**Left, Ald. Dorothy Tillman (20) recently launched the Chicago Progressive Community Action Coalition (CP-PAC), political activists and candidates targeted February 23, 1999 election at a press conference calling for a Recall of City Hall Picture are (l. to r.) Myra Penny (3 ward), Carol Chambers (20), Joseph Simonson (18), Bruce Crosby, Vice Chair, Bob Lucas, Chairman, Moses Jones (20), Wallace Gaine* Bradley (3), Frank Thomas (34) and 22 other candidates not pictured. CP-PAC identified (left) Congressman Bobby Rush (3), as their mayoral candidate who is expected to make Homan Square for mayor official this month.

The recall of Cook County President John Stogner and the attempt of U.S. Senator Carol Moseley-Braun, were among the leading factors that resulted in the high voter turnout on November 3 election. Higher than most expected with 66% of the Black registered voters turn out on election day. Even with the defeat of Braun, the spirit of the turn out was seen as a lesson for the February 23, 1999 city election of mayor and alder­-manic candidates.

Many using the term the "Third Force", spearheaded by the Nation of Islam leader, Louis Farrakhan. But prior to the "Third Force" term, under the banner of "Registration for Liberation", the fourth citywide Town Hall meeting was held Saturday November 7th at the Midland Hotel. Again, the room was "well to" with approximately 300 people in attendance with their eyes on the February 23rd election.

At their first meeting in early August they began working on a "Community Report on Chicago", highlighting a summary of official discrimi­nation issues against Chicago's African American people. Joseph Banks, chair of the Town Hall meetings, explained that, "This report is in com­junction with comments, thoughts, and observations from a broad number of people. It takes specific issue with the way Mayor Richard M. Daley

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**Lenard Clark case**

**Crossing an ongoing bridge for Justice**

The Lenard Clark racial beating trial has ended. Frank Curcio Jr.'s eighty-eight-year-old father was upheld. His associates Michael Kwiatkowski and Victor Jones agreed to a plea bargain of community services and probation. There were no Chicago Police standing by for Lenard Clark has been difficulty to ascertain the position of the African-American community. In part because of the confusing position of the community leaders. The Clark case has been with questionable behavior beginning just days after the beating which occurred nearly two years ago. South Side Journal reported several questionable findings that have not

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**Hayes Center Opens as an Investment**

The Charles A. Hayes Family Investment Center opened officially to the public. Standing proud of the pre-work did to open are, Ron Carter, former CHA, Director of REDI who organized support and acquisition and Zenobia Johnson-Black, President and CEO of the Center's who has spearheaded the concept of the center. Resident with her husband, Robert Professor Dr. Timothe Black center conception and funding and Emeritus of City Colleges. "We believe in the importance of human capital development and the Center will help, people acquire the skills and knowledge, especially for careers in the prosperous fields of information and technology."

Ronald Hayes, the 1st graduate of computer maintenance and repair class put the first 12 com­munities in place at the center. "This center should be excellent," said Hayes. "With a high school diploma, two year college and knowledge from this program, people can be prepared to get a $30 - 40 a year job."

Ron Carter, a major co­ordinating for the center and former director of CHA's REDI (now director of the city's Empowerment Zone Program) said the center will not only anchor peo­ple for jobs but for busi­nesses as well. "We have put over 5,000 in the REDI program, 40% have their own businesses. This center will enhance this. Carter worked on the program and funding for Emeritus of City Colleges. "We be
The joining together for a cleaner street, the West 50th Place Block Club members were part of several blocks in Mid-South taking part of the CAPS Block organizing committee. "Adopt A Street Program." (6 to R) Rowley Horton, 3rd Ward Superintendant, Streets and Sanitation; 16th Buffaloington, JimBuffington, Marble Sutton, 2nd District Police Comm.

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The Executive Board of Directors of the Mid-South Planning and Development Commission, appointed Mr. Berry Acting Executive Director of the organization, effective August 1, 1997, to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mr. Berry, who has been with the organization since January, 1997, was appointed Acting Executive Director by the Board of Directors.

Mr. Berry pledged to continue this mission of the organization, which is to implement the Mid-South Strategic Plan to improve and enhance the quality of life and maintain the cultural heritage of the indigenous population that lives and works in the Bronzeville, Mid-South Area.

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The Tina Olson Story
Rev. Al Sampson, the man behind the Mother & Child

Excuse Me!
By Harold Hayes

Tina Olson has been the ease to get her baby back from Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burke. He has, behind enemy lines with Rev. Al Sampson, founder and supporter in front of alderman Edward M. Burke at 2550 W. 21st Street is a major part of the story.

The whole the 30 day fast started. I have personally known the Rev. Scared since the early 60's and all this time he has been a fighter a leader and a person who cares for the under dog, he is also a very wise one.

The enemise for Ms. Tina Olson and her son is honorable, just, and humanitarian.

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Restoration Vs. Regentification

What is left of the massive shells of the former homes of public housing residents loom over 44th and State Street and 39th and Cottage Grove, at the demolition hall declares that public housing is being destroyed in Bronzeville. Other than the redevelopment of a Family Investment Center in the old Packing House Building, at 44th and Washington, few or generous initiatives to empower low income public housing residents exist. Most displaced public housing residents are being awarded vague Section 8 certificates and are forced to find subsidized housing in a market where rental housing is at a premium.

Consequently, the public housing that once circled Bronzeville and provided an effective barrier that kept downtown developers and real-estate landgrabbers out of the area is systematically being removed. Low-income people in Bronzeville are strategically being gentrified.

Removed from prime land that is rapidly being redeveloped with upscale townhouses ranging in price starting at $200,000. Public official are quietly retaining faithfuls on prime residential properties throughout Bronzeville. Some Aldermen are becoming developers, a glaring

Indelible choice of interest, violating the public trust of the people who elected them as representatives.

The last federal resources of government dollars in the 20th century. Empowerment Zone (EZ) Funds that should help alleviate poverty, create jobs and promote economic empowerment in lower income, inner city communities is shrouded in a vague complexity of ambiguous new rules. The community's vehicle for accountability for use of EZ funding, the Coordinating Council no longer has a component for public debate on the dispersal of the remaining $66,000,000.

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 addressing political accountability, pictured above this past summer, are residents of Mid-South attending the Bronzeville Community Organizing Sessions (B-MSCPAC) Community Congress. B-MSCPAC presented a 10 point Plan to address the needs of Bronzeville. It covered voter registration, economic development, housing, and other issues. In addition, concerns of courteous in returning telephone calls, directed to alderman of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 20th wards. Mr. Charles Thomas didn't know the cause most of these ministers go behind the doors of their churches. This baby must be put back with his mother, and family members so it can enjoy the oranges like any other black child?"

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Bronzeville youth leader receives National grant

Dolores Community activist Kayley Taylor has received a grant from the "Do Something" foundation for his efforts to involve youth in the neighborhood clean-up project.

Taylor and more than a dozen students are spending their Saturday cleaning up garbage on the streets and in abandoned lots, teaching the young participants the value of hard work and the pride of a strong community. Taylor, age 28, and nine other young leaders across the nation are receiving "Do Something" Grants for putting their creative, problem-solving ideas into action.

As part of the GAP Community Project, Taylor is working with the Local Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'í giving youth the tools and opportunities to succeed. "When I was 15, my father gave me a lawnmower and showed me how to take pride in my work," Taylor says. "I want to pass on the gifts that my father gave me by giving a youth some of the tools that life requires."

"Do Something" provides grants to young people with proposals that target a specific issue, with a plan of action, a detailed budget and display adequate supervision and accountability. To date, more than 2,300 applicants in 45 states have applied for "Do Something" Grants resulting in over $1,000,000.

"No matter what your age or background, everyone has a role to play in building better communities," says Andrew Shue, the actor who created Do Something in 1993. "You just have to do something."

Do Something is a national nonprofit organization that inspires, trains, funds and mobilizes young people to be leaders strengthening their communities. For more information about Do Something programs, call 212/523-1175, website www.DoSomething.org.

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Sutherland Group on hold for Empowerment Zone Funds

Kenwood - The Sutherland Community Arts Initiative (SCAI) and Century Place, Development Corporation (CPDC) held their own hearing September 16, to call the membership of the City council in the two and half year delay in Empowerment Zone Funds that have yet to be released to the organization.

The SCAI charged that the city council, pursuant to an ordinance adopted on March 26, 1996, authorized the City to grant funds for the development of the Sutherland Performance Center on 47th and Drexel Blvd. The funds are to be used for community artists, and arts programming and present arts-education programs in the community schools. As of a deadline, the funds have not been released, but the council programming the funds are good.

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Funding & Grassroots Workshop

The Community Renewal Society's will hold a workshop on fundraising for grassroots organizations on Thursday, Nov. 19, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm at their office 332 S. Michigan Ave.

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Nona's Column

Don't Complain about CTA. do something about it?

By Nona Farrar

I sign the petition to elect the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) President! The CTA President is currently appointed by Mayor Richard Daley. You want to have some control here, the only way we can do that is to let our State Legislators know we want the process changed. We want to elect the CTA President, so height is accountable to the people.

So 128,808 signatures are needed by December 7, 1998 in order to get an Advisory Referendum on the February 23, 1999 ballot. The signatures should not be a problem, given the large number of people that complain about the service.

Can you imagine all the voters that will come out to vote February 23, 1999 if this Referendum is on the ballot! The CTA, a problem could turn out to be a blessing in disguise for many of us and a rude awakening for others.

By the way, once we're able to vote a C.T.A. President in, we've taken back the control we gave away. This will give the power to the voter his/her cut when our complaints are not dealt with. The voters should also do an independent search for whoever it is they think should run in C.T.A. President, you can do that yourself. Know your control back!

I started a new Civil Human Rights organization called Larguer Vision Inc., to deal with many of the problems we need addressed. I hope on my efforts to assist the people will be largely supported by the people as opposed to me having to depend on foundations who may want to curb some of my efforts.

Don't forget, February 23, 1999 is the day we all must go out to vote in the Mayoral and Aldermanic races. Let's Do It Again! Vote February 23, 1999!
The 47th Street Business Association are attempting to address concerns of business displacement on 47th Street due to the 47th/King Plan of the City of Chicago. Ron Carter, Vice President stated the association faces in protecting the existing business as well wanting to work with the city and Ald.DorothyTillman (3) who is spearheading the plan. The association meets Friday, November 21st and every other Friday at Harris Bank 47th and Dear at 5:00 pm. The amendment extended the city to power to take possession of property on 47th Street if needed to suit the plan. Final approval would have to go before the full city council. The 475A, said they requested full disclosure of the Plan and its amendments before any vote. "We took the position that the CDC do not vote on the amendment or table it because the community at large have not and should have the right to see the view content and scope. Before any more legislation takes place," said Mr. Armstrong. The owner own on 47th Street (not a candidate as printed in the Chicago). Business are not only concerned of their businesses future, the possible loss of jobs. One building for demolition is 4700

Ophelia and Clarence proud staff of B & B Pizza, on the corner of 56th & State, both employed for over 24 years. Clarence, said he and B.B. Pizza owned a visit the 55th and State Street, said the "pizza is outstanding. Having the same family recipe for over 50 years, B & B Pizza King has been in the community for over 30 years. "Wood stop owner, says the eats so much of his success is to customers, the recognition from the customers. Ophelia said she's not an employee. Bill "I never thought that Ophelia Boyd and Clarence Butler have been around the city for years. The Odgers (owners) are nice people. Clarence: Yeah, they are. We care about the employees. Advice to someone to stay on the job as long as you have? Ophelia: We work hard for good service. But, we have a good time. We have a ball. There is no stress. Clarence: Stress on a job sometimes not realizing what you do. I enjoy what I do."

Ronald Hayes or the computer is the first to greet people to the twenty computer training class, here he is with sixty youth ready to listen and learn. From left to right in Tony White, Gaddie William, Karen Lewis, Bessie Hayes, Marie Jones, Seramaine Wilson, Carrell Howard, and Robert Grover.
Renters: When Your Landlord is Selling

There is a lot of talk about the gentrification of Bronzeville. I know quite a few owners in the area and my experience is that most Landlords would rather keep their property, which I encourage, but a number of older landlords feel they must sell they are tired. They are tired of being people for below market rent. I had had clients who were pleading each month for $150 for 4 bedrooms market rent. I have had clients who were...
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Saturday 14

Crossasers for Justice regular meeting, 12 noon at the Holiness Temple Church. The new location of the church is approximately 500 E. 61st Street. Every Saturday.

Inner City Youth Foundation, Inc., at the Swift Mansion, 4500 S. Michigan Ave. extends to you a personal breakfast invitation, every Saturday 10 am to 2 pm, concerning the condition and direction of young people in the community, solutions and resources are welcome. For more information call Maurice Perkins 773/624-0803.

2nd Ward meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at the Ward office located at 449 E. 35th Street at 10:30. Phone 924-0014.

West Woodman Council of Black Clubs meet on the 4th Saturday of each month at the Parkview Community House, 500 East 67th Street.

Sunday 15


Monday, 16

Chicago-Progressive Political Action Coalition (CPPAC) meets 7:00 pm at Holy Bethlehem Church, 76th and Aberdeen. Persons involved in discrimination cases must arrive by 6:30pm at Rainbow/PUSH, 50th & Drexel.

Tuesday, 17

Task Force for Black Police Empowerment meets every Tuesday, 6:30 pm at the Inner City Youth Foundation, Inc., 4883 S. King Drive. For information call Rev. Al Sampson 442-7128.

Wednesday, 18

All Dorothy Tillman (313) ward meetings are held every Wednesday at 7 pm at 46th and King Drive.
The Bryn Mawr Organizing Strategic Session will hold their meeting at the Center’s office located at 43rd and cottage Grove, 6:00 pm.

Friday 20

47th Street Business Association bi-weekly meeting at Harris Bank, 47th and Dear. 9:00 am. For information call 312/851-2881.

Saturday 21

Deladale High School will host its 15th Annual Olympic Day for 7 & 8 grade boys from 9 am to Noon. Teams of five are requested for the morning-long competition, which will feature basketball, kick-tosskie football, wrestling, tug-o-war, relay races, computer activities and tug-a-war. For more information or to register your team, contact Joe Zampillo at 312/}

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