Dangerous Lead Levels found in Three Mid-South Elementary Schools

by Robert Throne

On Tuesday, April 23rd 1996, South Street Journal Investigative Lead Inspector Joanne Tate found dangerous levels of lead in schools in Region 4 of the city. The investigation was based on reports of lead in the schools and how much children were being unnecessarily exposed to lead.

The investigation uncovered dangerous levels at three schools in the Mid-South Area. (1) Fuller Park (Hendricks) 410 S. Princeton (2) Washington Park/Burke, 5356 S King Dr. and (3) Kenwood Reavis, 834 E. 50th Street. The testing phase of the project took less than 72 minutes to complete.

In each school, high levels of lead were present. According to the Chicago Department of Public Health's newly released "Community Area Health Inventory," the Mid-South area has a high percentage of children with elevated lead levels across the city. Fuller Park ranks #9, and Kenwood Reavis #25 of Chicago's 77 communities.

The Elementary Schools that were tested were all in Region 4 of the School Districts, located in the lower Southeast and Southwest sides of the city.

Increasing Police Brutality Cases Cost City Big Bucks

A crowd of on-lookers gathered at 61 and Michigan Ave. as two Los Angeles Police Officers search and question several area youth. A normal target for police stop and search by Joe Tillman

Rodney King - motorist, severely beaten by Los Angeles Police.

Tyone Neal - Woodlawn resident killed by police for "lack of ID."

Ron Carter - SSJ Publisher "rouged-up" by police in routine traffic stop.

Names from the past and not so distant past that have come to repressive ends. The deaths of justice men & women charged with the protection of the community, stepping over the moral line and abusing the power derived from the public. There could be several reasons to explain these actions including high level of crime in certain areas of Mid-South communities and the belief that there is a lack of African-American officers on the street. While police officers make up 92% of gang crimes and narcotics officers, and only a handful of black officers recently "pass the exams" for the Chicago Police Department, they would point to the perceived surge in violent criminals and officers using "any means necessary" to protect their lives.

Private Management in Public Housing and Ida B. Wells

The Ida B. Wells public housing complex, the first public housing complex built in Chicago, is scheduled to be included in the second phase of the project management initiative undertaken by the Board of Education. The Board has the responsibility to insure that schools are safe.

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Vacant apartments and broken windows describe the conditions in which CHA residents live.

The principals of the targeted schools had no comments. Ms. Finner said, "The principals are the key to the process for public housing. We have been affected to a serious health threat to our children, because of the [SSJ's] investigation. We are in the process of preparing a plan of action to rid schools of lead."

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Empowerment Zone First Round

Questions Centered on Impact for Jobs by Donald Robinson

As the Empowerment Zone (EZ) first round of funding projects are being related by the City's EZ Enterprise Community Coordinating Council (EZCCC), questions and concerns are being raised on the direction of resident management. According to the Board of Education, the direction of resident management is a full direction for public housing as a way to remove management, gain by tenants or private management.

While some think the concept of private management is a GoldenFit for Wells, others see dangerous motives behind the move. "Housing Heritage, director of the Local Advocacy Council (LAC) and founder of the time community activist, believes that private management in the case of Wells is a thinly veiled disguise for the ultimate displacement of residents. "It is a play designed to get rid of the tenants and bring in a team that will destroy the low income charter of public housing," said Ham.

Public Housing is a fly by night, only for the rich, and there is no money for rehabilitation.

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The CTA Board Wednesday decided that 24-hour service will return when the Green Line UIC station reopens Sunday, May 12, pending a system-wide analysis of all other stations (midnight to 5 a.m.).

On another Green Line issue, the Board amended the Fiscal Year 1996-97 Oligopoly Improvement Program to include funding for construction of a station at a nearby Chicago Police District on the Lake Street portion of the line.

"We have said all along that we are serving commuters when it comes to the concerns expressed by community groups and riders at public hearings," CTA Chairman Victor Farrelly said. "At the hearings held last month, it was clear that a station was wanted at Laramie, which the CTA Board previously stated must be found."

"Since budget constraints continue to require close scrutiny of the way we spend our limited resources," Mr. Farrelly added, "we are using the entire issue of a service to make us make the safest, most efficient use of our operating funds, while at the same time recognizing the real needs of our customers."

A solicitation of bids for construction of the new station at Laramie will be advertised immediately. A late fall opening of the station is planned, with completion due early in 1997.

In other business action not before the Board, the City of Chicago accepted bids to sell the Apostolic Church of God. This sale is expected to facilitate the 1996 parade of Homes. The community owes a debt of gratitude to all readers of last issue's UnZip that urged them to vote for the South Shore Transfer Point that was to open up the community's participation in events of major significance. The bill has still not passed, so keep the calls going to your state senator.

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Also under consideration at this meeting will be the approval of amendment #2 to the Woodlawn Redevelopment Plan. The meeting will be in the City Hall at 121 N. LaSalle St. at 2 p.m., on Monday, April 29th.

Robert Dale Birthday Celebration

New Concept School, a nationally recognized, not-for-profit academic institution located in Chicago's South side, will receive the proceeds from a Spider-filled birthday extravaganza, to be held on Sunday, May 4, 1996, from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight, at the Park West Ballroom, 322 W. Armitage. Robert D. Dale, president and CEO of R. D. Dale Advertising and Public Relations, will be the birthday honoree and host of the much talked about event. Herb Kent, the recent Radio Hall of Fame inductee and V103 radio personality, will act as the master of ceremonies for the celebration, which is entitled, Of School Celebration.

"Fundraising events have gotten a bad rap because they are so often extremely fiscally, said Dale, who is serving as president of New Concept School's board of directors for the fifth consecutive year. "New Concept School is such a special place, and it provides a service so distinct and desperately needed in our community that I wanted to have a celebration in its honor."

Hyde Park Store Man Wins $25,000 in Illinois Instant Game Prize

A Chicago man has claimed a $25,000 prize from the Illinois Lottery's "Hula Holmes" instant game. James Grifilon, 50, purchased his winning instant ticket at An-Bo's, 1519 E. 53rd St. in Chicago. The retailer will receive a $250 bonus for selling the winning ticket.

"Hula Holmes" instant tickets cost one each. Top prizes in the game are $25,000. One $25,000 prize has not been claimed, and $18,000 unclaimed "Hula Holmes" prizes in instant game tickets can be purchased at some 8,200 Lottery retailers across the state.

Mid-South City Council Update

by Donna Kelly

Residents of Woodlawn who are concerned about the proposed demolition of the Green Line East of Cottage Grove will be interested to know that a related issue will be acted on at the I.C. If this transfer point is opposed by those in Woodlawn who want to see the Apostolic Church of God. This sale is expected to facilitate the 1996 parade of Homes.

Chairman Valerie Jarrett said. "At the serious listeners when it comes to the CTA share of city business. No word if Mr. Hall at 121 N. LaSalle Street at 2 p.m., on April 25, 1996."

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On going "The Temple" play of a group of women confront their dreams and share their braiding salon. At the ETA 75th and So Chicago. Thursday - Sunday through May 5th. Ticket information call 725-3955.

Sat. 27 Crossover For Justice: meets every Saturday at 12 noon, at Holy Cross Temple Church 56th and Indiana every Saturday.


Washington Park Wetlands Project Workshop: will discuss 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, 1:00 am., April 25, 1996; 7:00 p.m.

Ugumaa Food Market Market: meeting to formulate the Food Coop at 54th and Washington at the Grand Bird Shopping Center where the meeting will be held at 3 p.m., doors open at 2:00 p.m.

S.T.R.I.P.E.S., Inc. and Farmeasa : are working with Chicago community agencies, including the Chicago Police Department, in the community to identify and report the activities of street gang members.

Sun. 28 NCOBRA Meeting at Washington Park Field House: 55th and King Drive. Meeting 4th Sunday each month.
Black Metropolis
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Heritage Tourism Review
By Harold L. Lucas

The 4th Ward Heads "Blitzed" With Extra Services

The 4th Ward will be part of the first phase of Chicago's 50 wards to receive a week of extra Streets and Sanitation services this spring including a special Saturday bulk-pick-up.

This second annual City Services Blitz, planned in cooperation with the aldermen, will begin the week of April 29, in the 4th Ward. The special bulk-pick-ups will be Saturday, May 4th, starting at 10:00 a.m., for all households that receives Streets and Sanitation collection services.

The remaining Mid-South wards will be similarly blitzed in succeeding weeks as follows:


Extra resources are being put into those wards to meet streets, remove graffiti, tow abandoned cars, repair street lamps, cut grass and perform rodent-control services.

All of these services will be in addition to the regular on the regular Streets and Sanitation work in the wards, according to Commissioner Eileen Carey.

Sign-up permission is needed to remove graffiti on private property and cooperation from homeowners that are swept.

Requests should be made to the Mayor's Office of Inquiry and Information's 24-hour City Services Request Line at 744-5000.
Open Your Heart And Home...Become A Foster Parent

Summit is fast approaching and it is a time to run, jump, and have unreasonable fun. Summer’s lemonade and little league are simple pastime joys many children take for granted. Children who reside in shelters sometimes don’t enjoy these simple luxuries of life. By opening your home to foster care, you can change the life of a child who can take advantage of some of these simple luxuries. You would be giving a child the greatest gift of all, the warmth and security of a home, and unwavering love and nurturing.

Adams Foster Care and Adoption Services seeks single and couples for foster parenting. “We need foster parents for babies, little brothers, little sisters and teens. Who is more deserving than a child, and especially a child requiring substitute care,” reported Lynette Stokes. "Being a foster or adoptive parent will allow you the opportunity to give a child a warm home, loving and safe environment and endless affection." MCS Foster Care and Adoption Services invites you to learn how to become a licensed foster parent.

Foster parent recruiters are at the ASMC headquarters, 100 South Walton Avenue. Married couples or singles over 25 years of age, may qualify to provide care to many of the large number of children in foster care. For more information on how to become licensed, contact Maryam Fuaad at 312-808-1080.

Scholarships to Help Residents Strengthen Communities--Application Deadline May 15

Floyd Butler, South Shore resident and social studies teacher at Simon High School in Auburn Gresham, was skeptical when he received a scholarship to attend a national conference on historic preservation. "I didn’t really see how it would benefit me," he said. A year later, Mr. Butler was so enthusiastic about how preservation can help revitalize communities, he was a speaker at the national conference. Having the opportunity to exchange ideas on neighborhood development with community leaders across the nation, he now urges other Chicagoans to commit to community revitalization to apply for the scholarships as well.

The Chicago Partnership for Community Revitalization is inviting residents from throughout the city to apply for full scholarships to the National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference to be held in Chicago on October 16, 1996. The theme of the conference is "Preserving Community: City, Suburb & countryside." A total of 250 scholarships will be awarded to people who want to learn practical skills in building healthier, more livable communities—at no cost to the scholarship recipients.

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Vista Gardens Open Library in Washington Park

Mrs. B. B. Dumas, President Engineer, "Mother" B. Dumas, founder and organizer of the Vista Library and Pat Scott, manager Vista Gardens, are shown at the opening of the Vista Library for the entire community as well as for the residents of the building.

"Many people told part of making the library possible," says Pat Scott. She said that she was unaware of such a program or its ramifications. When SSJ attempted to contact CHA's central office or Mr. B. Wells, management for some idea of administration plans for the development, they refused comment.

One can only hope that the Lakefront incident is not going to be repeated where the majority of residents were displaced and not allowed to return and the demolition of two-thirds of the community.

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An Innovative Concept in Anchor House

Located in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood, a comprehensive temporary shelter for the homeless community. Located at 7601 South Racine, Anchor House is in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood, a predominantly middle-income Black area.

As two streets in every Chicago neighborhood project, the Woodlawn Community Development Corporation (WCCD), in an effort to create new homes, organized a groundbreaking ceremony for Anchor House, a 115-unit complex. When renovation is completed this fall, the complex will feature apartments ranging in size from efficiencies to three-bedrooms for the homeless community. Located at 7601 South Racine, Anchor House is in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood, a predominantly middle-income Black area.

At TWO stretches it's 'carmy-vvde cultural and educational programs to the residents, including GED, adult literacy and job readiness programs and an infant/toddler day care center. It also will have a large community room, an educational laboratory equipped with computers and a laundry room.

Carlos Million, President, WCCD said, "This groundbreaking has been a long time in coming, but we are excited about it and thankful to all those who worked to conceive and actualize what we think of as an innovative concept for housing for the homeless.")

Due for completion this fall, the Anchor House Development is among five Chicago housing projects that will meet the housing needs of the homeless and those who are at risk for homelessness as part of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's exception on project-based Section 8 programs. Discouraged in the 1980s because of alleged widespread fraud, the Section 8 Program allows subsidy to developers who agree to rent to low-income individuals.

Residents are expected to reflect the current homeless population, including and emerging teenage population. Fifty percent will be comprised of individuals and families referred primarily from the Chicago Housing Authority's homeless waiting list and 50% will come from the immediate community.

Leon D. Finney, Chairman of the Board of TWO, said, "This new concept in housing for the urban homeless will help strengthen families as they grow toward self-sufficiency. Our hope is to create a new village which nurtures families." In its nearly 25 years of operation, WCCD offfers the largest single operation that services more than 2,500 units of public and private housing.

In the 12th District, Committeeemen Foil Black Empowerment Effort

The City's ward remap case, which is costing taxpayer $8 million dollars (and still climbing), has Black Aldermen perpetually digging in to achieve proper minority representation in the City council. Like the 1980 fight over the then Mayor Jane Byrne map, the wrong side has the money to thwart minority empowerment. The Byrne fight only ended when Harold Washington was elected and dropped all court action, which set the stage the Special elections that gave him control of the council. It seems to be all for naught.

Despite current census figures that places the City's Black population at 1.1 million, the Hispanic population at 50,000 and White at 1 million, Whites still have 24 wards, blacks 19 and only 7 Hispanic ones. There's a lesson here, but it's not the one that seems apparent. In that Minority empowerment is being frustrated not by Whites, but "For Sale" Blacks.

The State Senate race in the 12th district gave strong indication of who they are with the 20th ward's Arenda Troutman garnering the dubious distinction of having a "bargain housing" price of 10 wards making up the 12th, 4 heavily by Black committeeemen and 1 by a Hispanic, Troutman stunned out 275 votes to help election incumbent Robert Molaro on the Democratic ticket. Her support came in response to a $200 contribution from him, her most recent disclosure shows. His victory 54% (1,000) + vote totals in conjunction with Black committeeemen effort for him gives due to the belief that he purchased the seat with pennies.

These committeeemen are studies in contradictions. On one hand, they engage in rhetoric when they voice their desire and intention to work for Black people's rights. On the other, they're just Fifth Columnists. They've shown the capacity to work harder (and with more noise) that the most rabid racists by their tacit support for a White Senator to represent and 85% minority district at a time when racist columnists. They've shown the capacity to work harder (and with more noise) than the most rabid racists by their tacit support for a White Senator to represent and 85% minority district at a time when 24 wards, Blacks 19 and only 7 Hispanic ones. There's a lesson here, but it's not the one that seems apparent. In that Minority empowerment is being frustrated not by Whites, but "For Sale" Blacks.

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Book Tour Brings Rev. Al Sharpton to Push and Sharp Criticism of GOP

by La Rita K. Lysch

Staff Writer

Kenwood—While on a union tour, the Rev. Al Sharpton, one of the most outspoken leaders of the National Rainbow Coalition, recently spoke at Operation Push, 50th and Drexel, denouncing the Republican Party's political agenda and the disappointments shown to Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown's family.

Rev. Sharpton, who was appointed to the Coalition's Ministers Division in 1993 by the Rev. Jesse Jackson Sr., in his second president, gave sharp criticism to the Republican Party's social policy manifestos (Contract with America).

"We are forced with all over this country with Republican governors that think it is proper social policy to cut budgets to education, to cut budgets to health care, and to cut budgets to senior citizens but to increase budgets to build prisons," said Rev. Sharpton. He further compared their political ideas to a card game that dozes unexpected participants out of their money.

"What the Republicans are doing is a social political five-card molly game," contends Rev. Sharpton. "They give you a tax cut here so they can rustle you into take away student aid and slash Medicare."

He also contends that the private business sector plays in the hands of the Republicans by justifying the elimination of affirmative action.

"They pit white and Black working people against each other telling white folks that Blacks should take your jobs, that's why we got to stop affirmative action," he said. "[However] Black folks are doubly unemployed in this country, how can we have your jobs when we are unemployed two to one."

His greatest criticisms of the Republican Party stems from the disrespect shown to Ron Brown's family when the Republican leadership did not attend his funeral.

"The feel of the matter is that none of the Republican leadership would even go to Ron Brown's funeral," said Rev. Sharpton. For Newt Gingrich and Bob Dole not to respect the death of the Secretary of Commerce who was on a mission for the United States, shows the contempt that they have for people of color."

His displeasure with the Republican Party was shared by Congresswoman Bobby L. Rush, who joined with the Democratic Party and the Congressional Black Caucus in denouncing the Republican Party.

"The lack of respect that the Republican leadership demonstrated was a mean spirited act," said a spokesperson for Congresswoman Rush.

Rev. Sharpton argues that to disrespect a man who rose through the ranks despite bigotry and discrimination and "tried to represent the best in the nation is a sick and sad time."

He suggests that Black Americans must organize in order to prevent the Republican Party from using the political system against them.

"The only thing they are depending on is our lack of organization. The only thing they are depending on is that we will be caught up in so much craziness that we won't even try," said Rev. Sharpton. "A lot of our young people say 'Well, I'm just through with the system' but if you live in public housing that's the system, if you get public assistance that's the system, and if you are going to substandard schools, that's the system."

Hope Community Baptist Church, 47th and Cottage Grove, supports his efforts in telling the Black community together.

"I support his efforts in making the community get involved in making it better 100 percent," said Rev. Criders.

This national movement will address specific problems facing America. This includes enforcing the voter's rights act and protecting and maintaining laws upholding individuals' rights against crime and violence, police brutality and expediting jobs overseas so large multinational corporations can obtain a cheap labor market.

According the Rev. Sharpton, the greatest problem facing America is the lack of equal protection under the law. "The law and society protect us on class and race and not others," said Rev. Sharpton. "And what we have seen in the 60s, we are threaten in the 90s because of our lack of vigilance."

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\[**Photo by Bill "Buck" Allen, Sr.**

"In fact, we not only can affect change but we have, and we must continue," contends Rev. Sharpton. "We have been the ones to continue the criminal justice system from cases like Howard Beach to cases like Bernhard Goette, and Bensonhurst. We've been the ones to challenge the Democratic Party in the 1992 and 1994 primaries when we ran for the senate."

It was during that 1994 senate campaign against Senator Daniel P. Moynihan that Rev. Sharpton challenged and surprised his critics when he received 26 percent of the statewide African-American vote, 51 percent of the Latino vote, and 34 percent of the New York city vote, according to a National Rainbow Coalition press release.

It was through this sensing accomplishments that Rev. Sharpton found it necessary to document his story. As a young child living through the Civil Rights Movement, he read several books about us, and articles about us, so I thought it was time for me to interpret for myself what I am trying to do," he said.

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"The lack of respect that the Republican leadership demonstrated was a mean spirited act," said a spokesperson for Congresswoman Rush.

Rev. Sharpton argues that to disrespect a man who rose through the ranks despite bigotry and discrimination and "tried to represent the best in the nation is a sick and sad time."

He suggests that Black Americans must organize in order to prevent the Republican Party from using the political system against them.

"The only thing they are depending on is our lack of organization. The only thing they are depending on is that we will be caught up in so much craziness that we won't even try," said Rev. Sharpton. "A lot of our young people say 'Well, I'm just through with the system' but if you live in public housing that's the system, if you get public assistance that's the system, and if you are going to substandard schools, that's the system."

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This national movement will address specific problems facing America. This includes enforcing the voter's rights act and protecting and maintaining laws upholding individuals' rights against crime and violence, police brutality and expediting jobs overseas so large multinational corporations can obtain a cheap labor market.

According the Rev. Sharpton, the greatest problem facing America is the lack of equal protection under the law. "The law and society protect us on class and race and not others," said Rev. Sharpton. "And what we have seen in the 60s, we are threaten in the 90s because of our lack of vigilance."

"In fact, we not only can affect change but we have, and we must continue," contends Rev. Sharpton. "We have been the ones to continue the criminal justice system from cases like Howard Beach to cases like bernhard Goette, and Bensonhurst. We've been the ones to challenge the Democratic Party in the 1992 and 1994 primaries when we ran for the senate."

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A recent return from Acapulco has me reminiscing about the sun-baked sandboxes, that beach life, that was truly amazing about the economic structure of a city that has grown from 800,000 to 1.8 million in 10 years. Somehow there was a mix of the rich and the poor, working class and upper class, linked by a commons industrial goal—tourism. The local government invested in millions of dollars per year. Among city that concrete and glass hotels and in-between squatter villages, lies several local markets, where both indigenous vendors sell self-made goods. As the city grows, so does its economy, and the rich don't mind. Despite the different economic classes, all rich are poor and all poor are rich. The city's economy is driven by the tourism industry, which attracts millions of visitors each year, spending money in hotels, restaurants, and shops. The downtown area pours many dollars to the business owners each year and eating at restaurants and to shop at boutiques. The downtown area is a hub of economic growth, and this concept can apply to any council, even the Black Metropolis Tourism District. It also has many to offer those convention goers and sightseers to spend money in.
Mr. Charles (Charlie) Richardson—a bodyguard for the late Mayor Harold Sover 20 years and a founding member of the Afro-American Patrolman's League. He was a tall, quiet elegant man. For those who got to know him, he had a warm sense of humor. “As in the example,” Farrakhan explains, “the scriptures, the government of Egypt was afraid that the children of Israel would one multiply, two join on with an enemy and three came against them 4 turn them out of their land and fox, Moses would change the religion of the people. Farrakhan says he is not an educated man but a man inspired by God. "An educated man logically would not try to pull off the Milton Plan March," said Reveleration comes from on high not from a book." Minister Farrakhan went on to say "I am not the Savior but I am a Savior..." in this proper Jesus said Our Father not My Father?" Rev. R. Herbert Martin of Progressive Community Church on 46th and Wabash and Rev. Al Simpson were among the many leaders present at Mosque Maryam in support of Minister Farrakhan.

South Street Journal will have an inclusive interview of Minister Immanuel Muhammad of Mosque Maryam in the May 8 issue.

River Crossing

Mr. Charles (Charlie) Richardson—a long time resident of the 418 building, was a tall, quiet elegant man. For those who got to know him, he had a warm sense of humor and lived to talk politics. He did not engage in small talk and would let you know it. He was a Chicago Police officer for over 20 years and a founding member of the Afro-American Patrolman's League. He was a bodyguard for the late Mayor Harold Washington and for former U.S. Congressman, Gus Savage. Throughout his life he set an example of what an African-American ought to be. There is a riddle "If a tree falls in the forest and no one hears it does anyone care?" "I am not the Savior, but I am a Savior." Rev. O.C. Morgan Sr., Pastor United Methodist, Chicago, Illinois. Sunday Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. (Prompdy)

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A Bishop Is Consecrated and Installed

On Saturday, May 4, 1996. The Most Right Reverend Chandler D. Owens, International Bishop, and the General Board of Bishops, Church of God in Christ, Inc. will consecrate and install Rev. Robert Sanders to the office of jurisdictional Bishop. A full day of celebration is planned beginning with installation and Consecration Services; 10:00 a.m. at the Life Center Church of God in Christ, 5510 S. Indiana Ave. The keynote speaker will be Bishop Chandler D. Owens, International Bishop, Church of God in Christ, Inc. For information concerning the events, please contact Sandra Smith at (708) 757-5101.

Rev. P. David Saunders, Minister

Sunday School 9:30 Morning Worship 11:00 Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Police

Smith, who was deaf, was shot six times after he did not properly respond to the orders of the police.

In a recent interview of the Chicago Sun Times, Police Superintendent Matt Rodriguez was quoted as characterizing the officers involved in brutality as having "a lot of enthusiasm on the job" and that their concern was the money paid out to victims of brutality.

Repeat brutality offenders accounted for $3.6 million of the $52 million the city spent on settlements. Officer Neil Maas' 13 years on the force has been responsible for over $1 million in settlements. In one case, his patrol car struck a fly-sticker and was chasing.

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Mitchell Johnson, a member of the Inner City Youth Foundation, said, "We believe 20 percent of the cases investigated by police officials were sustained.

New, now allegations are springing from the community that officers are planting drugs on young men detained by the police in an effort to solicit the location of weapons in their neighborhood.

Although there have been no charges substantiated, the view has been widely viewed as real by community activists such as Johnson, staff attorneys at the Police Custody Hotline, and others. Repeated attempts to reach Supt. Rodriguez and the mayor's press secretary went unanswered which speaks volumes about their interest in this matter.

Ad: William Beavers (D7), chairman of the Police & Fire Committee, had no comment on the issue of police brutality even when we asked why less than one-third of all cases of police misconduct are disciplined as sustained and if that was cause for alarm.

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Harris Expands to Grand Boulevard Plaza

Harris Bank has purchased the 54 Chicago area units of Household Bank for $277 million in cash. The purchase of the household units will mean that Harris will have the state's largest branch network and household units will mean that Harris will have assets of 18 billion dollars. The purchase, scheduled to be completed in June 1996, will be merged into the community banking network operated by Harris in Chicago and the suburbs. The move will mean that Harris will add to its presence at the new facility on 47th and Drexel will also operate a facility in the Grand Boulevard Plaza at 55th and Wensworth.

Shorebank Announces New Neighborhood Development Organization

South Shore—(From left to right): On Tuesday, April 9th, Milton Davis, chairman of South Shore Bank, hands the “key” to Shorebank’s new economic development organization, Chicago Neighborhood Institute, to the organization’s Vice-President Cliff Kellogg and Chief Executive Officer Craig Lewis. Chicago Neighborhood Institute will invest more than $40 million over the next ten years into the South Shore and Austin neighborhoods to help companies expand and to help local residents find jobs in their own communities.

When SSJ asked about the organization’s commitment to the Mid-South community regarding South Shore Bank purchasing Drexel National Bank, a spokesman responded that the focus is still on South Shore and its surrounding communities; however, specific projects for the Mid-South community is pending. An interview with Mr. Davis is forecast in the near coming issues of South Street Journal.

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