Paul Pappas on 79th Street

Auburn-Gresham - Operating a liquor store in a community where crime is rampant and drug use is a dominant source of income, some residents have an ill-feeling of the 79th & Vincennes Market. They view liquor sales as the link to the crime and drug situation in the community. However, more notable are the praises bestowed upon the market, from regular patrons to Mayor Richard Daley, expressing high regards for the 46-year-old Auburn-Gresham business.

The 79th and Vincennes Market is owned by Paul Pappas. Mr. Pappas' family came here from Greece in 1955 and purchased a home at 8024 S. Harvard.

"As the last white boy on the little league team in the fifties, Mr. Pappas has maintained his friendship with former Black classmates who still reside in the community. Pappas attended the former Hadookey Elementary School at 81st and Laclede and later graduated from Calumet High School.

Without having a real goal in mind the way Ald. Dorothy Tillman (7) and the City of Chicago are mishandling their governmental powers. Ceranical Mimar Gerri Oliver.

Entraining media coverage and community involvement has raised the question, "Why the focus on Gerri's Palm Tavern?" when other proposed projects on 47th Street are still up in the air, including the 47th Street Culture Center (Lou Rawls Center), and the 47th Street Nightlife Village.

The 47th Street Business Association (47SBA) from 1997 to 1999 could not work well with Ald. Tillman, nor could the associations before them.

The best example is the building on the SW corner of 47th and King Drive. The City took control despite the objections of the 47SBA, tore it down, and then put up a sign saying this is the site of the "Quincy Jones Park".

Armadel Hicks, a former member of 47SBA who has been a barber with the Parkway Barber Shop, said, she and others were promised inclusion but always got the shaft. The political intimidation and financial risk discouraged membership. "We presented petitions and letters to Charles Bowen, Special Assistant to the Mayor, seeking inclusion for the existing businesses. Yet, when talks began, Tillman assisted in discouraging participation," said Hicks.

Other businesses seeking inclusion in the 47th Street redevelopment project include: Bacon Clothing, on the corner of 47th and St. Lawrence (whose owners are currently in litigation), FPC Furniture Store, Glamorama, 47th Street Pharmacy, New Approach Health Food, and Jamaico Too (the proposed site of the Second City Comedy Club). Gerri's Palm Tavern was proposed as an anchor business.

City rates failing grade in community development

The Coalition for Fair Community Development (CFCD), representing community residents and organizations throughout Chicago, held a protest on Wednesday May 23, at the Daley Plaza.

Mayor Daley and the City of Chicago's development policies received a failing grade for its unwillingness to protect current residents from the effects of Chicago's housing boom, especially in low-income and minority communities.

CFCD's members find that across the city, those development policies threaten the communities. "Development is supposed to help people in the community and make our lives better. Yet, what we find is when development arrives, we have to move," said John Bartenziel.

CFCD has developed a set of principles that the City should follow when it comes to redeveloping communities.

Report: Money in politics, fuel voter disgust

Illinois politics are awash in an alphabet soup of political scandal, from the Bridgeport State contract to MSA during Gov. Jim Edgar's administration, to the CAF, saga that has overwhelmed Gov. George Ryan's administration.

News reports regularly feature stories of public officials raising money from the very same companies they regulate, or ill-defined By "advisors" helping to pick the members of state boards, then representing clients before the same boards, or litigants allegedly giving money to the same judge who will decide their cases. And the specter of special interests buying favors.

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The UnZipped
by the Weatherman
Chicago Police seized 27,237 Ecstasy tablets in 1999, compared to 13 in 1998. "One reason for the increase in sales of Ecstasy is the penalties are too light," Mayor Daley said. "The drug is often sold in relatively small quantities, so dealers frequently get off without going to prison." None Daley, what folks are guns protecting?

Rev. Al Sharpton for President. 1st step, as "it's a go" with the peoples approved. Running mate? How about James Brown? And Luster Carlitt will soon to be seen to fund the campaign.

Alderman Dorothy Tilli-
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Cab Drivers oppose City's fines and fees

Plans City-Wide Strike

Of the 17,000 cabs drivers in the City of Chicago, Steve Weinberg, President, Chicago Professional Taxi Cab Drivers Association (CPTCDA), says 95% of them plan to hold a strike as a follow-up to two rallies held at City Hall last month opposing, "One Call a Day," fines and fees.

The CPTCDA did not disclose the date of their picket strike, but Weinberg, stating 56% that it will be in the near future.

Joining in the drivers coalition are the Metropolitan Chauffeurs Association (MCA), and the Blue and Gold Association. In addition to the strike the drivers are obtaining legal council, for a lawsuit against what they call the Kangaroo Court of the Public Vehicle Commission.

Alarming his fellow cab drivers Weinberg said, "Catherine Oono, Shoenberger, Commissioner of the Department of Consumer Services and the Mayor (Daley) have played political tag on our issues long enough. It is time we take a stand and say no more.

One of the major issues of the drivers is the Under-Served neighborhoods, which each day a driver works, he or she must answer one call from an under-served area each shift. Each day a log of all calls from under-served areas must be recorded. A log of these calls and the medallion that expanded would be kept by the administration in their normal course of business. Upon a driver in measuring what they must show one call each day they work.

A concern of the drivers say there are not enough calls that come in to meet the goal to prevent protests in the city.

On the recent march of drivers, in a statement by Shoenberger she stated concerns of the cab drivers is a result of last year City Council hearings vote on a 16.8% money increase for cab drivers. An increase Weberberg says the only ones to profit are the companies and the City. "We lose and the public loses.

"If we get a money increase, we must take a firm stance and not allow the companies to gain a loose increase," Shoenberger said.

Shoenberger statements also addresse the goal of a committee of taxi industry representatives that included drivers, owners and affiliation members. It is believed on responding to requests for further information the Small Taxi program (TAP) that class transport riders have ambulatory disabilities, leaving their $1,000 calls a day for a cab.

TAP is an existing program that could be used to service thousands of CTA Special Services customers every day and which would create a profit.

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Eminent Domain or Hostile Takeover of Gerri’s Palm Tavern and 47th Street?

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Reports are, Ald. Tillman plans to take the “Palm Tavern” property and launch the “Palm Restaurant” as described to a select group, during a slide presentation on plans for 47th Street.

This position contradicts statements made by Becky Carroll of the city’s planning department, who says there is no plan for the Palm Tavern, only a concept to restore the historical preservation of the property.

“Our only interest is to shut the place down for violations in the interest of Mr. Oliver’s safety,” said Carroll.

However, earlier reports, and meetings of the 47thSA the City informed Ms. Oliver that if they purchase the Palm Tavern property, they (the city) could sell her the property for a dollar. Other officials such as Brown, stated Ms. Oliver had nothing to worry about.

Supporters of Ms. Oliver insist, Ms. Oliver, not Ald. Tillman, nor the City should decide the Palm Tavern’s future.

On Sunday, May 6, community supporters from around the city along with media coverage gathered for Gerri Oliver’s 45th Anniversary as the owner of Gerri’s Palm Tavern. Organizers were pleased with the support.

Then, on Wednesday, May 9, the Black Economic and Political Action Network held protest in front of Ald. Tillman’s ward office. Fletcher King drove to start her regular word meetings. Twenty-five demonstrators chanting, “Save the Palm Tavern”

Several demonstrators told SSJ that they’re angry about the City rebuilding the legendary Palm Tavern, đội Gerri’s Palm Tavern, bowing to the interest of a few while advancing gentrification on 47th Street. BEPAN president, David Ruffin, emphasized the city’s plan doesn’t represent the spirit of inclusion in the same manner they were against building the Howard Johnsons Hotel by businessman Anthony Fields on his own land.

The City still refuses to discuss the specifics plans for the Palm Tavern. Even with a citywide Open Letter to the Mayor and Alderman, and Community involvement and even national attention in the Washington Post story headline, “Bar Fight,” has note lead to any community dialog.

Some compromising with the city began when Oliver agreed not to live in the property. With this, the city agreed to make some violation repairs and pay for 24-hour security. In addition the city will provide $3,000 in federal housing assistance for relocation.

The liquor license that was on “hold” was removed on May 14, enabling Ms. Oliver to renew her license. Alty. Gray Fresen, representing Oliver was told if the City takes control of the building, the liquor license would be revoked, because the City cannot own a liquor establishment.

still not clear if Oliver will accept $90,000 for the property fixtures in the tavern such as the bar.

Fresen reported on Thursday, May 31. (Oliver’s birthday) Judge Joanne Lanigan (the same judge that presided over the Supreme Life Building case), continued the case for a final hearing on Friday, June 8. At which time the Judge intends to enter an order regarding the property in order to move the City to settle with the landowner.

If an agreement can not be reached between Oliver and the City regarding the attention of Elzie Higginbottom, of the 47th Street Business Association, the City takes over.

As the developments of the Second City project on the northwest corner of 47th & King takes over.

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We will want to impress strongly to the Congress we want this to be overridden in law,” she said. Walters also says the public must be prepared to take the court to task.

“The court does respond to public pressure–even though people sometimes believe they don’t. But right now the court perceives that we are in

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National Nurse of the Year

Bernetta Pearson, RN, BSN, is one of them, and she is the national Nurse of the Year winner. In addition, she is a board member and shareholder of South Street Journal.

Thanks to Pearson, countless Chicago children are alive, and their parents and caregivers are educated about the dangers of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).

"Medicine has been reacting to research about SIDS, but when it comes to everyday prevention, we were falling short." Pearson explained that research shows parents are discharged from the hospital too early, and there is a need to spread awareness and education to get people to understand SIDS, we had to think out of the box.

She's educated church groups and telephoned into housing projects where others are reluctant to go. She's muscled her way into hospitals and neighborhoods where medical help is needed.

"If I realized it would take me forever to educate the entire city of Chicago about SIDS, and one way to reach more people was to broadcast on the radio," Pearson said. She wrote a proposal to Kennedy-King College, where she works as a part-time educator of certified nursing assistants, to broadcast on the radio. Pearson's shows were to broadcast on the radio. Soon, however, she discovered she could use a bit of help.

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Police protest & lawsuits

As a bill passed a City Council committee to ban racial profiling by police officers, the American Civil Liberties Union urged that police be required to fill out maintain "contact cards," records of the personnel in any arrest stop, and to ban "protest stops."

Rev. Paul Jacobs, President of the Christian Council on Urban Affair (CCUA) said African Americans have been victims of arrest, harassment, falsification of evidence, intimidation of witnesses and planting of false evidence, and there is no check and balance.

Citing the recent attack April 3, of 11 year old Tannis Williams by three white police officers sparked the Chicago Police Board has filed no disciplinary actions against the officers. "On behalf of the many victims of police brutality in Chicago including Hugger, BBQ, Watts and Williams' families, we held the public to join the march, in order that we can demand a more transparent system on Mayor Daley, State's Attorney Declive, and Superintendent Terry in so that they can prevent an end to these very serious problems," said Rev. Jacobs. The march is marked as significant in that on this "historic" day, May 17, the Supreme Court enjoined any police officer or officer that they can stop and arrest, ruling that they can search and seize without a warrant.

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Profilng the Justice System

By Minister B. Henry Kenner
SSJ Columnist

I record-breaking agreement on May 7th, the Daley administration reached a settlement with the family of LaTanya Haggar-
ty and also signed a check to her fam-
ily of $18 million. While the Daley admin-
istration should be applauded for avoiding what nationally recognized trial attorney

Johnnie Cochran termed a situation that could have been "galvanizing, very polarizing" for the city, one's mind is taken to Robert Russ. Police also killed Russ a young African American the same dreary weekend, June 1999 as Haggerty. Russ' case no doubt sheds light on the old say-
ing, "records were made to be broken".

Both unaimed, both African American, both gunned down by Chicago's Finest.

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Voter Disgust

from legislators and other public officials has sapped the public's trust in govern-
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cratic system is broken; and is in need of repair. A national sur-
poll found that 65% of adults voted in the 2000 election. Bush and Gep-</n>
Pappas on 79th

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"There is no truth to any of the adverse allegations made against my business. I have established this business as a proud partner in the community, even if a few of the Black West community area want to create a serious campaign to drive me out of business."

Armed with a petitions with over 1,000 signatures, Pappas says the petitions are proof that "I run a clean business with an interest in the well being of the people. He's had several employees that were substance abusers and gang members, but as a result of his assistance and counseling many have been able to turn their lives around."

"I am concerned with what any resident of the community is concerned with, my being a product of this community school was in grammar school and now as a business owner, I know that communication is the key to understanding and ultimately solving the problems."

Area residents report that the market has been the subject of harass. 79th and Vincennes Market focuses on are programs for the youth. Paul Pappas' support from the owner, been by over 80 programs that he has supported and that city since 1992, benefited from his services over the 30 years in business. Special attention has been given to his special projects at Oliver Westcott Elementary School.

"I will not allow my business to drive me out of business." Mr. Pappas presently employs a total of 20 local residents between his two businesses in the Chatham and Auburn community.

With his degree in engineering, he draws community planning concepts for visitors in the store. He often uses his engineering expertise to help with plans for building renovations. Pappas is in the process of expanding his business on 79th Street. There is construction underway for a restaurant directly adjacent to the food and liquor market. Black contractors have been used in this project.

Supporting Pappas is LeShun Payne, President of the 17th Ward Political Organization. He met with Alderman Latasha Thomas of the 17th Ward requesting that her office work with Pappas. "Pappas' commitment to the community is unbroken," said Payne. "Over the years, Mr. Pappas has provided better service to the community as opposed to larger companies in the area who are more concerned with social responsibility than anything else. I believe he could do more for the community if he had more support from the city, a more official position in the community."

"I truly thank the community for giving me the opportunity to serve it throughout the years, and to continue in the years to come," said Pappas. "It is important for the community to know that our goal is the same as most people that have problems with the cloud over liquor stores." An example of his concern was when there was a dispute in front of his store. Pappas closed it four hours early because of this dispute. "I will not allow my business to be disrespected. It is like disrespecting our customers and the community. We've developed an excellent reputation for honesty, sincerity, and responsibility over the years," he said. "I've learned in this business, never abuse people, never take advantage of them, earn things in a legitimate way, provide good service, and people will become your friends."

Discussing his accomplishments over the years, Pappas says, the entire neighborhood benefits when businesses are successful. Noting, "We accomplish many things in the community on various levels of need. Yet, we are aware that we have much more to do, and I know it will take time, patience, and cooperation from everyone. We can make it work if we work together for the common good of our community."
The fear of the Press

Proposing a direction for the Black Media in Chicago is what Webb Evans, of the United American Progress Association, does every day. The timely topics of the UAPA could not come at a better time, as the Chicago Tribune celebrates its 96th Anniversary and South Street Journal decides to bid the hand that feeds it.

The black media was the focus in Pittsburgh as well as Atlanta, when Julian Bond, Board Chairman of the NAACP, touched on the role of the black media as he addressed black publishers early in May.

Mr. Bond described Pittsburgh's 74-year-old Past-Gazette, as one he visited and wrote about in the Pittsburgh Courier, although 92 years old and black owned (one of the Chicago Defender Shotgun newspapers), its run is unparalleled and noteworthy. The type of community can be reflected in the Chicago Sun-Times and the Chicago Defender. Yet, the differences, the Courier, like the Chicago Defender, with other Black press, the front pages speak directly to Black people.

The 19th and 20th Century, the black press was a must-read throughout America. Times, was not quite the news, but was a part of it. Suffering the same racism and abuse as the people, and sometimes feed into it; fear of the hand that must feed it. It is no wonder why the City of Chicago only

Letters to the Editor

Gerri's Palm Tavern, Tillman & Reparations
Dear Editor:

Did Dorothy Tillman (3) has taken the staunch position that she is not supporting the community's efforts to save Gerri's Palm Tavern? On the contrary, the efforts by Tillman to "redvelop" the famous 4760 Street, in the historic Bronzeville Community, called for the destruction of one of the city's world famous landmarks.

How can Tillman talk about developing an "African Village" in one breath and then violate the African Principles of respecting the elders, maintaining the culture, and honoring the ancestors? These are key components within the African Village concept.

The irony in all of this is that Tillman, over the last year, has been projected as a leader in the Reparations Movement because of her Reparations Hearings and Resolution that was passed unanimously by Chicago's City Council last year. The question becomes, how can Tillman accept the role of a Reparations leader and at the same time, through her elected office, participate in the destruction of a sacred, historic, and cultural institution?

The potential destruction of Gerri's Palm Tavern, by Tillman, with the backing of City Hall and Mayor Daley, is a prime example of cultural suicide. Just as some Africans passed on the slave trade to their children, and other African people today participate in the drug industry that destroys African people, which was initiated and is continued by so many Europeans, it is quite clear that some of our people participate in the European cultural efforts.

In this instance, the potential destruction of Gerri's Palm Tavern is an act of cultural suicidal efforts and is contrary to the aims of the Reparations Movement. We all know and appreciate the 19th Civil Rights Movement tradition that Tillman emerged from. It was made up of the many contributions and the many struggles. The test of the time is the test we live in the late 1960's. But, Tillman has strayed from the foundation of her rise to elected office. Those of us who support maintaining Gerri's Palm Tavern, urge Tillman to reconsider her opposition.

In our fight for Reparations, Gerri's Palm Tavern must be saved in the name of all those great ancestors.

Everloey F. McCullough
Chairperson of the Black Economic and Political Action Network (773) 250-3332

Gerri Oliver, The Entertainment Principal

Dear Editor:

I am the comic at the Palm Tavern. I host the pre-show every Saturday night at 9:30 pm with Fernando Jones. I'm on the air in the whole red-hot. Also, I am one of the actors in that play. The Palm Tavern is like a school to me. Mr. Fernando Jones is my teacher, and Gerri Oliver, owner of the Palm Tavern, is my principal.

Every Saturday night after the show, Mr. Fernando lets me know how I've done on stage and I need that. He lets me know if I was good or bad. I don't know what I would do if my school (Palm Tavern) wasn't here. So, I ask people who read the South Street Journal, please save my school, Gerri's Palm Tavern.

Greg 'the Wizard' Twyman
Englewood

In the Palm of the Past, Show your Love

Dear Editor:

I am more than happy to use the support for Ms. Gerri Oliver because seeing her he is doing so well. As I've said before, she has given so much and now is the time for the community to come together. Help her. More than one can do as much as the City is Gerri's Palm Tavern. She has for years permitted many musicians and artists to perform there. It was the place to go. Why would anyone want to push a gentle soul such as Ms. Oliver out to the wolves?

This is not about one person's dream for an area. It should be about the people who live there, and who by all means, have a right to be there. Our elected officials seem to forget how they get where they are. The Mayor didn't put them there; it was the will of the People. To go against them, can only mean sudden death in the hands of politics.

Some of the people who are being named in affidavits with the upcoming Los Raúls Center, appeared at the Palm in the early years. For this reason, the black owned newspapers in Chicago extended to them then should now be returned by giving her a helping hand or even a fund-raiser. Something to show her how much she is appreciated.

Show your love.

Mable Cole
Auburn

Sam Jodua of Atlanta

FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVES & the Hook-up to the gas prices

Bashar al-Assad's foreign policy initiatives have had a global reach. While the US, France and Russia have called for a multilateral talks in Damascus and Jakarta, the US has agreed to set up a joint trade commission; the US has already agreed to a high-level Syrian military delegation.

Iraq's rehabilitation, it's regional stature in the West is willing to accommodate itself to the Iraq-Syria pipeline - since last May 31 - June 13, 2001, Volume 8 Number 13

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Dear Editor:

All is not well with the BBC, but not without the BBC, as some of its listeners are. As the producers of ABC Nightline noted, most journalists think of themselves as courageous crusaders, facing off against the powers that be, laughing at danger. Yet, when it is time to draw the fine line between the danger of reporting, fears can develop.

ABC reported one reporter from Tijuana dared to print some less-than-flattering articles about the Arellano-Felix Cartel. A short time later, driving to his office, his car was shot up. His bodyguard was killed and others were wounded.

Tony cinco's family lives much the same way, always wearing a bulletproof vest, virtual prisoners in their own home. Too close to power to live. He says, "I'm not going to be telling the cartel they had me." Get too deep into the drug war and fear will be a constant companion.

The card is not in the hands of the US; the card is in the hands of the US. However, the best news and information is based on resources, most of the time it is money. Other times the challenges for black publishers is biting the hand that feeds it. That challenged the Clarence Darrow, the legal counsel for the freedman'sfund case. Such as the sad case of Dorothy Tillman. A fear of reporting the truth, no matter how much it is in the hand that feeds it.

If you do not make the UAPA meeting we look forward to seeing you at South Street Journal's Advisory Board meeting on June 16. Because will be a hungry to send a wake-up call of our own.

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After a three year court battle Christian Hope Church continues

The second oldest Black financial institu-
tion, Christian Hope Credit Union (CHCU) offered financial services such as low-
interest loans, the Christian Hope Visa Card, and was in the process of offering checking and check cashing services before it was suspended on March 14, 2000 by the Illinois Department of Financial Institutions (CDFI).

Chartered in Illinois since 1954, Rev. Dr. H.B. Brady, Founder and Pastor of Christian Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 7559 S. Aberdeen, for 55 years, developed the Credit Union 46 years ago, where it was housed in the church basement.

In April 1996, Reverend Vickers and Rev. Charles Koen were installed as co-Pastors. There is no evidence that there were any problems with the church leadership until June 10, for their 11:00 am and 5:00 p.m. services.

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The Nehemiah Urban Church Ministries Pastors Choir and special groups will provide the music.

There will be intercessory prayer for all the brothers. Nehemiah Urban Church Ministries is located at 7359 S. Chappel.

"Who Let the Men Out! - Brothers Taking Domininon!!"

Pastor Rory R. Marshall and the Nehemiah Urban Church Ministries' Men's Department is inviting the public to their Annual Men's Day, Celebration, Sunday, June 10, for their 11:00 am and 5:00 p.m. services. The theme for the one day celebration is "Who let the Men Out?" and the sub-theme is "Brothers Taking Dominion!"

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Dead, After 5 years, She continues to haunt from her shallow grave

CBS will be forced to discontinue 'Touched by an Angel' for using the word God in every program. Madonna Murray O'Hare, an atheist, successfully managed to eliminate the use of Bible reading from public schools a few years ago. Now her organization has been granted a Federal Hearing on the

same subject by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in Washington, DC. Their petition, # 2495, of 287,000 signatures is to prove the way to stop the reading of the Gospel, Our Lord and Savior, on the airwaves of America. If the attempt is successful, all Sunday worship services being broadcast on the radio or by television will be stopped. This group is also campaigning to remove all Christmas programs and Christmas cards from public buildings.

Other Christian groups are countering to defeat their effort are campaigning for at least 1 million signatures.

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NNPA News Wire - Nearly all young Cook County Black and Hispanics arrested for a drug crime are automatically transferred to adult court and nearly all of them are imprisoned for drug crimes there are non-Whites, according to a recent study commissioned by the National Council of Urban Indian Health. The state has had an appeal hearing on the suspension of the Credit Union before we even had an appeal hearing on the suspension. This is indicative of the deceitful and dishonest practices of Sarah Vega and the Department of Financial Institutions.

Vega reported to SSJ that her office is still working with the community at large to help form other credit unions in the Englewood community as well as others. However, as far as the CHCU, she has done all that she can to assist them. However, the legality and validity of the events are hotly contested. In relationship to Rev. Koen, if a convicted felon receives a waiver from NCUA, he or she can serve on the Board of Directors. Crosby stated they have been in contact with members of the NCUA Board, who expressed an interest in providing such a waiver for Dr. Koen.

Joseph Maxwell, chairman of the church's Deacon Board and a 35-year member of the church, said "The Credit Union is part of the legacy of Christian Hope Missionary Baptist Church; the church was founded by Rev. Dr. Horzibah Brady, who was the Pastor of our church for 59 years. With the blessing and guidance of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, we will pursue this case to the Supreme Court to see that justice is done."

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the city this past April. Violations over the years the city is using to rid Oliver from the building and pay for some of the violations with the intentences to gain ownership.

In addition the city waived an outstanding water bill of over $30,000 with the offer price of $60,000.

Nathan Thompson sent a letter to Wallace Goode, Director of Chicago Empowerment Zone, asking him if he would reconsider the EZ fund application if the City if the awards the property to Ms. Oliver. When the application was filed, Olvier closed the first hurdle in 1999, but she doesn't own the property, the application was ultimately shelved.

"We're trying to get that discussion even if the funds are for projects such as Gerri's, and the fact that investors are lined up, provided she can get control," said Thompson.

Goode assured Thompson that he would present the request at the next executive meeting (May 31).

Addressing Ms. Carroll concerns if Ms. Oliver had financial resources to fix the violations even to restore the property. He kept her on a month-to-month lease, until late May, she served for an eviction notice for May 30, 2001. He never added the violations on the property, cited by the violations on the property, cited by the City to be open and honest for real community participation.

That lame excuse of the process is solely to give them justification to keep on community participation. As reports that Tollman's actions are property for Ms. Oliver. Adele Tillman, who profess the people of the 3rd ward support her plans. Ald. Tillman, who will not make comments on the Saturday Street journal, reported the Chicago Tribune will be asked an interview her.

Malachi Freebop B & 47th St. Jazz & Blues Revue at Blues Fest

According to Steve Dollar of the Atlanta Journal, the Chicagoans Malachi Thompson straddles tradition: he's an avant blues man who doesn't care if he's Chicagoan. His band Malachi Freebop B & 47th St. Jazz & Blues Revue at Blues Fest and he's a legend on the WTTW series "Blues For A Cause." More so than Marsalis an blues man, Thompson has worked in the bands of jazz pioneers including the legendary Chicago trumpeter King Kolax. He has recorded with the world's greatest jazz artists, and he's a master of the trumpet.

From the beginning of his career, Thompson has been a force to be reckoned with. He has received numerous awards and accolades for his work, including the Grammy Award for Best Jazz Instrumental Album, Soloist of the Year by the National Association of Jazz Critics, and the DownBeat Award for Best Jazz Album.

Thompson's music is a powerful statement of the power of music to bring people together. His music is both innovative and traditional, blending elements of blues, jazz, and rock to create a sound that is uniquely his own.

The Malachi Freebop B & 47th St. Jazz & Blues Revue at Blues Fest is an example of Thompson's commitment to creating music that speaks to the heart and soul of the American experience. His music is a bridge between past and present, a continuation of the rich tradition of Chicago blues and jazz.
**A QUESTION OF FAITH**

(*** What would the (Catholic) church do if a young accountant man declares to have envisioned an angel and miraculously undergone a sex change without surgery? This is the dilemma that the exhilarating eye-candy that is THE MUMMY RETURNS is more elaborate than the original. Well, that's debatable.

Writer-director Stephen Sommers hyped up and advanced his story and characters almost out of its own orbit from the original 1999 film that was partly inspired by the 1932 Boris Karloff horror classic. Kick-starting the film in a larger than life battle sequence, WWF star Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson making his big screen acting debut but sort of book-ends the movie as a character pawn to the film's action. Even though the role seems underdeveloped and aMEDAL reflect the sign-of-the-times. In retaliation to his father's death, Miller shoots down several attacking planes. Even though the role seems underdeveloped and episodic, these depictions do reflect the love blacks were faced with in their quest for equality.

Eagle Squadron. Naturally, this puts a strain on this love triangle between friends and lovers that is prolonged but can't avoid the inevitable "human sacrifice." While the sexually conversed monk is an exhilarating eye-candy. A wild roller coaster ride of fun and excitement that is

MATAH arrives in Chicago

New organization working to get "True Freedom," psychological and economic. The MATAH Network, in a company in business to raise the collective consciousness of people who consider themselves "MATAH," and redirect their spending for the benefit of people of African descent. South Street Journal will have a feature story, in the next issue, until then visit their website www.MATAH.com or call Gansnam Armour at 773-846-0018

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Cab Strike

an expanded customer base for drivers. Schoenberger stated. Six months ago a plan to improve taxi service was proposed by the members of the taxi industry and passed by the City Council. However, of the 1,100 (450 according to the city) protesting drivers that marched around City Hall, other cab drivers voiced a different position. Referring to the protesting drivers as self appointed a group of 11 signed on to a release in support of the city. They pointed out six months ago a plan to improve taxi service was proposed by the members of the taxi industry and passed by the City Council. The statement went on to point out these critics (protesters) offer no alternative solutions. The plan required considerable change, some sacrifice and a major ongoing effort by cab drivers, mediation owners and taxi owners alike. The vast majority of the industry has rolled up its sleeves, initiated that effort and is committed to its success.

The supporter of the city stated service already has improved and that with their continued effort will reach their ultimate goal. To suggest otherwise is to greatly diminish the sacrifice that the silent majority has already made.

"The companies and the City have to take us seriously, respect us, and consider us a major bargaining force to be reckoned with," said Weidersberg responding to the committee of the City. "This has been going on since December 1998." He said his organizations submitted petitions in the Legal Department to challenge the validity and their constitutionality. Committee of the Dept. Of Consumer Services said all the city received was a letter, no request or demands were presented. "Just personal attacks.

In response to the drivers wanting the city to take back the $4.50 workman's compensation. Buscemi said: "What they are asking for came up last year. The workman's camp is state law. Now it is now the law.

Clifford Holloway, Vice President of the association said drivers are caught in the system of exclusion and over tax with fines and fees. Especially on the hearing section. "The City wants a 'Cash Cow,' collecting from cab drivers. Holloway said because of the time it takes to challenge tickets most drivers pay the fines. stunning drivers receive tickets even at taxi stands. Buscemi said the only action on any driver is done by the Dept. Of Administration, "We only review the driver's records for any history of convictions." Weidersberg said. "We have the numbers to have an effective strike urged. Enough is enough! We are tired of these Jim Crow laws that govern the taxi cab industry."

"These rules are totally unjust and that is why we have obtained legal council to change this travesty of justice, and are prepared to strike in protest."

"The Buying Power of Black America, increased 11 % to $490 billion

According to a new study from Target Market News, African-American consumers are changing long-established habits in how they spend their dollars. Economic conditions have never been better for African-Americans who now represent the eleventh largest economy in the world, and prosperity is changing the type of goods and services they purchase.

According to the seventh annual edition of "The Buying Power of Black America," earnings for all black households in the U.S. increased 11% between 1998 and 1999 from $411 billion to $490 billion. This double-digit earnings growth fueled a change in spending patterns. For example, last year marked the third consecutive year of increasing spending for new cars and trucks by black households. Previous price patterns showed growth only in alternation years.

Other lifestyle changes indicated in black household expenditure include sharp increases in out-of-home dinner meals (61%), athletic gear and exercise equipment (169%), and gifts of jewelry (54%).

Expenditure figures suggest that time on the Internet may also be cutting into the hours spent with other media. Cable TV subscriptions will be released at this session. Internet usage increased 2% over the past year as consumers spent more "time with all media in their household that sacrificed the most in economic hard times. Now, thanks to new opportunities and a strong economic recovery, they are focusing more on their own needs."

"The Buying Power of Black America" is published by Target Market News, a 12 year-old Chicago-based research company that specializes in the African-American market. The company is the nation's most widely quoted source of information on African-American consumers, marketing and media.

The eighth annual edition of Target Market News report on the earnings and expenditures of black households will be released at this session. Important new trends will be discussed including spending on apparel, cars, computers, food, health and beauty aids and more. Learn how African-American consumers spent nearly $340 billion in income and what opportunities are revealed in their spending habits.
WASHINGTON - The Office of Advocacy, U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), hailed the release of new Census Bureau data showing that the number of African-American-owned firms increased by 25.7 percent from 1992 to 1997, and the number of Hispanic-owned firms increased by 30.0 percent, compared with an increase of 6.8 percent in all firms, excluding C corporations. The data on firms owned by African Americans and Hispanics are the first from the Census Bureau's 1997 Survey of Minority-Owned Business Enterprises (SMORE).

In 1997 there were 1.2 million Hispanic-owned firms and 82,000 African-American-owned firms. They represented 6 percent and 4 percent, respectively, of the 20.8 million U.S. businesses, with more than $1,000 in receipts. Hispanic-owned firms had receipts of less than $25,000, and nearly all of the firms covered in the Census release were small businesses. Approximately 89 percent of the African-American-owned firms and 82 percent of the Hispanic-owned firms had no paid employees. Receipts also were typically small: more than 71 percent of the African-American-owned firms and more than 62 percent of the Hispanic-owned firms had receipts of less than $25,000.

The 1997 data for the first time include C corporations, along with the 9 corporations, partnerships and nonfarm sole proprietorships that had been counted in the 1992 and earlier SMOREs. Thus, for comparability reasons, the figures showing 1992-1997 increases in the number of firms exclude the C corporations.

Recent Advocacy-produced or funded research in this area includes The Role of Race and Gender in Business Survival: Business Success: Factors Leading to Surviving and Closing Successfully; and Analyses of Business Dissolution by Demographic Category of Business Ownership.

“HouseChicago”

The City of Chicago/Allstate Home Improvement Program - Fannie Mae joined the City of Chicago, Allstate and Countrywide to bring a below-market rate (6.5 percent) rehabilitation mortgage product titled "Efficient Mortgage" (LEM). The LEM is designed for home buyers in a densely populated community that has efficient public transportation, to be considered as an additional borrower income in qualifying for a mortgage.

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