

Community Briefs

Missing; Have You Seen Clint Kimble

Missing from the Kenwood community area, Clint C. Kimble 24, has a mental disability and is in need of his medication. Kimble is easily recognized due to his size 285 lbs., his chipped front tooth, a pierced left ear, and a football tattoo on his upper left arm that has the letters "CK" inside of it.

Clint Kimble may not know how to return home, or even where his home is as he disappeared without any identification. If you know where Clint is call the Chicago Police at 747-8385 or Illinois State Police 1-800 U HELP ME. A \$1,000 reward is paid upon return of Clint.

School Coalition Say LSC Powers Threaten

The Coalition For Excellence in Community Schools, consisting of Local School Councils are urging Gov. Jim Edgar to use his amendatory veto power on Senate Bill 1019 that passed the Illinois General Assembly.

The coalition reported Board of Trustee Pres. Gery Chico and Chicago Public Schools CEO, Paul G. Vallas, secretly requested the amendments be buried into Senate Bill 1019, in order to take away LSC's powers and authorities to select a principal.

Jerry Washington a member of the coalition stated no public hearing was ever held on these changes, violating the legislature's procedure that call for a public hearing.

"Senate bill 1019 as passed by the Illinois General assembly is a major threat and set-back to LSCs', principals and better schools." Said Washington. The current law would be dramatically changed if signed by Governor Edgar.

17 Artists For King Drive

Mayor Richard M. Daley announced that 17 artists, including 12 from the Chicago area, have been selected by the Chicago Public Art Program to create artworks for a 1.5 mile stretch of Martin Luther King Drive, between 25th and 35th streets. The pieces, scheduled for installation by August 1996, are part of a \$10 million beautification project funded by the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority.

The art works include a 15 foot bronze male figure by Alison Saar, a bronze street map of Bronzeville by Gregg LeFevre, decorative fencing by Mary Brogger, a "Walk of Fame" consisting of bronze memorial plaques by Geraldine McCullough and 24 unique art benches created by 13 artists. The pieces celebrate Bronzeville, a historic district famous as a cultural mecca for Chicago's African-American community from the early 1900s to the 1950s.

Area Beautification at 4120 S. Prairie. Residents and youth of the area around 4120 S. Prairie joined community organization to assist in the area's beautification. The sponsoring organizations were Center For New Horizons, Youth Consortium, Amer-I-Can and Resource Center. The clean-up was co-ordinated by Kublai Toure.

Rev. Jackson Action Operation Push Conference on Chicago City Colleges Rev. Jesse Jackson Sr., held a press conference on Chicago City Colleges in June at the Operation PUSH headquarters, 930 E. 50th Street. The conference charged that Ron Gidwitz, City Colleges Chairman needs to reconsider his position, cancelling fall registrations. The conference stress this move will leave 100,000 students with no alternative; pointing out that Mr. Gidwitz should not use the students as pawns in the negotiating process. "At a time when we are working to "Reclaim Our Youth", charged Rev. Jackson, "providing adequate higher education programs and facilities should be a priority."

Crusaders of Justice Targets Construction Companies. Based in the Washington Park community Crusaders have been monitoring construction companies resurfacing streets, rehabbing properties and new construction, yet only a few and in most cases, no blacks are being hired. The Hunter Alliance Corp. is remodeling at 76th and Racine. The Crusaders sent a monitoring committee to the site and found the company discriminating against Black contractors as well as employees. Rev. Joe Bell, Crusaders director Crusaders, said, "It seems the white construction companies do not employ Black sub-contractors, and in most cases, no Black employees. Hispanics, they have fulfilled their obligation of affirmative action. We must insist on employment of the people from this community."



Photo by Cheryl Tadin

These students at Burke Elementary, 5356 S. King Dr., right before summer break have joined Mayor Daley's "Graffiti Blasters" pledging never to become involved with such vandalism after hearing a presentation of the dangers and consequences of this crime. Inquiry and Information Director Genevieve Brown invited other schools interested in the anti-graffiti educational program to call 744-1234

The UnZip

Mid-Southerners have two ways to tune in to their elected officials. U.S. Rep. Bobby L. Rush and Ald. Toni Preckwinkle have cable T.V. shows. Rush (the hopeful next mayor) is the host of a new cable television program that will address federal issues and information of concern to residents of the 1st. Congressional District and Preckwinkle has had a cable show for a while for.

CHA is coming out with a newspaper for the tenants, by the tenants, of the tenants. But will it be for the present tenants?

Congratulations to Harold Lucas and company receiving \$100,000 from the Empowerment Zone for the Supreme Building. Now the soon to be social millionaire must secure funds for the Forum on 43rd Street.....Do Ald. Tillman has veto power over the EZ funds as Halthcock says she does.....On the aldermen Bruce Crosby of the Harold Washington Party isn't surprise Black democratic aldermen are satisfied supporting a republican mayor wanting non-partisan mayoral elections (or making sure the tools in place to block B.Rush. or R. Burris running.) The Aldermen may get a contract for their staff like 19th Ward Rugi did in putting in side walks for Western Ave.....A disappointment for some Aldermen thinking SSJ was out of business...But they can be assured the newspaper is in of some serious financial trouble

....P.S. Bruce the State's Attorney Editorial is coming.

Don Bailey of Inner City Studies on 39th St. is on his way out as the head of the educational institution. Word is J. Currothers is on his way to replace him.

More promotions, Lew Collens, president of IIT on 31st and State has been elected president of the board of directors of Leadership Greater Chicago. An organization that creates a class of 30 leadership fellows (gives money) from the city to spend a year studying Chicago communities. Something.

South Shore Bank's, (Drexel Bank's parent bank) Chairman and co-founder Milton Davis has been named the recipient of The Lake Forest Graduate School of Management's, 1996 Distinguished Executive Award.

St. Edmund's in Washington Park area hired a director, no it's not Angelo Rose, it's Empowerment Zone Coordinating Council member Tracy Powell.

And word is Joe Tillman is back working with the Inner City Youth Foundation.

Down with Affirmation Action and Up with Repatriation. the N'CORBRA (Chicago chapter, based in-the Washington Park community on 55th st.) pleaded the commitment in 1997 when the National convention will be held in Chicago....Also in Washington Park the Black Circus is coming to town in August.

Calendar of Events



JULY

Fri. 13

School Tech Services in association with Kuumba Kreation presents a Rites of Passage workshop "Infant & Child Naming Rituals" 7 pm - 9pm, Center for Inner City Studies 700 E. Oakwood Blvd. Moderator, Baba Hannibal Afrik. Admission Free, Donations accepted. For information call 568-1243

Rev. Al Sharpton addn. Dr. Conrad Worrill will be among the speakers at the campaign to Cash the Check, Preparing for a **Mass Demonstration at the National Democratic Convention.** 1st National Rally, 7:pm, New Hope Community Baptist Church, 4720 S. Cottage Grove. For information call 268-7500 ext.152

Sat. 13

CTA celebration of the 100 year old Green Line at the 35-Bronzeville-IIT station stop 16 E. on State Street.

Mid-South Planning & Development Commission presents its 2nd Annual Housing Workshop and Expo, 9 am - 5 pm at IIT, Herman Hall, 3241 S. Federal St. addressing the housing industry focusing in on the Mid-South communities. Topics on building a home, Rehab, Credit repair, 203K, Refinancing, Home improvement, and more. For infor call 924-133.

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

Ujamaa Food Market Mass meeting every Saturday to formulate the food Co-op at 54th and Wentworth at the Grand blvd. shopping Center where the meeting will be held, at 12 pm. doors open at 2.

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.

Washington Park Advisory Council welcome people to come down to earth for the planting of Washington Park Wet Land. 9 am to noon. On the north end of the Lagoon at 55th Street.

DuSable Museum Art fair from noon to dust. for two days 13 and 14 of July on the museum's grounds 57th and Cottage Grove.

Mon. 15

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.

CAPS Beat 231 -meeting 2nd district - (5101 So. Wentworth,) meeting held at 4946 S. Vincennes, 6:30 pm for information call 747-5109.

Ada S. McKinley seeks singles and couples for foster parenting for babies, little brothers and sisters and teens. Orientations at their office 2907 S. Wabash, 10 am to noon. Call Maryam Husain at 808-1080.

Tue. 16

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

Mid-South Planning and Development Commission Committee meeting from 6 pm to 8 pm at the King Center, 4314 S. Cottage Grove Ave. All are invited to attend.

Wed 17

47th Street Merchant Association will hold their Bi-monthly. At Harris Bank 47th and Drexel at 5:00p.m. The meeting topics will address the plans for 47th Street from the city.

For information call Ron Carter at 924-0461

CAPS Beat 213 -meeting 2nd district - (5101 So. Wentworth,) meeting held at 700 E. Oakwood, 7:00 pm for information call 747-5109

Washington Park Advisory Council meets Third Wednesday of the month at the Washington Park Field House

Thur. 18

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

Sat 20

Roy Ayers and Marion Meadows opens the second Annual Hotter than July Music festival, July 20 and 21 at the out door pavilion of the Dusablvle Museum of African American History, 740 E. 56th Street. Tickets \$10 donation. For information call Carl R. McKenzie & Assoc. at 642-4907.

Mon. 22

CAPS Beat 211 -meeting 2nd district - (5101 So. Wentworth,) meeting held at 3647 S. State St., 7:00 pm for information call 747-5109

Tues. 23

Ada S. McKinley seeks singles and couples for foster parenting for babies, little brothers and sisters and teens. Orientations at their office 2907 S. Wabash, Call Maryam

Back on Schedule. Next issue: July 25. Deadline for material is July 18. SSJ will be back on schedule on this date and will publish notices of community meetings, events and programs. Any organization or person in the SSJ circulation - area may submit material. We will print others as it relate to the area. Send material one week in advance to South St. Journal, 213 E. 55th Street Chgo, Ill 60637. We reserve the right to refuse and edit material.

UnZip information is compiled by community residents. If you have any call 924-0461.

All UnZippers must leave name and telephone.

Community and Civil Organizations form Coalition for Construction Jobs

Oakland/Kenwood - The Kenwood Oakland Community Organization (KOCO) along with the African American Contractors Association (AACA) has joined with several community and civil organizations to

form the "1,000 Walking Strong Coalition".

Organizers said the coalition was formed to address the African American community not having access to contracts and jobs around

the city.

The one major action was a rally at City Hall protesting Mayor Daley's policies towards small and mid sized African American contractors and workers. AACA president Omar

Shareef said, "There remains a great need to monitor all City, County and State contracts."

"This coalition will shut down every job site in the African-American community that is not in com-

pliance with 100% African American contracts and employment in the African American Community." Said Shareef, "Until we reach 55% goal of contractors and jobs city wide, our demands remain".

Bob Lucas, director of KOCO lead the focus of the coalition on the

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Center Omar Shareef (center) President of the African American Contractors Association and Doris Parport of Operation PUSH lead the close down at a Daley Center construction site with other coalition members.

Mid-South City Council Update

By Doug Kelly

Empowerment Zone Proposals to City Council



It was announced in June that the three groups of Empowerment Zone proposals selected by the Coordinating Council, would go.

The proposals will probably be sent to committee at the July meeting and the final vote on which proposals will receive funding is expected in August. There may be public hearing held in committee before the August vote.

Those wishing to testify should call city council at 744-5000 for the date time and room of any public hearings to be held on the proposals. The ordinance involving the proposals was expected to be introduced Wednesday, July 10 in the City Council Chamber.

There are eight proposals from the south side to be considered from groups B and C.

Proposal 137 Tom Gladden, Program Director from the Youth & Family Resource Center, stated that if awarded funding for the proposal the Youth & Family Resource Center located at 4434 S. Lake Park will augment it's Youth Net program which is sponsored by the Chicago Dept. of Human Services.

The Youth Net program provides after school gymnasium activities at King High School and a number of grammar schools including Woodson. It also calls for after school programs in Kennecott Park with tutoring & arts and crafts. In addition a summer jobs program is planned to provide students the opportunity to "shadow" skilled employees at 3 hospitals including Michael Reese.

The Young Women's Health Collective program which has a hand book for sale will also be augmented.

Proposal 70 by Gappie at 253 E. 35th st. President Ester Barnett explained that Gappie proposes to use funds it may be awarded for a small shopping center it is developing at 35th & King Dr. (former Alco Store). The plan includes the renovation of the vacant on the southwest corner. Planned for the shopping center are a restaurant, grocery store, flower shop, paper stand, parking area & possibly a bank branch.

Proposal 105 is Centers for New Horizons at 4150 King Drive. Sandi O'Donald, Director of Resource Development said that the Center proposes to expand its child development program which includes Head Start. The Center also plans to expand its program for economic self support & The Institute for Parent Job Readiness.

Proposal 272 is from Elliott Donnelly Youth Center at 3947 S. Michigan. Director Marrison Coverson said that if funded, the money would be used for the recreation active area next door to the Center & for a beautification project.

Proposal 40 is from Englewood Cares at 6500 S. Racine. Pastor Carney, Founder & Director reports that the organization plans to use the funds for office space & to expand its services to survivors of sexual assault, incest & homicide.

These services include a 24 hour crisis hotline. Also planned are implementation of conflict resolution programs to enable people to resolve differences without resorting to violence or other destructive behavior.

Proposal 265 submitted by the Renaissance Corp. A spokesman said four south side churches plans to use funding it may receive to renovate the social and recreational center of the Bronzeville YMCA at 38th and Wabash. The center included an indoor swimming pool, a gymnasium and a ballroom which accommodates 100 people. The ballroom features a mural by Black artist William Edward Scott. There are also rooms for day care, weight lifting facilities are planned and a room for computers. Family nights are also planned as well as monitoring and programs for seniors. Single Room Occupancy (SRO) facilities are also planned but not to be funded by the Empowerment Zone grant.

The Renaissance Corp. includes the Apostolic Faith Church, St. Elizabeth, St. Thomas Episcopal and Quinn Chapel.

Proposal 343 the Black Metropolis Convention and Tourism Council. Executive director Harold Lucas said that the organization plans to use Empowerment Zone funding resulting from their proposal for the acquisition and restoration of the Supreme Life Building at 35th and King Drive. They are expected to receive \$100,000.

The proposal calls for a visitor and tourism center to feature computer and teleconferencing capability and a commercial and a retail store, and part of restoring Bronzeville Program. Five townhouses have been restored and sold. None from the Englewood community Health organization was available to discuss their proposal.

Kenwood-Oakland residents are informed that nominations for appointment and reappointment to the North Kenwood-Oakland Community Conservation Council should have taken place on the Tuesday July 9th meeting of the Community Development Commission in the City Council chamber. Public hearing will be held.

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Public Aids's Kenwood Office Committed to Changing Welfare

By Everloyce McCulloch

As the Near North Health Service Corporation (NNHSC) sponsored a city-wide community forum entitled "Welfare Reform: Have You Heard the Latest?" on June 20, at Malcolm X College Auditorium, community residents from West Town, Humboldt Park, Near North, Cabrini-Green, Kenwood and Oakland had an opportunity to discuss the current status of welfare reform and the changes in the Medicare/Medicaid system. Representatives such as Hannah Rosenthal, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services; Jim Rush, Illinois Department of Public Aid; Nelson Soltman, Legal Assistance Foundation; Marion Stamps-Benton, Winfield Moody Health Center and others participate in the discussion.

In the focus to address the individual needs, the Kenwood office of the Illinois Department of Public Aid has been changing welfare to emphasize work and personal responsibility.

Work Pays, introduced two years ago, has been the keystone to change in this community and across the state. The program has served as a financial incentive for more welfare families to find and accept jobs.

Work Pays allows an AFDC client to keep two thirds of their income from a job while receiving an AFDC grant, child care, medical coverage food stamps plus the benefits of the federal Earned Income Tax Credit.

The goal of Work Pays is to help families hold jobs, eventually move off welfare and become independent, self-supporting citizens who pay taxes and make their communities stronger.

Since the introduction of Work Pays in November 1993, more than 40,000 AFDC clients and their families statewide have left the welfare rolls because they found employ-

ment.

"My goal is to help more AFDC clients obtain employment," said Kenwood Administrator Obadiah Claybrook. "Toward that goal, the Kenwood staff has been planning a community job fair. I urge all businesses and community groups to get involved and help make Work Pays a continuing success."

Work Pays also has served as a strong base upon which more state welfare reforms have been built. The changes include:

A Self-Sufficiency Plan, which requires all AFDC clients and new applicants to complete individual plans that detail the steps they intend to take to get a job. Failure to produce a plan could lead to loss of benefits for the entire family.

Targeted Work Initiative, which affects families whose youngest child is 13 years of age or older. All AFDC parents will be required to hold a job or face the loss of AFDC benefits in 24 months.

Family Accountability, which states that no additional AFDC benefits will be paid to a family that has a child while on welfare.

The Teen Parent Requirement, which states that unmarried AFDC parents under age 18 must live with a parent or guardian to receive benefits.

The School Attendance Requirement, which says parents under 18 years of age who have not received a high school degree or a GED diploma must enroll in school or a GED program.

These reforms and others have put Illinois squarely on the front line to help clients realize the benefits of a system that promotes work over welfare.

We now look to Congress and the President to make further changes

"SHALL THE SALE AT RETAIL OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR BE PROHIBITED 61ST STREET TO 75TH STREET, STATE ST. TO DORCHESTER"

Residents Prepare to Vote Area Dry



SSJ Photo by Owen Lawson

Rev. Ernest Peterson tells community residents at Harris YMCA how to vote their precinct dry.

Woodlawn -- Rev Ernest Peterson for over 15 years has led a drive to dry up many communities of Chicago from liquor stores. His charge now is to work with the residents of the 3rd police district area who are fed up with drugs, gangs and liquor stores.

Rev. Peterson meet with residents of the 20th ward July 8th at Harris YMCA to organize voting the area

in the welfare system that will add to the positives momentum that's been created by the thousands of public aid clients who want the opportunity to move from welfare to work.

AFDC clients interested in learning more about the changes or attending Work Pays Orientation sessions should contact their caseworkers. Clients who do not know their caseworker can call me (Everloyce McCulloch) at 312-538-8853.

bound from 61st Street to 75th Street, State to Dorchester "Dry" of selling alcohol. Part of the residents taking part of the drive is the Consumer Task Force based in the 20th ward. Lead by Ida Fulton, the group has been targeting all stores around the 63rd Street Strip with poor consumer services and violations.

Ms. Fulton stress while her group has been addressing liquor stores for some time now, said its time to get the ministers more involve.

One of their efforts centered on the demolishing on the vacant stores off 63rd and King Drive, where they stood vacant for over 10 years.

Individual residents have been challenging store themselves mostly with little results.

The mission of the meeting lead by Rev. Peterson is, "following the guide lines of the city". The group must have at least 25% (40% for single address proposition) of the registered voters in the precincts and must be filed with the City Clerk on August 7, 90 days prior to the November 5th general election to put the referendum on the ballot to de-

termine whether the sale of alcohol should be prohibited with the precinct to be voted dry.

A liquor licensee or any five registered voters within the precinct may file a court case to challenge the validity of the petition. If a court case is filed, petition filers should consider joining the court case and defending the petition which includes participation at the binder check and court hearings.

Rev. Peterson stressed that a properly drafted, circulated and signed petition will withstand a court challenge.

However, Rev. Peterson warned of opposition. He reported that some stores charge he was out of order challenging violations in their stores because they support Alderman Arenda Troutman (20) who receive funds from some liquor stores in the ward. Rev. Peterson reported that that charge was confirm by the Troutman's staff Mr. Whitehead. Alderman Troutman or Mr. Whitehead did not return telephone calls to addresses Rev. Peterson's claim. However, the alderman introduced an ordinance prohibiting any new liquor licenses in the ward.

Residents also stress concerns of gangs intimation, threaten residents because they claim the store was theirs'.

Rev. Peterson insisting how liquor stores has hurt this community pledged to work with the residents regardless of the odds and the lack of support from other ministers, alderman or intimidation of gangs "I will be with you all the way and we will have it on the ballot in November to vote the area dry."

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By Eddie S. Read

Hit & Run

I am answering the call for public outcry in the hit and run death, issued by Sun Times columnist Mary Mitchell Brothers and sister. I urge all of you to read Mary Mitchell's column in the June 16th Sunday Sun Times. We must step up and take action. I applaud the people of Crete for the high value they placed on the lives of the three children killed in a hit and run incident in their community. We the people of Chicago particularly the Black community, should feel ashamed and guilty for not standing up demanding that the hit and run murder of Tonya Greer, a 29 year old construction worker be given the highest priority. Tonya was a young mother of 2 sons



aged seven and twelve, she was working on a dangerous expressway to provide for her babies. There is no excuse for the Black community to sit by while this beautiful sister's life was snuffed out. According to reports, Tonya was struck by at least 3 vehicles. But supposedly no one saw anything; where were her co-workers? It is not too late for us to climb from under the pillows of shame and guilt and put the rightful value on 3 Black lives, Tonya and her 2 babies. Once again, I say **right on** to the citizens of Crete and the families of the 3 children that were murdered. I respect how you stood up for your own. Now Chicago, what are we going to do for the 2 young children that are left without their mother. Black community, are we going to keep sitting around like a bunch of insensitive cowards doing nothing about the loss of this beautiful black mother who was doing right by her babies? I am reminded of the titles of 2 poems by Dr. Margaret Burroughs "What Shall I Tell My Children Who Are Black" and "Apology To My Little Daughter For Apparent Neglect". Tony A Greer, I apologize to you for the Black communities' failure to stand up on your behalf. Those of you who are willing to stand up for Tonya Greer's babies, call CBUC (Chicago Black United Communities) at 548-2000. We owe it to the Children.

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Fight Back

the increase in jail funding. Atty. Todd pointed to whites reaping benefits of slavery as prisons are a form of welfare for white businesses. "We don't control the message," referring to the "Spin Masters". "Those that control the message control the power." Public housing activist Marian Stamps was issued the Fight Back award By Lu Palmer, as he honored her for her continued roll addressing public housing issues. Rejecting the demolition of Cabrini-Green high-rises as a Land Grab to expand the Gold Coast, Stamps challenged Black leaders from Operation PUSH, Dr. Leon Finney of The Woodlawn Organization and the Nation of Islam as having financial

interest in CHA that they will not speak out on the issues. Stamps even called the question asking, "Where's Vincent Lane?" Stamps accused the Daley Plan as ethnic cleansing as he remove Black people from the area. "We are going to fight this and we call on all those who stand for right to join us as you always ask us to join you." Stamps told South Street Journal there needs to be a summit of public housing residents. "What's happening in Taylor is happening in Cabrini-Green, Ida B. Wells, Rock Well." As CBUC honored graduates of their construction training program, Lu Palmer put "Fight Back" items on the agenda; City Colleges Ron Gitzi, the city Remap, Land Grab of CHA, and construction contracts. The next rally is schedule in early August. For information call 548-2000.



SSJ Photo by Own Lawson
Marian Stamps addressing the issues of public housing, challenged civil and community leaders to support and get actively involved in public housing issue.

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Bronzeville

ham said, "We are only bringing more people to the table to support what is presently going on." With letters going to the Mayor from various organizations voicing the panel as a duplication of effort, Congressman Bobby Rush (I) joined the campaign in opposition. In a letter to the Mayor, Rush refused to be part of the panel, citing that the committee is "totally unnecessary". He stated the Bronzeville area is the most studied and-planned community in Chicago and the Mayor could have provided resources as early as 1992 upon his sincerity. In a response to the congressman the Mayor requested Rush staff to be part of the committee as it establish public/private partnerships. As Rush pointed out financial support for the 8th Armory, Cunningham also hinted that the city may even try to repurchase the historic building on 35th and Giles to support the historic buildings in the area that his been approve by the committee as an

historic area. The Partnership committee has been given the responsibility to help establish the role of the private sector in restoring Bronzeville and set development priorities for the historic buildings. A second objective is to explore the feasibility of heritage tourism and identifying tourism related business opportunities. The Partnership Committee is chaired by Barbara Jones-Green, a resident of Lake Meadows and President of Jonette, Inc. The Resource Committee is charged with identifying and acquiring outside investment and support into the community. Chuck Bowen and Peter Cunningham, Both Mayoral Assistants, are leading this effort for the city administration which is to last six months. At the June 17th meeting, three subcommittees were formed. The Historic District Designation and

Reuse of Historic Structures chaired by Eddie Forte, President of Cler, Inc. located at 64th State. The Economic Development chaired by Mr. Jim O'Neal of Griffin Funeral Home.

Dr. W. Watson (C) Pres. Kennedy-King College 68th Wentworth
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Geo. Dozier (C) Com. Relations, Commonwealth Edison 76th Lawndale
Aldermen Madelaine Haitcock (2) and Dorothy Tillman (3), State Representatives Lou Jones and Shirley Jones, State Senator Margaret Smith and Congressman Bobby Rush are ex-officio members of the Committee.
The next meeting of the full Committee, July 15 at 3:30 pm Chicago Bee Building Library at 3657 South State. The general community is encouraged to attend.

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Grand Blvd. Wins Job Pilot Project for \$3 Million

Request for Proposal Meeting Set

Grand Blvd. -- The Grand Boulevard community has been selected as only one of three sites in the country for the Youth Opportunity Area Pilot Project.

U.S. Department of Labor Secretary, Robert B. Reich announced the \$3,000,000 grant to Chicago designed to raise the employment rate for high-school dropouts and out-of school youth from less than 50 percent to 80 percent. The project is to reach youth

aged 16 to 24 years, residing within the Greater Grand Boulevard Area of the Empowerment Zone (39th to 51st, State Street to Cottage Grove).

Chicago, Los Angeles, and Houston were selected from 54 communities that competed for the grant will target programs to keep young in school, help them get their degrees, and train them for good jobs in the area.

Chicago will add \$3,464,035 to the \$3 million grant to serve more than 1,300 youth. Chicago businesses and corporations have already committed

200 work learning position for out-of-school youth and/or full-time jobs.

Complementing other economic strategies and address joblessness among young adults. Maritza Marrero, Director of the Mayor's Office of Employment and Training said. "It will help to forge partnerships and leverage the resources of community organizations, public institutions, and businesses for all youth in the Grand Boulevard community."

While the goal of the project is to increase employment of out-of-school

youth, many at-risk have a history of truancy and delinquency, and serious barriers ranging from gang involvement, drugs, sporadic school attendance to little or no work experience. The project seeks to make multiple connections between school, work and community development, job and college placement.

In implementing the project, including the RFP process, a meeting of the partnership will be held on Tuesday, July 23, from 9 to 10:30 am in the main conference room of the Mayor's Office of Employment and Training. RSVP to Deborah Boldt, at 744-5929.

Break Ground For New SRO

Near South - In the 2nd ward the ground breaking for the construction is scheduled to get underway for a new 170-unit Single Room Occupancy (SRO) residence to be located at 18th and Wabash. It will be the first new SRO to be built in Chicago's South Loop in decades.

The project is headed by the Central City Housing Ventures. Alderman Madeline L. Haithecock (2) has endorsed the development which received unanimous City Council approval earlier this year. The City has provided generous financial support through the Department of Housing.

Set for completion next summer, the SRO will provide affordable residence to formerly homeless and low-income wage earners, students and the elderly. The Chicago Christian Industrial League, a joint venture partner in the project, will manage the property and offer training and employment services to residents.

For information, call Janel Landon at Landon Consulting, 263-4922.

Community Pleased at Pershing School Forum

Lake Meadows Visions

Douglas -- The community meeting to discuss Pershing Elementary School was well attended by the staff of Pershing, the Local School Council (LSC), the PTA, residents of Lake Meadows, and a few parents of elementary age children. However, the only parents of children currently attending Pershing in attendance were those who are active members of the Local School Council and PTA. Only one parent who's child attends Dou-

glas Elementary School was present.

Needless to say, there is a crisis not only in the Lake Meadows community, but specifically there is a crisis among young children, and that crisis is their parents. There are many problems at Pershing but they are not unique to Pershing. The same type problems are affecting schools and the education of children all over the city. Just as the communities are under attack by flawed policies of bureaucratic agencies, so are schools,

education and social programs.

Perhaps the most remarkable things revealed at the Pershing forum was the graphic illustration that there is no lack of leadership ability among the staff of Pershing or residents of the Lake Meadows community. Ms. Oglia Saunders and her staff were able to explain the needs of Pershing as a metro school and as a community school. They showed a remarkable knowledge of the history of the school and the economic and

social dynamics which led to where it is today. Mr. Kelsey Stone and his staff from the LSC and PTA discussed with in depth knowledge, where Pershing is today and where it ought to be. Mr. Edward Douglas and other residents who were former officials of Pershing PTA's provided a concise evaluation and comparisons of the school's standards of years ago.

Ms. Danielle Miles, a recent graduate of Pershing, student at the school during it's metro transition years. And Ms. Pamela Wrenn gave a comparative analysis of Pershing and similar schools across the nation.

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Taylor Homes



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Betty Scott, at resident of Taylor on 53rd and State, raised the question of maintenance for the tenants till the buildings are demolished. HUD officials responded that minimal repairs will be done.

has always been challenged for a commitment to involve residents in the revitalization of their community. Beyond that, the actual strategies and tactics vary from year to year and promise to promise from development to development.

Taylor B Local Advisory Council (LAC) and the Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) Division of Resident Programs called a mandatory Town Hall meeting of the over 450 families that occupy the area on 53rd and State Street June 26. Nearly a hundred residents attended where emphasis was on forming a steering committee to guide the redevelopment of the area and moving the residents out with section 8 certificates. The Section 8 certificates drive was based on a survey where the majority of residents voice their concerns to move.

Some residents question questioned if it represented the true wishes of the residents. "If you were asked to move after promises and promises were made you would want to move as well," voiced Ms. Betty Scott a resident of Taylor for over 20 years.

"Residents will suffer serious financial losses if section 8 combined with the push to cut out public aid by 1998 the same time HUD proposed to demolish the buildings," Scott reminded the residents and HUD.

state of "Montana". If that is their choice. HUD staff will look for housing for all tenants. They would also pay for their moving expenses and will consider paying their transportation for tenants wishing to move to other states.

The Hope VII plan was targeted to the area of Taylor as a counter to putting money back into the buildings. Even though the funds are not readily available, like the Empowerment Zone process residents must submit a proposal to Washington D.C. completing with other public housing nation wide for the funds. They were given the option to do the

planning or the planning will be done without them.

Residents have 40 days to put together a plan under a steering committee proposed by HUD and facilitated by Wendel Campbell and Association, an architect development company.

A meeting closed to the media, unaware of South Street Journal presence, HUD officials blamed the republic congress agenda to demolition and or rid all public housing.

HUD focus and recent policy statements, seemed to rule out any concession that if the residents choice to rehab the building instead of demoli-

tion, while insisting that they will leave it up to the residents. The final decision is up to Joseph Shuldiner, the director of CHA for HUD.

A factor Mildred Dennis, president of the B section of Taylor, says will not be so if the residents direct their leadership to fight to keep the buildings and rehab them. "One factor that is not looked at is the cost factor," stress Ms. Dennis. "If cost so much money to maintain each apartment and maybe as much to demolish them, replace tenants and rebuild a new community".

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South Street Journal HOME SOURCE

Your Information Resource for Housing in the Mid-South Communities

Welcome to the HomeSource

By A. L. Smith

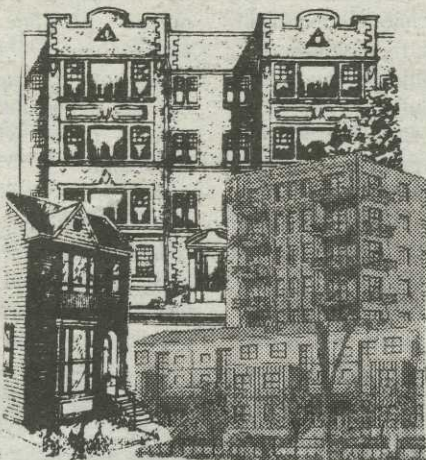
Welcome to HomeSource, the South Street Journal's revamped and expanded real estate information guide, home renovation and rehabilitation resource, and general guide for renters, homeowners and soon-to-be homeowners in the Mid-South communities.

We are pleased to introduce the first section of HomeSource, in honor of the 2nd Annual "Restoring Bronzeville Housing Expo and Workshop", sponsored by the Mid-South Planning & Development Commission. The free House Fair will be held on Saturday, July 13, 1996, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT), Herman Hall, 3241 South Federal Street.

The South Street Journal is introducing HomeSource as part of its on-going commitment to dedicate the energy and resources of this newspaper to chronicling the emerging renaissance of the Mid-South communities.

The South Street Journal recognizes that it takes a lot more than simple hope to make Mid-South communities prosper and grow. It takes commitment and hard work. It takes people working together for change. It takes investment and a comprehensive strategy for development. It takes information about what's happening, and when, and by whom.

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housing trends and issues will be the focus of HomeSource. This housing section has been designed to provide information, resources and ideas that will help both new and long-time residents, as well as others, stay abreast of the rapidly evolving housing market.

Future editions will cover a wide variety of housing topics including how to buy a home, the best financing options for purchasing and/or rehabbing, finding good construction and rehab contractors, how to get the building of your dreams out of demolition court, low-cost decorating tips and much more.

We will also address hard-hitting neighborhood housing issues such as the status of landmark designations for Bronzeville and many of its historic structures, empowerment zone updates, the struggles to create a truly viable mixed-income community, as well as what's in store for the Robert Taylor "B" homes and the Hope VII application for scattered-site housing, and other stories of interest to the community.

We also want and encourage your ideas and input. Please take a minute and drop us a line about HomeSource. Tell us what you like, and what you don't like, and be sure to share any topics you'd like to see in future editions. This is your community newspaper, and your needs are our top priority. Contact the HomeSource editor at 924-0461. We're looking forward to hearing from you!

High Turn-out for Bronzeville 96' House Tour



This house is one of ten duplex houses from 4816 to 4836 S. Langley Ave. Since 1923, this house has been home to five generations of the Frazier family and is currently occupied by Annette Carter the great-grand daughter (4th generation).

Grand Boulevard -- The successful 1995 Historic House Tour which featured eight vintage homes and one church attracted over three hundred people to the Mid - South community. The 1996 tour doubled the expectations of the organizers with over 600 tourist taking part in this years event. The Tour sponsored by the Mid - South Planning and Development Commission

The tour showcased seven homes and the newly renovated Chicago Bee Branch Library. As last year the tour ended with a garden party, it did the same this year within the courtyard of Corpus Christi Church at 4920 S. King Drive. It featured local musicians and included refreshments.

The Historic House Tour introduced people to the Mid - South community and identifies the special assets of the community. Buses departed every 20 minutes from 1 pm to 4 pm from Corpus Christi Church at 4920 S. King Drive.

The tour also promoted the housing opportunities within the Mid - South community to potential home owners and encouraged the renovation of homes. The tour also instills a sense of pride in community residents and a desire to maintain and improve the community.

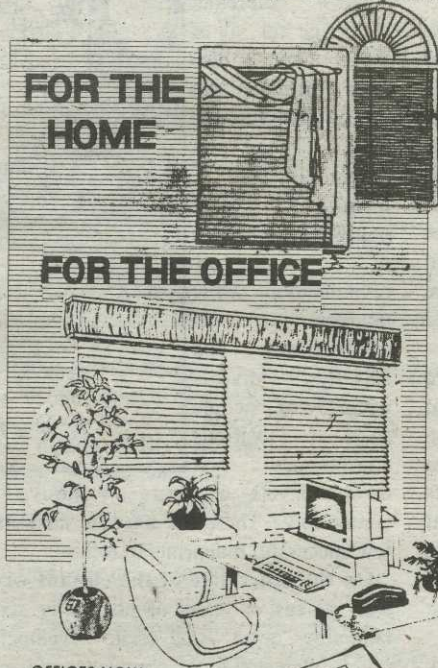
The tour concluded with a garden party within the courtyard of Corpus Christi Church.

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The Eyes are Watching: An Overview

Grand Boulevard (Bronzeville), Douglas, Oakland, Kenwood, Woodlawn, Washington Park, Hyde Park, Near South, Gap, Fuller Park, Armour Square

Re-Establishing a Once & Future Communities on Chicago's South Side

by A. L. Smith.

If you are African American, raised on the south side of Chicago, you have roots here. Your eyes need to watch a major housing renaissance that has begun in the historic Black Metropolis or Mid South communities of Chicago...from the viability of the "Gap", to the stately mansions along King Drive, from the State street corridor which houses public housing to the somewhat run-down 63rd Street Woodlawn, the moderately thriving business districts of 47th that bisect the Grand Boulevard, one fact is undeniable: today, change is in the air - - - and more changes are a comin' in the future.

The unmistakable signs are there, everywhere you look. Everyone, from potential homebuyers and small and large businesses, to the City of Chicago, real estate development companies and four new banks in five years has taken a long hard look at the Mid-South area. Housing prices are steadily rising to meet the Hyde Park area, and available low-cost vacant land is growing scarcer or are on hold by elected officials. Building permit signs are sprouting on abandoned and nearly-abandoned buildings like weeds.

Architects and construction workers have become recognizable fixtures (While KOCO of Kenwood/Oakland and others protest creating new jobs mostly for folks outside of the area) at new construction sites and on rehab projects around the neighborhood. Gracious and elegant turn-of-the-century gray and brownstones are being painstakingly restored to their former glory by newly transplanted and returning pioneering professional singles and families.

An explosion of historical landmark designation applications, housing improvements, and the determined sweat equity of new and long-time homeowners boosting both neighborhood pride and home values throughout the Mid-South community.

Much of the credit for the resurgent interest in Mid South communities must be given to the fervent preservation efforts of a wide range of over 200 community organizations, community activists, political leaders and just plain old, everyday neighborhood residents who shared a common vision and love for the community and its history. Kudos must also be given to

those public and private-sector entities who recognized the vision.

The fate of being in the right place at a time when the spotlight of development shine on inner-city communities with close proximity to the downtown and the lake. The future success and/or failure will most probably parallel that of other Chicago neighborhoods which have suffered persistent dis-investment and neglect for over generations: the near west side near the United Center, and the near north side 'gold coast' area where Cabrini-Green now sits.

The supreme challenge for all of these communities is a difficult, yet potentially feasible one: How to successfully integrate often opposing interests of community revitalization while maintaining an economically and socially diverse balance of people from various educational and income levels, to create a cohesive, stable community? There are no easy answers, and few successful blueprints to follow.

On the other side of the elegant wrought iron fences, a series of politically sensitive landmines await. Real estate developers and others interested in the abundance of buildable land argue that market-rate housing is the way to go. Public housing residents sing the now familiar 'land grab' refrain, while HUD and the CHA offer Section 8 certificates designed to 'encourage residential choice' for those now living in Ida B. Wells, Robert Taylor and Stateway Gardens. The CHA is also faced with the task of convincing those who have rehabbed homes upwards into the \$200,000 plus range that scattered site housing is feasible in the community, and will not necessarily lower property values. It's an increasingly hard sell.

The Mayor and the city administration, attempting to leverage responsiveness to constituent demands while respecting ward boundaries and local aldermanic control, is simultaneously cheered and derided by numerous competing interests, all who claim to have "the plan" which will make the communities of Mid-South work.

Preservation activists and community organizers are squeezed into the politically correct middle of the road, fighting to retain a semblance of control while seeking not to offend anyone in either the public or private sector and turn them into an adversary whom they may need as an ally in the near future when the dust settles, so to speak.

On the one hand, they must convince the city, and developers to invest in the community for it to be successful, while being careful not to price out those elderly, and low-to-moderate income residents who have been the backbone of the community during the lonely and frustrating years when it was still considered a dangerous, untouchable ghetto.

Today's residents have to confront a host of urban ills which plague many Chicago communities and deter revitalization efforts - - - crime, drugs, joblessness and high unemployment, teen pregnancy and illiteracy levels, and an uneven business district, to name a few.

Given these and other concerns, perhaps the most important issue facing the community activists is that they must endeavor to reach common ground and develop a meaningful dialogue with the local elected officials towards a common goal: a strong and viable community. Consider a range of options and everyone should understand that mutual respect must be the order of the day. Should

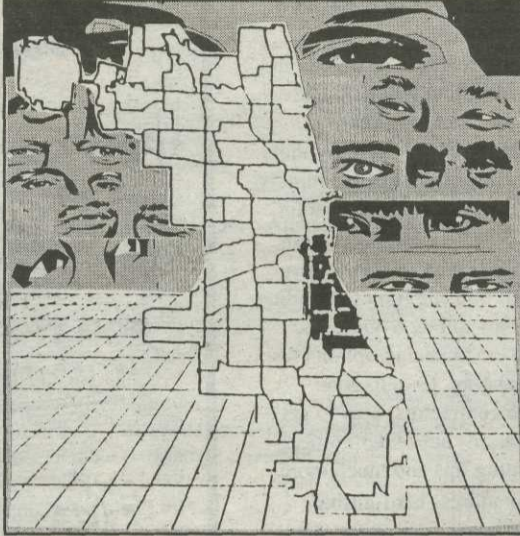
this not occur, the political fallout could be detrimental to the entire community. And that's something none of us should be willing to settle for. Then there is also the possibility that while this polite standoff simmers, others will step into the void to take control is very real.

In fact, the future, and who will control the future directions and potential changes to this up-and-coming area, situated smack in the middle of one of Chicago's federal empowerment zone districts is currently the source of vigorous debate as well as both outward and behind-the-scenes maneuvering by various forces within and outside of the community.

Neighborhood old-timers and newcomers alike have strong opinions about what all the changes mean, and discussions on who will be most affected and how the community will handle the changes looming on the economic, political and social horizons are growing more focused and intense, and the topics vary depending on who you talk to. And make no mistake - - -everybody's talking. Just as the elderly men did in a circle in Washington Park during the sixties.

In the final analysis, the communities of the Mid-South area must move quickly and decisively to create a culture of substantive change, while the interest level remains high and the money to effect change is available. No party lasts forever, even a long-overdue party like the current re-building of Mid-South, and as the wise elders of the community often point out, it makes sense to make hay while the sun shines.

The Mid-South community's challenge? To move beyond often fractious and self-serving rhetoric, political posturing and arguing over which "plan" for the community is best, or which blue-ribbon commission can generate the most effective public-private sector partnership. We must join together from Taylor Homes to Lake Meadows to begin walking along the road to re-establishing the communities of Mid-South to the jewels of the south side it once were. Remember - - - the eyes of the South Street Journal, the community, the future generation (40 and under) and the entire city are watching. Let's give them something glorious to see!



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Mid-South Housing Expo Offers Valuable Home Buying and Home Improvement Information

Grand Blvd. -- The Mid-South Planning and Development commission (MSPDC), invites home buyers, homeowners and builders to the free 2nd Annual Housing Expo at the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) in the Herman Hall building, 3241 S. Federal street, on Saturday, July 13 from 9 am - 5 pm.

this year the Housing Expo sponsors important workshops every homeowner and perspective homeowner should attend. Some of the workshops address credit and financing issues. For instance, Illinois Service Federal is facilitating a workshop on the role of credit in the lending process. Old Kent Bank will present a workshop on

mortgage and refinancing and the FaithCorp Fund will teach workshop participants how to get loans for purchasing and rehabbing a home. Other workshops teach people how to beautification.

At the Hosing Expo, people will also get advice and information from professional roofers, plumbers, carpenters, electricians and many other home improvement vendors. This is an event that no home buyer or owner should miss. The information shared at the Housing Expo is valuable and reliable not to mention free. For more information call 924-2340.

Housing Expo Schedule of Workshops

10am Mortgage & Refinance from application to approval Kein Burton, Old Kent Bank will take participants through the mortgage and refinancing process step by step. Her workshop is designed to answer questions participants may have on this topic as well. Old Kent will also have a vendors booth.

10am Financial Planning Tips Sanmar Financial Planning Group

10:45 Homeowners Education Paul Cersoli, Neighborhood Services will give workshop participants the secrets and the action tips hopeful homeowners need to be aware of to buy that dream home.

10:45 203K the Smart Way to Rehab & Rehab title: Jo Thomas, First Mortgage Corporation

11:30am Home equity Lines of Credit & Home Improvement Loans. James Poveymitrou, Hyde Park Bank. Participants will learn first had form Hyde park Bank, which gives reasonable home improvement loans, how to get approved for a home improvement loan.

12:30pm Overview of County property Assessment. Squire Lance, Cook County Assessor's office.

1:15 pm Homeowner & Renter's Insurance. Carl Roger of Allstate Insurance will share with workshop participants what types of policies are better for homeowners/renters and give guidance on proper decision making when getting insurance.

1:15pm Credit Workshop, FaithCorp will explain the role of credit in the lending process.

2:00pm How to find a home in Bronzeville. Panel Discussion with area Realtors such as Sylvia Ruffin from the Urban League and Celvia Baker of DuSable Realty offer advice and guidance to people who are interested in buying a home in Bronzeville and do not know where to start.

3:00pm Stained Glass Presentation Hampton's Glass company will show homeowners creative ways to use stained glass in their homes. This is a hands on workshop where people will see stained glass samples and be able to get personalized advice for their homes

3:45pm Alternative Remodeling Tips. Stephen Johnson will share with participants unique and creative ways to remodel their homes or condos.

Real Estate Transactions in the Mid-South Communities



Readers: Listed below are property transfers in South Street Journal's circulation area (Generally on page 18), according to the latest report released by Jesse White, Cook County Recorder of Deeds. For your convenience transfer listings are organized by community. Display of the "-" symbol next to a listing indicates that information supplied on the State Real Estate Transfer Declaration may be incomplete or incorrect. South Street Journal will publish this information in each issue.

Community/Address	Recd.	Date
Woodlawn		
6148 S. Evans, Leroy & Melba Trice to Bobby Towns & Minnie Ford	6-18	60,000
6135 S. Vernon, equity Investors Management Inc. to Darryl G. Crawford	6-18	36,000
6637 Drexel, Clarire Matthews to Clarence Johnson III	6-14	125,500
1532 E. Marquette Rd., Major J. Dorothy to Daniel Allen	6-6	200,000
6825 S. Mich., Chgo Mr. & Mrs. Williams to Mr. & Mrs. Joe D. Washington	5-30	69,000
6018 S. St. Lawrence, Chgo, So. Holland Tr. & Savings Bk. to B. D. & S. L. J. Fason	5-31	137,000
6832 S. Dorchester, Cole Taylor Bank Tr. To G. Harris	5-17	98,500
1439 E. Marquette, So. Holland Tr. & Savings Bank, Tr. to P. S. Torrence	5-16	65,000
6215 S. Evans, C. Goodlow and M. Redd to C. Rushing	5-16	85,000
6331 S. Eberhart, Pamela Ray to Paul A. Tabb, Sr.	5-15	74,900
6512 S. Drexel, Richard Hofstede to Daniel Birl	5-10	76,000
1236 E. 69th St., Lucy Griffin to Demetrius McCoy	5-9	35,000
6317 S. Eberhart, William Bryant to Sonja R. McCoughtry	5-6	35,000
Kenwood		
4906 Blackstone, Unit 9, Ste C, Bruce B. Peters to Yin P. Kean	6-19	100,000
4701-H Woodlawn, Chester K. tom to Daniel J. Robbins	6-13	231,000
4530 Lake Park, NHKO L.P. to Linda Cobbs Wilson	6-14	104,550
4715-2 Ingleside #4715-2, American National Bank to Barry Calvin	6-7	89,000
4715-B Ingleside #4711-B, American National Bank to Fredericka Anthony	6-7	39,000
4749 Ingleside, American National Bank to Edwin a. Jackson	6-7	178,000
4454 Greenwood, N. Kenwood Properties Inc. to Doreen Smith Stallings	6-7	125,000
4440 S. Berkeley, Keith Barnes to Raelyn L. Riley	5-29	38,900
4800 S. Chgo Beach Dr. #304-S, Courtland Thomas Booder to Willie Ship	5-28	55,500
4445 S. Ellis Ave. Slettie V. Bondurant to Rhonda R. McFarland	5-23	110,000
4429 S. Lake Park, NHKO, LP to Marshalyng Rogers**	5-22	115,020
4829 S. Kimbark, Richard Pardo to Gregory Jackson	5-21	465,000
4431 S. Lake Park, NHKO L.P. to Geraldine Neal	5-21	111,900
4532 S. Lake Park, NHKO L.P. to Thelma Hargrave*	5-21	112,405
4433 S. Lake Park, NHKO L.P., to Jamie Mitchell	5-13	103,315
Hyde Park		
5608 Blackstone #1, W. Brown to Michael Buckley	6-17	157,000
5300 South Shore Dr. #117, Wieland E. Von Behrens to Juanita Tyson	6-17	51,000
1314 E. 56th St., Linda & Ronald Zuckerman to Joseph G. Opferman	6-17	64,000
5342 Kimbark #2 Nancy K. Oscar & Minnie Unger to Debra Cornelious	6-14	74,000
5616 Kimbark # Chang Qing Li to Dipesh Charabarty	6-14	135,000
5612 S. Blackstone, #1 Wm J. Mahin & V. Allen to M. Lozada & R.C. Haydon	6-13	117,000
1417 E. 56th St. #1, Carole Stodder to Michael J. Folan	6-10	130,000
5222 S. Blackstone #1, J.E. Carter Jr. & M.M.E. Rodriguez Carter	5-22	106,500
5621 S. Blackstone, Intercultural Assoc. to Laura & Scott Stern	5-20	360,000
5736 S. Harper, Steven Weiner to D. Ledbetter	5-21	575,000
5240 S. Greenwood, F. L. & E. M. Johnson to A.W. Harden & P.A. MacClarence	5-21	240,000
5224 S. Ingleside Ave., Unit 25, Bell Sites, LLC To L. Green	5-17	117,900
1369 E. 53rd St. T & E. Kovachevich to Amer. National Bank Tr.	5-15	179,000
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5141 S. Greenwood, Unit 5141-1, Joseph Carlson, II. to Cindy E. Miles	5-14	100,000
5525 S. Blackstone Ave., #3S, * to Chester Blair	5-13	85,000
5105 S. Kimbark, Neighborhood Improvement LP to *	5-6	280,000
5755 S. Kenwood, Unit 5755-1, Bryan & Virginia Swan to David Meltzer, M.D.	5-6	215,000
Grand Boulevard		
4416 Michigan Ave., Standard Bank & Tr. Co. to Jerone P. & E. Madeline Morgan	6-6	250,000
4803 S. Forrestville, Bryan Spencer to Mack & Bernice Smith	6-11	41,000
4339-41 S. Michigan, Amer. Nat'l. Bank & Tr. Co. of Chgo. as Trustee to B. Green	5-29	135,000
555 E. 50th St., Troy Owens to Mary Square	5-23	75,000
4819 S. Champlain, community Capital Resources, Inc. to J. Macon	5-21	170,000
4419 S. Vincennes, Beneficiary of Hyde Park Band Tr. to V.D. Tatum	5-21	44,000
4471 S. Oakenwall, Parade Partners by Bafcor, Inc. to Tommy Adams	5-9	247,000
4158 S. Calumet Ave., Cranston Brown a/k/a Cranston L. Brown to Michael Pounds	5-8	35,000
4629 S. St. Lawrence, Ann Howard to Suzetta Whitaker	5-8	62,000
4545 S. Vincennes, Capitol Bank & Trust Co. to Cora Johnson	5-6	36,750
Fuller Park		
4364 S. Wentworth, Beatrice Scott To Louis Bacon	3-6	45,000
4941 S. Princeton, Alvia Baker To Patricia Hortense Walker	2-27	49,000
Oakland		
4164 S. Ellis New Homes for North Kenwood-Oakland Limited partnership to S.G. Tukes	6-14	100,550
4158 S. Ellis, NHKO, L.P., to Tamara Earley	5-6	112,570
4162 S. Ellis, Nhko, L.P. to Douglas & Kristina Abramowski	5-6	110,120
926 E. 42nd Place, Albert L. Welch to Marlene L. Tarpley	4-23	42,500
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		
660 E. 51st St., Unit 3B, Chgo. Trust Co. Tr. to Patricia Crowder	5-24	90,000
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Chicago Urban League: The Overlooked New Housing Developer



Grand Blvd.--The Chicago Urban League with the latest and only commercial build structure in the Mid-South area on 45th and Michigan Ave. has extended their success as a building to providing that expertise for residential properties.

Quietly the League has had its development arm since 1982. Doing operations in housing from home repair programs, rehab of apartments, loan packaging, and counseling but no brick and mortar work.

However, last August the League did the ground breaking of the New Homes for North Kenwood-Oakland. They were one of 17 that presented proposal to the North Kenwood Community Conservation Council in 1994. With the council approval New Homes for North Kenwood-Oakland a partnership of the League Development Corporation, the Bank of America, and Thrush Development Company (which has been doing intensive work in the Woodlawn new home development with Woodlawn Preservation Investment Corporation), in coordination with the city's New Homes for Chicago program.

Sylvia A. Ruffin who is on a fast track work load heads up the League Development Corporation since 1993. "We are located in the same building. I report to James Compton, but the Development corp. is separate with its own tax exempt and board and staff."

"Our development is designed to provide newly constructed affordable homes for families who otherwise may never have considered owning a home." Ruffin said.

The homes features 3-bedroom, with two baths, full basement, and off-street parking, are priced beginning at \$99,000. With options the price goes as high as \$125,000.

The homes has two floors with a full unfinished basement, with a washer/dryer area. The first floor contains a foyer, living/dining area, and a large eat-in kitchen, with an exterior deck. The second floor contains three bedrooms.

"There's a need for ownership with such vacant land that exist in the community. And the development corporation is meeting that need."

The League has done other construction work in Washington Park community rehabbing 162 units. Ten of the buildings are located from 61st and 62nd on St. Lawrence and three located at 61st and King Drive.

With success of the New Homes for Kenwood-Oakland project, Ruffin said they will be expanding to 25 more homes and looking for a lower base home from \$70,000 to \$90,000.

"We had to turn a lot of people down" Explained Ruffin, "We were not helping enough people that truly wanted homeownership." Ruffin said the city maximum income is \$64,000 for a family of four. People come to us with income of \$61,000 as low as \$30,000 family of 1 to 4 people. "Want to create an affordable home for them as well"

The architect for the League is Johnson and Lee Architects, General contractor Thrush Construction, Inc. who is doing the construction.

On minority contractors Ruffin says, "We have meet or exceed the guideline with contractors and workers on the site."

For information on the League housing programs call 285-1500.

Organizations form Coalition

"There is a housing boom taking place in North Kenwood-Oakland and the residents are not getting the jobs that result from the construction. Before housing construction was initiated in the conservation area, the Alderman (Toni Preckwinkle 4th) and the Department of Planning created a pollack that read in part, "for every house that was to be constructed there would be three (3) people hired from the area. The policy was approved by the North Kenwood Community Conservation Council."

"The community has been overwhelmed with outsiders working here, with few or no community workers. Enough is enough!"

One development the Lucas pointed out was of Wade Enterprises & Associates, Inc. constructing five houses at 46th St. and Lake Park Ave. Lucas said that, there were seven men working: Five Hispanics and two Whites. Because there were not any community workers nor African Americans on the job, KOCO and the AACA demonstrated at 4035 S. Ellis Ave. Where Mr.

Wade is also constructing 14 houses. KOCO and AACA demonstrated there also, and shut down the development. KOCO and AACA also shut down the 46th St. and Lake Park Ave. development as well.

"We are going to make sure that the Alderman and the city lives up to their commitment." stress Lucas.

The coalition members also consists of: Chicago United Black Community, African American Operating Engineers Association (, Allied Workers Union Local 101, Crusaders of Justice, African Americans Plumber Association, National Black United Front, Chicago Muslim Business Association, Hebrew Israelite Community, Westside NAACP and the African American Electrical Association.

There objectives are:

A) Achieving 100 work order contracts at the Chicago Public Schools.

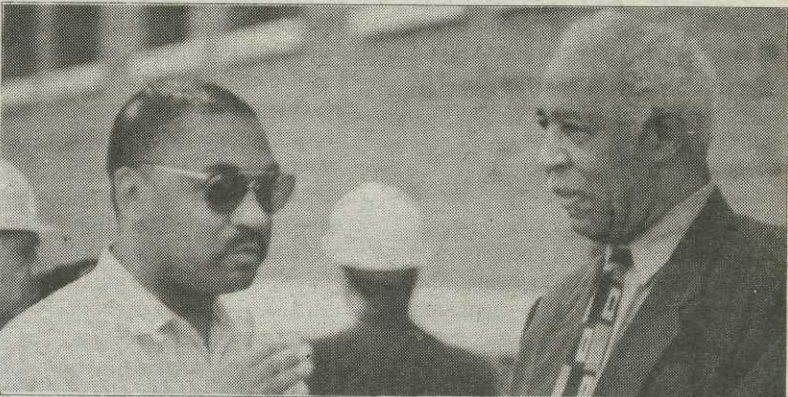
B) Paying all African American businesses who are having difficulty collecting what is owed by various

contracts with the city agencies.
C) 100 immediate jobs (skilled and unskilled).
D) Reducing the City Certification process from 1 1/2 years to 60 days.
E) An independent investigation into "Front Companies" and "Pass Thru" Companies.

AACA has requested U.S. Attorney General's Janet Reno and

allow the School Board to overlook and disrespect the African American people and addressing the following newly selected Property Advisors: Marriott/Globetrotters, Premises Real Estate Services, U.S. Equities, Miglin-Beitler, Inc., Ogden Facility Services and Circle/CLER.

"These Property Advisors continue to contract out Chicago Public



Omar Shareef, president of AACA talk with Bob Lucas of KOCO on new strategy for construction jobs.

James Burns to launch a federal investigation into these "Front Companies" and "Pass Thru" companies. \$60 million is budgeted to be spent in the Public Schools by September 1996. \$800 million will be spent over 5 years.

The Coalition stated they will not

School work to white suburban and out of State Contractors. They remain insensitive and irresponsible to the coalitions demands." said Shareef. "Oor goal is to put the Community to work and the maximum in contracts and jobs for African American people."

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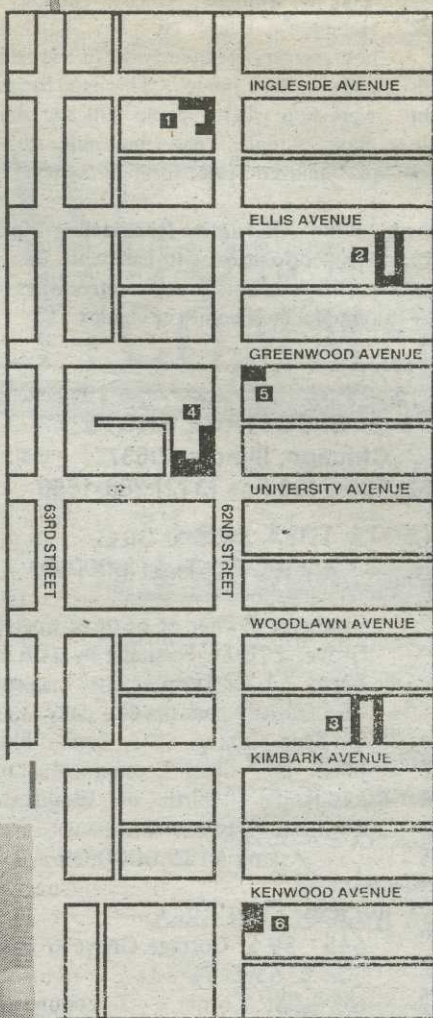
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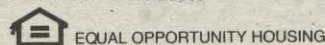
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Letters to the Editor

The Bronzeville Correspondence

The Mayor Responding to Harold Lucas on Bronzeville

Dear Mr. Lucas:

Thank you for your two letters regarding Bronzeville. We both share a goal of revitalizing this community, and I am pleased to hear that you are working closely with my staff in that effort.

As you pointed out in your first letter, there has been a lot of discussion about the armory, but not much action and perhaps even a few missed opportunities. Over the years I have heard some ideas for the building, but for the most part they would have involved great expense and hence were not viable given our limited resources. Moreover, community groups such as yours have expressed far more interest in buildings like the Supreme Life Building, the Overton and the Wabash YMCA, all of which are further along in the restoration process. Nevertheless, I remain open to any reasonable and practical proposals for the armory and the community at large.

To help advance this process and the larger challenge of restoring Bronzeville, I have asked a group of business leaders from the community to work together to increase private sector investment in the area. Some of their areas of focus will be how to build linkages between Bronzeville and McCormick Place, the hospitals, universities and other institutions, how to increase retail activity, and how to support your vision of a tourist-oriented economy built on the area's rich African-American history.

A second committee is exploring ways to bring additional private sector dollars into the area. These committees are intended not only to advise me but to also be a resource for you and others involved in this issue, and I thank you for your second letter supporting this process. In the meantime, the City will continue to do all it is doing, investing in infrastructure, public transit, parks, school and libraries and managing the Empowerment Zone Process.

In a perfect world, we would have enough money to do everything. Unfortunately, government must set priorities. However, much is possible, and thanks to the "Restoring Bronzeville" plan, we have a good blueprint to work from. Once again, thank you for your letters, and I look forward to our accomplishing many good things together.

Sincerely,
Richard M Daley
Mayor

Congressman Rush Letter to the Mayor on BLUE RIBBON ADDENDUM

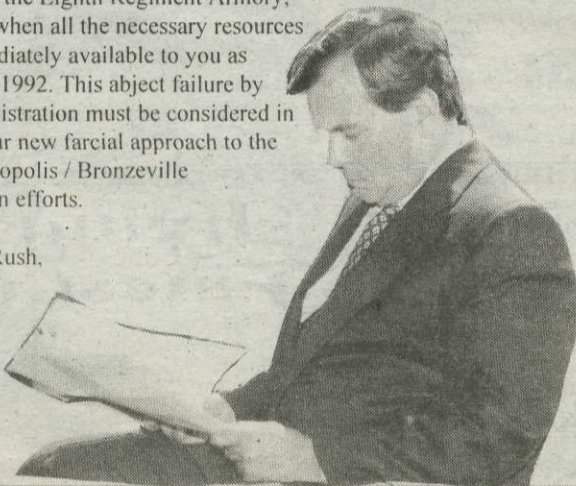
Dear Mayor:

In response to your letter dated May 31, 1996, I am rejecting your invitation to participate as a member of, or in any capacity, with the so-called "Blue Ribbon Committee for the Bronzeville Project".

As you well know, this committee is totally unnecessary, essentially redundant, and is a transparent attempt to politicize a civic issue by shamelessly window dressing this issue in the form of a "blue ribbon committee". The Bronzeville / Black Metropolis area is arguably the most studied and planned (on paper) community in the City of Chicago. Another "committee" to plan for this community is the last thing that is required. What is needed is determined and deliberate action by your administration to implement a relatively simple process of designating Black Metropolis/Bronzeville as a city historical district; creating a Tax-Increment Financing District in the Black Metropolis / Bronzeville community; and finally, by giving adherence and support to the existing and much acclaimed Near South Development Plan.

Finally, your sincerity and commitment to the preservation of the historical landmarks in Bronzeville / Black Metropolis must be evaluated and judged by the total failure of your administration to protect, preserve and rehabilitate the Eighth Regiment Armory, especially when all the necessary resources were immediately available to you as recently as 1992. This abject failure by your administration must be considered in light of your new farcial approach to the Black Metropolis / Bronzeville preservation efforts.

Bobby L. Rush,
Member of
Congress.



Mayor Response to Congressman Rush

June 26, 1996

Dear Representative Rush:

I have received your letter of June 17 declining to participate directly in the Bronzeville Blue Ribbon Committee. While I would prefer that you actively support the process we have established with the community, I respect your position. Nevertheless, it may still be use full to designate an individual or member of your staff to be a liaison to this effort. Your designee may contact Chuck Bowen in my office for information about upcoming meetings. His number is 744-1606.

I also understand your eagerness to see the historic buildings in the area designated as landmarks as soon as possible, but I would point out that the buildings in question, including the Eight Regiment Armory, have survived without this designation for decades and can certainly last another few weeks while the newly formed committee takes up the issue. I am already on record in support of landmark designation, but I want the committee to have the opportunity to weigh-in before taking action.

Please be assured that we will keep you fully infored of any developments regarding Bronzeville's historic structures and the activities of the Blue Ribbon panel. My hope is that, with increasing private sector involvement and greater linkages with major community institutions like the Illinois Institute of Technology, Mercy Hospital and Michael Reese Medical Center, and the Metropolitan pier and Exposition Authority, we can begin to establish public-private partnerships to reinforce our existing efforts to revive Bronzeville.

Sincerely,
Mayor Daley

EZ Residents, Homeowners, Landlords Want to Know!

Dear Editor;

What commitments will be made to Empowerment Zone communities from Utility Companies? Peoples gas and other utility companies consume approximately 40 percent of EZ resident income, this is a major cause of housing abandonment and homelessness in our community.

We recommend that:

- 1 Peoples Gas, Commonwealth Edison and Ameritech reduce the daily cost of usage to EZ residents.
2. That the EZ be designated as a Buyers Club and shall purchase it's natural gas through the Neighborhood Technology Center Program. The program would reduce the cost of natural gas by 20% and help to raise the status of living for EZ Residents.

Remember, we are charged with the responsibility of alleviating poverty, building sustainable communities and providing for self-sufficiency.

Your immediate attention in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Christin Perkins

Inner City Youth Foundation

Green Line 101: Ten Reasons Why the Jackson Park Green Line Should Terminate at Dorchester Opposed to Cottage Grove

Dear Editor;

#1 Psychology 101-A station at Dorchester would constitute the Green Line being more accessible, more convenient, for residents of East Woodlawn, and Southeast Side residents-South Shore, South Chicago South Deering, and so on-who lack nearby reliable rapid transit of the Green Line. This would not be possible at Cottage Grove due to the distance from Cottage Grove.

#2 Logic 101-Terminating Dorchester would permit the Green Line to penetrate into the nucleus of the Woodlawn community, Cottage Grove offers no

such option the Green Line would be isolated from most of Woodlawn, and all of the Southeast Side.

#3 Economics 101-Terminating at Cottage Grove would constitute CTA spending revenue on fuel to power buses going from Stony Island to Cottage Grove-really King Drive-a total of 50 city streets-22to King Drive, 3 to Indiana Avenue (no space at King Drive), and 18 back to Stony Island-50 streets. Dorchester would only necessitate buses going 4 streets to Dorchester, saving fuel, thus keeping costs at a minimum-which one is obviously better?

#4 Health (Environmental) 101-Terminating at Cottage Grove, or King Drive-would burn more bus fossil fuel, which clogs 63rd Street with unnecessary traffic, generating more pollution, making people sicker, leading to health problems, more deaths-should I proceed?

#5 Criminal "Justice" 101-Terminating at Cottage Grove, I hate to articulate, would expose commuters to notorious street gangs, which are in abundance at Cottage Grove-not the case at Dorchester. Also, the Cottage Grove intersection is actually darker at night

than the Dorchester intersection-does this point necessitates being further illustrated?

#6 Economics 101-Terminating at Dorchester would enable more commuters to utilize the Green Line than at Cottage Grove, generating more revenue. The farther away the less likely Southeast Siders are to utilize it-\$350 million wasted.

#7 Economics 301-If the Green Line doesn't terminate at Dorchester, Southeast Sliders on the #6 Jeffery and #28 Stony Island buses won't utilize the Green Line because they won't be able to reach it. The justification behind the decline of ridership on the Jackson Park Green Line may facilitate the demolition of the Stony Island terminal in 1986-because the Green Line no longer terminates at Stony Island, passengers on the #6 Jeffery Express are more inclined to remain on the Jeffery bus than depart, and attempt to commute to the Green Line at Cottage Grove-however, with a terminal at Dorchester, the #6 and #28 buses can have uncomplicated access to the Green Line, generating higher ridership levels for the Green Line.

#8 Sociology 101-

Termination at Dorchester would provide rapid transit access to Jackson Park's abundant tourist attractions, including the Museum of Science and Industry, without the auto congestion.

#9 Political Science 101-Supporting termination at Dorchester would facilitate any politician, particularly one in desperate need of votes-Mayor Daley, Bill Clinton, Bobby Rush, any politician. Supporting demolition of the Woodlawn Green-it becomes a coin-toss. It would also demonstrate the unity-of lack of, depending on the outcome-in the Black community.

#10 History 101-The Green Line terminated at Stony Island from 1892 through the World War I Era, Great Depression Era, World War II Era, Cold Was Era, Vietnam War Era, Civil Rights Era, And Disco Era, up to 1982 when it was finally abbreviated at University. Since history demonstrates that the Green Line survived terminating at Stony Island for 90 years, Why can't the Woodlawn Green Line terminate at Dorchester to another 90 years, and survive?

Notice to The General Public: CHA & HUD Magicians

Abandoning public housing another ploy to trample upon the poor, and without a solution to keep low income housing available.

Privatizing would be fine if the overall cost would remain in tact. Why are our political reps. so eager to force the poor into believing this is the best solution for better housing? If the federal guidelines can become contractual as they (were) for the security of the less fortunate then it would be a blessing.

At this time it is quite evident that some plans are in place due to the convention coming to town, and the need to impress tourist. People effected and persons aware of the developers of community restoration need to come together for a final assessment. Why now is there such a desperate move to privatize? Will someone answer truthfully?

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HEALTH COLUMNIST

by Bernetta Pearson

Is Your Nurse Really A Nurse?

Is good quality health care being sacrificed on the altar of money? Some nurses say yes. According to Revolution Magazine 74% have had their job cut. Some hospitals say the nurse is resistant to change, to reengineering. You be the judge. Who does what to you when you are sick? If you or your loved one has been in the hospital in the past year or two, have you noticed poor service? Are you being discharged earlier? Are you being taught how to take care of yourself? Did you or your loved one have to return to the hospital soon after discharge? Are hospitals being pressured to discharge babies and sick people earlier? By whom? Are rates of infection and death rates rising in hospitals? According to 20-20 They can't or won't produce information or statistics on these issues.

Nurses are trying to get a Patient Health Care and Professional Protection Act, so that they can speak



up and speak out against unsafe patient care? A Supreme Court ruling in May, 1994 states that nurses must act in the interest of the employer-not the patient. That's not what

nurses were trained to do. We need legislation to ensure 1. Safe patient care by a professionally trained nurse or doctor. 2. Protection for nurses who speak out against unsafe patient care.

At the University of Chicago, the person responsible according to published news reports for the needle stick of a baby was a patient care technician-not a trained nurse or laboratory phlebotomist. Who are these people being hired to replace? Nurses at a much lower salary, of course. If you're paying more and getting less because nurses are not there, where is the savings? Is it given back to you as credit? The people who are being hired are not trained in physiology or medicine. In some cases they are from housekeeping being reengineered. Are hospitals so interested in their bottom line that they are willing to endanger the lives of it's customers?

Next issue-Questions to ask, what to look for in the hospital.



40 & OVER COLUMNIST

by Bobbie Warren



The Hand That Rocks The Flag

Women redefined and changed their roles as mothers of humanity and changed the world.

We have been shifted to a "topsy-turvy" existence, advancing: irresponsibility-male abuse, disrespecting women / insecurity-male dependency on women / Unemployment-(and on , and on, and on).

Where will it end? How can we redo and renew what has been done? The key to our problems is through unity between males and females as well as unity of male-female relationships. We MUST, as adults, relate to



our children groupwise as well as individual family and individually. African Americans have been trapped by European philosophies that caused loss of cultural

identity and enslavement caused slavlike mentalities of not only Blacks, but Whites. That is why so many times you stand at a counter to receive service and clerks will provide service to Whites first, if you do not remind them of the "first-come first-served" priority. White people --most of them -- do not understand that we all suffer from the same ills which will eventually cause America's downfall unless we really become "color blind:" and unite as a nation, "one" nation.... As we so often place our hands over our hearts and pledge to the symbol of our country.

What is wrong with that picture? It smells of hypocrisy, pledging to a --flag (rag) ??? Some have been punished, severely, for not pledging. Just recently, an NBA basketball player. Our country is running rampant with four letter words being used by even the youngest children and it is acceptable. But don't you dare refuse to pledge to the --flag!!!

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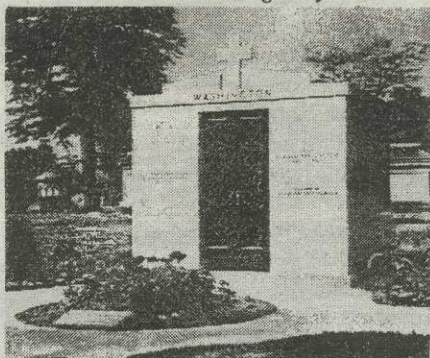
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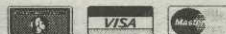
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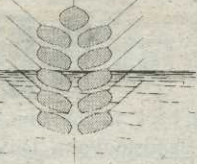
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A.C.T.S. Hold on for Land Development on 29th Street

For the past year a group of eleven churches called the Alliance of Congregations Transforming the Southside (ACTS) have been trying to influence how a vacant square block of city-owned land on Wabash Avenue from 29th to 28th street will be developed. Specifically, ACTS has been seeking needed



Father Thomas Frayne, of St. James

retail development and recreational development for the community to serve the Dearborn Homes and South Commons neighborhood.

On Monday, July 1 a public meeting was held at St. James Catholic Church on 29th and Wabash to inform the community support.

"The city needs to hear the cry of the community and not be

lured by offers of big money which suggest that the done deal is still done," stress Father Thomas Frayne, pastor of St. James.

The land, originally owned by the Archdiocese of Chicago, fell into the hands of the city for about \$10 around 1960. When St. James Catholic Church, which has been situated at 29th and Wabash for 140 years, sought to acquire some of this land last August for a gymnasium for its school children, Father Frayne said it was told by alderman Madeline Haithecock that the land was "promised" to another party. "Thus began a year-long saga which is now coming to a climax," said Father Frayne. "First, ACTS sought to undo a done deal. Then, ACTS, got the city to issue a Request for Proposals (REP) on the vacant land."

The RFP was issued on Feb. 25 1996. Proposals were due on June 25th, 1996. ACTS knew that four months would not be enough time for them to put together a complete proposal, but the city would not give additional time.

On June 25th, two proposals were submitted and read. One proposal by Rogers Pontiac and East Lake Management bid approximately \$850,000 for the land and calls for an expansion of Rogers Pontiac and an Office Building with some community services by East Lake Management. ACTS, in partnership with Matanky Realty Group and D.R.C. Development Group bid \$10 for the land and proposes to build affordable housing and a recreational facility for the community and for the children of St. James School.

Up Close

Metropolitan Community Church Installs New Minister

Grand Blvd.-On July 7, 1996 Metropolitan Community Church celebrated the installation of pastor, Rev. Leon Perry III in its sanctuary at 4100 South Martin Luther King Drive.

"We are delighted celebrating Rev. Perry's installation as the fourth Pastor to serve in the 76-year history of the church," says Bernice Reed, Installation Committee Representative.

The installation sermon was delivered by Bishop T. Garrott Benjamin, Jr., pastor of the Light of The World Christian Church of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Rev. Leon Perry, III, 36 years of age is a native of Chicago. He answered the call into Christian ministry at an early age and was licensed to preach in 1979 under the pastorate of Dr. Dorothy Sutton Branch.

With lots of energy and vision he served in Commonwealth Community church as a youth leader, Sunday school teacher, youth choir founder and director, official board member and Pastor of Commonwealth Community Junior Church.

The ministry of evangelism has allowed him to travel a great deal participating in youth rallies, revivals, workshops, retreats and special day guest speakers assignments within the local community and throughout the United States.

He graduated from North Park College of Theological Seminary receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religious Studies and is now a full-time divinity student of McCormick Theological Seminary.

While attending North Park College, he traveled to Alaska serving many villages as a student missionary. He recently traveled to Israel and Egypt as a part of his continued education program of the University of Divinity Chicago.

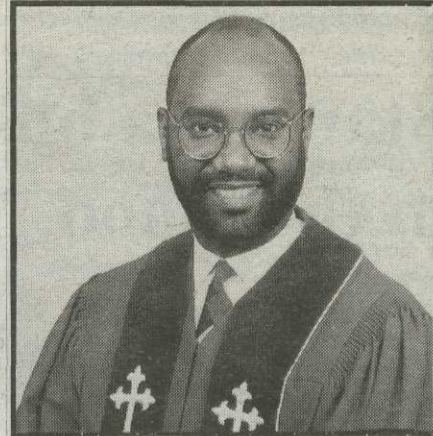
Rev. Leon Perry III was duly ordained into the Christian ministry by the International Council of Community Churches on the 22nd day of May, 1993. His affiliation with the council has given him the opportunity to be elected president of the youth and young adult council and a member of the social concerns commission, and now a newly elected trustee.

In 1980, 1984 and 1987 he was the recipient of the Outstanding Young Men of American Award.

He has taught in the south suburban school districts; served as chaplain for the Glenwood School for Boys; and elected board member of the NAACP; board member of the Adoption Information Center of Illinois and chairman of the Metropolitan Community Foundation, Inc.

For the past eight years, he has served as the Associate Pastor of Metropolitan Community Church and Pastor of Metropolitan Community Junior Church. He is currently serving as Pastor of Metropolitan Community Church.

It is Reverend Perry's belief that we must be energized by God's spirit, motivated by God's love, guided by God's hand, strengthened by God's power and saved by God's grace.



Metropolitan Community Church newly installed pastor, Rev. Leon Perry III



Quinn Chapel Empowerment Workshop

Near South -- Historic Quinn Community Development Corporation (HOQDC), an Illinois not-for-profit

corporation, will host the Faith In action empowerment Workshop on August 3rd, at Quinn Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME), 2401 S. Wabash Ave. from 10 am to 4 pm

Robert Andrews, Jr. of Baltimore, Maryland is the instructor. By attending this workshop people will receive knowledge of how to become more involved with the community; learn how to establish a church/community based 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation; the secrets of grant writing and resource development, among many other useful techniques.

The HOQDC's mission is to develop and maintain a solid mixed income community that capitalizes on the historic significance of the surrounding community.

Limited space is available. Workshop cost is \$40, all reservations, accompanied by payment, must be received no later than July 30th. for information contact the workshop coordinator at 536-5393

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Prepared by ACTS organizing committee

Ministers from Burned Churches Come To Chicago

Kenwood -- On Saturday (June 29) at Operation PUSH, 920 E. 50th Street, a group of ministers representing Black churches burned during a recent wave of uprisings in the South, addressed the Rainbow / PUSH Saturday Morning Forum at 10:00 am. Also Rev. Jackson announced the Chicago initiative in rebuilding burned churches. A coalition of contractors truckers and suppliers will begin stock-piling supplies and begin the needs assessment in order to rebuild some of the churches. Trucks and supplies will begin loading outside PUSH headquarters at 9:00 am to depart for selected sites at a later date.

According to the U.S. Justice Department, more than 90 churches have been burned in the last 18 months, with 65 percent of them having predominately Black congregations. Jackson called the burnings part of a "cultural conspiracy."

Rush and Other Lawmakers Call for Federal Resources to Address Church Burnings

Washington, D. C.- U.S. Representative Bobby L. Rush joined other members of the Congressional Black Caucus at a hearing to assess the federal government's response to the church arsons and call for federal resources to address these hate crimes. The hearing follows passage of the Church Arson Prevention Act by the House and Passage of a house resolution on June 13 condemning the church burnings.

In a statement at the hearing, Rush referred to two incidents of hate crimes in the Chicago area that he cited as examples of the growing racial tensions throughout the country. An African American family in Suburban Blue Island were the targets of a cross burning on their front lawn and the homes of several African American families in a mostly white neighborhood on the city's Southwest Side were burned in a suspected arson.

Rush told panelists which included U.S. Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights Deval Patrick and Treasury Department Assistant Secretary for Enforcement Jim Johnson that he hoped the church burning and other incidents "are not an indication that this country is returning to the filth that many of us here have worked so hard to cleanse ourselves of".

Three panels of government officials, civil rights leaders and religious organizations testified before the Caucus hearings.

Clergy Protest Supreme Court Ruling

On Thursday June 27 Chicago area clergy conducted a "Pray-In" at the Everett McKinley Dirksen Federal Building at 219 S. Dearborn in order to protest the curtailing of the Voting Act and the attack on civil rights gains achieved during the days of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. The demonstration directed by Rev. Charles Koen, Field Secretary for the Rainbow Coalition/Operation PUSH.

The "Pray-In" coincides with a similar protest in Washington, D.C., on the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court, led by the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson.

The Ministers joined by a coalition protested the recent Supreme Court ruling striking down "majority minority districts" which also strikes at the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

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Financial Matters

Coming Soon-The Guide to Black Chicago

Scheduled for release July 22, 1996 to coincide with the arrival of an expected 75,000 African-American conference attendees and the August Democratic National Convention,

The Guide will be distributed through the city and state convention and tourism bureaus, conventions, professional associations, travel agents, tour operators, bookstores and other outlets.

"Chicago has one of the richest African-American historical and cultural heritages in the nation,

dating back to the founding father, Jean Baptiste Point DuSable," said Patrick Riley, a member of The Guide Group. "We want to share with the world all that we've contributed to make this city what it is, and at the same time increase economic opportunities in the Black community."

Each section opens with a feature story on a significant or unique Black institution in that category. In addition, six predominantly Black neighborhoods are also profiled. Maps, travel information and other useful general information are also included.

The Guide will be distributed through the 1996 Democratic National Convention, the Chicago Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Chicago Office and Illinois Bureau of Tourism, the National Coalition of Black Meeting Planners, Black-owned bookstores and businesses, and organizations listed in the publication. The first edition is free to select markets. Future editions will be sold at nominal cost. To secure a copy of *The Guide To Black Chicago*, visit your local Black bookstore or contact one of the distribution organizations. For information regarding advertising and future sales of *The Guide*, call 312-509-6815.

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The Black Metropolis Convention and Tourism Council is working with Ron Carroll as a member of the Communications Technology committee to create new opportunities for Bronzeville area residents while planning to become a self-sustaining enterprise and leading partner in the Empowerment Zone effort. If you would like to know more about CACI or become a participant, collaborator or sponsor, call Mr. Carroll at 465-7179. View the Web Page: <http://www.interman.net/Bronzeville>

Delegation in Japan to Protest Mitsubishi

- On Tuesday, June 27 a delegation representing the National Rainbow Coalition, Operation PUSH and the National Organization for Women (NOW) left for Japan protesting Mitsubishi Motor Corporation during the company's board meeting in Tokyo. Rev. Jesse L. Jackson called a boycott of the foreign automaker on May 10 to fight Mitsubishi's corporate policies of sex harassment and because of the firm's poor record of providing minority dealer and supplier opportunities.

The group is in Tokyo lead by Rev. Jackson to open up trade routes and expand the marketplace for minorities.

Starting a business in the 'hood "

By Derek McNeal

Woodlawn, like many communities in the Mid-South area, they are interesting neighborhoods. The average (median) income for adults in the community is less than \$14,000-which isn't much-but somehow attract people from outside the neighborhood who set up shop hungry for the money we toss around so freely.

We need Woodlawn residents to start businesses, but these are tough times. It takes a lot of preparation and serious knowledge gathering in order to develop a successful business.

What a person must first do in considering starting up a business - one should

examine his or her motives and mindset. Are you willing to put in 15 or more hours a day to get the business off the ground? Many people who are used to working 9-to-5 can't make that adjustment because they feel that they've already "worked hard" and want to go into business for the pleasure and prestige.

Go for customers. If you are going into business for yourself, you are bound to fail. Instead, you should go into business for your customers. Think about who you want to shop at your store or use your services and tailor your business to that ideal customer.

Do what you like. Go into a business that you have a gift for, know inside - out, and would do for free. If you love to sew, and you're excellent and sew for the joy of it, then you would probably succeed in a business sewing. You can make money by going into a "sure thing" like a grocery store, but to be truly successful, you've got to like what you do.

Get advise. After you decide on the type of business to go into, seek out professional advisors. A CPA (certified public accountant) can instruct you on the basic requirements for starting a business and knows about tax deductions and the special needs of particular markets (retail, real estate, grocery, professional services, etc.). A lawyer can give you legal advice on issues such as licensing, zoning business structure, liability, and patent / trade-mark issues.

Get your main support staff. Later, you'll have to learn how to keep day -to -day records for tax and banking purposes, or you can hire a bookkeeper to do that. Always deep in mind that you'll need customers - so expect to hook up with a marketing person who can help you advertise and keep your name out in front.

Your ownership of the business. Which business structure is right for you?

Sole proprietorship - one person owns the business, liable for business expenses, which means that your personal property / assets can be targeted to pay for debts. Partnership - two or

more owners start the business. One (or more) partners can be "lesser" or "silent".

Corporation - Your personal assets are shielded from liability (your property can't be used to pay for debt.). Corporations in Illinois can now be started with just one person rather than three. You can sell shares in order to raise funds.

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Register you business.

To register with the state, call the Illinois Dept. of Revenue (800/732-8866) for an application for the NUC

1. Get a general business license from the City of Chicago Dept. of Employment Security (793-4880) so that money can be taken out for your employees' unemployment compensation. Sole proprietors who plan to use a business name other than their own should get an Assumed Name registration from the County Clerk's office (443-5652). Partnerships and corporations have to get an FEIN (Federal Employer Identification Number), (800/tax-form).

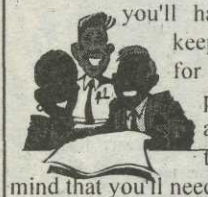
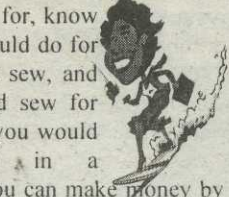
Getting money. If you don't have a nice amount saved up, you'll have to think about getting a loan. Loaners would probably ask for a business plan. That's no big mystery - the easiest way is to write down a brief description of your business and your short - and long - range goals. The financial section can be dealt with a loan application and write out all the answers to the questions in paragraph form.

Learn about the bank by asking for the bank's CRA (Community Reinvestment Act) report. This report will tell you how many loans the bank has made in it's lending area, including information on loans to small businesses. You'll want to do business with a bank that shows an involvement with small businesses in the neighborhood. Also, look into the bank's fee rules - sometimes a bank can "fee" you death!

Sometimes banks won't want to take a chance on a new business by giving you a loan, in which case you finance your venture yourself. Develop a relationship with the bank anyway, especially if you have an account there. Sometimes a bank will keep an interested eye on you and will OK a loan for business expansion later on.

Getting customers. It's not enough to open a business or store and hope that someone will notice. Advertising involves placing ads in local papers, distributing flyers, and finding ways to place your business name out for the public to see. Taking out one ad usually doesn't do the trick - sometimes it takes a while for readers to get familiar with your name.

Customer relations are what smart businessowners develop to provide the best for their money. It also means attending community meetings, getting involved and finding ways to show you're not out here "only for the money."



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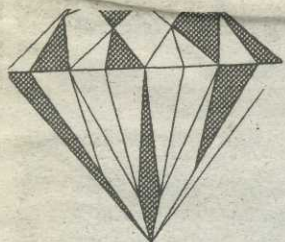
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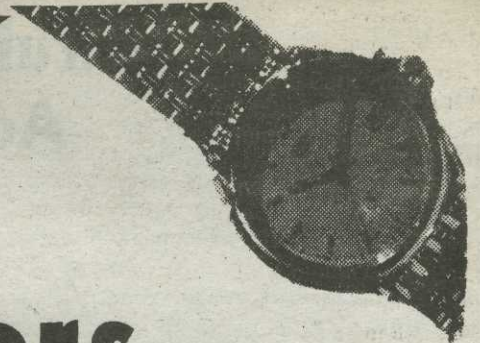
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