided for those without transportation.

Wadsworth students served as monitors and ushers. Robert Smith, Crystal Holloway, and Zinta Harris (eighth grade) directed parents to workshops, kept order and served with dignity, efficiency and poise. Upon arrival, they obtained conference folders and quickly familiarized themselves with the workshop topics, locations and providers. They relieved one another periodically in order to check on the progress of the sessions and to become more knowledgeable of the workshop contents.

These in attendance, were unanimous in their praise for the terrific job performed by these students.

While the parents were attending workshops, their children were supervised by five Wadsworth teachers who made the commitment to provide activities for the children. Those teachers were Sharon Griffin, Sharon Townsend, Ernestine Maxie, Yonanda Royster and Jenelle Harper. Royster and Harper also brought their babies, Dakari and Naomi, respectively. Helen Plaque, a teacher at the Wadsworth Child-Family Center, was also in attendance and recruited parents from the center.

Dr. Joseph Hahn, District Superintendent and Nuhuth Mattli, District Council President, said, "We were effusive in bestowing our praise for the terrific job performed by the children of Robert Taylor Homes. It's exactly what takes place in the Robert Taylor's Boys and Girls Club on 5120 So. Federal, which seeks to offer boys and girls an alternative to the gangs and violence that surround their lives.

The Robert Taylor Club originally served youth in the community ages 6-18 but realizing that many young adults in the community needed alternatives as well, extended their services to youths up to 25. The club offers basketball, volleyball, swimming and computer training. These are not the games, entrepreneurial training. These are not the games, entrepreneurship, computer training. These are not the games, entrepreneurship, computer training. These are not the games, entrepreneurship, computer training. These are not the games, entrepreneurship, computer training. These are not the games, entrepreneurship, computer training. These are not the games, entrepreneurship,computer training. These are not the games, entrepreneurship, computer training.

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Mr. Espinosa encourages residents and leaders of the Mid-South area to contact her directly at MSFPC, (312) 924-1330.
Two Mid-South Grocery Stores charged short-Weighting of meat

The Department of Consumer Services conducted a month-long inspection of dozens of grocery stores to ensure customers were not being overcharged when purchasing packaged meat and poultry items. 24 grocery stores were charged with short-weighting meat and poultry items, weighting an item listed on the price tag not accurately reflecting the actual weight. Inspectors found alleged short-weighting of items that included chickens, chicken parts, turkey parts, beef roasts, steaks and pork roasts. Anyone who has a complaint is urged to call 744-9400.

Manager from several McDonald's restaurants are all smiles after completing a seven-week training course and receiving their certificate of completion as part of McDonald's management training facility located at 3834 So. Indiana. Initially, I wanted to help my dad (Dr. Louis B Rawls). However, I soon realized that this was what I wanted to do as well.

Where did you attend school? I attended Wilson Junior College, Chicago Teachers College and Worsham College of Mortuary Science. What is your birthdate and birthplace? I was born on July 22, 1945, in Brandon Mississippi. Any Family? Yes, I have one daughter who will be starting medical school soon and five wonderful sons. Who inspired you to succeed in this profession and how? My dad and Roy Evans, who owned a wonderful home at 33rd & Indiana and if you weren't in this business, what business would it be? Entertainment, I've traveled throughout Europe as a singer while in the army. Personal Hero? God, I may not be what I ought to be, but since God came into my life, I am a whole lot better than I used to be. What are you company's special features? We pride ourselves on our expertise in the Restorative Arts, our relationship with our families during their time of bereavement as well as our repair with the community. We believe it is important to put the family's needs and capabilities in front of profit. What do you feel about the neighborhood/community? Our problems start at home. In the old days we knew the difference between child abuse and discipline. It seems we have deserted our morals and values and taken upon those of another culture. People have become more concerned with gain than with giving.

What advice would you give to entrepreneurs just starting out? You must be prepared to work diligently and to persevere, it is an honorable field. Understand that concern for the family is as important as profit. I learned that from my dad and Roy Evans, they both set good examples.

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Our Local Business Person

Starting in 1975 with no capital these gentleman have managed to create a business that is successful and keeps the clients' needs up front.

How did you get interested in this field? My family owns two funeral homes one of which is located at 3834 So. Indiana. Initially, I wanted to help my dad (Dr. Louis B Rawls). However, I soon realized that this was what I wanted to do as well.

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Groove Parc Plaza Apartments
(formerly the Woodlawn Gardens)

How Times Have Changed.
The Woodlawn Gardens was once a nice place to live, kids could go outside and play even at night. In the summertime you could barbeque on your porch while socializing with your neighbor. The neighbors were like family, they would watch each other's children and go places together. There was rarely any gunfire or gangfights, yes there were drugs but they definitely were not heavy the way it is now. The Woodlawn Gardens were like one big happy family, everyone knew each other and looked out for one another. But, that was then.

Today is a different story, this is my update on the Woodlawn Gardens. The complex is now under new management headed by Ms. Donna Lillybridge. It has changed its name to Grove Parc Plaza Apartments, and the people who once lived there are all gone. As more people started to move into the complex, some brought their rowdy and rude behavior with them as well. This is how a once peaceful place to live, began to go down in shambles the rules got tougher and stricter and the people grew angry and desperate. It's not safe to stay out late anymore. People are scared to come out of their own homes because of the gang wars and shootings every night. It's a shame how it was?

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TERRIFIC TEEN
The Terrific Teen for this month is Bernia Cleaves. She is a 16 year old Junior at Dunbar Vocational High School, where she majors in Vocational Radio Broadcasting. She has won awards in Citizenship & Drama and has also made the Honor Roll three years in a row. When Bernia is not studying, she can be seen holding the offering basket at her church. She also prepares and serves the food for the elderly members. You will also see Bernia and other youths cleaning up around the Hyde Park area, on weekends. After high school, Bernia plans to attend Jackson State University. She intends to major in Radio Broadcasting. We asked Bernia where she would be in ten years, she replied, "in ten years I will be working in the radio field and raising my family." GO BERNA!!

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Dear Peach,
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Dear Trina,
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Dear Rochelle:
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Purschase of Supreme Life building

The Supreme Life building is currently owned by a group of investors headed by publisher John H. Johnson. The new distinct agreement between the Johnson group and Del Ray Farms would have destroyed what some officials described as a monument highlighting the African American presence and struggle in Chicago.

With that in mind, plans to use the Supreme Life building as a foundation-stone towards a new Black Metropolis "MSFDC", located Lucas, "wants people to know that it was people like John H. Johnson and the founders of Liberty that built an economic foundation in the community that evaded any financial (institutions) in the world and it was the starting point for Jet and Ebony magazine."

African Americans are interested in utilizing our cultural and economic history in Chicago to "redevelop one of the most important economic centers in the nation as for as African Americans are concerned Lucas said.

Lucas has been at the forefront to save what MSFDC believes the Supreme Life structure and historical image represents to a world wide community of African related peoples. For Lucas, "Mr. Carter, worked with Joe Gardner when this important move. It was a awakening for many." Donald Linder, Ph.d., the Chairman of the Education Commission at MSFDC under­stands Lucas' argument and adds his own insights. "The building and making it into an "office and research area" is located in a major thoroughfare Supreme Life, Linder analyzed, is a "high traffic area" and "close to the loop" as well as "tribute" to the John Johnson's, Frank L. Gillen-(312)225-8211

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Gardner worked closely with Washington and this has worked as an "incubator: tourist, information, and educa­tional center."

The issue of land mark status is "complete nonsense" said Lowe, "there are always those, mostly outsiders, who come in and see the value of landmark status," he claimed all property owners need do is "leave the front (of the property) the same" and are then free to refurbish the area. "We live in one of the poorest in the city, if not the near north side, Chinatown, Greektown and other gentrified areas. The Supreme Life issue showed "80% of the (majority) community consciousness." Alderwoman Haithcock also cautioned the participants of the Hartnell Church community meeting that "the location (of Supreme Life) (was) a major point. Thus, if Mid-South Planning is interested in developing they should submit a formal proposal to the owners of Supreme Life."

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Exploratory committee to announce Jakes candidacy for mayor

Donnell Robinson Staff Writer

(Chicago) - Prospective candidate Paul Jakes had high spirit in his message when addressed the “Stop the War” rally in Chicago loop. He carried on the spirit as he accepted the backing of the Accountability Committee (TAC). The momentum was boosted again with the Chicago Defender editorial the position that Jakes can win. “But only if we get behind him.”

However, the closest Jakes will offer announce his candidacy will come on Friday, November 1, at Bethel AME Church 4448 S. Michigan Ave. at 6:30 pm, where an Exploratory Committee will start the process to gain the momentum of Clergy, Business and Community Support.

Impartial, some members of the community are waiting for Jakes to make the official announcement. Including members of TAC.

“That announcement will be in line with an action plan for new voters, the money and leaders to stand tall, and the resources of TV, radio, polling, and fo­ cus groups to give the voters a full picture of the candidate,” Said Atty. Bob Anderson a member of the Exploratory Committee.

Speaking before the Task Force for Black Political Empowerment, Jakes said, “This is not about me. This is a calling and a draft. I will be an instrument to carry this movement forward.”

Jakes is expected to present at the rally that is (Continued on page 3)

Farrakhan: on D.C. sniper

Former member violates Islamic teachings

It is horrible for us to learn that someone one who once was a part of our ranks may be involved in something as horrible as this,” said the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan.

Maryland officials on Oct. 25 charged John Allen Williams, also known as John Muhammad, 47, and teen John Lee Malvo with six counts of first-degree murder in the shootings. A third man, reportedly co-owner of a blue Chevrolet Cam­ pride the pair was caught in, was arrested in a material witness Oct. 26.

Farrakhan said the accused deadly D.C.-area sniper has had no link with the Nation of Islam for over three years and anyone guilty of such murder violates Islamic teach­ ings, “Nowhere in Islamic teachings of Islam, and of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, would we countenance any man taking the lives of innocent hu­ man beings.”

"And we grieve for the 73 people shot, for the loss of life and with all the families that lost loved... But we also grieve for Williams, also known as John Muhammad’s, first wife and his two and, his second wife and their three children, who will have to grow up and live with whatever comes from the trial of these two persons.”

"Members of his family said, ‘This is not the John that I knew.’" (Continued on page 7)

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A Crystal Ball of terrorism the past, Cointelpro Specter, Haunts of Black

With Frances M. Real

Today the U.S. of America is at a point of imbalance

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From the Meds.

Sunday, December 1, 2002 at Harris YMCA

Political Black Summit called for Nov. 16

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Chicago Head Start program gives Moms as well as Kids a head start in life

Children who participate in early learning experiences such as Head Start outperform other students, their IQ’s are five times higher, and they are two years ahead in reading and 1.5 years ahead in math. Thirty-five percent of these students went on to attend college, which was 2.5 times the rate of their peers without the aid of early childhood education services (Abecedarian Project statistics).

In addition, the children showed improvement in pre-reading skills such as letter recognition, expanded word knowledge, phonemic awareness, knowledge and significant gains in social skills (Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey [FACES] results).

In conjunction with Head Start, the City of Chicago also provides family literacy and career planning programs to enable mothers to contribute more to their children’s development, as well as realize a better life for their families.

Parents are offered GED tutoring, computer training, English as a Second Language courses, vocational training, etc. In exchange for their living allowance, parents who do extremely well in the program are recruited as mentors and as volunteers in Head Start and other child care facilities.

Various Head Start programs still have openings. These include neighborhoods such as Englewood, West Englewood, East Garfield Park, West Garfield Park, Lower West Side, Humboldt Park, Greater Grand Crossing, Austin, North Lawndale, South Lawndale, Logan Square, Uptown and New City. Those interested in enrolling in the Head Start program should call 1 (800) 239-9857.

For more information about the African Eyeglass Initiative call: 312-567-9830.
Chicago Elections Bd. Reverses Position,
Defends 25,000 Signature requirement to thwart
Challengers to Richard Daley

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Before the General Assembly changed the law in 1995, Chicago Mayor candidates 2,261.

In a startling reversal of its position, the Chicago Board of Elections has with to court to defend its 25,000 signature requirement for citywide candidates nominating petitions. The Board's Chairman Langdon Neal said earlier the requirement is "excessive" and should be reduced," and spokesman Tom Leach said, "We've had conversations about [people] filing a lawsuit against the Board and taking a neutral position." But now, the Board is defending itself! The Accountability Committee (TAC) calls an unfair policy.

The Board filed a defense brief in U.S. District Court before Judge Charles R. Norgle in response to a lawsuit filed by Chicago citizens who are candidates for citywide office in 2003. Their lawsuit alleges that the 25,000-signature requirement unduly bars their participation in the electoral process and is therefore unconstitutional.

TAC, a citywide coalition of citizens and businesses seeking to energize Chicago's February 2003 election, supports the lawsuit. Aldermen William Beavers and Ed Smith, Rainbow/PUSH, League of Women Voters, Chicago Southside NAAACP, The Chicago Defender, Chicago Sun Times, Chicago Tribune, South Street Journal and Daily South Town, and other organizations have also called for reforming the signature requirement.

"We are shocked but not surprised by the Board's reversal," says Bruce Crosby, TAC Co-Convenor. "The Board's Commissioners are appointed by the Cook County Democratic Party, and Mike Madigan and the Democrats in the Illinois General Assembly changed Chicago's election law to make it more difficult for candidates, independents, and new parties.

"The Party that likely stole the 1960 Presidential election is at it again - trying to steal Chicago for Richard Daley."

In a national comparison of Chicago, Mayor candidates in New York, Boston, and Los Angeles need only 7,500, 3,000, and 1,000 signatures respectively. For Illinois statewide offices such as Governor and U.S. Senator, the requirement is 5,000. And in 1995, prior to the General Assembly's changes, the requirement for Chicago citywide candidates was only 3,261.

TAC is calling on the Board of Elections to abandon its defense of the lawsuit to lower the signature requirement. TAC is also calling on Richard Daley, City Clerk James Laki, and City Treasurer Judith Rice to support the reforms.

Mayor Daley press office did not return calls to state his position on Chicago's relatively new election law. Nor has he made comments in support or oppose the 25,000-signature requirement for citywide candidates.

"As Chicago's chief elected official, Mr. Daley should have an opinion on this issue," says Crosby, "Does he support the Board's requirement that candidates gather 25,000 signatures? Does he think this is fair? Candidate-access to the ballot is crucial to democracy, and Chicagoans deserve to know Mr. Daley's stance on this issue."

Ideally, Mr. Daley will join the chorus of voices that is calling for reform. To prepare for upcoming court proceedings, TAC is filing updates must gather 25,000 signatures, and Mr. Daley is encouraged to testify as well, in support of a lower signature requirement.
The Rosenwald Building

(Continued from page 1)

Sawyer and Pat Dowell. Johnson, who also was a member of the building council stated she was working as the Committee, and says she has a "Rosenwald Re-development Plan" that includes a cooperative, mixed use complex for seniors, the physically challenged, market rate, Section 8 and community residents making the transition from 'wellfare-to-work-to-mortgage'.

The City officials in cooperation with the Chicago Housing Authority inspected the building and found it not livable. With the threat to the public health and a hazard tenants of the building was vacated in 2000 within three months. It alarmed community residents with a questionable int­ent as a land grab. However, the building had years of deterioration and drugs distribution activity. One of the business tenants, Fine Foods, is in the process of using for false inspections of the building, having him out of business.

This is Ray Johnson, a former tenant of the building said she is pleased with her new apartment and away from the menace activity. "But what choice did they give us. The building was not kept up surely a person would want to move. It is a shame the city moved people out so cruel."

According to the Lakefront Out­look, the city owns the Rosenwald and it is maintained by Ald. Doroth­thy Tillman ally, Eitel Higginboth­ton, head of East Lake Manage­ment. Tillman, Higginbothton nor­ the City return SSI calls in time for deadline.

Johnson, program director of Teen Cyber Tech Cafe', the or­ganization was housed in the Rosenwald. Johnson was part of a Chicago delegation that went to Cleveland Ohio earlier October to the National Trust for Historia­cal Preservation Conference.

The Landmark Preservation Council of Illinois put the Rosen­wald on a list of the 10 most en­ dangered historic structures in the state. And the National Trust for Historic Preservation intent to use their resources to save the Rosen­wald building according to John­son.

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There is no report cost factors to restore the building. But Pat Dowell former Mid-South Plan­ning Executive Director and can­didate for 3rd ward alderman took the position that a cost to rehab the building must be done before any demolition.

The Rosenwald was one of the...
Jakes

billed for aldermanic candidates and the public.

"Some of us haven't been in the same room together in years," Jakes explained. "But today, is the day we are moving forward."

However, no public official has endorsed Jakes' potential run.

"That's expected," Said Cleveland Little, a community and political activist. "One person that can get the most Black leaders together today is Mayor Daley. As Thomas "TNT" Todd says it: 'they are not selling us out, they are giving us away.'

With the lack of black elected officials, Atty. Anderson says: "We are going to fight this. The issues and the future are too high not to. And we call on all those who stand for right to join us as they always ask us to join them during their election.'"

Bruce Crosby co-convenor of TAC and a member of Jakes exploratory committee said: "Jakes has the consensus of our community in his leadership. His actions have always spoken louder than his words. Moreover, in this instance upon announcing he again is standing when many would not. Jakes is most noted for his activism on police matters, however, he has a political and government background ranging from 1981 as a civil rights leader with them Operation PUSH, District manager under former Cong. Gus Savage, and worked for city government. "Frankly, the people of Chicago both Black and White, will remember what he has done in all those areas," Said Crosby.

Other candidates in the race are Rafael Chagin, Rev. Joseph McAfee, Pat McAllister, and Rev. Robert Fried Pumph.

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Shirley Coleman endorsed Jakes' potential run.

"Gator" Bradley may reconsider his support to Tillman

Wallace "Gator" Bradley who ran against Alderman Dorothy

Tillman three times said earlier he now supports Ald. Dorothy Tillman re-election. But informed SSJ he will reconsidered his support challenging the candidates to address the lack of black construction workers doing city projects in the third ward. Candidate Pat Dowell who campaigned on 47th street stated the welcome Bradley to open his eyes to understand, Tillman is not an issue in the campaign. "Her term is up. The community has basically declared that already. It is a matter of who Bradley and the other members will chose to support as the new alderman." She added "His challenge is more of an reinforcement like other voters of the ward."

Other candidates in the race is former candidate Dorothy Oliver of Stateway Gardens and Kenny Sawyer.

Baskin Blast Coleman on Daley Support

Hal Baskin a third time candidate for alderman of the 16th ward launched out on Ald. Shirley Coleman on her support for Mayor Richard Daley. "This is why the 16th ward needs a Representative that understand the people problems people face in this ward.

"When elected the only debt I have to repay, is to the people that voted me in office. Not the Mayor. We have the strength, independence, intelligence, and integrity to do the right thing by the people and for the people. Coleman has not went through a process to make a discussion like that. Baskin a member of The Accountability Committee, who started the process for replacing Daley said: "We will not cut deals to keep us in office at the expense of our people.'"

Coleman made her statement in the Chicago Defender early October, supporting Mayor Daley's work in the 16th Ward.

Mosley-Braun May Run for Office, Even President

Former U. S. Sen. Carol Mosley-Braun, has not ruled out running for Mayor, reported the National Newspaper Publishers Assc., including the Democratic nomination for president in 2004. Mosley-Braun stated supporters are encouraging her to advance to public office again and the suggestions range from running for re-election to the United States Senate in '08 to running for president of the United States in '08, "Mosley-Braun tells NNPA. However, raising funds for the office of US Senate is State Senator Barbra Obama.

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Black Leadership Summit
Nov. 16 to follow Atlanta Cong. McKinney address to Chicago

Ujima Political Action Committee and Kennedy King Student Gov-
ernment will host Atlanta Con-
gresswoman Cynthia McKinney to Chicago. She will discuss on her recent defeat at the hands of what many say groups outside the Black community and what it means for the future of Black independent poli-
tics. The event will take place on Saturday, November 9, 11:00-7:00 pm at Kennedy King College, Inter-
national Room 6800 S. Wentworth. Admission is Free.

However, with the aftermath of McKinney speaking to Chicago, progressive political activist and the public at large will gather again for a Black Political Leadership Summit to take place the following Saturday, November 16, 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, at the Centers for Inner City Studies, 700 East Oakwood.

The Summit is a call to action addressing the February 2003 elec-
tions according to Randy Evans, member of the Ujima Political Action Committee, who called the summit along with Fran Carter, pub-
lisher of SSJ called the meeting as a quick follow-up to the expected road map... toward Black leadership which will outline for Chicago to avoid.

As in the sixties and seventies, black aldermen was identified as the "Silent 6" black aldermen under the late Mayor Richard J. Daley. A reflection to the present alder-
men now amounts into a full-scale crisis for the Black Chicago inde-
pendence to address direct issues facing the community.

"Where art thou Black Leader-
ship?" an article by Stephanie (Goddin) Shurik asks, "What the city is to do when poor residents is indefen-
sible and inaccurate--and with fur-
ther examination it may even be ille-
gal."

She went on to report, more ege-
gious wrong, is how Chicago's civil rights, religious, political and quan-
titative leadership has remained silent.

"Even the Chicago Urban League, which sit a stone's throw away from Robert Taylor Homes with its $57 million budget and superlative research and lobbying skills, offers nothing. The NAACP? Forget about it."

She continued to point out despite the obvious civil and human rights violations, not even the Rainbow PUSH Coalition, Nation of Islam, or National Black United Front--all headquartered in Chicago--has taken up the plight. "And let's not talk about the body of churches--preachers with ten and twenty thou-
sand people congregations."

Evans said, "We need solutions. We know there is a need to call for action. For those of us who know, there's movement afoot and there is room for all of us on the front line. This is the focus of this Black Leadership Summit."

"If we don't act now, the problem may be worse than the issue of At-
lanta." Evans said.

"No one can argue that something needs to be done to change how our leadership functions in this city. But what amasses many is how compli-
 cate the overall populace has be-

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City Budget

With a $116 million deficit for 2003, the City of Chicago's $4.7 Billion budget includes: $195 Million GO Bond for Public Works, Continuation of the Annual $200 Million "Neighborhood Alive 21" Construction Fund for new Police and Fire stations, a layoff of 200 city workers, and a possible tax levy increase to shore-up its five (5) municipal pension funds.

The Neighborhood Capital Budget Group (NCBG) in collaboration with its Community Capital Campaign (CCC), a consortium of community groups for accountability over capital spending and more public investment in neighborhoods will be assisting groups to testify at the City's 2003 Budget Hearing. The public hearing will be held, Wednesday, November 6, 2003, 12 noon (following the City Council Meeting), City Hall - 2nd Floor Chamber.

"With over $400 million in unspent Tax Increment Financing (TIF) dollars deposited within 121 TIF district accounts, the City is betting you "close your eyes" to this shell game." John Paul Jones of the NCBG said.

"People should use this opportunity to testify before the City Council on what they expect from government for services, programs and funding priorities."

The CCC sees the TIF funds as City hall's own "Shadow Budget" by its failure to provide details on how they plan to spend the funds.

Farrakhan: on D.C. sniper

And this is not the John that we know. What happened to him, what caused this remains at present to me and to us a mystery. It's something that must be probed and it must be found. What turns a person into a cold killer of innocent people?" he asked.

One of the victims, Ken Bridges, was a Black empowerment activist and longtime friend and associate of Min. Farrakhan.

The accused sniper was in bad standing with the Nation over a child custody dispute with his second wife, who attends a D.C.-area mosque, Min. Farrakhan said. He had not been heard from since 1999, the Minister said.

"We would all ask that any who is guilty of such be punished to the fullest extent of the law," Min. Farrakhan added. Under the Nation's teachings, members are not allowed to possess any weapon, Min. Farrakhan explained.

"But, I respectfully say, to the members of the media and the American people, Timothy McVeigh confessed that he was a Christian, but nobody blames the church for his misconduct," he observed. Mr. McVeigh was found guilty of the April 1995 Oklahoma City Federal Building bombing. Likewise, the pastors of those imprisoned are not linked to their crimes, but there is a bias that allows for Muslims to be wrongly attached to crimes, he said Muslims already suffer from a stigma and pain of Sept. 11.

Mr. William first attended a study group in northern Calif.

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By Beverly A. Reed
Columnist for the Chicago Defender

I was going to tell you about a crime scene I saw today but I've seen so many I don't know where to begin. My mind is reeling from the bloodlust. Everywhere I look there is nothing but violence and pain. I think someone was killed near my house but I don't know. I just saw shattered glass, shivering cops and people looking. I kept going...

I came home and there was Mr. Muhammed's face plastered all over the television. The media never says we can make sense of what makes no sense so we will just say footage of Dr. King or Gandhi or President Kennedy or Mother Theresa or anybody who does not have a rifle or an ink pen to sign a check to buy more...makes no sense so we will just say we cannot make sense of what the television. The media never talks of cops and people looking. I kept going...

Now we have Black John and White John both Americans and both accused of terrorism acts what the Sam Hill is happening. Maybe violence is not the answer. Everybody has a reason. The people who barged into a Russian theatre with bombs strapped to their bodies last night have a reason. The young men who held it down out here have a reason. George Bush has a reason.

But I don't have a reason what I have is three and three daughters and I want to live in a world that is not hell bent on destroying itself and whatever it takes to make that happen. That's what I am interested in hearing about and reading about and seeing outside.

Am I rambling? Too bad. Sometimes we get so caught up in the correct this and that we just forget to just stand up and tell the truth. I am frightened. But I am willing to do my part to get the good and the bad guys to just...

Stop killing people.

Next issue of SSU Q&A with Ms. Beverly "Oye" Reed, From the past and everywhere in between from "Civil X" to her Cable program on November 21, 2002.

PERSPECTIVE

No way to end terrorism
Cointelpro Specter, Haunts of Black America

In what may be the beginning of a Third World War, as the events unfold, the United Nations kicked off a world wide online petition drive starting from France in an effort to avoid a tragic war.

As the U.S. has backed off from Bin Ladin and drive attacks on Saudi House, the Judicial Watch, a public interest group that investigates and prosecutes government corruption and abuse, said that the Bush administration is continuing a practice of providing the American public with false and misleading information concerning Islamic terror plans and attacks against the United States. They point out the after effects of 9/11 are still in the midst of the citizens' rights in the midst of President Bush's Homeland Security Plan.

Bush in his address to the nation said that the Homeland Security Plan "will give our government resources in a way that is thorough and unified." The Department of Homeland Security is the largest reorganization of the federal government since the 1940s.

Judicial Watch reports, "Given their (Bush Administration) poor track record leading up to September 11, the FBI and Justice Department have regrettably established a pattern, for obvious political purposes of withholding or not providing accurate information to the American public in order to deceive the public of further acts on U.S. soil." They charged the FBI and its Justice Department with fraudulent practice that must cease.

National Secretary of the Black Radical Congress, Frances M. Beal bears with caution the 911 and citizens plight with the Homeland Security as a reflection of the civil rights and the anti-war movements of the past. He makes note to the Cointelpro Specter, a haunt of Black America.

"Clearly, if the rest of the nation has amnesia on FBI history, Black America does not," says Beal. "A person who lived through the civil rights battles of the 60s and 70s cannot help but see the revitalized of Cointelpro, the counterintelligence policy, carried out by the FBI.

Deaf points out from the rats people's movements of the 1960s and 1970s pressure brought to bear on the government that eventually led to adopting new guidelines, purportedly designed to curb FBI abuse of people's rights. "And today history is still written for activist who marched on the FBI and Justice department against President Bush, saying no to the FBI attacks on civil rights and liberties charging there was no vote in Congress. No public referendum. Nor there was no judicial review."

Speaking earlier this year, Judicial Watch Chairman and General Attorney, Larry Klayman said, "Our FBI Director and Attorney General, who have proven that they have a hard time telling the truth to the American people, and should be fired or forced to resign."

The Judicial Watch reports what is new is that the FBI is overtly shifting from focusing on criminal investigations into focusing on counterintelligence programs - a code word for an attack on dissent and on political and religious organizations.

"The Homeland Security Plan is viewed by many as the FBI being unleashed on people targeted by the Bush administration. Targeted because of determined political or religious views or affiliations warrant surveillance, infiltration, and disruption of their personal lives or the organizations to which they belong." Klayman added, the current Washington scandal is not about what the FBI or the CIA know - which apparently is plenty - but the fact that the FBI and other security agencies refused to act on information because of political interference from higher ups rooted in the political and economic ties of the bin Laden to the Bush family.

"Since 9-11, thousands of Muslim, Arab American, and South Asian people have been subjected to the violation of their civil rights and liberties. Charitable organizations have had their assets seized. Thousands have been illegally detained. Educational institutions, homes, and businesses have been raided. In addition, the FBI has carried out a massive interrogation campaign of people based on race, religion, and ethnicity."

"The Administration's continued defense of constitutional safeguards seems to have no end in sight," stated the dean of the Black Caucus and ranking member of the House Judiciary Committee John Conyers (D-MI) "Any government effort to institutionalize the same powers that allowed the FBI to wrongfully spy on the activities of civil rights organizations and disclose information on the private affairs of Martin Luther King, Jr., be continue "would constitute an embarrassing step backwards for civil liberties in this country."

Real examples of what many of the younger Black activists may not know is that Cointelpro did only unconstitutional.

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Coalition to Save Metropolitan Church

left in it. To tear a sound structure down, especially one with so much history and value, just to build one that's new just doesn't make sense."

The lawsuit filed names Reverend Leon Perry III as pastor of the church; the church itself, its board of trustees, Mark Collins, Gary Nicks, A. Doris Reynolds, Maxine Brown, Yvonne Bryant, Eugene Mandeville, Chandra Johnson, Susan Dugan, Brian Stewart and Lisa Whaley; Adkins Architectural Antiques of Houston, Texas; and Rutz Organ Company of Morristown, Minnesota. The suit alleges the Metropolitan defendants have proceeded without authority to demolish the church, mortgage the congregation's real property and waste millions of dollars of the congregation's corporate assets.

"The Douglas-Grand Boulevard community is richer in history than any other community in Chicago. Yet, too much of our architectural legacy has been allowed to disappear. This community is standing together today to say hold, enough. We are not going to sit and watch as another piece of our history falls by the wayside because of whimsy and shortsightedness," said Linda Slaughter, Chairman of the Coalition to Save The Met. The controversy started in August 2001, when Rev. Leon Perry III announced plans to demolish the church and build a new one in its place. Shortly thereafter, the congregation was vacated and beginning services at Wendell Phillips High School. In August 2002, Adkins Architectural Antiques, of Houston, Texas began removing the stained-glass windows from the church, prompting a demonstration by community residents and current and former members of the congregation. An emergency stop-work order was issued by the City of Chicago on August 28, 2002 to prevent the continued removal of the stained-glass windows, which was being carried out without a permit. Plaintiffs further allege that Rev. Perry or other Metropolitan defendants have entered into an agreement with Rutz Organ Company to sell the congregation's Skinner pipe organ, a rare and extremely valuable instrument built in 1923 by noted American organ builder Ernest M. Skinner, containing 2,573 pipes and integral to the design and appearance of the church.
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Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney will be host by Ujima Political Action Committee and Kennedy King Student government. Cong McKinney will host discussing her recent defeat at the hands of groups outside the Black community and what it means for the future of Black independent politics. Saturday, November 9, 1:00 - 5:30 pm at Kennedy King College, International Room.
The Arts Happenings

The Nominee Gathering
Black Writers Collective
in conjunction with Kennedy King College Theatricals presents this hilarious African-American sketch comedy revue. Written by award-winning comedy writer Louise Brooks, Veronica P. Bohanan, Stephanie Gadlin, Toure Muhammad and Charles Willet, Jr., "Just Say No!" is the story of the popular television sketch comedy productions such as "Saturday Night Live" and "30 Rock." It's music is provided by Charles Ware. Tickets are $10. (Group rates available). For info and tickets, call 773-602-5536.

The Soul Invaders & Blues by Ten rooked the house with classics and blues favorites for the Sutherland Arts Initiative's Spring Arts Happening. (Photo by Armstrong)

If you sing, dance, rap, recite poetry, etc., feel free to come to Temple Mercy Association live Edu-tainment by Chicago's "Sex Preacher" presenting positive and correct information on poetry, Hip Hop, rap, and songs. "Conscience Performance Showcase" All lyrics must be revolutionary, positive, conscience raising with $773-727-5207. 2nd, 3rd Thursday 4 PM to 7 PM. Every Monday at 3:30 PM E-mail: brominister357@aol.com

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J "Barbershop" film. The multitalented cast includes Maya Anderson, Kevin Brennan, Lanre Idowu, Lucritica Johnson, Patricia Johnson, Tracy Jones, Jean Merlo, Pip, Julian McAlpin, Michele Steele, Brad Stevens and Joe Yates. The production is directed by Shubert Lincoln. Music is provided by Charles Ware. Tickets are $10. (Group rates available). For info and tickets, call 773-602-5536.
BAD COMPANY
(★★) Anthony Hopkins and Chris Rock team up in this espionage action comedy offering nothing new or better that we haven’t seen before in other “buddy” movies. Chris Rock plays the street hustler who learns too late of a deceased twin brother spy working on an international mission. Rock has nine days to become his master spy brother to help Anthony Hopkins foil a plot to obtain a suitcase-size nuclear bomb from falling into terrorist hands. R; 117 min. Available: Nov. 12
THE SUM OF ALL FEARS
(★★★) Ben Affleck delivers a favorable performance taking over the role of CIA agent. Jack Ryan first introduced by Alec Baldwin and perfected by Harrison Ford. In this timely Tom Clancy novel prequel Ryan is a young, idealistic rookie taken under the wings of presidential aide, Morgan Freeman. When the threat of a nuclear cold war exists between Russia and the U.S. Only Ryan believes terrorists are involved through a trio of missing scientists and a bomb in a plot to have the two rival superpowers destruct each other. An intricate, timely thriller.
THE HEROIC TRIO
(★★★) Michelle (Terry-Kwan) Kwan stars in this martial arts fantasy adventure in which a trio of superhero-type heroines join forces to foil a baby kidnapping plot that is connected to finding a evil heir for world domination. “Crouching Tiger”-type aerial action isn’t enough to make up for this contrived comic book adventure. (Not Rated) 86 min.
The Triumph of Love (★★★★) A wisty romance comedy set in Victorian England about role playing with Mira Sorvino as a lovely yet daring princess who goes against her instincts and deceptive actions by falling in love to her sworn enemy who happens to be the rightfull heir to the throne. PG-13; 111 min.
TV makes Video debut: CSI: 2 tape retro specials from last season, “The Carol Burnett Show: Show Stoppers” and “I Love Lucy’s 50th Anniversary” (Poromount Home Video). Buena Vista Home Video unleashes a couple of highly acclaimed but cancelled ABC series to DVD, “Telly“, “Once and Again” and “Sports Night” from “West Wing” creator Aaron Sorkin co-starring Robert Guillaume.

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THE CHAMELEON
(★★★) Mob hit men are ordinary human beings, too. The Chameleon, star actor Seymour Cassel delivers an understated performance as Richard Cavanaugh, a rising businessman celebrating his 75th birthday with his grandchildren and friends. But secretly, Richard is a notorious and wily hired assassin with a past that comes back to disrupt the peaceful life of his golden years. As a man has hired four individuals to kill Richard for a crime committed years ago as a favor for Richard’s small town sheriff (Tom D’Aligros); whose deputy son (Phu Wuertel) who later stumble onto their two fathers’ secret. The movie is interesting but often pedestrian by a script and direction that tries to avoid cliches and stereotypical situations. It’s a movie that carefully talks its way toward its climax. Only to ultimately fail prey to the predictable in the film’s shoot out finale that makes the movie fall flat on its intentions.
93 min. (Not Rated, but critics self-imposed rating: R for mild violence, language)
— Special One Week Engagement, Nov. 8 thru Nov. 14 at Panny Cinema (2414 North Lincoln Ave.)

At the Flicks
Review and compiled by David Schultz
AUTO FOCUS (★★★★) Examines the life and death of actor Bob Crane (Greg Kinnear) who was a man of contradiction from his public persona. A handsome, ambitious L.A. radio disc jockey that had a taste of Hollywood stardom after co-starring as the next door neighbor on TV’s “The Donna Reed Show” in the early 60’s. Then his agent (Ron Lieberman) hands him a TV pilot script to a new weekly series that would make him a star—Hogan’s Heroes.
But while there was a darker, deeper obsession with Crane that interfered with his public image. When he meets “girl crazy” Richard Dawson’s his tech buddy, John Carpenter (William Dusafu). This ‘habit’ goes full-blown when Carpenter introduces Crane to the early stages of home video taping. After filming his TV series by day, Crane and Carpenter would pick up girls, engaging in sex orgies that were secretly filmed. When “Hogan’s Heroes” is canceled after six years, Crane begins spending time with Carpenter. Which mostly benefits Carpenter to score with women off of Crane’s reputation.
Crane never views his sexual obsession as being harmful. Even though Crane was quick to nix Carpenter’s homosexual gesture. When one orgy video shows the hand on Crane’s naked butt wasn’t from one of the girls. Still, Crane viewed “his behavior” as being to “all American male”.
Ultimately, Crane realizes too late, that he needs to clean his slate to restart his career. Trouble in this is “suggested” when Crane tells Carpenter they can still be friends, but only from a distance. Which doesn’t sit well with Carpenter.
Eventually leading up to the actual motel murder of Bob Crane. The film points its criminal eye upon Carpenter as an act of jealous rage in Crane’s unexplained murder. But speculative. This story is probably the closer to the “whole truth”. Still, Director Paul Schrader gives a descent re-enactment of the HI Hollywood Story”-type movie. Greg Kinnear’s fascinating portrayal of Bob Crane is one of a sexual enigma who just wanted it all. He took to sex back then, like some people take to illegal drugs now. The same self destructive, out-of-control scenario with a tragic sad end. Rated: R
THE RING
(★★★★) Move over, Hannibal Lecter! “The Ring” is the scariest surprise of the season. This is an American version based on a 1998 Japanese horror movie about a videotape that kills any person seven days after viewing it. When a 16-year-old happens to view the tape with her friends at a cabin report. The grieving mother enlists her friend, Rachel Keller (Nawas Watts), a reporter whose young son, Noah (David Dorfman) was the teen girl’s best friend who drew on paper a strange premonition of a girl in a grave a week before her death. “The Ring” is more serious and unnerving because this movie’s exploration has a deeper purpose. It deals with the transferable nature of hatred. As this videotape was created by an injured little girl who feels morally justified killing anyone and everyone that encounters her tape. Because of some tragic circumstances with her parents. At the same time, this movie underscores fears with fascination with television. But at its very core, “The Ring” is a rarity. A “curse” movie with high technology played as an intelligent and intriguing horror mystery. A gothic movie odyssey that mixes modern scientific methods with old fashioned skepticism that will make you scream and jump out of your mind. Rated: PG-13; 115 min. A Dreamworks Picture Release — presented at selected theaters

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Senior Citizen in dispute with Webb Dealership

A South side senior citizen was spared the worry of how to pay for a $20,000 car that almost ended up costing her twice as much before her Alderman and the City intervened on her behalf.

The odyssey of Ophelia Bridges, 82, and Webb Ford, 2601 W. 95th St., Evergreen Park began a few months ago when Bridges saw an ad for a new Crown Victoria. The ad offered the car for $19,498 at 0.9% financing.

At the dealership, Bridges selected a different Crown Victoria than was featured in the ad. She put $10,000 down, signed the sales contract, and happily drove away. Later, she discovered that her new car cost her $40,999 at 4.9% interest and that her monthly car loan payments would be in excess of $500 for the next five years.

Bridges contacted Alderman Shirley Coleman (16) who referred the complaint to the Department of Consumer Services which persuaded Webb Ford to reduce the price of the car to $24,900 at 0% financing.

"Everyone, especially seniors, needs to make sure that they understand the terms of a contract before they sign on the dotted line," said Caroline Orzac Shoenberger, Commissioner of the Department of Consumer Services. "It is easy to misunderstand the financial fine print but no one wants to end up paying more than they can afford which is why it is important to carefully read the contract, ask questions, and bring someone with you to assist if needed," Shoenberger added.

Dealerships and their salespeople also should do a better job of telling customers that additional options and newer models lead to higher sticker prices.

The Department of Consumer Services has consumer fact sheets available with tips on how to purchase a new or used car. For a free copy, call 312-744-9400.

MATAH: IT'S ABOUT LOVE

KEN BRIDGES
1951 - 2002
The Honorable Elijah Muhammad advanced the principle, "Accept Your Own, And Be Yourself." That is now reflected in MATAH.

We give thanks to God for giving to us Brother Ken Bridges, Co-founder of "MATAH" and understand the need to redirect Black spending for the benefit of people of African descent.

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Although, Brother Ken was a recent victim of the now infamous Washington D.C. area Sniper, scripture teaches us "speak not of those slain in the way of God as dead, they live though you perceive not."

Bridges work of MATAH - n. (ma' tan) MATAH Network Inc. is the institution that is giving people of African descent another real chance at true freedom.

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The collective consciousness of people who consider themselves Jesus taught the principle now reflected in MATAH in his statement, "love your neighbor as you love yourself." and Brother Bridges taught economically cooperate with yourself.

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The Actual Facts Research & Survival Center (theactualfacts@matah.com or www.mymatah.net/theactualfacts)

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"Got A Felony?" Can't get a job or housing" Expungement and HB 1961

Ten thousands of Illinois ex-offenders have completed their sentences, but are yet unable to regain all the rights and privileges promised to Illinois citizens. The Chicago Coalition for the Homeless charged that law abiding men, women, and youth across Illinois who earlier in their lives made unfortunate choices were found innocent that resulted in their involvement with the criminal justice system, have paid their debt to society and deserve a second chance.

The organization is working to help ex-offenders have better success upon release from prison conducted a recent survey with the assistance of the Cook County Sheriff office shows that the 1200 per 1300, majority of women in Cook County Jail are homeless. Out of 235 women, 54% homeless upon being release. Only 8 had a home to go to.

The survey also found, the others upon release would return to abuse, sexual assault and domestic violence.

HB 1961 allows Cook County to seek funds to establish a Residential Treatment and Transition center for women.

The Bill passed the Senate and the Senate Judiciary Committee by an 11-0 vote Cook County Board, president, John Stroger, oppose the bill until funding by the state is in place.

Impact of Neighborhood Segregation on Black Homeowners.

A recent Brookings Institution report finds that Black homeowners are hurt most by neighborhood segregation. The Brookings Institution Center on Urban and Metropolitan Policy released, "The Segregation Tax: What Racial Segregation Costs Black Homeowners," it examines home ownership, for each neighborhood as a wealth creation tool for homeowners, it examines home ownership, for each neighborhood as a wealth creation tool for homeowners, particularly minorities.

The report finds that after equalizing for income, Black homeowners owned only $2,16 worth of house. By contrast, Black homeowners owned $2.64 worth of house. For every dollar of income, White homeowners owned $2.64 worth of house. By contrast, Black homeowners owned only $2.16 worth of house. (2) Both Black and White homeowners have lagged behind those of whites.

The report's key findings are:
(1) Home values for Black homeowners were 18% less than values for White homeowners. For every dollar of income, White homeowners owned $2.64 worth of house. By contrast, Black homeowners owned only $2.16 worth of house. (2) Both Black and White homeowners were hurt by high levels of racial segregation.

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Cointelpro

Historically, the FBI has systematically collect information about people. It was a conscious program to neutralize political dissidents. In addition, even though covert operations had been employed throughout FBI history, the former Cointelpro operations conducted from 1956 to 1973 were broadly targeted against what were perceived as radical political organizations. These activities included infiltrating African American groups and fomenting discord and antagonism. Even more were FBI activities to infiltrate and target violent and illegal actions on the part of Black groups. It is estimated that the FBI conducted over 500,000 separate investigations of "subversive" persons or groups from 1960 to 1974, predicated on the possibility that they might try to overthrow the government by force. Yet, not a single individual or group was prosecuted under the laws prohibiting action to overthrow the government. Nonetheless, numerous individuals were imprisoned, lost their jobs, and lives, or were otherwise marginalized or unready or sporadic charges. In order to "neutralize" them and to prevent the spread of their political views, "Obviously, 'Counterintelligence' was a misnomer for the FBI programs then, and today's critics fear the same is true. The people the FBI targeted were U.S. political dissidents and not foreign spies (legal aid). The attempt of the FBI to make the power grab and the further consolidation of a police state apparatus within the United States is truly frightening."

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