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In The New Year

2001

By LaShawn Cobb
Associate Editor

As the year end and another one begins. Chicago's New Year's Eve glowed over the lakefront with fireworks as the city celebrated the beginning of the new millennium. The community looks back on the old and wonders what will happen in the new dawn.

Naturally the biggest event that unfolded in the last couple of months was with the presidential election.

A mockery to many, Concern was voters who got out and voted, but then at the same time witness how some votes didn't count. Views reflect on how African Americans need to stand up tall, and let their voices be heard through out the community. Here are some of the cities most prominent members such as Lu Palmer, Vernon Jarrett, Del Marie Cobb, and many more on how they see the new year.

Lu Palmer, The Godfather to the Black community Douglas
I don't see very much positive in the Black community the coming year. We have lost our sense of mission. We somehow can't be mobilize or take action for ourselves. It seems we have lost our way. In addition I see very little hope for our children, because they don't take the time out to read. We have let the "White man" control who and what we are. We need to get it back. We need to take control over our minds all across the board.



Cecilia Butler, president of the Washington Park Empowerment Center Washington Park -
We need to get the president (Clinton) to apologize for slavery and support the HR40 Repatriations Bill for a massive study. We need it and he needs it under his wing. It is application of the people who bought his administration in being and the V.P. as well, to where they are now. They owe it to us, the massive of African American people



South Shore; Vernon Jarrett: WVON syndicate & Columnist for Chicago Defender

*Opportunity!
Black people should not become discourage. We need to become more political. And not get discourage about what happen in Florida. We need to make our children read more and We need to be more persistent.*

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Englewood Promise fulfilled

Promise Fulfilled: House Speaker Hastiest and Local Congressman keeps promise to Englewood.

Englewood- Part of the Federal government had been operating without a budget since October 1,2000 funded by resolutions designed to keep the government open until an impasse between the White House and congressional Republicans were resolved. The first of January the negotiation was quickly ended once the presidential election results became clear. Congress ended its session with some programs that were unresolved.

A program called "New Market Initiatives" will be unveiled in February 2001 to pump over \$25 Billion over 10 years to impoverished communities, which included The Englewood community mostly through tax breaks. Up to 40 communities with high poverty rates would be eligible if they agreed to reduce taxes, local regulations on business and zoning restrictions. Other communities Illinois that might be candidates for inclusion include Ford Heights and the Chicago neighborhoods of the Near West

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Chicago City Council 17th Ward Election

Hawthorne Kicks Off Campaign on Dr. King's Day



Photo by SSJ

Police misconnect was a major concern at the first 17th ward political forum at the Church on 79th and Normal. The sponsoring organization the 17th Ward Party, a Police Force ruled candidates must be present which included Ald. Latasha Thompson husband representing at the forum.

Auburn - Soon after candidates of the special 17th ward election filed their petitions on the same day, Tyrone De'Andre Hawthorne won first place on the ballot, followed by Ald. Latasha Thomas (17) and Beverly Taylor-Williams. Another candidate is still in questioned for the special aldermanic election on February 27, 2001.

The official ballot will not be final until all challenges are cleared. But campaigning, a candidate forum, the announcement of Hawthorne's candidacy have already kicked off.

The first candidate forum was held on December 19 where Hawthorne and Taylor-Williams arrive and found the small group of 17th ward youth, seniors and the non-voters exploring the candidates' positions.

"Our hosting of the debate have sparked interest throughout the 17th ward community," said the 17th Ward Community Action Network, president Shawn Payne on and the moderator of the forum. "Since learning of this election our ward is very interested in the selection of candidates.

He said other debates are scheduled in the 17th ward. In addition the Chicago Urban League is considering hosting a candidates forum as well.

Hawthorne will announce his candidacy on Dr. Martin Luther King birthday. Family, friends, and supporters from the 17th ward and city-wide will join in the opening his campaign office at: 1378 West 79th Street, Monday, January 15, 2001, 4:00 p.m.

Hawthorne's campaign spokesperson said the announcement on Dr. King's birthday is appealing to the voters to celebrate holiday in declaration of his work, by supporting

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Mid South endorses Hotel, BEPAN plans The Black Land Grab

Bronzeville - At the Mid-South Planning and Development Commission (MSPDC) meeting on January 9th, the Black Economic Political & Action Network (BEPAN) was present as Mr. Anthony Fields presented his proposal to build a Howard Johnson Hotel and Plaza on his property at 916 E. Oakwood, off Lake Michigan. With a call of support by MSPDC member Charles Williams, a unanimous vote of about 200 members and non-members endorsed the project.

Although the MSPDC boundaries do not directly cover where the hotel to be located, MSPDC strategic plan for the Mid-South community area does, which called for a hotel in the area since 1994. Mistakenly, and consequently, the Chicago Tribune printed a map showing a

proposed hotel part of the Mid South plan on Mr. Fields property.

Everloyce McCullough, president of BEPAN appalled MSPDC for taking a stand. "However, BEPAN is still distraught by the city effort as a land grab and Alderman Toni Preckwinkle lack of support for the hotel.

However, Mr. Fields in an attempt to work with Ald. Preckwinkle met with representatives of the alderman for an alternative site in the 4th ward. Fields reported to SSJ that he and the alderman's representatives agreed that no other site could not be identified or suitable in the 4th ward, nor the surrounding wards to suite, the hotel land use other than his.

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SSJ photo by Armadillo Hicks

When President Clinton visited the Englewood community in November 1999, he along with (seated) Congressmen Bobby Rush (speaking), House Speaker Hastiest seated I. of Rush, President Clinton, Rev. Jesse Jackson Sr., with Con. Danny Davis, and the Con. Jesse Jackson Jr., and others promised to help communities like Englewood attract private investment toward new development.

The House of Kicks

La Shawn Cobb
Staff Writer

Grove Heights - The House of Kicks will be a new theme park located on the South East side of Chicago, at 95th in Cottage Grove Ave.

It will provide entertainment for the entire family. The House of Kicks has been under a tremendous amount of controversy since 1998. "Since then construction has been on its way with the successful completion of the first phase of construction. The second phase has begun says" Maria Ponders (General Manager of the House of Kicks).

When the plan to open the theme park in the area was first introduced. Many of the residents and neighborhood organization protested the theme park. Fearing that the theme park would bring down their property value. Gwen Meek, a resident of the Grove Height community area "feels that theirs should



To the left is artist rendering of the House of Kicks, 9535 S. Cottage Grove, Above at the The ground breaking ceremony from Lt. to Rt.: Mr. Ed Gardner, Linnie Smith, Pinky Johnson, Ilka Smith, Elaine Fields, Maria Ponders, and Sarah Ferguson Ald. Lorriane Dixon(8th)

have found a better location then the backyard of residents." The theme park will produce 55 jobs for the community. They have received numerous applications. Ald. Lorraine Dixon (8th ward has been helping Mr. Edward Gardner (Co Founder of Soft Sheen, Black on Black love campaign) get the community involved and by getting the work permits needed.

Mr. Gardner has given his

word that the community is his priority as well as his business. The House of Kicks will provide entertainment for all ages. He has agreed to help the local school districts in a adopted school program. The rides and games will range for \$.25- \$2. and a complete package is \$12. They will also provide a birthday package. It is also accessible by bus, car, and the metra said Maria Ponder

"Pan African and African Reparations" Dudley J. Thompson of Jamaica, speaks

- In a continuing effort to move the issue of reparations for people of African descent forward, The Honorable Dudley J. Thompson of Jamaica, a leader in the worldwide African Liberation Movement, will speak on "The Historical Role of the Pan African Movement and its Relationship to the Growing Worldwide African Reparations Movement." Mr. Thompson will lecture on Saturday, January 27 at Messiah-St. Bartholomew Church, 8255 S. Dante. Doors at 3 p.m. with the program beginning at 4 p.m.

Presented by the National Black United Front in conjunction with The Black United Fund of Illinois, State Senator Donne Trotter, Northwestern Illinois University - Center for Inner City Studies, N'COBRA, Christ Apostolic Church and

Messiah-St. Bartholomew Church, it is free and open to the public. For more information, call 773-268-7500, ext. 145 or 708-389-9929.

Thompson will also deliver brief remarks on reparations on Sunday, January 28, during Sunday morning services at Christ Apostolic Church, 1445 E. 65th Street as part of the Black Reparations Now church campaign. A reception follows at 11:30 a.m.

"We are honored to bring The Honorable Thompson to Chicago to engage us in the continuing dialogue on strategies for obtaining reparations for people of African descent throughout the world," said Dr. Conrad Worrill, chairman of the National Black United Front. A man whose motto is "Live and let live. All men are made in the

image of God," the Honorable Thompson is a long-standing Pan Africanist leader.

A native of Jamaica, attorney and Rhodes Scholar, he is a former member of both the Senate of Jamaica and the House of Representatives and served as Ambassador to Nigeria, Ghana and other African countries.

In 1952, Mr. Thompson began practicing law in East Africa, including Kenya. He also practiced in Trinidad, Barbados, St. Kitts, Dominica, The Bahamas, Grenada and elsewhere in the West Indies.

Thompson is the second authority on reparations to be featured in the lecture series. The first lecture was held on December 15, 2000. It featured the Nigerian Pan-Africanist Chinweizu.



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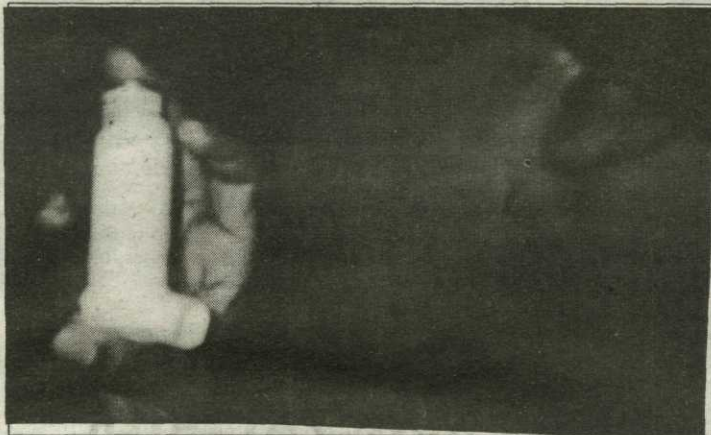


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Encouraging treatment and prevention is just as important as educating those who aren't asthmatic and who may exacerbate one's asthma,"

Roseland - Asthma mortality in Chicago has risen significantly over the last 20 years -- confined almost exclusively to African-Americans and those of Puerto Rican background. On an average, 5 African-American children die of asthma in Chicago every year. In 1998, 14 African-American children died. According to Children's Asthma Management Partnership, (CAMP).

CAMP is the partnership of the Chicago Department of Public Health. The Healthcare Consortium of Illinois, (formerly the Southside Health Consortium), LaRabida Hospital and Research Center and the Chicago Asthma Consortium. They recently announced details regarding their goal is to reduce the incidence of asthma in the Roseland area and surrounding communities.

Established in 1998, CAMP is believed to be one of the State's most effective and changing programs in the areas of asthma education and treatment and children's health.

According to Salim Al Nurridin, Executive Director of the Healthcare Consortium of Illinois, CAMP has five major service components: provider, school, community, environmental assessment/research development and evaluation.

CAMP's school-based services begin with an initial screening form, (which was issued to 10 Roseland Community Schools). Some of the schools involved are (Mildred Lavizzo Elementary, Pullman Elementary, Aldridge Elementary, Our Lady of Garden School). Upon completion of the form by parents/legal guardians, asthma awareness education is conducted with children identified as asthmatic or at risk to asthma. The parents/guardians are given follow-up forms, and children who are identified as having a lack of or no primary care, are referred to the provider program with LaRabida Children's Hospital.

Once seen by a physician at LaRabida, they are referred to a physician in the Consortium's referral network, based on geographical location. CAMP's community awareness campaign, which is still underway, will help consumers to become educated on the causes, effects and myths surrounding asthma and its impact on a child's overall mental and physical well-being stress Mr. Al Nurridin.

The home environmental assessment component is comprised of an analysis by an assigned case manager of the child's total environment - including school and home, explained Anna Griffin, Program Director of the Healthcare Consortium of Illi-

nois. "The child who has been described as asthmatic has this assessment to identify asthma triggers," Griffin said. "Recommendations are then made to how the child's access to that particular environment can be minimized or eliminated.

"Roseland is one of the most underserved communities in the Chicagoland area," Griffin added. "Its industrial environment, factories and landfills, has contributed to the high incidents of asthma in children.

"We've had such a positive response to CAMP," she said. "Parents are complying to the risk assessment forms and are allowing their children to participate in the school education program. This education will also help stir the parent's interest in the community service component.

"Our ultimate goal is to educate the community, so they can reach out and inform others to reduce the incidence of asthma." Griffin added. "The linkage with LaRabida, we hope people will begin to utilize the service and have healthier families.

As the evaluation is completed and the rate of success and outreach is identified, we will then know which direction to go to reach more people," Griffin said.

Carolyn Jackson, Program Director of the Chicago Asthma Consortium's, Community Partners Project, (CPP). Explained CPP has been extremely successful in building community-awareness surrounding

a s t h m a . "Encouraging treatment and prevention is just as important as educating those who aren't asthmatic and who may exacerbate one's asthma," said Jackson, who is also a Registered Respiratory Therapist.

Dust, mold, second-hand cigarette smoke and dandruff from insects and rodents are major asthma triggers. Those factors, combined with the outdoor environment, can be very harmful to a child's developing system, Jackson said.

"All of our work emphasizes that asthma is serious," said Jackson, who conducts community forums and distributes vital information on asthma. "I think many adults can't distinguish between cold and asthma symptoms," she said.

"If the community recognizes that asthma has a significant impact in their area, they can reduce the incidences by making their surroundings asthma safe," Jackson concluded.

According to Dr. Raoul Wolf, one of the founders of the Chicago

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King presents the city's 19 black alderman with gift



Photo by Werner Martin

Local Contractor Is One Of Santa's Many Helpers. Paul King, Chairman of UBM Inc., Chicago's largest African American Construction firm, presents the city's 19 black alderman with gift certificates for the needy. Each worth \$20 each. Standing with King (2nd R) are Near West Side alderman, Walter Burnett, Jr. (27) and South Side alderman Leslie Hairston (5), Leonard DeVille (21) and William Beavers (7)

While many of us talk about wanting to create a Merry Christmas for others one man went beyond that call.

Paul King, Chairman of UBM Inc., Chicago's largest black construction firm. In his company's effort to set an example of what an African American business should do to support good causes and provide assistance to the community's less fortunate. He gave 20 gift

certificates worth \$20 each to all the 19 black aldermen.

It was no accident that the certificates were Jewel-Osco. Earlier this year UBM completed the Stony Island Plaza anchored by the Jewel-Osco, at 95th and Stony Island. It was the first time in the company's 100 year history that a black general contractor was chosen to build one of its stores. UBM com-

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17th Ward

Hawthorne's candidacy. In addition, Hawthorne campaign says his business location symbolize the youth in business, as Dr. King in his last speech, address the youth and economic development to the future.

As many campaigns has its underhanded issues in the case with Hawthorne and Taylor the disapprobation of the contested may rest with Mayor Richard M. Daley's influence as well as former alderman Terry Peterson. Inquisition is whether Peterson is still running the 17th ward from the office of the Chicago Housing Authority.

"I hope they (Peterson and Thomas) ride in separate cars, because it is federal law dis-

allowing Peterson to be involve in political campaigns." Said Hawthorne, not eager to address the political machine in the 17th ward, he said, "We will get into the nitty-gritty of such immortal actions as they occur.

"Our announcement on the 33rd anniversary that we celebrate Dr. King birthday will be in the finest traditions of this ward. ... That I think how Dr. King would want it to be." Said Hawthorne.

Hawthorne, 28, in his attempt to become the youngest alderman in the 17th ward history is an activist in the Chicago Public Schools for the past twelve years, and an entrepreneur of four small businesses. A victim of unfair Zoning as other 17th ward business, he said in addition, "that was a determining factor in my decision to run for alderman, I represents the future our community talk about 30 years ago when the phase "Save the Children" was the

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pleted the project under budget and ahead of schedule,

The giant grocery chain has awarded King's company a contract to build another Jewel-Osco in the suburbs. UBM were given the opportunity to build the Stony Island store as a direct result of Ald. William Beavers and Mayor Daley's efforts. King says 'that this is what happens when African American are given the opportunity to forge close working and supportive relationships with the black alderman. Many the alderman are expressing their gratitude to UBM for their generous gesture.

Ald. Beavers said "King 's gift was timely. The gift certificates was very important for us on the preparation of our food baskets. We give turkeys away to our con-

stituents, but that not all one needs to complete a meal. Consequently, the \$20 gift certificate allowed a family buy the additional food to go with their turkey.

Ald Leonard De Vile (21), his ward office gives out turkeys and blankets, donated by the Salvation Army, to the needy. "The donation from Paul King helped us with the work we do during the holiday season" We appreciate his thoughtfulness and generosity.

Ald. Lorraine Dixon (8) said "What makes his gift especially nice is that he gave it directly to the ward offices". In my ward we "were able to send the gift certificates to 20 seniors who are low income and needed the help to have a very nice Christmas dinner. Through working with schools, community organizations and senior buildings we are able to learn first hand

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Side, the State Street Corridor, North Lawndale, and East and West Garfield Park.

During this session, Congress didn't act on proposed legislation to give low-paid workers a \$1 per hour increase in the minimum wage. The adjournment also brought to an end legislation that would have made it harder for consumers to file for bankruptcy. Some Republican would prefer that the power to file bankruptcy would be given only to businesses, not consumers. President Clinton threaten to veto the bankruptcy legislation and has yet to act on the measure.

For the Englewood community

and others interested in business development in distressed communities, the Congress delivered as promised. When President Clinton visited the Englewood community in November 1999, he along with House Speaker Hastiest, Congressman Bobby Rush,(1) Congressman Jesse Jackson Jr.,(2),Congressman Danny Davis(7) and the Rev. Jesse Jackson, promised to help communities like Englewood attract private investment toward new development.

"We thank our President and Illinois Congressional leaders for keeping their promise," said John Paul Jones, Chairman of the Greater Englewood Community and Family Task Force. A consortium of residents, LSC/PTA members, churches and social service groups working to reduce poverty and combat health

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Daley Ordinance to Rehabilitate CHA's Hillard Homes

Douglas - Mayor Richard Daley has introduced an ordinance that will help rehabilitate the Chicago Housing Authority's Hillard Homes in the South Loop into 654 units of mixed income family and senior housing

The ordinance authorizes up to \$50 million in Multi-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds and up to \$2.9 million of tax increment financing (TIF) assistance and designated two limited partnerships controlled by the Holsten Estate Development Corporation as the developer.

It calls for the Hillard buildings at 2031 S. Clark St. to be developed into family buildings containing 302 units, while the building at 2111 S. Clark St. and 30 W Cermak Rd. would be turned into 352 units for senior citizens

Of the 654 units, at least 305 will be CHA units, 248 will be for low and moderate income residents and 101 will be market rate units. The redevelopment includes an extensive landscaping plan with an attractive park like setting

This project complements the current redevelopment efforts in the South Loop by creating a mixed income community. The project will be completed in two phases, with one family building and one senior building constructed in each phase. Construction on the first phase scheduled to begin in February, 2001 with a scheduled completion date of February, 2003 phase II is scheduled to begin in April, 2003 with an anticipated completion date of April, 2005

Roseland Ridge Apartments New Affordable Housing



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New construction in Roseland is part of the housing development as in the Roseland Corridor, an affordable housing program for low/moderate income families, located at 10529 S. Michigan Ave.

Roseland - Historically the Greater Roseland area has been known as the community with the most foreclosures in the U.S. over 2,000 in 1978 and over 400 vacant homes.

Residents are now excited about the recent housing development in the Roseland Corridor, an affordable housing program for low/moderate income families, located at 10529 S. Michigan Ave. There are 40 units with rents ranging from \$500-\$630. There are a limited number of units affordable within the \$20,350 (family of four) income.

Anthony Beale, 9th ward Alderman, says "This is a great first step in the ward that has been without any progress for two decades." He was involved in the project before becoming alderman, and put it on fast track after becoming in office.

The housing development is an ambitious two-phase plan. During phase one, already in progress, thirty-five homes will be built in the Edbrooke area. Four of the homes are already built and sold. In phase two, forty units will be added along Michigan avenue. The new Edbrooke home owners find that the

investment in their homes is directly tied to the community's investment in CAPS. Says resident Anita Davis, "When I bought the house, I knew the neighborhood wasn't all that great, but it's up and coming and you can't expect change to happen overnight."

Willie Lomax, President Roseland Community Organization, indicated that this was a needed boost for the community. He understanding there is a need to clean up the area and of undesirables. Mr. Lomax feels that things will take time for every problem to be worked out.

He feels that the clean up of the business strips is mandatory.

Neighborhood Housing Services Director Pat DeBonnett, said "The new homes are intended to be a real jump-start to the community." But residents are concerned that the houses won't sell because of problem building owners and stubborn area crime. This area, within the Roseland community, is a corridor of blighted buildings, abandoned vehicles, drug dealing, and prostitution.

To prioritize and combat these problems, a partnership has formed among residents, community organizations, businesses, and the City. Says DeBonnett, "CAPS has assisted us in identifying problem properties, criminal activities, and in informing residents about how they can be empowered."

Other housing projects is the Vacant Holland House, 240 W. 107th Pl. will also be turned into an 82 unit SRO, with 74 units reserved for homeless individuals.

The city is also assisting homeowners in the area with grants for improving the exteriors of their homes under the targeted blocks program, a program Ald. Beal has promoted among residents.

Rev. Tony Van Zanten, Executive Director Roseland Christian Ministries, said he missed the open house, but that the esthetics are very attractive and distinctive. He hasn't been inside but feels that this is one piece of the bigger fabric. Rev. Van Zanten has a parallel program restricted to rehabs of approximately 70 units, which are mostly single family units.

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and violence in the community. "With Federal assistance, we now have added more economic development tools to ensure balance growth and benefit to residents in Englewood."

Federal Assistance in the communities businesses could invest in the areas without paying federal taxes on capital gains and also receive federal tax credits for wages and equipment.

We want to see business opportunities come to our community that we both can anticipate and act

upon, states Arness Dancy, President of the Greater Englewood Chamber of Commerce, A new organization that emerged following the President's visit. "We were present when the promise was made, we must be the first to participate."

The City has promised to spend over \$300 million in Greater Englewood within the next three years. The new Federal program will contribute greatly to the community's ability to gain benefit from this public spending.

Englewood leaders will convene in late-January with other local stakeholders to map their strategy in anticipation of this

new federal program and to fast track commercial development in the Halsted District.

The community leaders are increasingly concerned about the changing economy and its impact on commercial and industrial development in 2001-02.

"If financial experts are correct, we are certain to enter a recession in 2001," states Dancy. "We can ill-afford for this to happen. If a recession is eminent, we must prepare our community to actively seek cooperation from City Hall to fast track commercial development at 63rd and Halsted. We must see a balance occur on Halsted street, not just institu-

tional growth," declares Jones.

The Englewood community and the Halsted mall is no stranger to the effects of a recession. In 1989, the Persian Gulf war brought on a massive economic recession, the higher interest rates destroyed the Englewood Mall's planned \$26 million retail development.

The first act of business held On January 5, the City's Public Building Commission (PBC) held a pre-submittal conference at the Daley Center to select a program management team interested in the \$150 million construction of a new Kennedy-King College Campus on 63rd and Halsted.

Last Death Request For Clinton

As Gandhi so simply put it, "An eye for an eye leaves the whole world blind." Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Sr. reminded president Bill Clinton in light of the Justice Department's findings released this past September, detailing disturbing racial and geographic disparities in the application of the federal death penalty. Jackson urged Clinton to issue a national moratorium on the federal death penalty and to stop the first federal execution in nearly forty years by granting clemency to Juan Raul Garza. Mr. Garza's December 12th pending execution is a perfect example of the inherent problem, given that he is an



Clinton



Jackson

Hispanic male who was convicted in Texas, where every one of the capital defendants prosecuted by U.S. Attorneys in that state (pre-1995) was Hispanic.

Jackson pointed out under president elect George W. Bush, Texas

executed its 38th inmate this year, breaking its previous record set in 1997. Two more condemned men in Texas have execution dates with three more to follow in January. In light of Bush is the next sitting President Jackson reported his request is all the more urgent.

Jackson said the president was "troubled by the figures." of the Justice Department continues further serious studies questions the application of the death penalty. Jackson urged Clinton that at his very least he should issue a moratorium until any and all bias is removed from the process.

The national dialogue has been rekindled. Public concern over the growing number of wrongfully convicted men and women released from death row continues to be to much said. Jackson. He applauded Governor Ryan for his courageous decision to suspend the death penalty in Illinois. At least 10 states, and countless city governments, over the last several months are considering moratorium proposals.

As the president near the end of his successful tenure as one of the nation's greatest and most successful Presidents, Jackson said the president have the unique ability to offer the leadership required to guide the United States away from judicial executions and towards a better and more humane system of justice.

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Asthma

Asthma Consortium, CAMP is sure to move people away from crisis care to preventative care. Dr. Wolf, a renowned Allergist Immunologist who has treated a large number of patients with

asthma, defines the disease as inflammatory - where swelling and inflammation is found around the airwaves. As a result, asthma patients find it difficult to breath and often wheeze. Dr. Wolf says,

"If you control the swelling, you control everything, and by early detection you can control, the inflammation and are less likely to have long term dam-

age."

Dr. Wolf, who also serves as head of the Section of Pediatric Allergy and Immunology at the University of Chicago, contends that asthma can easily go unnoticed in children. Studies have shown that when children cough regularly, it is not immediately identified with asthma. The symptoms in children include shortness of breath, repeat

cold pneumonia and the continuous forward movement of the shoulders."What that child is doing is pulling in the strong chest muscles to help with their breathing," Dr. Wolf said "Asthma is a disease that nobody should die from because it is preventable and controllable," Dr. Wolf explained. "People still underestimate the severity of asthma and each attack."

Predatory Lending: Consequences and Solutions,



Laura Washington, the editor and publisher of the Chicago Reporter, will moderate a talk show style discussion entitled Predatory Lending: Consequences and Solutions, sponsored by LaSalle Bank. This provocative discussion will feature housing and mortgage leader. Predatory leading is the practice whereby homeowners or prospective homebuyers are solicited to take mortgage loans with very high interest rates, high points and high closing fees. Consumers often take out these loans without fully understanding how costly the loans are because the terms and conditions of the

loans may be hard to understand or are hidden in "fine print." The hotly debated discussion will help consumers protect themselves from predatory lenders by identifying the differences between predatory lending and legitimate loans to borrowers with flawed credit. The panel will also offer other solutions to prevent predatory lending, which many Chicago neighborhoods in perils by promoting an unprecedented number of foreclosures. The event was held on Wednesday, Dec. 6 and CO-sponsored by the Chicago Rehab Network

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Hawthorne's King's Day

cry. The future is here. I am the result of what people before me struggled for to carry us into the future. We want to make February 27th 2001, our millennium."

"There are clear issues in the 17th ward and one is the opportunity of choice, not appointment." Said Hawthorne. "This campaign is the end of the 17th wards political restraints and the beginning to it's future."

Hawthorne's campaign took an interesting twist. Robert Taylor and Jackie Ross of 74th and Paulina reported members of the 17th ward organization have been intimidating them and other voters door to door that signed Hawthorne petitions.

In addition one of Hawthorne's employees said he was approached by two plain cloths policemen who offered him \$15,000 to plant drugs in Hawthorne business at 79th and Damen. Hawthorne says, "Everyday either someone calls or come by the store asking for drugs or or drug related products." Hawthorne also reported messages to him saying that, "If I don't drop out of the race attempts will be made to destroy me."

"These are intimidation's not only against me but the residents of the 17th ward. The Alderman and her organization are making a tremendous mistake by identifying me as an enemy," states Hawthorne. "But the real enemy is the drug problem, unemployment, the land, the unfair zoning, business development and the lack of accountability of leadership to the ward."

The campaign has also build up with endorsements. Hawthorne received the endorsement of the Black Economic & Political Action Network (BEPAN) whom is sponsoring a rally in his behalf on January 20th, in a prelude to the "Black Land Grab" rally. He also made a presentation on his platform to the Task Force for Black Political Empowerment for their endorsements. As the progressive political activist membership were impressed with Hawthorne, the organization would not make an official position on the race until other candidates come forward.

Ald. Thomas, who has not made an official announcement was not available for comments on this story (however, interview on page 6). Beverly Taylor-Williams, an employee with the Chicago Police Department interview will be featured in the next SSJ.

The 17th ward has about 33,000 registered voters. In the November presidential election 17, 000 voters came out to vote. In the last aldermanic race 10,000 votes were cast.

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