

47th St. Merchants Targets Businesses Conduct May call for voting store Dry



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Armstead's 500 Liquors is a concern of the 47th Street Merchants Association based on city violations cited by the city's Dept. of Consumer Affairs, alone with

One liquor store owner on 47th Street said he wants to clear his store to attract other customers other than alcoholics, but it just doesn't work. It's not that they do not want to take all clientele of customers, but the familiar look of 47th street has faded from the limelight when businesses were retail and entertainment locations. Forty seven street is not alone as other main streets have decreased its lure of new customers to hang outs.

The 47th Street Merchants Association at a recent meeting, called attention to Armstead's 500 Liquors due to hangout customers and violations from the city of Chicago cited violations of the store. Three violation were reported. Two of them were not pricing items, and health reason of its fast food services. In addition, complaints from residents that the store was selling loose cigarettes and to cigarettes to minors, which the store manager denies.

The association also questioned the business ethnics of the store, raising rents on tenants, forcing long term businesses out to make way for other business.

The manager stated it was false, he only wanted to raise rents \$50 compared to reports of the former tenants, that the rent was being raised \$250 each.

The Merchant Association is asking that the Armstead clean up its business standards or the association would take action to have the store liquor license revoked by voting it dry.

Other activities of the association meeting was to invited City officials and the alderman to the next meeting to address future development of the business strip.

If any residents or businesses concern about the conduct business in the community should call 924-0461. The next meeting of the Association will be April 16, at the 113 Club.

CTA becomes a On and off ride for riders

CTA Board Sets May 12 For Green Line Reopening

By Donnel Robinson
Staff Writer

Again after two years of renovation of the Green Line El stations, Chicago Transit Authority's (CTA) reopening of the west and south side line is postponed from the original January 1, 1996 opening date and now from the recent March 31 opening to the last scheduled May 12 date.

At a recent special meeting the CTA Board set Sunday, May 12, as the date for the reopening of the Green Line 'L' for service due to training operators, putting in elevators and at one time reports were due to construction tools being stolen and workers being threatened by community residents.

On May 12, 22 Green Line stations beyond the loop will be complete, and three stations will be fully accessible to persons with disabilities.

"We're asking our riders to please be patient with us as we move forward with this phased completion process," said CTA Board Chairman Valerie Jarrett.

"We're really concerned about getting things done as quickly as possible, but we also need to ensure quality service for our customers."

Three more station houses will be completed in July when CTA plans its grand opening ceremonies, and another five by the end of September. Elevator construction will proceed through fall, with units at 13 stations in place by October 1, 1996.



63rd Street El Demolition Update

By Donnel Robinson
Staff Writer

As there was notice of no work being done east of 63rd Street during the time of renovation of the Green Line. Jeff Stern of Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) media Relations Dept. informed South Street Journal, at the early stage of planning, there was a proposal for demolition of east of Cottage Grove.

According to Mr. Stern, he further stated that money was allocated for the rehabilitation of the nearly one-mile stretch of Green Line will be used for the demolition of the El east of Cottage Grove.

Accessibility at five additional stations, including the two Transit Centers planned for Lake/Pulaski and Garfield, will be completed in 1977, bringing the total number of accessible stations to 18.

The Board is still studying the issue of Green Line hours of service, and will make its final deci-

For many riders mainly in the Woodlawn community, there are still unanswered questions regarding the demolition of the 63rd Street El.

On if the El would be demolished or not. Stern stated that the city has the last words on the proposal and that the city is waiting for the public hearing and its outcome (of March 12 in Woodlawn).

As community leaders pro and con still debate on the issue, several studies conclude that it would be an asset to the

El.

City officials were unable to reach to confer the city's position.

sion at its next meeting April 10.

"In the best of all worlds, we would like to have Green owl service," Jarrett said, "but the financial reality CTA faces is very serious, and the final decision must be made in the context of a systemwide analysis of this service."

Academy Awards Further "Cultural Distortion" Which Jackson Says, "Is A Form Of Violence"

Kenwood--At the 68th annual Academy awards the National Rainbow Coalition and Operation PUSH on 50th and Drexel protested Monday, March 25th, at (WLS)-Channel 7) ABC studios because only one of 166 nominees is African American.

Actress, Whoopi Goldberg who host the awards characterizes the protest as just one of many, stating her support is not shown because, "No Black woman would buy an expensive dress then wear a ribbon on it. Further stating she has nothing to say to Rev. Jesse Jackson because he probably is not watching anyway. A statement that received applause from the audience attending the Academy Awards.

However, the protest took place by activists representing joined forces with the Rainbow Coalition and Operation PUSH to draw attention to the under-representation of non-whites in Hollywood.

Dubbed "Lights, Camera, affirmative Action," the nationwide action protesting racism in Hollywood was lead in Chicago by Rev. James T. Meeks, pastor Salem Baptist Church, and director with the Rainbow Coalition's

More than 300 picketers convened a strong show of support and concern at Channel 7 that nonwhites are locked out of the entertainment industry in terms of directing, producing, writing, performing and staffing of motion pictures, cable and television projects.

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The national Rainbow Coalition, in conjunction with Operation PUSH, launched a direct action campaign against the 68th annual presentation Academy awards on Monday, March 25, at (WLS- Channel 7) ABC studios as 300 demonstrators carried banners and signs reading "the oscar is for whites only," "end the Hollywood blackout," "stop stereotyping Black people," and "stop racism in Hollywood".

Winfrey/Jackson Pinch-Hit at Today's Black Woman Gala 96"

By Beverly A. Reed

What could have been a catastrophic blow to An Expo for Today's Woman

founder, Merry Green turned into of the most uniquely successful engagements to address Chicago's African American community. The annual benefit dinner held on the eve of the three day expo boasted Maya Angelou as its keynote speaker. Angelou was also scheduled to receive the Phenomenal Woman of The Year award. Response to the gala was enormous and with "A Call to Lift Every Voice" as the theme of "Gala 96", the

Ophay Winfrey and Rev. Jesse Jackson were unexpected key note speakers at the Today's Black woman Gala

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Community Briefs

PBC Awards Over \$8 Million In Contracts

The Public Building Commission of Chicago (PBC) awarded over \$8 million in contracts to build a lunchroom for one school and provide improvements at five others. The contracts cover work for the Chicago Public Schools at the following sites in the Mid-South community: Phillips High School, 244 E. Pershing Rd., \$3,825,000 General Rehab, and Ward School, 2701 S. Shields Ave. for general rehab

The PBC is an independent government agency responsible for financing, constructing, upgrading and renovating public facilities, in which Mayor Daley is the Chairperson of.

From Lake Meadows Visions

3400 Building Report

On Sunday, Feb. 3rd at about 2:30 a.m. a female resident of building 4 was severely stabbed in the hallway by an assailant alleged to be her husband. He claimed to be on the lease. A neighbor, and later a safety patrol officer, apprehended the man

as he attempted to escape down the stairwell. Although it took the police less than 5 minutes to arrive at the scene, the paramedics were delayed almost 10 minutes because the safety officer did not know the street address of the building. The paramedics attempts to give medical aid to the victim was further delayed when police and because of the new lobby security system it could not be done. Finally, the safety officer had to radio the supervisor in the squad car to let the officer into the building. residents reports that overall the entire incident was handled very well by all those involved, including the victims neighbors on the floor who helped all they could by alerting the proper authorities and by getting involved. The only negative was unfortunately it took maintenance until Tuesday (almost two days) to clean-up the very large blood stains and blood spatters that were left on the carpet and doors and elevators on the front of their home. Perhaps maintenance could not clean up the area until the order was given by the police department.

Chicago Department On

Mable Cole a former residents of Taylor

Homes and and now a Woodlawn resident was recently the recipient of the Home Town Hero Award, presented by V103 and Budweiser.

She was nominated by friends for her on-going task to help in anyway she can, and continue to support all efforts to stand for what is right and good for all. Congratulations Ms. Cole



Aging Seeks Advisory Council Members

The Chicago Department on Aging (CDOA) is seeking new members for its Advisory Council. The Council on Aging acts an advisor on programs and services that affect the City of Chicago's older population. The Council also assists in the development of an annual Area Plan on Aging used by CDOA to identify how federal funds allocated under the Older Americans Act, are distributed in Chicago.

A nominating committee will recommend candidates to Mayor Daley for appointment. The council consists of twenty appointed members, ten members elected through the council. New members will be appointed by Mayor Richard M. Daley for a two year term, beginning July, 1996.

The Council is currently composed of a majority of persons age 60 and older, however, the membership is open to all ages.

Persons interested in submitting an application, should call 744-5776. The deadline for applications is May 25, 1996.

PHOTO View

Do you think gang violence is on the rise, or it's just a media-hype?



The gangs are competing against each other. Its not a media-hype. In my area, I see them wearing their gang colors. They are in competition for the streets.

Gloria Searcey
Woodlawn



Yes, gang violence is on the rise.

At times I fear for my safety. Just as we speak, an hour ago, there was some shooting around my house. Someone is always gettint shot or hurt. Because of this, I fear for my safety.

Nanette Stewart
Woodlawn

A Salute to James D. Pitts

James D. Pitts is remembered for his work in the Mid-South community, recently retired from the position of Vice President of the Public Affairs Division for the People Gas, Light, and Coke Company. James lived his entire life in Woodlawn; he was affectionately known as "Sonny" throughout the neighborhood.

Born on August 7, 1938 in Chicago, Sonny earned a Bachelors of Science from the Illinois Institute of Technology in 1968.

Jim was deeply concerned with the preservation and renovation of his community. He served on the Board of the Greater State Street Council. Jim also served as Chairman of the Board for Centers for New Horizons, Inc.



Calendar of Events

On going

"the Temple" a play of a group of women confront their dreams and ambitions as they frequent a local hair braiding salon. at the ETA 75th and So Chicago. Thursday - Sunday through May 5. Ticket information call 752-3955

Thurs. 4

Dr. Martin L. King Memorial Services

Fri. 5

Gus Lee, the author of China Boy and Honor and Duty will read from and sign copies of his latest novel, Tiger's Tail at 57th St. Books, 1301 E. 57th St.

Sat. 6

Crusaders For Justice meets every Saturday at 12 noon, at Holiness Temple Church 56th and Indiana every Saturday.

Sun. 7

Happy and Blessed Easter

Mon. 8

Taifa Black Awareness holds classes in Black history, leadership, conflict resolution, and more every Monday from 6 to 7:30 at Kennicott Park . at 4434 S. Lake Park Avenue.

Tues.

Task Force for Black Political Empowerment meets at Inner City Studies, 700 E. Oakwood every Tuesday at 7:00 pm

April 10

The Hot Mike is here. Presented by The Sutherland Community Arts Initiative (SCAI). A weekly information

exchange featuring an eclectic mix of topics and presenters of economics, entertainment, education, labor, religion, politics, sex, law, war ant their impact upon Black people on a weekly basis...among other things. Every Wednesday! 7:00 p.m. Beginning April 10th, 1996.

Administrative Clerical Workshop for Community based

neighborhood organization at the community renewal society, 332 S. Michigan Ave. Suite 500. The workshop will focus on the basics for support staff , practical, day long session. Receive tips on management, scheduling, setting up meetings, record keeping and filing systems that work.

Sat. 13

The West Woodlawn Council of Block Club's Women's Auxiliary meets monthly on the 2nd Saturday of each month at Parkway Community House, 500 E. 67th street; 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. All women are invited.

Sun. 14

Ugamaa Food Market Mass meeting to formulate the food Coop at 54th and Wentworth at the Grand blvd. shopping Center where the meeting will be held at 3 pm. doors open at 2.

Mon. 15 -17

Rainbow Action Network, Illinois Caravan will leave Chicago headed for down state Illinois on the evening of April 14 and begin a tour of select cities to register voters. To join the pool call 373-3366.

Tue. 16

47th Street Merchant Association will hold their Bi-monthly. At the meeting topics will address the plans for 47th Street plans from the city. Invited guest are representatives of the city department of planning and Ald. Dorothy Tillman. For information call Ron Carter at 924-0461.

Tue. 16

Mid-South Planning and

Development Commission committee meeting to be held at the King Center 4314 S. Cottage Grove, 6 pm. for information call 924-1330

Thursday 18

Black Men Pushing meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30p.m. at Operation PUSH in the Evans Chapel.

Sat. 27

Washington Pk. Community Coalition meets at the Washington Park Fieldhouse, 5531 S. King Dr. (Last Sat of each month).

Washington Park Wetlands

Project Workshop Residents and neighborhood schools are encouraged to attend, once known as the playground of the "Black Metropolis". The goal is to provide residents and neighborhood schools with the opportunities and resources for full participation in the planning, planting, interpretation and stewardship. The Ecology of Washington Park, 10:00 a.m.; April 25, 1996 7:00 p.m.

CAPS Beat Meetings

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| 232 | April 9 | 7:00 p.m. |
| | 5129 S. Indiana | |
| 224 | April 10 | 6:30 p.m. |
| | 4801 S. Michigan Avenue | |
| 214 | April 17 | 6:00 pm. |
| | 4130 S. Indiana | |
| 233,234 | April 18 | 7:00 p.m. |
| | 5627 S. Michigan Avenue | |
| 222 | April 24 | 6:30 p.m. |
| | 4312 S. Cottage Grove | |
| 212 | April 25 | 7:00 p.m. |
| | 3566 S. Cottage Grove | |

Spring Break in the Parks

Summer camp sign-up starts April 23 at all parks.
Ellis Park: Spring Break 4/8 -12 at 11 - 6:30 pm for ages 4-14. Easter Bunny Photos
Kenwood Park; Arts and Craft Class starts April 1st.
Kennicott Park: Easter Egg Hunt April 4, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

The UnZip

Ziff Sustrunk and Doreen Taylor (code name Ms. Bolton) was working for candidate Deotis Taylor or Senator Maro in the past election at the office on 51st Street., also word is Ms. Taylor zapped Ziff from the radio program Sustrunk started.....

Continuing on the radio wave, Mary, radio caller of the WVON should be aware that President Clinton may visit Stateway Gardens in August for the Demora National Convention.....Children of Stateway Gardens should make sure they get A's in Math seems there's a miscount for the another vote for President of that development. Moving on to Stateway, Henry Jackson is producing a documentary on the conditions of the development in which NBC and other media producing want to get a hold of.....

Gerri Palm Tavern is swinging in the media again, two movies are scheduled to be shot there, and in the Woodlawn community a movie was being made without Black workers, except one.

Word is that Wallace "Gator" Bradley popularity is growing. He was since in City Hall treated as a movie star as people called his name.....As Gator continue to speak the issue of youth organizations (gangs, nations or whatever,.....The Brothers on 43rd and State Street should be gald to know that the Chicago Crime Commission has looked at the possession mariguan as not being a felony. However, they should be reminded that just like O.J. is not off the hook, the chain gangs that's being posposed for prisons do have their name on them.

Non forgotten work. A special mention to Rev. Scott of Berean Baptist Church at 51st and Dearborn, whose church went out of their way for the political forum for South Street Journal that was canceled at the last minute.

St. Joseph's Carondelet Child Center exceeded its goal and raised nearly \$160,00 at its annual diner....An amount that don't touch the \$7.5 million a Kenwood community won in the Illinois lottery.

It's good SSJ publisher Ron Carter left town (country) after this issue editorial. The Staff should be in good hands, next door to the Urban League, where the nations meet.

Do Don Lindom know that Mayor Daley bought out the forces in Ald. Haitcock reelection bid? Word is Operation PUSH is building a politican machine as well, that Rev. Jesse Jackson has a speific plan moving back to Chicago.

While David Knight do not want to talk about the status of the Lake park plaza for 47th and Lake Park, waiting for the city's O.K., The Hyde Park Coop members is debating and about to vote on their location as a tenant

CHA has drop the idea of a 30 page or more lease for the tenants to sign. Maybe because they won't have to be bother in the futrue any way.....



Inner City Youth Disputes City's Priorities

For Community Entertainment Complex Vs. Loop Development

Oakwood--Based on the city's own projections, each ward needs about \$4.8 million per year to repair its streets, sidewalks and sewers. Most wards receive less than \$3 million per year to make these infrastructure repairs. Only Chicago's downtown retail and commercial district (42nd Ward) is meeting the city's infrastructure minimum, according to Moving Beyond the Basics Building Chicago for the next Century. The ICYF Director, Chirstine Dawson-Perkins



Chirstine Dawson-Perkins

mind and teach to build that they will less likely participate in anti-social behavior.

The plan has been submitted to the Dept. of Planning for consideration. However, it was challenged by the North Kenwood Oakland Conservation Council a body of resident appointed by the Mayor to over see development in the Oakland Kenwood communities. It was once down played by Alderman Toni Peckninkle (whose now focusing much attention on the 47th adn Lake park Development).

Now ICYF is seeking the Mayor's support, realizing this would be a big step on his behalf but think of the show of goodwill and appreciation that could not be denied.

The Family Entertainment Complex will cost \$80 million to develop a long term job creation - economic base on Oakwood. Perkins requested that Mayor Daley dedicate the land on East Oakwood to Youth and Job development for the next 100 years.

"It is important for us to show our children that this was once a vibrant thriving black neighborhood with black businesses," said Perkins.

Inner City Youth Foundation (ICYF) in it's endurance for the Family Entertainment Complex for the vacant land located on East Oakwood from 715 to 1100 on Oakwood and Pershing Road. ICYF has compared neighborhood development to the city's loop development, questioning the city's commitment to economic projects for the neighborhoods.

In a letter to Mayor Richard Daley ICYF director Chirstine Dawson-Perkins requested the city owned land on Oakwood to be donate for the purpose of the complex. Referring to the mayor's 1996 budget reminding him of his address to "any citizens, business, organizations or officials with a tax revenue generating plan please bring them forward".

Oakwood, once in the '60s consisted of a commercial strip of : Hotels, Theaters, Grocers, Dentist, Woolworth, 1st Walgreens, Gas Stations, Shoe Stores, One Bank, Doctors, Restaurants, Bakeries and Lawyers, ICYF has proposed a Family Entertainment Complex for this area to create entry level jobs, entrepreneurship, management training skills.

"We are requesting that this land be placed in a Youth Development Land Trust for next 100 years," explained Perkins. "The land would be used to create jobs for youth on a year round basis."

Perkins added to the letter to the Mayor that, jobs for youth are becoming increasingly low, "and we (Chicagoans) are threatened every year with cuts in youth jobs."

"We all complain about gangs, well this is an opportunity to actually provide a real alternative to gang activity. We know if we occupy their time,

Save The 8th Regiment Armory

A Morningline Pole in the Metro Section of a Chicago Sun-Times story on Thursday, March 28th asked for calls from readers on the question, "Should the Bronzeville Armory be torn down?" HELL NO!!

The Eighth Regiment Armory, a National Historic Register Landmark Building is probably the most important building in terms of Black military history in the Nation.

This historic structure is also a key anchor redevelopment project in a community development initiative designed to turn the Bronzeville/Black Metropolis area into a cultural tourism destination. The 35th Street Merchants Assoc. in cooperation with Illinois

Institute of Technology and Harvard School of Design collaborated with community groups and has created a revitalization plan for 35th Street.

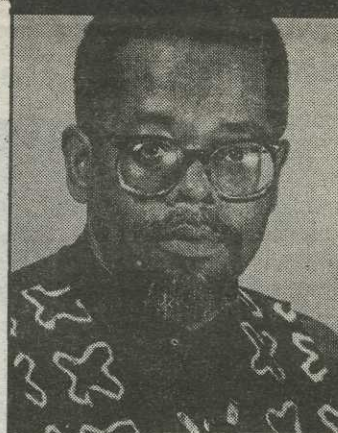
The 8th Armory building is proposed as the major commercial business development project.

BLACK METROPOLIS CONVENTION & TOURISM COUNCIL

Heritage Tourism Review

By Harold L. Lucas

For me personally, it is very frustrating to realize that established Black leadership has lost control of part of our African-American historical legacy. We have made many trips down to Springfield in the quest to save the 8th Armory.



We worked closely with State Representative Lou Jones, Senator Margaret Smith and Congressman Bobby Rush to craft legislation and

launched legislative advocacy campaigns that resulted in over \$2 million in State appropriation to help restore the Regiment Armory building.

Just last spring, we were in Springfield to support the Landmark Preservation Council of Illinois in its designation of the Eighth Regiment Armory as one of the 10 most endangered historic buildings in Illinois.

The \$2 million in State Appropriations was dispersed through the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency. And, we understand that Douglas

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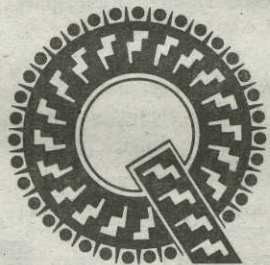
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- Downtown Rehab - 130 Million
- Circulator *(Study Only) - *56 Million
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- The Family Entertainment Complex on Oakwood - 80 Million (Projected)



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P.R.I.M.E.; From the Million Man March to the Republican Party



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P.R.I.M.E. just as Al Silvi unexpectedly won the republican nomination for U.S. Senator, PRIME position 5 of it's 9 candidates as republican committeeman on the west and south side wards. Calvin "Ormar" Johnson, pictured left in shirt on stage with Earl King spoke at the Million Man March, addressing the new direction of youth organization (gangs). Johnson highlighted the success of their candidates as a political science'. "We came back from the march winning committeemanship "We're pulling together instead of pushing" declared Johnson.

Urban Resources Partnership in Chicago - Request for Proposals

The Urban Resources Partnership is to advocate and assist community-based action through local partnerships to enhance, restore and sustain urban ecosystems in the Chicago Metropolitan Area.

The Partnership has made 22 grants to support a wide range of community-identified environmental projects, including community garden creation, tree planting, and wetland restorations many of which involve youth employment. Each project funded by the Partnership and receives a technical assistance team composed of members of the Partnership and outside organizations.

Grants of \$50,000 and above will receive highest consideration. Priority will be given to collaborations between a wide variety of community groups, non-profit organizations, and government agencies.

Applicants are required to attend a mandatory orientation session to learn more about the Partnership, call(312) 737-1178 to register.

Teen Pagnacany to Prepared Parenthood

An Overview of the Firman Community Services Program

Reports indicate that teen pagnecy is at its all time high. "It's at a critical stage." says Lashonda Hicks Director of Educational Services for the Firman Community Services (FCS). "Many of our clients are 13 - 18 years of age and has not been introduced to sex education, or to family planning." A need Director of Educational services Division of the Firman



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1872 and continues to respond to the needs of the communities it serves.

Of the many services that FCS provides the agency is targeting three projects of its Educational Services; Project Link, EvenStart and Teen Parent Initiative (TPI). "These three programs attempt to empower the second generation woman" explains Ms. Hicks. "We see and help identify the needs of our clients. They not only help the young ladies be better parents but help the individual as a person."

According to a 1995 study by Pierre deVise of Roosevelt University's Institute of Metropolitan Affairs entitled "Chicago's Color Gap Forty Years After Brown (vs. the Board of Education of Topeka, KS)" nine of the ten poorest communities in the nation are located in Chicago Housing Authority complexes. FCS serves Stateway Gardens, ranked first poorest, and the Robert Taylor Homes, ranked second, third and sixth poorest. Without question, FCS has a difficult task of addressing the socioeconomic needs of these communities.

To implement change, Project Link started last year is an experimental study of teen parents new to Public Aid over a three year period. The project is federal funded targeted for the Grand Boulevard community.

The EvenStart program, coordinated by Eliane Norwood provides home-based family literacy to single parents, ages 16-44, with children under the age of three. Norwood, organize home visits working closely with teen parents and their families.

Parent Educators address the four components of the program-adult education, early childhood education, parent/child interactions and life skills- during weekly home visits.

Education, knowledge and empowerment are the key elements express to execute effective change in a trou-

bled community, express Ms. Hicks. "With Firman's implementation of programs addressing these issues, the people in the community are being empowered to break the poverty cycle, move into the economic mainstream and access opportunities to enhance the quality of life."

Firman is a non-profit social service agency serving the Greater Mid-South communities, Fuller Park, Washington Park Douglas Park, Grand Boulevard and Englewood, as well as the south side of Chicago and southern Cook County.

Other services of FCS are the Child Welfare Division Foster Care actively recruits, licenses and trains individuals meeting stated requirements to provide foster care for children in need of temporary care.

Family Services Division providing services to more than 12,000 area residents annually with food and clothing during periods of unemployment and personal hardship. The food pantry is the most utilized component with recipients referred by state, city and private social service agencies, as well as community residents.

Chicago Family Case Management combat the high infant mortality rate plaguing urban communities. Firman's case managers facilitate doctor appointments and arrange transportation to medical clinics. Educational Services

East/West Pre-School: A year-round program that serves more than 300 children ages 3-5. Children enrolled are provided early childhood instruction and developmental activities in an effort to enhance their emotional and educational development. The program is for low-income people who are working, in school or in job training. It operates five days a week and full time during the summer and on school holidays.

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Bee Building Workshop on 37th and State Street



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Local community leaders (L to R) Henry Jackson (far left), an unidentified man, John DeVaughn, Harold L. Lucas and Raynard Hall collaborate during the Exploring Heritage Tourism Workshop held recently at Chicago Bee Library located at 36th and State Street, on how the newly created Bronzeville World Wide website <http://www.interman.net/bronzeville> will affect the development of a literacy center and Black Metropolis Archives in the Landmark Building. Heritage Tourism, a growth industry in the 21st Century, is becoming a focus for local convention and visitors bureaus, Councils and State Tourism agencies throughout the nation. By becoming knowledgeable about and proactive in this growing segment of the tourism industry, African American institutions and community based organizations can benefit greatly from this local economic empowerment initiative. For the 70 participants, most from Stateway Gardens Public Housing Development, this Exploring Heritage Tourism workshop presented opportunities on how to create jobs, create jobs, increase earned income entrepreneurship, revenue generation and collaboration within the Black Metropolis Historic District. Sponsors for the workshop were: Illinois Institute of Technology, Stein & Company, Drexel Banking Center/South Shore Bank and UBM, Inc.

Health Column

By Bernetta Pearson



What is Diabetes?

Hi! It's good to back. This column is dedicated to my new grandson-Marcus Malik, born March 6, 1996, and his mom Pam. Heres the column I promised one of my readers on diabetes.

What is diabetes? In people with diabetes, the body cannot make energy from the food that they eat. Sugar from the food stays in the blood instead of going into the cells of the body to make energy. This happens because of a lack of insulin being produced. Insulin is produced by the pancreas and if it is not working right, you may have diabetes. Diabetes is a lifelong disease.

Who has diabetes? Approximately 14-16 million people Americans have diabetes. More blacks and Hispanics than whites have it. Half of these people don't know they have diabetes. That's why it is important that if you are reading this column, cut it out, read it to a friend or family member that may have the symptoms of the disease and don't know a lot about it. Remember knowledge is the key that opens the door to good health.

What are the types of diabetes? There are three types:

1. Insulin Dependent (Type 1) Diabetes. This type of diabetes occurs most often in children and young adults. The pancreas stops making

insulin or makes only tiny amounts, this person needs to inject insulin into their body everyday.

2. Non-insulin Dependent (Type 2) Diabetes. With this type of diabetes, the pancreas makes some insulin but it is not used effectively. This type of diabetes can be controlled with diet and exercise or with medicine (not necessarily insulin).

3. Gestational Diabetes. This happens when a woman is pregnant and does not produce enough insulin for herself and the baby. This type of diabetes can disappear after giving birth but the mother will be at a higher risk to develop diabetes within 5-10 years.

Signs and symptoms of Diabetes: (These are common signs)

Frequent thirst, constant urination, unusual hunger, rapid weight loss, obvious weakness and tiredness. If any of these things are happening enough for you to notice it and become a little worried, check it out with a doctor!

Who is at risk for developing Diabetes?

If someone in your family has or had it. Overweight (More than 20% of your ideal body weight), getting older, had diabetes during pregnancy, increased stress from an infection or injury, being of African American descent, being of Hispanic American descent, being of Native American descent, decreased physical activity. Next column, we'll cover complications, and reducing your risk. Remember, health is wealth.

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Redmond: O'Malley Irresponsible

Lawrence Redmond, the Harold Washington Party nominee for Cook County State's Attorney, accused Cook County State's Attorney, ac-

cused Cook County State's Attorney Jack O'Malley of "jumping the gun" again. Referring to the shooting death Friday of off-duty Chicago

police officer Dell O. Fountain, Redmond charged that O'Malley's statement that Tajuan L. Murray, the man held in the shooting, knew Fountain was a police officer was irresponsible. "That is a determination for a jury to make," Redmond said. Fountain was out of uniform at the time of the shooting, and it is not clear whether or not he announced he was a policeman.

Fountain was shot in the apartment building where he lived. O'Malley's claim that "everyone there knew Fountain was a police officer" was inappropriate, Redmond said, because Murray himself did not live there. "And to even suggest the death penalty at this stage of the case is nothing more than cheap grandstanding."

Redmond, who has said he would not pursue the death penalty in criminal trials, said O'Malley is violating a fundamental tenet of American criminal jurisprudence: "The best thing O'Malley could have done," Redmond said, "was to keep his mouth shut."

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RACE: Black

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Davis' Victory in the Seventh Congressional District May Prove to Be Hollow



By Jerald Wilson
SSJ Political Writer

The contentious congressional race to replace Congresswoman Cardiss Collins after her long term in office had County Commissioner Danny K. Davis emerging the victor last week, but the drama isn't over yet as the general election in November nears.

Third time congressional candidate Davis touts himself as an Independent democrat and still persists in this bit of mythology. He also conveniently forgets to mention that he was slated for his County Commissioner's seat by the regular democratic organization when Eugene Picham passed on it after his failed bid for President of the County Board.

Commissioner Davis, Committeeman of the 29th ward, another regular party post. Despite all the billboards and tandem campaigning with U.S. Senate

candidate Patrick Quinn, Davis only got 16,000 votes. The same figure he received in his other failed efforts to unseat Collins.

Davis' political stock and credibility will soon be put to the test. He'll have to approach the regulars to deliver the vote for him in the November General Election.

The question is does he seriously expect the likes of Dorothy Tillman (3rd), Percy Z. Giles (37th), Ed H. Smith (28th) and George Dunne (42nd), whose formidable ward has always been the area that put Collins back in office again and again for over 20 years, to support (or work) for him to go to Washington? He probably does.

At least the pressure of campaigning against Tillman will

be off of him. Her strong showing in the primary can be partially attributable to her ability to totally unnerve Davis during public appearance and her last minute support of Mayor Richard Daley.

Tillman coming in second place with close to 12,000 votes easily flustered Davis, who tried to bluster his way through an embarrassing inability to cope with her "in-your-face style" on radio and television. It's a sure bet she won't give him a hand.

Alderman Smith (who lost his own ward to Davis, with 6,300 in the race) won't help him because Davis doesn't live in the district. "He couldn't even vote for himself." Smith groused.

Ald. Giles with 6,600 votes in the race said "even if I wanted to (help), my people wouldn't." Couple this with the fact none of the major dailies endorsed him, and he surely is in a "what to do, what to do?" situation.

One thing is sure, Davis will face at least two opponents that ran this time. Not just because they did run, but because Davis is not a mandate carrying, landslide vote getting, politician. He'll surely prove to be a Flanagan-type (vulnerable) first term. "We have to, We've got to, We should do" will translate into all show and no go on Capital Hill. Having never really engaged in rough and tumble legislative action as is typical in Washington he will be in over his head. That's what will bring out strong challengers in the next (1998) primary.

Read Between The Lines



By Eddie S. Read

Affirmative Action Must Be Color

There is much talk in Chicago and around the country about the importance of race color based preference programs. Some say that quotas, goals and so called set aside programs, prevent equal protection for white people specifically white males.

Some say blacks and other people of color are given an unfair advantage when participating in set aside programs. Would someone please tell me how we, black people, have an unfair advantage, when white males are in charge of and run every power based operation inside of the boundaries of these Un-United States and most places around the world. We must get to the real issue of affirmative action, the economic and financial impact that they have. Lets put the focus on the color that concerns most people, the color of green. That's right, the money question. How long will we continue to spend money that we control, with those that move to stop our earnings? I still believe that the best affirmative action program is when we spend our

money with each other. Today I call for the financial withdraw from all businesses, institutions and organizations that support the destruction of affirmative action - You can start with Cole Taylor Bank; a member of the Building Association of Greater Chicago - The organization that has filed suit against set aside programs in Chicago and Cook County. Why spend your money with people who move to stifle your earning potential? If you think that white males are angry about affirmative action, lets see how angry they will get when we don't spend any money with them. I urge you do not spend your money with any business that is a part of any association or that supports any political candidate whose mission is to destroy the gains secured for and by black people. Affirm that action!

"Read Between The Lines" commentary can be heard on WVON Radio (1490 A.M.) on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:50 A.M. and 11:10 P.M.



Third Airport Means Jobs for Southsiders

2nd District Congressman Jesse Jackson Jr. explained in detail a third airport in Peotone, Illinois would create thousands of jobs for southside residents; Mr. Jackson told the audience at the Saturday, March 23rd, 1996 PUSH meeting that a third airport south of Chicago would stimulate economic development for the south side the way O'Hare has stimulated development for the north side.

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From One White Slave Plantation Owner To Another

How To Keep A Black Man Down.....



Gentlemen:
I greet you here on the bank of the James River in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and twelve. First, I shall thank you, the Gentlemen of the Colony of Virginia, for bringing me here. I am here to help you solve some of your problems with slaves. Your invitation reached me on my modest plantation in the West Indies where I have experimented with some of the newest and still the oldest methods for control of slaves. Ancient Rome would envy us if my program is implemented. As our boat sailed

south on the James River, named for our illustrious King James, whose Bible we cherish, I saw enough to know that your problem is not unique. While Rome used cords of wood as crosses for standing human bodies along the old highways in great numbers, you are here using the tree and the rope on occasion.

I caught the whiff of a dead slave hanging from a tree a couple of miles back. You are not only losing valuable stock by hangings, you are having uprisings, slaves are running away, your crops are sometimes left in the fields too long for maximum profit, you suffer occasional fires, your animals are killed, gentlemen, you know what your problems are; I do not need to elaborate. I am not here to enumerate your problems, I am here to introduce you to a method of solving them.

In my bag here, I have a fool-proof method for controlling your Black slaves. I guarantee everyone of you that if installed correctly it will control the slaves for at least 300 years. My method is simple, any member of your family or any overseer can use it.

I have outlined a number of differences among the slaves, and I take these differences and make them bigger. I use fear, distrust and envy for control purposes. These methods have worked on my modest plantation in the West Indies, and it will work throughout the South. Take this simple little list of differences and think about them. On the top of my list is "Age," but it is there because it only starts with an "A"; the second is "Color" or shade; there is intelligence, size, sex, size of plantations, attitude of owners, whether the slaves live in the valley, I shall give you an outline of action—but before that, I shall assure you that distrust is stronger than trust, and envy is stronger than adulation, respect or admiration.

The Black Slave, after receiving this indoctrination, shall carry on and will become self refueling and self-generating for hundreds of years, maybe thousands.

Don't forget, you must pitch the old Black male vs. the young Black male, and the young Black male against the old Black male. You must use the dark skin slaves vs. the light skin slaves, and the light skin slaves vs. the dark skin slaves. You must use the female vs. the male, and the male vs. the female. You must also have your servants and overseers distrust all Blacks, but it is necessary that your slaves trust and depend on us. They must love, respect and trust only us.

Gentlemen, these kits are your keys to control, use them. Have your wives and children use them. Never miss opportunity. My plan is guaranteed, and the good thing about this plan is that if used intensely for one year, the slaves themselves will remain perpetually distrustful.

Let's Make A Slave

The Origin and Development of a Social Being Called the Negro
Let us make a slave. What do we need? First of all we need a black nigger man, a pregnant nigger woman and her baby nigger boy. Second, we will use the same basic principle that we use in breaking a horse, combined with some more sustaining factors.

What we do with horses is that we break them from one form of life to another: that is, we reduce them from their natural state in nature; whereas nature provides them with the natural capacity to take care of their needs of their offsprings, we break that natural sting of independence from them and thereby create a dependency state so that we may be able to get from them useful production for our business and pleasure.

Cardinal Principles For Making A Negro

For fear that our future generations may not understand the principles of breaking both horses and men, we lay down the art. For, if we are to sustain our basic economy we must break and be both of the beasts together, the nigger and the horse. **We understand that short range planning in economics results in periodic economic chaos; so that, to avoid turmoil in the economy, it requires us to have breath and depth in long range comprehensive planning, articulating both skill and sharp perception.**

We lay down the following principles for long range comprehensive economic planning:

1. Both horse and nigger are no good to the economy in the wild or natural state.
2. Both must be broken and tied together for orderly production.
3. For orderly futures, special and particular attention must be paid to the female and the young offspring.
4. Both must be crossbred to produce a variety and division of labor.
5. Both must be taught to respond to a peculiar new language.
6. Psychological and physical instruction of containment must be created

or both.

We hold the above six cardinal principles as trues to be self-evident, based on the following discourse concerning the economics of breaking and tying the horse and the nigger together...all inclusive of the six principles laid down above.

NOTE: Neither principles alone will suffice for good economics. All principles must be employed for orderly good of the nation.



Accordingly, both a wild horse and a wild or natural nigger is dangerous even if captured, for they will have the tendency to seek their customary freedom, and, in doing so, might kill you in your sleep. They sleep while you are awake and are awake while you are asleep. They are dangerous near the family house and it requires too much labor to watch them away from the house.

Above all you cannot get them to work in this natural state. Hence, both the horse and the nigger must be broken; that is break them from one form of mental life to another...keep the body and take the mind.

In other words, break the will to resist. Now the breaking process is the same for both the horse and the nigger, only slightly varying in degrees. But as we said before, there is an art in long range economic planning. You must keep your eye and thoughts on the female and the offspring of the horse and the nigger.

A brief discourse in offspring development will shed light on the key to sound economic principles. Pay little attention to the generation of original breaking but concentrate on future generations. Therefore, if you break the female mother, she will break the offspring in its early years of development and, when the offspring is old enough to work, she will deliver it up to you for her normal female protective tendencies will have been lost in the original breaking process.

For example, take the case of the wild stud horse, a female horse and an already infant horse and compare the breaking process with two captured nigger males in their natural state, a pregnant nigger woman with her infant offspring. Take the stud horse, break him for limited containment. Completely break the female horse until she becomes very gently whereas you or anybody can ride her in comfort. Breed the mare and the stud until you have the desired offspring. Then you can turn the stud to freedom until you need him again. Train the female horse whereby she will eat out of your hand, and she will, in turn, train the infant horse to eat out of your hand also.

When it comes to breaking the uncivilized nigger, use the same process, but vary the degree and step up the pressure so as to do a complete reversal of the mind. Take the meanest and most restless nigger, strip him of his clothes in front of the remaining male niggers, the female, and the nigger infant, tar and feather him, tie each leg to a different horse faced in opposite directions, set him a fire and beat both horses to pull him apart in front of the remaining nigger. The next step is to take a bull whip and beat the remaining nigger male to the point of death in front of the female and the infant. Don't kill him, but put the fear of God in him, for he can be useful for future breeding.

The Breaking Process Of The African Woman

Then take the female run a series of tests on her to see if she will submit to your desires willingly. Test her in every way because she is the most important factor for good economics. If she shows any sign of resistance in submitting completely to your will, do not hesitate to use the bull whip on her to extract that last bit of bitch out of her. Take care not to kill her, for, in doing so, you spoil good economics. When in complete submission, she will train her offspring in the early years to submit to labor when they become of age.

Understanding is the best thing. Therefore, we shall go deeper into this area of the subject matter concerning what we have produced here in this breaking process of the female nigger. We have reversed the relationships. In her natural uncivilized state she would have a strong dependency on the uncivilized nigger male, and she would have a limited protective tendency toward her independent male offspring and would raise the female offspring to be dependent like her. Nature had provided for this type of balance. We reversed nature by burning and pulling one civilized nigger apart and bull whipping the other to the point of death—all in her presence. By her being left alone, unprotected, with the male image destroyed, the ordeal caused her to move from her psychological dependent state to a frozen independent state. In this frozen psychological state of independence she will raise her male and female offspring in reversed roles. For fear of the young male's life, she will psychologically train him to be mentally weak and dependent but physically strong.

Because she has become psychologically independent, she will train her female offsprings to be psychologically independent. What have you got? You've got the nigger woman out front and the nigger man behind and scared. This is a perfect situation for sound sleep and economics.

Before the breaking process, we had to be alert on guard at all times. Now we can sleep soundly, for, out of frozen fear, his woman stands guard for us. He cannot get past her early infant slave molding process. He is a good tool, now ready to be tied to the horse at a tender age.



By the time a nigger boy reaches the age of sixteen, he is soundly broken in and ready for a long life of sound and efficient work and the reproduction of a unit of good labor force.

Continually, through the breaking of uncivilized savage niggers, by throwing the nigger female savage into a frozen psychological state of independency, by

killing of the protective male image, and by submissive dependent mind of the nigger male savage, we have created an orbiting cycle th on its own axis forever, unless a phenomenon occur the positions of the male and female savages. We show w by example. Take the case of the two economic slave units them closely.

The Negro Marriage Unit:

We breed two nigger males with two nigger females. Th nigger males away from them and keep them moving and v the one nigger female bears a nigger female and the other t male. Both nigger females, being without influence of the image, frozen with an independent psychology, will raise th into reverse positions. The one with the female offspring v to be like herself, independent and negotiable (we negotiat through her, by her, and negotiate her at will). The one wit male offspring, she being frozen with a subconscious fear fi will raise him to be mentally dependent and weak, but phys -in other words, body over mind. Now, in a few years wher offsprings become fertile for early reproduction, we will ma them and continue the cycle. That is good, sound, and long comprehensive planning.

WARNING:

Possible Interloping Negal

Earlier, we talked about the non-economic good of the ho nigger in their wild or natural state; we talked out the princ breaking and tying them together for orderly production; fu talked about paying particular attention to the female savag offspring for orderly future planning; then, more recently w by reversing the positions of the male and the female savag created an orbiting cycle that turns on its own axis forever, phenomenon occurred and reshifted the positions of the mal female savages.

Our experts warned us about the possibility of this phen occurring, for they say that the mind has a strong drive to co recorrect itself over a period of time if it can touch some substantial original historical base; and they advised us that the best way to deal with this phenomenon is to shave off the brute's mental history and create a multiplicity of phenomena of illusions, so that each illusion will twirl in its own orbit, something similar to floating balls in a vacuum.

This creation of a multiplicity of phenomena of illusions entails the principles of cross-breeding the nigger and the horse as we stated above, the purpose of which is to create a diversified division of labor thereby creating different levels of labor and differe illusion at each connecting level of labor, the results of whic severance of the points of original beginnings for each spher Since we feel that the subject matter may get more complica proceed in laying down our economic plan concerning the pu reason, and effect of cross-breeding horses and niggers, we s down the following definitional terms for future generations:

1. Orbiting cycle means a thing turning in a given path.
2. Axis means upon which or around which a body turns.
3. Phenomenon means something beyond ordinary conception and inspires awe and wonder.
4. Multiplicity means a great number.
5. Sphere means a globe.
6. Cross-breeding a horse means taking a horse and breeding it with an ass and you get a dumb, backward ass, longheaded mule that is not reproductive nor productive by itself.
7. Cross-breeding niggers means taking so many drops of good white blood and putting them into as many nigger women as possible, varying the drops by the various tones that you want, and then letting them breed with

each other until the colors appear as you What this means is t niggers and the hors breeding pot, mix so and some good whit what do you get? Y multiplicity of colors backwards, unusual r running, tied to back longheaded mules, t productive of itself, t sterile. (The one co other dying—we kee constant for we may mule for another to and nigger tied to ea neither knowing wh came from and neith productive for itself, without each other.

Controlled Language

Cross-breeding completed, for further severance from their beginning. We must completely annihilate the mother tongu new nigger and the new mule and institute a new language th the new life's work of both. You know, language is a peculiar It leads to the heart of a people. The more a foreigner knows language of another country the more he is able to move thro levels of that society. Therefore, if the foreigner is an enemy country, to the extent that he knows the body of the language



extent is the country vulnerable to attack or a foreign culture. For example, you take a s teach him all about your language, he will k your secrets, and he is then no more a slave; can't fool him any longer, and being a fool is basic ingredients of and incidents to the ma the slavery system.

Editorial

Political Pimpin' at all Cost

The Willie Lynch letter on the opposite page was distributed at the 2000 A. D. Now Conference, Hosted by the Sutherland Community Arts Initiative Conference. The syndrome of the letter seems most appropriate for this editorial and our leadership, which makes one want to go fishing on election day. And as a result, most Black people did more than any other ethnic group in Chicago. Knowing the pimpin game of those political pimps.

For example, in the 12th Illinois Senatorial race, focusing in on Black elected officials from the Mid-South Wards, (2,3,4,5 and 20th) endorsed Senator Robert Molaro or indirectly helped to get him elected. One community leader worked for the Black spoiler, Deotis Taylor, said his reason was his people (workers) needed to eat.

They must understand, contrary to their belief, they have contributed to our condition under the Democratic Party dominating and controlling community organizations as well. Once progressive representing those without money and political clout. They have become our biggest stumbling block preventing us from obtaining political and community empowerment.

When those so-called political leaders endorsed Molaro instead of one of the black candidates, they put in the minds of the voters that no more Black state senators are needed; that the work, money and time that challenged the democratic machine and won the remap was not important enough for which the remap was decided by the courts: to

empower the community. On top of that, State Senator Molaro hardly crossed east of the Dan Ryan of his district. He challenged that if he should not be State Senator, U. S. Senator Carol Mosely Braun should not be in her seat based on whites are the majority in the Illinois. It only proved his insensitivity.

Above the elected officials working for Molaro, the candidates running against him were not able to come together for the common good and purpose of the remap. It comes down to Black political leadership vs. their personal ego instead for the common good of the community.

Indeed, the longer we wait to move towards attaining political (liberation) empowerment, the higher the cost in losing our youth to comments like Commissioner Bobbie Steele and Aldermen Tillman degrading young men who seek power as they do.

Defining who is who is a must to establish community empowerment.

Community leaders from 32nd and Giles to 63rd and Dorchester constantly misdefine the nature of community unity; further serving our oppression and genocide.

Reverend Authur Brazier from the start said he was with Mayor Daley. Therefore, most likely, the El on 63rd street is coming down. But, what he did not say he would be part of a T.V. game show as portrayed at the CTA hearing on March 12th. It clearly showed Ald. Troutman, CTA, City of

Chicago, T.W.O., Authur Brazier congregation members at odds with the community. It portrayed that the deal had already been made. In the same matter giving power to the Mayor on the Empowerment Zone, when the law calls for "Bottoms Ups" in the decision making of the money. Again, Black Aldermen acted like Clarence Thomas, forgetting who put them there.

It is not even the subject of a lessor of two evils. It's like a dope-pusher who knows what they do. Pushing their (political dope) and beats the living crap out of the people, who messes with their money. The issue over the El is not about transportation, it's about money and power.

But power is electing Danny Davis, who deserves the seat in Congress to block the fakes of their selfishness. How can Aldermen Tillman and Ed Smith (who can't remember his political education on 37th St. & Calumet at the CBUC meetings), team up with Mayor Daley against their once friend in struggle, Danny K. Davis. Alderman Tillman boast on liberation with Dr. King and once defined Mayor Daley as the enemy of Black people. It just doesn't look right in the eyes of the voters. If Mayor Daley is good for Black people, just say it and stop faking the people out.

We must never forget that all of us, no matter what level of achievement we may have obtained, it's about our people. So the challenge now is to endorse and actively support the Harold Washington Party candidate for the 12th Senatorial District, Glen B. Wharton. Any Black elected official who puts their party above supporting Wharton, is a reflection of the Willie Lynch syndrome letter, which contributes to why Black voter turnout is what it is.

The struggles and sacrifices made by our people made it possible for us all to be who and what we are today. We must recognize the seriousness and importance of our political and community empowerment. Liberation. Stop pimping at all cost of the people.



Ron Carter
Publisher & Editor

Letters to the Editor

Bill in Springfield To Take Zoning Powers from Aldermen-

Dear Editor,

Pate Phillips the republican president of the Illinois State Senate has introduced a bill known as SB1821 which gives the mayors of all Illinois cities with populations of 500,000 or more the power to appoint zoning commissions. Chicago is the only city in Illinois with a population of over 500,000.

If this is a good thing, why aren't Rockford & Peoria the number two & three cities in the state by population, calling for inclusion in SB1821 and again; if this is such a good thing, why doesn't it just come out and say Chicago.

The reason is that it is not a good thing for the community, particularly the black community. This is because it takes the power to make zoning changes in our community away from the aldermen and gives it to unelected appointees of the mayor who will have no accountability to the people but only to the mayor and the developers which many of them will be represented. The danger is that if this bill passes, could be a rezoned for business or institutional use such as a medical center or a university expansion such as we saw in Greek Town & recently on Maxwell Street.

At this time the black community has aldermen Troutman, Austin and Smith on the City Council zoning committee which will become less powerful if SB1821 passes there is still time to stop this now in the Senate Rules Committee. First, call the State Senate at 793-3500 and asked to be switched to Senator Robert Malaros office. The operator will give you his long distance number which you don't need because she is about to connect you directly. When the receptionist picks up the phone, give your name and address and ask her to tell the Senator to please vote no on SB1821. Then hang up. Then call the same number twice more and give the same message to Senator Margaret Smith and Senator Alice Palmer. Then get your church and club members and as many others as you can to make the same calls. Large numbers of phone calls are very effective especially going into the election. The SB1821 is not a done deal because it requires a super-majority to pass due to the fact that it overrides home rule provisions.

I will keep you informed by South Street Journal on SB1821 and how your senator voted.
Doug Kelly
Washington Park

Here's My Vision - 63rd Street EL Renovation

Dear Editor:

I am a resident of Woodlawn for over 30 years. I attended the public hearing March 12th, at Hyde Park Career Academy. I heard the views of both sides for and against. I embrace and share the views of WPIC leader and my pastor, Bishop Brazier and TWO's Leon Finney for renovating the 63rd St. El as part of Woodlawns redevelopment plan.

The presence of this structure over 63rd St. adds significantly to the high rate of crime in this area. It is dark, desolate and dreary in the evening and at night and is a hovering zone for undesirables to prey on everyone that may travel in this area.

Its appearance is definitely an eyesore. It is also non-functional serving no purpose to those who ride public transportation, the city or CTA because riders in the area still must walk to Cottage to board or Dorchester if there was a station. There are approximately 300 vacant lots in the four census tracts surrounding the extended Green Line Proposal. There are 27,000 residents, 80% of males and females 18 to 40 years old that are unemployed, 14% of the housing is owner occupied, 66% of housing is rental, and 15% of housing is vacant. This is the criteria most commercial businesses use for their ventures and these numbers show unfavorable measures for businesses.

I see members and residents of Woodlawn given jobs through programs and organizations to clean-up the Woodlawn area. These groups include WPIC, TWO, Woodlawn Community Development Corp., Fund Development Corp., CTA and City of Chicago, (with the 9.2 million dollars to be a part of the El demolition).

Residents must be recognized as resources with skills and be given the opportunity to participate. My vision is for the area to grow from within, not kicking the existing people out by creating properties they can't afford and giving all the jobs to other people; these residents must not be exploited. Alderman Troutman so far WPIC, TWO, City of Chicago and other organizations involved in "The Plan" have shared no proposal for utilizing the Woodlawn residents. I hope they see this article.

Michael L. Smith
Woodlawn Resident

Greenline Position

Dear Editor;

On behalf of our members, citizens, who are native Chicagoans.

We at Inner City Youth Foundation support Jackson Park Rapid Transportation to Stony Island.

We support the construction of a Monorail that will take Chicago and our neighborhoods into the 21st Century.

We have wasted too, too much of taxpayers dollars on the outdated dilapidated system. Let's update this system once and for all and begin to redirect funds into other areas of transportation. A "Monorail" is a single rail (one outward bound-one inward bound) the train clamps over the single rail to operate.

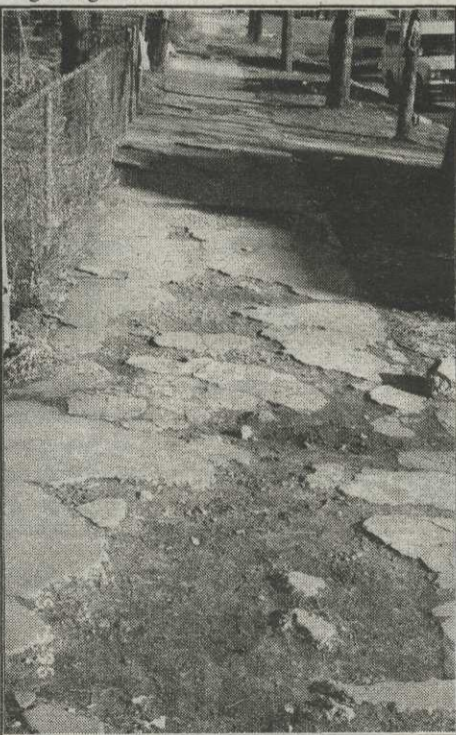
Sincerely,

Christine Perkins
Director, Inner City Youth Foundation

Street Repair at its Best

Dear Dear Editor,

Please see the attached memo mailed to Mr. Clarence Lindahl and Eileen Carey on March 12, 1996. To this date, we have not heard from them regarding this matter.



Please also see pictures taken recently of the 4300 St. Lawrence Avenue Street. Please note the debris and bad conditions our newly paved street has been left in by this company.

Also note that in 1991, residents signed a petition requesting new sidewalks for our block. Again, we have not heard from the city regarding this matter. We have contacted our alderperson. Please see where on the East side of our block, we were given new sidewalks where no holes are. Where in the front of other homes (4339-24 on the west side of the street the sidewalks are in disrepair. Also, in front of 4323-51, again, new sidewalks are needed. There are three occupied buildings in the 4300 block of Champlain and ye there are new sidewalks on both sides of that street. We seek your help in this matter.

Sincerely
Prentiss N. Byrd

The Eighth Regimen Armory at War

Dear Editor,

An important symbol of African American achievement and historical landmark in the Douglas Community, the Eighth Regiment Armory, has been purchased by a profit driven real estate corporation. The Armory sold for \$200,000 in back taxes and the corporation intends to demolish the building if it can't sell to an interested and readily available buyer. The Armory was erected in 1915 for the "Fighting 8th", which was organized in 1891 as a volunteer regiment of African American men, who fought during the Spanish American War.

The regiment was highly celebrated and fought courageously during World War I. Can we as a community find a way to unite our financial, technical and people resources to keep this building and its glorious history from slipping away. We suggest that community groups and individuals collectively petition the State of Illinois or the City of Chicago to quickly acquire the building and work with the Douglas and Grand Boulevard community and the private sector to develop it for community purposes.

This community already has lost far to many of its landmark buildings. Please join with Mid-South Plannin and Development Commission to save this piece of history. -

Pat Dowell-Cerasoli
Executive DirectorMSPD



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Spiritual Food



An Excerpt
From the book by *Batu A. Sakari*

Tribalism, Mysticism, Primitivism and The Rise of Genocide Against The African World-

The point at which African People abandoned their own religious principles and allowed foreigners to teach them their religious principles, marked the beginning of the spiritual destruction of The African World.

The religions of choice for the majority of African People, in terms of their origin, content and orientation, are major stumbling blocks standing in the path of African Liberation.

In other words, the religions that the majority of African People have opted to believe-in (i.e., Christianity, Islam and Judaism), are causing lethal damage to the African Spirit in that these religions are (1) Non-African in origin; (2) Anti-African in content; and (3) oriented towards mysticism.

All we need to do to confirm the accuracy and truth of these facts is to read the so-called holy scriptures of these faiths, and we will be able to clearly see just how negatively African People were/are viewed by these foreign religions.

The vast majority of African

People have never taken the time to research the origin of their particular faiths, nor to fully read the contents of the scriptures of their particular faiths, nor to question the blatant mysticism propagated by their particular faiths; and this is how and why The African World has remained in perpetual spiritual darkness and decay for so long.

Many of us, in our ignorance, have taken the position that religion is neutral, and that it makes no difference what religion a person believes-in. Nothing could be further from the truth! Every religion that has ever been written was written by and for a particular people and in conjunction with their own particular insights and interests.

We must understand that for an African to say that he or she believes in Christianity is for them to say that they believe in the spiritual superiority of Europeans over Africans! We must understand that for an African to say that he or she believes in Judaism is for them to say that they believe in the spiritual

superiority of Jews over Africans!

Why is this so? This is so because by our believing in the spiritual principles of others over our own spiritual principles, we are denying our own spiritual worth and negating the credibility of our own spiritual insights.

African Spirituality, like African People has been under constant attack for over 6,000 years, and this has caused many Africans to feel spiritually inferior to the other nations of the Earth. And as a result of this spiritual inferiority complex, coupled with the almost complete destruction of Ancient African Spiritual Thought (Ankh Theology) by The European World, millions of African People have made a massive exodus from believing and practicing our own religious principles, and instead have chosen to adopt the religions of other nations.

In keeping in focus of the purpose of the Spiritual Page, all comments and replies are welcome



Photo by Owen Lawson III

Men's Day at Greater Bethesda Baptist Church

The Honorable Justice Ellis Reed, Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County (2nd left) was the featured Men's Day service 5300 S. Michigan. (L-R) Dr. A. Lincoln James, Minister Greater Bethesda, Judge Ellis Reed, Mr. Herbert Lane, Chairman of Men's Day and Mr. Robert Bradley- Co-Chairman Men's Day.

Pauline Books & Media Combine with Boys & Girls Clubs/Camp Fire Boys & Girls and Holy Angels Parish.

Pauline Books & Media in collaboration with Chicago Boys & Girls Club, Camp Fire Boys & Girls and Holy Angels Parish, is opening up a library/reading room and after school program in Ida B. Wells. The Ida B. Wells reading room is named after Father Augustus Tolton, the first Afro-American Priest. Father Tolton's parish was originally located

in what is now the Ida B. Wells neighborhood. "The inner city libraries will provide media for families who do not have opportunity to build up their own personal library." Says Sr. Donald Maria Lynch, representative of Pauline Books & Media. Sr. Lynch said that her community of Roman Catholic sisters, the

Daughters of St. Paul, dedicate their lives to serving others through the media. The mission statement of this new initiative sums their goal for the inner-city: Pauline Inner-City Project: Education, inspiration and formation for families. The Augustus Tolton Library opened its doors to the families of the neighborhood on March 21.

Up Close -



SSJ Photo by Vincent Walker

With Reverend/Dr. J. B. Felker

by Robert Thorne Jr.

"I acknowledged my call to the ministry in 1950 which means I have been preaching for 45 years. I have pastored Mt. Carmel for the past 39 years, during this time thousands have come to Christ and many were baptized by this pastor who has gone in the water to baptize or help baptize every one who has come to know the Lord during my pastorage." Remarks by Reverend Felker, the Pastor of Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church located at 30th and Wabash. Rev. Felker is also known as 'Felker Drive' after the late wife of Pastor Felker.

"A large number of young people belong to this church and grew up in Mt. Carmel," said Pastor Felker. "Now they have married and have children and grandchildren in the church. A healthy number of young people finished college, some are teachers, principals, administrators and hold other positions and jobs. They along with the senior members and children are supporting their church and Pastor."

The church has a scholarship program to help young people in school. "We have single ministry, married couples ministry and along with other ministries. We have a ministry to help turn around the lives of those who have been on drugs and alcohol.

Just finishing building the Church building. Members of Mt. Carmel also just erected an Education Building and co-sponsored a 72-unit low income family building at 3812-22 South Michigan Avenue."

Pastor Felker served Greater New Era District Association for 24 years, now along with many other positions, he serves as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees Chicago Baptist Institute, a religious School.

On one side of our church is CHA, on the other side is South Commons, Prairie Shores and Lake Meadows, Mt. Carmel is celebrating its 39 year anniversary beginning May 5, 1996.

"What a mighty God we serve! We have reached out to our community with food programs and clothing programs." Said Rev. Felker.

In my opinion, Reverend Felker is a community leader and demonstrates his leadership by serving his community. He is my choice for Pastor of this Issue.



Congratulations Evening Star Baptist Church, On Your 55th Anniversary!

Evening Star Baptist Church celebrated their 55th year Church Anniversary March 18-24, 1996. On Sunday March 24, 1996, a dedication service was held in celebration of the remodeling of the church. The Keynote speaker was Mr. Chunk Bowen, Executive Assistance to Mayor Richard Daley, also on that program was Alderwoman Toni Preckwinkle 4th Ward, Ms. Cecelia Peeler Associate Clerk Family Law Bureau Circuit Court. "We are rejoicing and praising the Lord for what he has done for our church." Declared Rev. O.C. Morgan, pastor of Evening Star. International Christian Fellowship For Mission which is house at Evening Star will be holding their sixth Annual Spring Vacation

Lecture Services. The series will be held at the Evening Star Baptist Church April 8-12, 1996.

The sole purpose of the series to encourage and develop youth throughout the city of Chicago. The President of ICFFM is Dr. O. C. Morgan, Sr.,

Each night invited speakers that serve as a role model will address the series.

Speaker's are as follows: Monday April 10, 1996 Mr. James J. Laski, City Clerk Thursday April 11, 1996 Judge Blanche Manning, U.S. District Court

Friday April 12, 1996 Michael Brown, Supervisor Night Narcotic Court, State's Attorney O'Malley's office

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YOUTH PAGE AND PARENTS TOO

Volunteer at the Museum's Jurassic Park



Imagine yourself working in Jurassic Park this summer as part of the Museum of Science and Industry's blockbuster summer "Movie Magic & Monsters." The Museum is currently seeking volunteers to work behind the scenes for the exhibition, "The Dinosaurs of Jurassic Park," which opens to the public May 31 and continues through September 2. A special volunteers' open house will be held at the Museum on Saturday, April 13 from 9 to 11 a.m. For more information about the open house and volunteer opportunities, please call Kitty Pfitzenreuter, Museum's Volunteer Coordinator, at (312) 684-1414, Ext. 2422.

Illinois College of Optometry Students Promote Eye Care and Safety to Chicago Schoolchildren

In honor of Save-Your-Vision Week, March 3-9, 1996, Illinois College of Optometry (ICO) students took the initiative in Chicago to promote awareness about the eyes at the grammar school level, where there is a particular need for such education. According to Prevent Blindness America, one out of every four school-age children has a vision problem, of which children, parents, and teachers may often not be aware. "Nearly 80 percent of information in the classroom is received visually, therefore good vision is essential to maximize the learning process," emphasized Sandra Block, O.D., M. Ed., ICO chief of Pediatrics/Binocular Vision.

ICO students gave presentations at 20 public and private elementary schools on the near south side of Chicago, informing approximately 800 second grade children about

proper vision care and eye safety. This included an explanation of optometry, how the eyes function, common eye problems, and how to protect the eyes during routine activities. ICO students demonstrated what is involved with an eye examination to alleviate possible fear of the procedure as well as discuss glasses, contact lenses, and protective eye wear. The presentations culminated with a short animated video tape produced by the American Optometric Association and an eye quiz/raffle for the children.

This year, about 70 ICO students participated in Save-Your-Vision Week, the largest number of volunteers to date. It is anticipated that next year's program will further expand to include additional elementary schools in Chicago.

Keisha Mosley Crowned 1996 Ms. Greater Chicago.

Born in Chicago, Keisha knows what it takes to succeed in life. The competition this year, (1996) will be held at the Greater Chicago Lodge, (#954) - 4330 S. Vernon Ave. For information on entering the upcoming June contest phone: (312) 536-9073 or (312) 536-6781 (Local level). The state competition will be held in Decatur, Il., the 21st of June 1996 (State level). The national competition will be held in New Orleans, La., in August of 1996 (National level).



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Memory (How Much Do We Know About How Much Babies Know?)

Marie Johnson
Feature Writer

Does an infant remember anything? Penelope Leach, that slightly scolding doyenne of the child development field, warns in *Babyhood* that a six-to-eight-month old "cannot hold in his mind a picture of his mother, nor of where she is." And traditionally psychologists have assumed that infants cannot store memories until, like adults, they have the language skills needed to form and retrieve them. But new research suggests that babies as young as three months may be taking quite accurate mental notes.

In his lab at the University of Denver, psychologists Marshall Haith has spent much of the past four years putting infants into large black boxes where they lie and look up at TV screens. The program they see is a Haith invention: a sequence of colorful objects appearing on different sides of the monitor.

Using an infrared camera linked to a computer, Haith follows the babies eye-movements and has found that after only five tries the babies can anticipate where the next object will appear. With a little more practice, they can foresee a four-step sequence. And up to two weeks later, most can still predict it. "The babies are not just looking; they're analyzing, creating little hypotheses."

In a typical experiment, when a baby is placed in a crib beneath an elaborate mobile with one of his ankles tied with a satin ribbon to the mobile, you can observe the baby kicking and often gleefully making the mobile move. Weeks later, the baby's feet are left untied and the mobile is returned to the crib. The baby will try to kick again, presumably recalling the palmy days of kicking the last time. When we change things for the baby, it wipes out the memory. Rachel Clifton, a psychologist at the University of Massachusetts, says that an infant's experience at six months can be remembered a full two years later. Clifton stumbled upon her findings while researching motor and hearing skills. Three years ago she placed a 16 six-month old in a pitch-dark room with objects that made different sounds. Using infrared cameras like Haith's, she observed how and when the infant reached for the objects. Later, realizing she had created a unique situation that couldn't have been duplicated in real life, she wondered if the babies would remember their experiences. So, two-years after the original experiment, collaborating with

psychologist Nancy Meyers, she brought the same 16 children back to the lab, along with a control group of 16 other two-and-a-half-year-olds. Amazingly, the experimental group showed the behavior they had at six months, reaching for objects and showing no fear. Fewer control-group toddlers reached for the objects, and many of them cried.

Says Meyers: "For so long, we didn't think that infants could represent in their memories the events that were going on around them, but put them back in a similar situation, as we did, and you can make the memory accessible."

In researcher Mark Johnson's lab at Carnegie Mellon University, babies show an unexpected ability to organize their world and to anticipate future events by learning and remembering sequences of colorful images on TV monitors.

What does it mean if children really have these unexpected abilities? Pointing to the findings on memory that Nancy Meyers had published with partner Rachel Clifton, suggests that if memories of the babies' experience allowed them to be unafraid in the pitch-black room, then exposing children to a wide variety of events and places may make them more accepting of similar situations later on. "I don't want to say that mothers

should make an extreme effort to stimulate their babies," Meyers said, but taking a baby to different places, allowing them to see and smell different things, is an important means of establishing familiarity. It will allow the baby to feel free in the future.

But what about other kinds of skills: language or math?

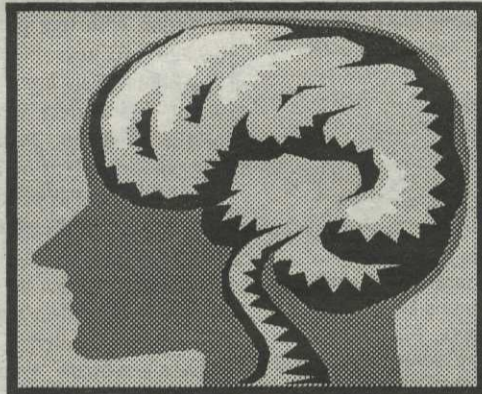
In Philadelphia, instructors at the Institutes for the Achievement of Human

Potential have been coaching

parents since 1963 to teach their babies to read from birth. Touting "genetic potential" their program recommends that parents write out on cards, everything from "nose" to "kiss" to "Mommy". Director Janet Doman says: "For the past thirty years, we've been saying that children can learn at very early ages. It's nice to know that science is finally validating what we've known all along."

Yet many of the scientists performing the experiments question the value of such intensive efforts. Says Rutgers's Carolyn Rovee-Collier: "Most of us agree that an infant could be taught to recognize letters and numbers. But the problem is that parents who do these kinds of programs start investing a lot in their infants and become very bound up in their successes. It puts great strain on the infants and the parents."

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Academy Awards "Is A Form Of Violence"

"We are uniting churches, producers, writers, actors and the community around this issue of Hollywood's institutional racism and general disrespect for our talents and our dollars," Rev. Meeks said. "We will not retreat and allow Hollywood's "cultural elite" to black us out of this industry."

Rev. Jackson, protesting in Los Angeles said, "we protest institutional racism that is manifest in three ways in Hollywood: racial exclusion, cultural distortion and denial of access to production."

In proving racial exclusion, Jackson said, "Let us examine the facts. Although African Americans are 12% of the population, Latinos are 8%, Asian Pacific Americans are 5% and Native Americans are 2%, our participation in front of the camera, behind the camera, and in the executive suites is miniscule."

Sharl Lynn Himes, president of the Chicago Association of Black Filmmakers, who spoke during the protest at Channel 7 said "We stand firm in our conviction and we are going use boycotts and other direct actions to show our disapproval of this disrespect in the industry." Himes added "Tonight is designed to illustrate what we filmmakers face everyday. This issue isn't going away."

Himes said because of such ills, her group was formed several years ago to lobby Hollywood and local power brokers for more access.

Milton Walker, a 43-year old firm buff from the Mid-South Side said, "For Oprah (Winfrey, the official greeter), Quincy (the show's producer) and Whoopi Goldberg, (hostess) criticized our efforts, let us not forget that the three of them were major players in the "Color Purple" and neither of them were awarded an Oscar for that monumental work. Their criticism is hypocritical to say the least"

The long time rights activists sentiment is echoed by Guy Aoki of the Media Action Network for Asian Americans. "Unless we have people open-minded enough to give Asian

American actors the chance to play good roles, we cannot be in the pool from which people are nominated for Oscars.

Sonny Skyhawk, founder of American Indians in Film, said his people have been in a celluloid time warp since 1898," always "shown off with feathers and a loincloth. Today we are doctors, lawyers, teachers, cab drivers and actors, but to Hollywood we are virtually non-existent."

HOLLYWOOD In the BLACK

*The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences - 5,043 members. 3.9% African Americans.
 *The Directors Guild - 10,097 members - African Americans are 2.3% of membership, Latinos are 1.8%, Asian Pacific Americans are 0.9% and Native Americans 0.2%. Non-white directors only received 4% of all directing jobs between 1992 and 1993.
 *The Writers Guild - African Americans are 2.6%. American Indians in Film reports that general representation of Native Americans in television networks, motion picture studios, unions and all aspects of multi media is 0.1%.

"The shame of it all," continued Skyhawk, "is that the Native American is the only minority that was ever a majority. We do this to improve the situation for our future generations. When a Native American child watches TV and wants to be the cowboy instead of the Indian, something is wrong with that picture. It is because we have failed to stand up to the powers that be in Hollywood, and correct the exclusion of the American Indian in film and television. If film and TV are to be construed as being representative of a multi-cultural society, then they have failed miserably."

Jackson calls the situation "cultural distortion," and said it "is a form of violence. The media portrays African Americans and other people of color in five deadly ways: we are portrayed as less intelligent than we are, less hard-working, less patriotic and more violent than we are. We bear this burden every day as images are translated into action and reaction. Because we continue to live in a racially stratified society, our art, film, and television reflect the shape of this reality. Social iniquities continue to be expressed as realities through our cultural forms for all the world to see."

Jackson also said, "We are, naturally, proud of the involvement of Quincy Jones and Whoopi Goldberg in this year's Academy Awards, as well as live-action short film director, Diane Houston. (Houston is an African American, and the one non-white nominee out of 166.) Unless we raise our voices and stand up and be visible, we will continue to go backwards."

ETA Celebrates 25 Years With The Opening Of "The Temple"



Photo By Kenneth Simmons

Pictured (LtoR) Kelli Roberts, Carol Hall and Jacqueline Fleming in "The Temple" by playwright Charlotte Gibson opens at ETA Creative Arts Foundation at ETA Square, 7558 S. South Chicago Avenue, Thursday, March 28 (through Sunday, May 5, 1996). A timely production about a group of women who confront their dreams and ambitions as they frequent a local hair braiding salon, show times are 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays; 3 and 7 p.m. Sundays. General admission is \$15.00. Discounted tickets are \$10.00 for students and seniors with I.D., and groups of 10-19 people. For tickets and information call ETA at 312-752-3955. Press Contact: Barbara Kensey, Kensey & Kensey Communications 312-288-8776.

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Winfrey/Jackson Pinch-Hit

Merry Green Promotions Group and WVAZ/103 seemed to be headed for a definite success.

Barbara Kensey, media consultant for the expo said, "We received responses from throughout the region. There were no limitation in terms of ethnicity nor media outlet. Everyone wanted to be a part of the story"

However, at the last minute Angelou became ill and had to cancel the performance. The advisory panel for An Expo For Today's Black Woman, boasts such notables as Nikki Zollar, Office of Professional Standards, for State of Illinois, Rev. Willie Barrow, Operation PUSH, Ald. Dorothy Tillman and Desiree Sanders of Africentric Book Store. Zollar and Rev. Barrow were instrumental in securing the replacement for Angelou, Oprah Winfrey and Rev. Jesse Jackson.

Advisory panelist Barbara Proctor of gave a dynamic introduction to the indomitable Oprah Winfrey. Winfrey inspired the audience with the poetry of Caroleyn Rodgers and Maya Angelou. Confident and earthy, she spoke with humor, expressing her delight; at having the opportunity

to accept Angelou's award. In deference to the Rev. Jackson, Winfrey acknowledged his influence in motivating her to succeed. She recalled a visit to her high school in Tennessee years ago by Rev. Jackson. His admonition to strive for excellence challenged her mind and encouraged her to pursue her goals, Winfrey concluded with an animated recital of Angelou's signature poem Phenomenal Woman.

Where Winfrey inspired through poetry and spirituality, Jackson took the charge of facts and issues. Citing statistics and case histories, Jackson challenged the audience to raise their dignity level and not be insulted by meager attempts at pacification by government or private industry. While some appeared uncomfortable with Jackson's forthright speech, many applauded and voiced their approval.

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Save The 8th Regiment Armory

administer public funds for community redevelopment project initiatives must be held accountable for their actions. Culturally aware Black people in Chicago and across the nation should help organize a bottoms-up grassroots campaign to reclaim the 8th Regiment Armory building. The wrecking ball controlled by the National Indemnity Corporation, a company that frequently buys tax delinquent property, could destroy the building that once hosted civic meeting by prominent African American like Marcus Garvey and the UNIA.

Black Metropolis Convention & Tourism Council (BMC & TC) has a full agenda of community based empowerment initiatives underway in Bronzeville. BMC&TC has signed a contract to purchase the Supreme Life building and it is being restored as a Information & Visitors Center at the 35th Street & King Drive Gateway to Black Metropolis. Mid South Planning & Development Commission has been awarded an Empowerment Zone Grant to redevelop the Anthony Overton Building. We all are working in collaboration with Stateway Gardens Public Housing residents to insure that a community-based literacy center and Black Metropolis archives are included in the restored Chicago Bee Library. The concept of Bronzeville/Black Metropolis was conceived back in the 1920's on the pages of the Chicago Bee Newspaper which was published at the historic site.

Some of us understand the protracted element of this struggling for cultural and economic liberation, and see ourselves as descendants of the "Fighting 8th". Proud Blackmen who fought meritoriously during conflicts along the Mexican-US border in 1916. The highly decorated "Fighting 8th Regiment" also fought in France during World War I, turning back the last of the German Army before the 1918 armistice.

In 1996, as descendants of the "Fighting 8th", culturally aware "Bronzevillians" are fighting to create a cultural renaissance in Black Metropolis that will preserve the illustrious heritage and landmark buildings that represent the African American historical contribution to Chicago.

Clinical trials of herbal, chemical prostate therapies begin

Physicians at the University of Chicago Medical Center are looking for men who suffer from benign prostate hypertrophy (BPH-trouble urinating because of a swollen prostate gland) to participate in either of two studies of new treatments for an enlarged prostate. One trial involves a naturally occurring herbal compound that is widely available but has never been clinically proven. The other involves a new experimental drug developed in the laboratory. These are two separate trials. The drugs are not being compared against each other.

BPH is extremely common in older men, affecting as many as one-half of all men over the age of 60.

Participants should be at least 50 years old and suffer from problems urinating because of an enlarged prostate. The study, which will last one year, involves several blood and urine tests. The medication, taken once a day, will be provided without charge. To volunteer, call 312/702-0792.

Education

Column
Michael H. Brownstein



A Day at The Science Fair

Michael Stratton of the Charles Kozminski Community Academy had models of teeth on his poster board and on the table. He also had containers full of just the right liquids to take the white right out of them.

"Dental Care Toothpaste with baking soda was the best for taking stains off of the teeth," he explained. The models had been soaking in tobacco juice, tea and coffee for three weeks.

Michael was at the science fair held at IIT in Herman Hall, Saturday, January 27th. His was one of over a hundred young scientists explaining research to judges and spectators.

Shannon Merritt of the Daniel Hale Williams School had a demonstration on how diseases effect the kidneys. After her speech, she's the expert I would seek out if my kidneys began to fail.

Darryl Cruse and Corey Mitchell of the Woodson North School developed an experiment to show which meats had the most fat. Nutritionists would enjoy their work.

Victoria Cox and Lazzinia Wright from the Fuller School displayed a model filtration plant. They knew so much about how water was purified, I began to believe they were looking for jobs as water purification experts.

Too often we see negative accounts of our youth. Saturday at the Chicago Public School Region Science Fair all I could see was one positive after another. It was exciting. It was invigorating. It was Saturday morning around 7:30.

And these students were ready. They had worked hard and they were proud of their efforts. I felt proud, too. I was even more proud when they won their trophies. Not all of them could win a place in the city finals, but it didn't matter. All of them were winners.

It's too bad the major newspapers--and the Chicago Defender--cannot find time to write about these individuals. But then again, no one was shooting at someone or pushing illegal drugs or running around in a gang.



For Personal Finance/Real Estate Calendars Free April 9 Homeseekers Seminar At Harris Bank

Chicago--A free Homeseekers Seminar will be held on Tuesday, April 9 from 5:00 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Harris Bank, 11 W. Monroe in the 8th Floor Center Assembly Room. The seminar is open to the public, but space is limited. Please call 312/461-3363 for reservations.

Attendees will learn about pre-purchase planning; establishing, maintaining and rebuilding credit; low down payment mortgage programs; and, the responsibilities and benefits of home ownership.

Harris will hold free on-site seminars on the second Tuesday of each month through October, in addition to its regular schedule of city and suburban neighborhood seminars.

Harris was the first bank to hold on-site Homeseeker seminars. More than 300 people attended last year's series. Many went on to purchase homes.

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City Council Approves Ordinance For New SRO Plans to Construct a 170-unit Building in the South Loop Move Forward

As Central City Housing Ventures, a not-for-profit housing developer in downtown Chicago, has been given the go-ahead today from the City Council for construction of a new 170-unit Single Room Occupancy (SRO) residence. It will be the first new SRO to be build in Chicago's South Loop in decades.

Central City Housing Ventures (CCHV) was founded in 1991 in response to the alarming decline of available housing options for low-income people. Operating with financial assistance and commitment from its 16 member congregations, CCHV hopes to preserve and expand the availability of safe and affordable housing in central Chicago.

Second Ward Alderman Madeline L. Haithcock has endorsed the SRO development and will continue to provide support and cooperation as the project moves forward.

The City is taking the lead in providing generous financial support through the Department of Housing. The project will also seek private funds. Today's approval by the City Council allows CCHV to appoint a Finance Chairman from the private sector whose primary responsibility will be to develop a fundraising committee comprised of business and civic leaders.

The Chicago Christian Industrial League (CCIL) is a joint venture partner with CCHV on the project. No stranger in assisting the city's homeless, the CCIL has developed unique and highly successful job training and placement programs which will be incorporated into a job resource center at this new residence. The project partners hope the supportive services and training can help residents sustain housing and employment stability for themselves.

Designed by McBride & Kelley Architects, the six story building will contain superb common area spaces and amenities, including a unique outdoor courtyard that will provide tenants a place for rest and recreation.

Individual units will be fully furnished and include cooking facilities, bathroom, and generous storage. The American with Disabilities Act's accessibility/adaptability requirements will be fully implemented, along with state-of-the-art security, maintenance and energy efficiencies. Rents will range from \$200 to \$309 per month.

"We believe this affordable residence will meet the needs of formerly homeless and low-income wage earners, students and elderly, for whom there are very few options for decent, safe housing," said Jacki Miranda, the executive director of CCHV. "Since 1973, more than 25,000 single room occupancy units have been lost to gentrification and development in the city.



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| Community/Address | Rec'd Date | Price |
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| Woodlawn | | |
| 6736 S. Langley, Chgo, Community Capitol Re. Corp., To Cedric Griffith | 2-22 | 100,000 |
| 6111 S. Eberhart Ave., Phyllis Moore To Margaret J. Buchhalter | 2-15 | 85,000 |
| 6342 S. Ellis, Sarah Saffolo* To Dolli Branch | 2-7 | 95,000 |
| 6102-3W S. Dorchester, Unit 6102, Chgo, Wilfreds Developments, Inc., | 2-5 | 63,500 |
| 6527 S. Vernon, Lucille G. Taylor To Frank Drew & Darlene Drew | 1-24 | 58,000 |
| 6418 S. Eberhart, Ahmad Martin dba TAB Real Estate To Richard C. Williams | 1-23 | 110,000 |
| 6418 S. Eberhart, Stephen Nowells To Ahmad Martin | 1-23 | 67,000 |
| 6615-6617 S. Greenwood, Annabell Graves To Randy & Deborah Alexander | 1-22 | 79,000 |
| 5345 S. University, Robert McCarthy To Stephan R. Chaslten | 1-19 | 625,000 |
| 6736 S. Langley, Amelia Dianne Owens Reed To Harry Bates | 1-18 | 31,500 |
| 6104-25 S. Dorchester, Wil Fred Developments, Inc., To Katrina Mahomes | 1-29 | 65,000 |
| 6127 S. St. Lawrence, Avondale Federal Savings Bank To Lashli Thomas | 1-29 | 53,000 |
| 6122 S. St. Lawrence, South Holland Tr., & Sav. Bk., To Felicia Coll | 1-26 | 45,000 |
| Washington Park | | |
| 5146 S. Wabash Ave., Chgo, Boyce Richmond To Mary Ella Moore | 3-1 | 55,000 |
| 6728 S. Michigan Ave., Lourdes J. Wheat To Ricky D. Hawkins | 2-6 | 78,900 |
| 5326-28 S. Indiana, Chicago Title & Trust To Mittie Nesbary | 2-7 | 55,000 |
| Kenwood | | |
| 4942-A S. Cornell, Unit C-11, Melk Dev/MCL Cornell Square To Anita/Nira West | 2-28 | 194,000 |
| 4940 S. East End Ave., Chgo, Allen E. Haak To Winifred Reed | 2-28 | 54,000 |
| 4816 S. Drexel, Chgo, Sadie Young To Veronica Baker | 2-27 | 32,000 |
| 4361-63 S. Greenwood, John A. Beckett, | 2-6 | 115,000 |
| 4610 S. Drexel, Patricia Meyers To Southwest Financial Bank & Trust | 1-22 | 235,000 |
| 4610 S. Drexel Blvd, Atlanta Life Insurance Company To Patricia Meyers | 1-22 | 175,000 |
| 4920 S. Chicago Beach Dr., Unit 37, Indian Village Development Corp., to Marquis D. Foreman & Stephen H. Mankowski | 1-18 | 13,500 |
| 4926 S. Blackstone, #C, Pamela S. * To J. Romaine Roberts | 1-16 | 245,000 |
| 4800 S. Chicago Beach, Unit #610, Vilma Longley & Richard Longley to Ana Liza Abubo & Ferinad So | 1-3 | 32,000 |
| Hyde Park | | |
| 5314 S. Drexel Blvd., Unit 3-S, Chgo, D.G. Cubed, Inc., To Nathan Turner | 2-26 | 140,000 |
| 1450 E. 55th Place., #1019-5, Hyde Park, Nathan C. & Alia Turner To Carol A. Dunn | 2-26 | 72,000 |
| 5344 S. Drexel, Chgo, Chicago Coast Investors, Inc., To Wayne Jackson | 2-22 | 45,000 |
| 1234 E. Hyde Park, Unit 1A, Chgo, Margaret E. Raines To Marc E. Christmas | 3-1 | 152,500 |
| 1215 E. 54th St., Vernon A. Miller To Charles & Leesa Albert | 2-15 | 241,000 |
| 5424 S. East View Park., Unit 5424-2, Gerda Blackstone To Marko Dumlija | 11-27 | 55,125 |
| 5138 S. Kenwood, #3, Claudette Morin To Wallace W. Williams | 2-5 | 91,500 |
| 5712 S. Harper Ave., Richard T. Robertson & Vivian D. Robertson To LaSalle Bank, Tr. | 1-22 | 229,000 |
| 5317 S. Ellis, Olga Madsen To Nancy L. Cleveland | 1-22 | 160,000 |
| 1400 E. 55th Place, Unit 908-S, Lawrence & Judy C. Gilbert To Jess & Beth A. Williams | 1-22 | 395,000 |
| 4920 S. Chicago Beach Dr., Unit #70, Indian Development Corp., To Kim A. Goodhard & James J. Dunn, Jr. | 1-18 | 160,000 |
| 1401 E. 55th St., #908 N, Florence Parnes To Patricia Ziegenfuss | 1-31 | 40,000 |
| 5110 S. Woodlawn Ave., Unit 2H, Estate of Margaret Culbreath To John W. Harbin | 1-29 | 13,500 |
| 1700 E. 56th St., Unit 3406, 56th & Hyde Park Partnership To Keith Wilson | 1-25 | 43,500 |
| 1700 East 56th St., Unit 2510, 56th & Hyde Park Partnership to martha Ellis Bass | 1-17 | 40,000 |
| 5300 South Shore Dr., #75, Catanya Norwood To Hays Harris & Ora Taylor | 1-17 | 56,180 |
| Grand Boulevard | | |
| 660 E. 51st St., Unit 2B, Chgo, Chicago Title & Trust Company To Paul Minervino | 2-27 | 85,000 |
| 4008 S. King Dr., Chgo, Ahkenaton Community Development Corp., To Helen M. Davis | 2-26 | 50,000 |
| 4500 S. Michigan Ave., The Chicago Urban League To Christine Perkins | 12-1 | 101,000 |
| 4950 S. Vincennes, Unit 3 John A. Beckett to Bonita Frieson | 1-19 | 56,081 |
| 823 E. 53rd St #2, Javier Talancon to Mary Lee McKinney | 1-26 | 48,000 |
| Fuller Park | | |
| 4941 S. Princeton, Chgo, Alvia Baker To Patricia Hortense Walker | 2-27 | 49,000 |
| 4364 S. Wentworth, Chgo, Beatrice Scott To Louis Bacon | 3-6 | 45,000 |
| 5545 S. Shields, William & Frances Cummings To Cornelius Kimbrough Jr. | 11-21 | 52,000 |
| Oakland | | |
| 4244 S. Drexel, Mario L. Short to Carmen S. Edwards | 11-22 | 77,500 |
| 3985 S. Drexel, Southwest Financial Bank & Trust Comp. to James A. Daniels | 11-22 | 82,000 |
| Washington Park | | |
| 6834 S. King Dr., John R. Chamberlain To Betty Jean Holmes | 1-25 | 63,000 |
| 6821 S. Wabash Ave., Frances orange To William Overby | 12-28 | 82,500 |
| 6146 S. Evans, Darril G. Harris To Reginald J. Ward | 12-22 | 43,000 |
| 5335 S. Wabash, Ena Ekong To Charles Robinson | 11-14 | 112,900 |
| 5614-16 S. King, Chicago Title & Trust Co. to James Cross | 11-21 | 50,000 |



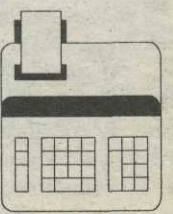
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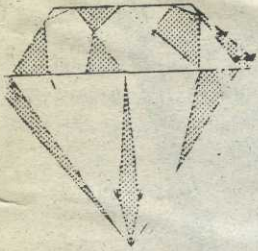
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LEISURE TIME & EATS AND TREATS

**JOANNA'S
Restaurant, Pizzeria & Espresso Bar**

The long-awaited and much anticipated opening of the brand new restaurant has finally come to pass! Prairie Shores residents are in for a delectable treat! With the flavor of some of Chicago's best Italian restaurants in mind, we bring you Joanna's Restaurant, Pizzeria & Espresso Bar. The grand opening date has been targeted for March 1, 1996.

Not only will the restaurant feature an expansive Espresso Bar, a place to relax after work and meet with friends and neighbors, BUT, according to Owners/Managers Dennis J. Harris and John R. Jones, it will also offer a delicious full-scale menu that will wake up your taste buds. The menu will feature baby-back ribs, steak, fried shrimp, broiled or fried or deep fried chicken, catfish, perch, char-broiled appetizers, hot and cold sandwiches, all types of pastas, soups and salads, and various combinations of pizza that will satisfy your appetite. All of these meals may be ordered for pick up or delivery (with a minimal delivery charge). They will also distribute coupons and have daily luncheon specials. At the Espresso Bar, drinks will include various gourmet coffees, hot chocolate, teas, fresh squeezed orange and grapefruit juices, hot cider, and non-alcoholic beer and wine. They will also feature JoAnna's Italian soda.

The restaurant will be staffed by a brand new crew, so come on over and bring the family to enjoy a sumptuous treat in a brand new pleasant atmosphere.



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down town, now a
high class relaxing
restaurant on the
southside of Chicago.

As good as
I've ever had



Espresso Bar Service 7 a.m. 8 a.m. , Restaurant; 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Sunday 7 a.m. to 11a.m. Closed Mondays
Carry out and delivery Service: Daily 11 am to 8 pm