

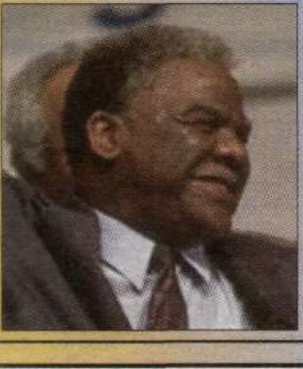
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Makes Surprise
RSVP for SSJ
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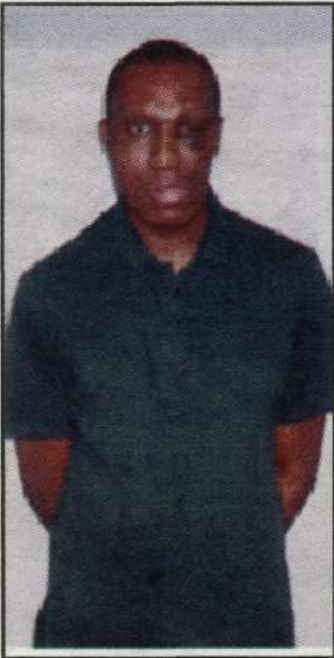


**Harold
Washington,
Celebrating
His Home
Coming**

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**Mental Health
Facility Still
Accused of
Using Rape
Power and Control
on Patients .
An official
Investigation Is
What's Needed**



David Poole has been locked down for more than a decade at the Chester Mental Health Center in Southern, Illinois. His captors said he's insane and a danger to society. David captors can't decide on a "diagnoses" of why after fourteen years on the same medication, suddenly the Psychiatrists changes his medication. Unit B Director say she can't explain why the new medication. Said the old medication wasn't doing him any good. He seem slow to her.

David "Mental Illness of Schizophrenia depended on the individual psychiatrist's, or the License Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) favorite flavor. Despite David and his family telling Administrative Assistant at the Chester Mental Health Center that the medication side effects makes David mouth dry, slur speech, tremors. SSJ inquired to the Facility Administra-

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600 Woodlawn residents turn out to protest in anger Unarmed Man shoot by Cop

Over 150—200 police were called to the scene after word of mouth traveled in the Woodlawn community over a shooting of a young man by a uninformed tactical Chicago police officer. It resulted in over 600 residents gathered at the site with exchange of words and bottle throwing. Some felt the crowd was near a rioting.

The 22-year-old man Michael Smith, of the 6200 block of S. Langley Ave., was the victim in what the police spokes person told SSJ the man's struggle with a Chicago police in an attempt to take the gun from a tactical officer, at the intersection of East 63rd Street and South Evans Avenue,

With conflicting stories of witnesses and the police, according to the News Affairs office Tactical officers with the Grand Crossing District received information an individual wanted for a previous robbery was with two other men on the 700 block of East 63rd Street around 4 p.m.,

The Chicago police news office said two officers responded to the information and went to the alleged robber's location.

Upon arriving at the scene, the officers commanded the three men to take their hands out of their pockets. Two of the individuals complied and Smith did not, and began walking toward the officers.

Reported the officers told Smith two times, "Take your hands out of your pockets."

The police said Smith refused to comply, and the

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Police officers and people kept coming to the fatally shooting of Michael Smith by a police officer, representative from the community came as well including Paul McKinney of Voices Of The Exoffenders (VOTE), Alderman Arenda Troutman (20) and Dr. Rev. Leon Finney of The Woodlawn Organization who is a representative of project Ceasefire in the Woodlawn area to investigate as well as to help claim the residents upset about the incident.
SSJ Photo by Stephen C. White

Rally the State to Rescind Racial Redlining Policy Rescinding HB 4050

The Coalition to Rescind House Bill 4050 gained its momentum at an October 25th rally which was recorded as the biggest public issue session in years. Over 2,500 people (last issue of SSJ reported 1,500) was present at the AFC World Center on West 79th Street and Ashland to sign petitions against the bill and to receive updates on current housing policies.

The bill was designed to monitor Black and Latino investor's credit agreements and relationships with lenders, and to address predatory lenders in official five (5) zip codes. However ten on the far south side were added. All of the zip codes basically in the Black and Latin communities.

The Bill became law September 1, 2006, and was in the works for over two years with no out cry a representative of House Speaker, Michael Madigan in-

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Coalition to Rescind House Bill 4050. held A press event in Englewood, hosted by Presbyterian Church, 61st and Loomis to announce efforts of public and elected officials on demands to hold immediate debriefing sessions with Springfield and to hold public hearing on HB 4050 to receive comments to either rescind, amend or readjust the law. Rev. Al Sampson (speaking) with other members of The Coalition said House Speaker Mike Madigan needs to rethink his Bill. "He always been a friend and he don't need to be the an enemy of the community."

SSJ Photo Vincent Walker

Gentrification of Bronzeville

SSJ attended the Bronzeville Visitors Center's (southeast corner of 35th & King Drive. The Supreme Life Building) semi-annual gentrification panel Tuesday, November 14th. DePaul University students of Visiting Assistant Professor of The Department of English Bayo Ojikutu were exposed to a broad gamut of insights pertaining the Bronzeville

area, from the standpoint of those involved in community activism, property development, entrepreneurship and residing daily in the community. The course has dealt extensively with the history of 47th Street/Grand Boulevard/Oakwood/Kenwood both critically and comprehensively. The panel deal with the community's future as well.

Questions for the panel included each of the panelist speaking about their personal, family and professional backgrounds, particularly, in light of their relationship to Chicago and to the Bronzeville community in particular. What brought them to this area

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Fact & Commentary Bi-Weekly Round Up of.....

Mark Allen

Mayoral Endorsement Required to Fill 18th Ward Aldermanic Vacancy?

Several sources have made off-the-record comments to me that my refusal to commit to endorsing Mayor Daley would be one of the reasons that I would not get the support from the outgoing Alderman to fill the 18th Ward Aldermanic vacancy.



Former 18th Ward Alderman Thomas Murphy

I made a public commitment not to endorse in the Mayor's race because of my personal and professional relationship with William "Dock" Walls, who I worked with during Mayor Washington's administration.

Support New Mall at 83rd & Kedzie

There is a new shopping mall that was built on the corner of 83rd and Kedzie that needs our support. Call the 18th Ward Alderman's office at 773-471-1991 and ask for details if you are a small business looking for space for your new business.

I spoke with Tony Philbin, President of the Wrightwood Improvement Association where my mother Ollie Allen is Corresponding Secretary and a Board member, and I spoke directly with former Alderman Thomas Murphy about providing some promotional support of the prime business site that's in the area where I live.

Well I said that I would use my various promotional resources to generate some more business for the existing businesses in the mall, and to help recruit other businesses, and continue to provide ongoing promotional support to sustain the businesses.

So let's get this promotion going, and I will be checking with the Alderman's office to see if you are responding. Let's get together and build some businesses and create some jobs, rather than watching busi-

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News Briefs

Blago Rallies With Workers For Minimum Wage Bill



Working to fulfill his promise to once again raise the minimum wage for workers in Illinois, Governor Rod R. Blagojevich joined labor leaders and minimum wage workers at stops in Southern Illinois, the Metro East and Rock Island to garner support to pass legislation during the upcoming fall veto session that would increase the minimum wage from \$6.50 to \$7.50 an hour and index the minimum wage to inflation.

Under terms of the proposed bill, the state's minimum wage would rise by \$1 to \$7.50 per hour beginning July 1, 2007. Beyond that date, the minimum wage would be indexed with the annual rate of inflation, meaning that each year the minimum wage will be adjusted based on the rate that the price of goods and services increases.

"A person who works hard all day should at least earn enough to live on. But that's not the reality for hundreds of thousands of workers who are paid the minimum wage. We made a difference in many of their lives when we boosted the minimum wage to \$6.50 an hour, but it's still not enough. I am asking the men and women of the Illinois General Assembly to listen to the people who put their trust in us, and I'm urging them to pass this bill during this month's fall veto session," said Gov. Blagojevich.



Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., is overcome with emotion at the groundbreaking ceremony. At left is the Rev. Al Sharpton. At center is Yolanda King.

King Memorial A Reality

On Nov. 13, a half-mile from Lincoln's iconic statue, a diverse group of celebrities, corporate leaders and ordinary Americans helped turn the first shovels of dirt for a memorial honoring the slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King.

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UnZip

UnZip it at SoStreetJournal@aol.com



"We Won!" Reports Beauty Turner of the Poor People Millennium Movement participants. A star studded victory for all of you who fought against that new CHA Neighborhood Site Rule. CHA gave word that those who have a Section 8 Housing Choice voucher can move. Any where a landlord, or developer, or management company rents. Ms. Turner also wants to make it clear, setting the record straight it seem to be wobbling out of control like an old record player. No she did not go too jail! (as reported in the Grove Parc Apartment story) The person that went to jail that day was an activist by the name of Matt Ginberg with STOP Students Tenants Organizing People.



The Cook County Board held a hearing on new rules to monitor sex offenders via Cook County Sheriff Office. The public hearing was Tuesday, Nov. 9th at its Board Room 118 N. Clark, 5th Floor. Englewood and Rose-land leaders attended and testified in support for broader monitoring and public alerts to impacting communities regarding the residence of sex offenders.

Rev Jesse Jackson Scholarship is gong to Roberson, Harper, and Englewood high

Correction: John Paul Jones was not a write-in candidate in the State Representative 6th District race, but instead the 32nd State District race with incumbent State Rep. Milton Patterson, who is still recovering from a December 2005 Stroke. Word have it that Rep. Patterson is expected to be ready for the November 28th Veto Session in Springfield. We at SSJ is sure Mr. Jones is wishing the very best health for Representative Patterson.

Chicago Defender going weak, we mean weekly, Martin would not return UnZip phone calls. But it's a fact a Defender head, Tom Pico is no longer at the newspaper. Then H.D. is saying its CEO Roland Martin should be saying his prays as he is called Cowboy from Texas in a Gangster town? Word is as Ronald Isley cut "Show down at sun down" is coming.

Defenders' Earl Calloway Subject To Harassment by Chicago Police. Defender Entertainment Editor Earl Calloway who is 80 years young was hand cuffed and beaten by Chicago police, spent 7 hours in the hospital and then taken to jail. Why didn't The Defender do any story on their legendary Entertainment Editor? Speaking of The Defender the rumor mill has the cutting their publication dates. Shouldn't we have seen that coming once the word "daily

Was no longer describing the paper? Word is the Chicago Defender may reduce to two papers a week. Lets wish them better times.

Congratulations to V103 for their tribute to Gerald Levert. A lot of hearts are still hurting especially two members of the CVS Class of 80 Vanessa Melton and Aretha Edwards, who took Levert's loss as if they loss a family member or significant other. Prayers to all feeling the pain.

Get well wishes to the one and only Tornado, comedian, radio personality who suffered a stroke and many got the wrong rumor that he had died but he is alive and recuperating. Keep Tornado in your prayers.



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No-Go Decision by Congressmen Jackson Jr. and Gutierrez Mayoral Candidates move on

"Culture of corruption" high on campaign platforms



However, sources say he has a block club organization that could be organized to secure a good based of votes.

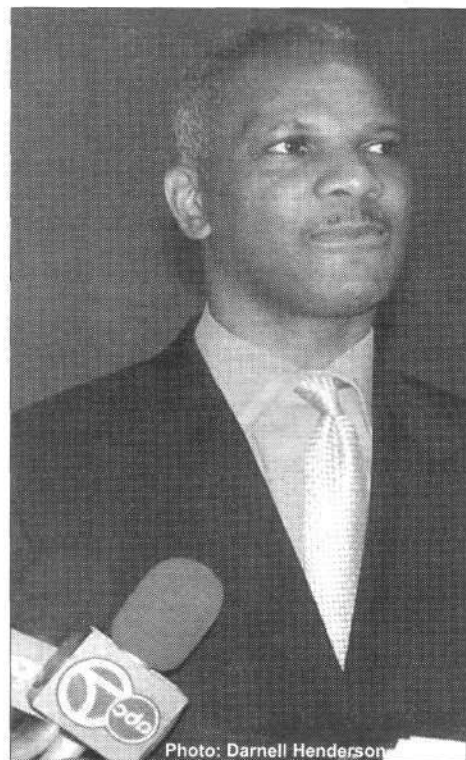
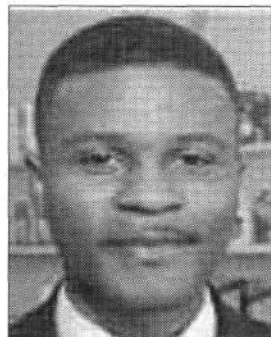


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Community Activist Syron Smith has joined the field of candidates running for Mayor



Dorothy Brown applauds the decision by Congressmen Jesse Jackson Jr., and Luis

Jackson Jr., and Luis Gutierrez not to run for mayor. Speaking at a news conference Brown says, "I felt all along that these two veteran Congressmen with their years of seniority, are far too valuable to lose from Capitol Hill. Their growing influence in the newly-aligned Congress will serve them well and will serve Chicago and Illinois well."

Jackson said Democrats' control of the House will give him an unprecedented opportunity to better serve his constituents and all Chicago residents.

"More than any time since I took my initial oath-of-office, I am excited, eager and downright giddy about the prospects in Washington," Jackson said. "So, I will not be a candidate for the mayor of the city of Chicago in 2007. Instead, I hope to make my seventh term in Congress my best yet."

After many inquires from SSJ to Con. Gutierrez office for over a year he reported he could have launched an aggressive mayoral campaign, but in putting end to local political speculation, he announced his wife, Soraida, has serious health concerns.

"She was diagnosed with thyroid cancer," Gutierrez said. "Soraida's doing well, but she faces more treatment in the coming months. So

Another Mayoral candidate, and the first to announce in February of this year, William "Dock" Walls, the former aide to the late Mayor Harold Washington says he is proposing sweeping structural changes and open processes, which to ensure accountability and end unfettered corruption in Chicago once and for all.

"The current Daley Administration is shamefully scandal ridden: Hired Truck Programs; Fraudulent Minority Contracts; Illegal Hiring Schemes, just to name a few. The Feds have indicted and convicted nearly 40 of Mayor Daley's operatives and close associates. Daley has accepted \$108,000 dollars in campaign contributions from truckers who were paid to sit and do nothing. Those contributions constitute bribes," said Walls

Brown also presented her plans with a platform to address corruption three weeks ago with a 6 point platform on corruption.

Brown's agenda list consist of:
Electronic scoring of job applications.
Use technology and work site visits to combat payroll scams.
Have an Office of Professional Standards independent from the Police Department.
"Separate and distinct office" to oversee minority business program.
Support Shakman decree.
Use internal controls and audits to monitor city assets.

Brown also stressed the need for 'Truth in Advertising', by calling for an advocacy group to monitor campaign ads. She also spoke of her Youth Outreach Initiative, which highlights the political empowerment of young people and women. Brown added, "We want every woman in the city of Chicago to see them selves re-

For the past several weeks, Congressman Jesse Jackson Jr. had been laying the groundwork to run against Mayor Richard Daley next year. In doing so Jackson was putting together a slate of aldermanic candidates. However, as many expected Jackson announced he would not run for mayor.

Chicago Mayoral Candidate Dorothy Brown applauded the decision by Congressmen Jesse

what I will be doing full-speed in the coming months is taking care of the love of my life."

Candidates Moving on

On the eve of Brown's applauding the actions of Jackson and Gutierrez, community activist Syron Smith, founder and director of the National Block Club University, based in Chicago announced his plans to run for mayor as well.

Smith was not available for comments.

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Q and A with
Ms. Dorothy Brown
In Next Week
Issue of SSJ

Two Cops Arrested In Conspiracy To Steal \$31,000 In Undercover Sting

Two Chicago police officers and an alleged drug dealer allegedly conspired to steal approximately \$31,100 in recent months, believing that the money belonged to another drug dealer who had stashed the cash in self-storage facilities. In fact, however, the storage lockers were rented by agents who placed the cash inside the storage units as part of undercover sting investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Chicago Police Department Internal Affairs Division, law enforcement

officials announced today. The officers allegedly used information provided by the third defendant to obtain state search warrants, which they and other officers then served two months apart at two Grand Avenue storage facilities, where they obtained the cash. The officers then failed to report any seizure from the first theft in June, and reported seizing only a portion of the money from the second theft in August, according to a federal criminal complaint unsealed today.

The officers, Richard E. Doroniuk, 30, and Mahmoud Shamah, 27, also known as "Mike," were arrested at their homes early today without incident. Both were assigned to a tactical team in the 22nd District on the city's south side. The third defendant, Larry Cross, 55, of Chicago, also known as "Peanut," was already in state custody. All three were charged with conspiracy to commit theft of government funds. The charges were announced by Patrick J. Fitzgerald, United States Attorney for the

Northern District of Illinois; Robert D. Grant, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and Philip J. Cline, Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department. Cline said, "Today's arrests result from the Department's ongoing commitment to remove bad cops from the streets. We expect all officers to do their jobs with integrity, professionalism and respect. Anything less is unacceptable."

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3rd Ward Candidate Angelo James In A four Legged Race

By Beauty Turner

Out of the darkness, into the light comes a young man with a future so bright and add balance to a four leg race in the third ward; that has so far emerged between Alderman Dorothy Tillman, Pat Dowell, Ben Harris and Mel Malone running against each other for third ward Alderman position.

Angelo James, 46, was born and raised by his religious Grandmother Minnie James in the third ward. So if you are looking for a real grass root candidate that grew from the grounds of the third ward than let James tell you than he's the one.

When asked of James, why did you want to throw your hat into the ring for third ward Alderman. "I was drawn back to my original roots after being away for a couple of years," James said.

"When I came back, I saw the living conditions in the third ward that upset me," James said. "Elderly people that I have known for years were being pushed out as well as all of the people that use to live in the developments and also in the Rosenwald located on Tobacco road," James added.

"I have recently learned by Chicago Housing Authority actions or lack thereof that they really didn't have a plan to relocate those people properly,"

James went on to say. "Plus I recently learned that those Section 8 Housing Choice vouchers don't have to be honored by Housing of Urban Development which will create a problem that I don't mind tackling," James went on to say. "If that happens that will only create more homelessness."

"There are already some issues in the third ward that needs to be ad-

3rd Ward Candidate Angelo James, "drawn Back to my original roots".



dress," James added. "We need to understand that there are some drug problems, STD, as well as AIDS.

Once I'm elected Alderman I will create some social programs through non-profit organizations to enhance not just some of the people in my ward but all of the people can benefit from them," James added.

"The people who don't have these issues can benefit because once you have people that are off of drugs, they will become more productive and responsible citizens," James went onto say.

The question was asked of James; what do you think about our educational system? "Our Educational system is failing our children, who ever is in charge of these funds needs to release them, we don't have up too date books nor computers in some of our schools, and in some of our other schools over thirty children end up sharing only one microscope; how can you teach if you don't have the right equipment to do it with, James replied."

"If I became Alderman and a developer that wants to develop in the third ward under my leadership will have to give 40% of the jobs to the community and ten percent of those jobs will go to women because they have to make a living too, James added.

What do you want your ward to know about you?

"First of all I'm home grown I went to Urban C. Mollison located at 4415 South King Drive from there I went to Forestville upper grade center on 44th Langley where there is now a playground where the two buildings use to be", James added.

I notice that you are not attacking any of the other candidates why is that?

"I'm attacking the issues which is more important to my constituents," James replied.

What can you bring too this ward that the other candidates can't bring?

"First of all I can bring integrity, I'm not owned by any body, not the Mayor, not the University of Chicago, or any body else", James replied. "I'm bought and paid for already by the blood of Jesus who die on Calvary for us", James said with a smile on his face.

Cam-
aigns for the Al-
dermanic or Mayoral elec-
tion race coming up in just four
months on February 27, 2007
and already the jargon has be-
gun. This means South Street
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Candidates

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flected in my campaign for mayor." The candidate for mayor pointed out the significance of women in congress, especially Nancy Pelosi becoming the first female speaker of The House, stating that her run for mayor of Chicago is no less significant and no less historic.

Using words of the late Mayor Washington, Walls declared that "we are confident we will hand Daley an ignominious defeat."

"Historically, Chicagoans have a high tolerance for politically rooted corruption. And Traditionally, Chicago politicians are given a Corruption Allowance. A Corruption Allow-

ance is a limited allotment of get out of trouble cards which excuse politicians who fail to meet the public's reasonable expectations of honesty and integrity. However, supporters of my Mayoral candidacy and me believe Daley has over spent his Corruption Allowance.

Mayor Daley has appeared before the media and insists no involvement. As many still ask the question, how could he not know? Walls say that "It is his job to know when something major is amiss."

"It is the responsibility of the Mayor of Chicago to know what is going on in city government. It is the Mayor responsibility to safeguard the public. It is the Mayor's responsibility to protect the citizens of Chicago from anyone who would engage in behavior that cost taxpayers millions.

Shooting on 63rd Street



Present on the scene were Paul McKinney of VOTE, Alderman Arenda Troutman (20), and a representative of CeaseFire. SSJ Photo Stephen C. White

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officer pulled out his weapon. In an attempt to take the gun from the officer, a struggle between Smith and the officer ensued, and the officer, in fear for his safety, fire a single shot into the abdomen area.

Smith brother heard the shot as he cross the street, as he turn he seen the officer standing over his brother laying on the ground with blood over his face and chest, the officer began to pat him.

However, witnesses informed SSJ, a complete opposite story. One witness say there was no struggle between Smith and the officer.

"He (hooded officer) just shot him", she said. In fear she said she left the scene.

The two friends with Smith said, as they came out of the store the men (officers) in hooded clothing approached them with no words exchanged and no police cars in sight.

The men just jumped out of no where and pulled Smith to him as the other officer held one of the friends.

Smith friends said they thought it was a robbery in process.

The other officer let Smith friend go. He said he ran in Baba fast food store still not knowing the men were police officers.

The police did not have information on whether Smith was the man

originally suspected of robbery.

The police reported two other people are being held at the Calumet Area headquarters. However, according to Smith sister Ivory Davis her brother's friends were not the ones.

"They were with us crying and bitter. It must have been people at the scene throwing rocks and bottles at the police." Said Ms. Davis.

"No black man will ever try to take a gun from a police office in this neighborhood. We know where we live and we know what the police would do. Shoot and kill."

She continued to say, "If my brother was part of the hoodlum life style we may be able to understand him doing what they said". But he was not. It's not that type of party.

As Police officers and people kept coming to the fatally shooting, representative from the community came as well including Paul McKinney of Voices Of The Exoffenders (VOTE), Alderman Arenda Troutman (20) and Dr. Rev. Leon Finney of The Woodlawn Organization who is a representative of project Ceasefire in the Woodlawn area to investigate as well as to help claim the residents upset about the incident.

A press conference is scheduled Monday at 10:30 where the family will give their statement along with organizations of the community.

Harvey Alderman Dantzler to makes announcement for mayor

Harvey - At 6:00 p.m. November 17, 2006, Alderman Thomas Dantzler announce his decision regarding whether to run for Mayor of Harvey at Chicago Park Hotel, 17040 South Halsted Street, Harvey, IL.

"As Alderman of Harvey's Fourth Ward, I have seen the problems of corruption, crime, unemployment and taxes in our community first hand. Even I have been misled by this administration. I made mistakes based on their guidance, now I have to find the truth for the people of Harvey and myself.

If Dantzler runs for Mayor of Harvey, his release states he will focus on the issues that matter most to residents. "Creating an honest and transparent government, fighting crime, creating good paying jobs

and reducing the tax burden would be the focus of my administration," said Dantzler.

"The culture of corruption in city hall needs to end. We need to improve the image of our city, overhaul our police force and lower taxes to encourage business growth and the creation of new, good paying jobs. If I decide to run for Mayor of Harvey, our residents can be assured of an effective leader that will improve our community."

Thomas Dantzler is Alderman of the Fourth Ward in Harvey, IL. Alderman Dantzler previously served as Vice-President of Bremen High School District 228 School Board and currently owns and operates Dantzler Insurance Agency.

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King Jr.
It will be the first monument to a black American on the Mall, and it comes 38 years after King's death.

"He's an American hero, and beyond that he's a hero for all sorts of people," said poet and novelist Maya Angelou.

Jackson Jr. Welcomes Rumsfeld's Resignation

Congressman Jesse Jackson, Jr., issued a statement with regard to Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld's resignation:



"Yesterday's election sealed the fate of Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld's ability to remain as President Bush's Secretary of Defense. During the election the American people were calling for a new direction in Iraq, which was resisted and seemed impossible under Mr. Rumsfeld, and both Democrats and Republicans were calling for his resignation.

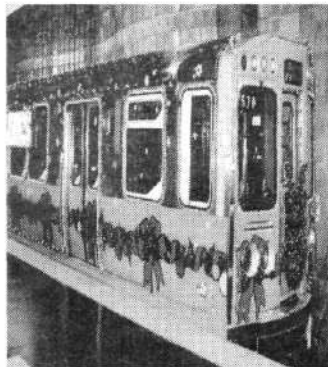
CPS Students To Add Art Work On Dan Ryan Project

The section of the Dan Ryan between 51st and 59th streets is devoted to the Dan Ryan Art Wall project.



Example of an Art Wall Medallion

Chicago Public High School students enrolled in Little Black Pearl's after-school program will learn about public art design. Working in teams under the direction of artist Carla Carr, they will create three of the six medallions to be embedded in the walls of the new expressway. The art is scheduled to be installed on



the custom designed retaining walls in 2007

CTA Holiday Train

The festive CTA Holiday Train will make its debut Saturday, November 18 spreading holiday cheer to CTA customers.

Now in its 15th year, the six-car train is decorated with thousands of multi-colored lights and features a flat car in the middle that carries Santa and his reindeer. Car interiors are decked out with bows, garland, red and green lighting, and hand poles wrapped to look like candy canes.

Debating on the Red and Purple Lines, the Holiday Train will travel various CTA rail lines in November and December as part of regular rail service. Normal CTA fares apply.

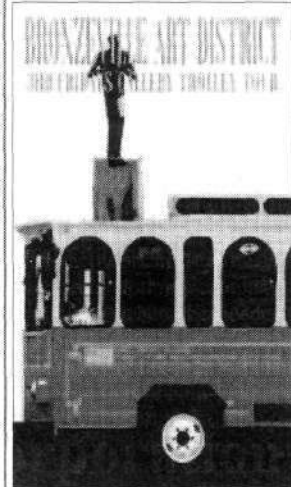
The train will run between approximately 1 p.m. and 9 p.m. on weekends and 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. on weekdays (schedules for each individual line will vary), and will make stops at all stations along the respective routes. For more spe-

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Open Book Program presents **Fun Friday's**. Multi faceted after school program for young adolescents. Field trips, book discussions, computer training, drama instruction, monthly allowances and more. 435 E. 35th St. 773-924-9802, www.openbookprogram.org.



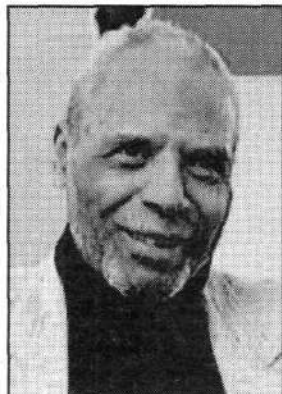
Neleh Artistic Expressions Celebrates Chicago Artists Month. An Exhibition Illustrating "The Spirit of Sankofa" Reaching Beyond Boundaries. In October, 250 exhibitions of emerging and established artists, openings, demonstrations, tours, open studios and neighborhood art walks take place at galleries, cultural centers and arts buildings throughout the city. Neleh Artistic Expressions Lake Meadows Shopping Center 3467 S. King Drive

Thru- Dec. 15

ETA Creative Arts Foundation 7558 S. South Chicago, The Black Fairy, written by Useni Eugene Perkins, Music Score by Anthony Llorens, directed by Tyla Abercrombie, Music Direction by Keith "1" Austin, Choreographed by Bobby Andrews. For more information please call 773-752-3955.

Nov. 13 - 20

The Black Ensemble Theater Presents **2nd Black Playwrights Festival**, produced by Black Ensemble Theater Foun-



Useni Eugene Perkins

der and Executive Director Jackie Taylor and award-winning actor and writer David Barr III.. The Black Playwrights Festival will include a celebration of the works of Useni Perkins, several works commissioned as part of the Black Ensemble Theater's Black Playwright's Initiative, at the Black Ensemble Theater, 4520 N. Beacon. Tickets call 773-769-4451 or by visiting the Black Ensemble Box Office at 4520 N. Beacon.

Fri. Nov. 17

Bronzeville Art District Third Friday Trolley Tour. Two continuously running trolleys stop at five Bronzeville art galleries. The tour is free and departs from two locations. Trolley One departs from the Hyatt Regency McCormick Place (22nd South King Drive) at 6:15 p.m. Trolley Two departs from 47th Street Market Place (47th South King Drive) at 6:15 p.m. One can also board trolleys at any of the five art galleries. Trolley Tour Dates, and December 15.

Author Discussion Earl B. Dickerson: A Voice for Freedom and Equality @ 7pm - co-author Marcus Shepard, noted historian Timuel Black, and additional special guests for a spirited discussion of *Earl B. Dickerson: A Voice for Freedom and Equality*. RSVP requested. call 847-491-7240. Light refreshments provided.

Sat. Nov. 18

Family & Elders Day with Science Workshops

& Activities @ Noon, Explore the "science of music" with the Black Inventors Exhibit: **From Dreams to Reality** and guest saxophonist Mikiel Williams during a special family oriented afternoon. **From Dreams to Reality** highlights the work of black inventors in science and medicine with stories and hands-on activities. Free Admission. **DuSable Museum Events,** 740 East 56th Place, (773) 947-0600.

TEMPLE OF MERCY ASSOCIATION, 15th Annual "FOUNDERS DAY" Anniversary Celebration for Min. Rahim Chesed Aton (Sax Preacher), Keynote Speaker: Bro. Michael Brown; Historian, Guest Speakers: Sis. Pat Hill, Sis. Pam Dominguez, Sis. Hattie Wash., Fred, Jr, Lord Cassius D, Blak Ice, @ 6pm., Dinner Served at 7pm, Edu-Tainment By: Amen Rah, Paraplegic M.C., Aset, Vanessa, Blak Ice, Temple of Mercy Association #2 - 2447 E. 79th St (Between Phillips & Essex). For More Info Call: 773-846-3091. A TOMA Production.

TRICK CITY Cable show topics of interest to the Black community of Chicago (TRICK CITY) host Michael Jones and regular panelists: Columnist Ar-



lene Jones, of the Austin Weekly News, and Publisher Ron Carter, of the South Street Journal. Guests include: Mayoral candidate Bill Dock Walls, Attorney. Nov. Airings #39, Sat.18th, 6:30pm, ch.19, Tue. 21st, 12:30am, ch.19. Discussions include John "The Torturer" Burge, Richard "Tricky Dick" Daley, Cook County Board Election **Black children in the state of Illinois and all across the country are in trouble.** Professor

David Johnson, Chairman of the Social & Behavioral Science Department at South Suburban College, asks and answers some



critical questions at the Black Star Project's Barbara A. Sizemore Forum for Educational Excellence including: What kind of response should the Black community have to what is happening to Black children in American schools? 12:00 noon at Community Mennonite Early LC 3215 W. 162 Street (Kedzie) 3215 W. 162 Street (KEDZIE), Markham. For more information (312) 842-3527.

Inspirational Shopping Experience, Calumet Township Recreational Center, 12633 S. Ashland, 11:30am - 2:30pm, Doors open: 10:30am, Inspirational Speakers: Pastor Catherine Avant, Elder Kelli Howard, Bernada Nicole and Evangelist Delores R. Richmond, Business Owners/Vendors, Call 877-505-RSVP FREE. For Advance Registers Only, 877-505-7787

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Sun. 19

Sunday Afternoon African American Film Series - Separate But Equal @ 2pm From Dreams to Determination: The Legacy of Percy and Anna Julian, Explore the lives of leading scientist Percy Julian and social activist and change agent Anna Johnson Julian, through this engaging exhibition. DuSable Museum Events, 740 East 56th Place, (773) 947-0600

Mon. Nov. 20

Marketing to the Industry 6:00 pm to 7:30pm at the Chicago Cultural Center Claudia Cassidy Theater. 77 E. Randolph Street, Chicago. The second part of a two-part series, focused on getting noticed by the music industry. Panelists will discuss the elements of the media. Marketing to different segments of the music and entertainment industry. For more information: Chicago Cultural Center 312-744-6630.

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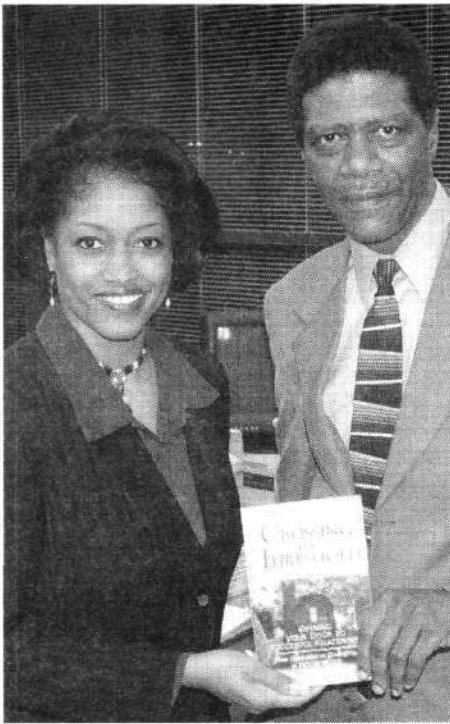
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South Street People



Talayah G. Stovall visited the office of SSJ with publisher and editor Ron Carter in the promotion of with new book noucment of her book

Crossing the Threshold: Opening Your Door to Successful Relationships,

by Talayah G. Stovall. Using analogies of women as various types of "doors", the book encourages readers to break the mindsets that hold them back and keep them repeating the same relationship patterns. Readers will learn to remove the patterns that cause them to repeat self-defeating behaviors, repair their self-image and recover from the "Cinderella Syndrome".

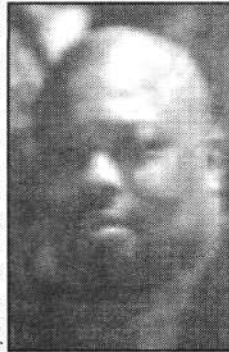
With a powerful foreword by Dr. Linda G. Owens, PhD, this book will help you develop an understanding of who you are so that you can grow into the person that God designed you to be.

Talayah G. Stovall, President of TGrace, is an author and motivational speaker who promotes personal empowerment and self-improvement. With her engaging and inspirational style, she challenges audiences to reach their full potential and achieve their personal and professional goals. She uses the spoken and written word to inspire people to embrace their God-given abilities and increase their life satisfaction.

Talayah is a native and current resident of Chicago, Illinois. To arrange a book signing, speaking engagement or press interview, please call 773-268-5620. Got to <http://www.talahystovall.com> to purchase. You may email talayah@talayahstovall.com for more information.

Veteran political Activist/ Journalist Mark S. Allen

will officially begin weekly Political Analysis on The Morgan Memo News show, hosted by Morgan Carter, The World's Conversation Starter, Thursdays from 7:30 AM until 8:00 AM on WBGX 1570-AM. In addition, Allen and station owner Tim Gallagher have been in discussions and met on Monday at the station to discuss Allen hosting a daily night time talk show, in that Allen's efforts to get a slot on WVON failed. Allen is The Associate Editor of The South Street Journal Newspaper.



Back In Town, Lorna Barnes

It's been well over a decade since many have heard or seen Lorna Barnes, who was the founder and president of America's Back-To-Basics, Inc., a nonprofit organization.



The Black Female VIEW. What could be a major hit in Chicago was Emille McKendall, Merri Dee, and Monique Caradine co-hosted The Inner View on WVON-1690 AM. Guests included: Chris Gardner, The Pursuit of Happiness, Felicia Fields, The Color Purple..



At one point, Ms. Barnes and her organization shared office space provided by the late Lu Palmer, with The Black Leadership Development Institute, BLDI, and the both were sort of a one-two punch in community activism.

Lorna had some personal challenges and vanished from the scene. Part of her personal challenge was when she tried to raise certain issues, people would say, "what qualifies you to say this?"

Since her absence from the community, she has received a Bachelor of Arts degree, cum laude, Master of Arts magna cum laude, and currently working on a Doctoral degree in Education with a major in Disability studies with a 4.0 GPA at a private university by the grace of God.

She's also excited about the publication of her first novel.

Stayed tuned to hear more about her passionate "voice" as a suicide survivor

At the late Lu Palmer's funeral, people saw us together and asked "are you all back together to serve our people?"

The Chicago Urban League's 45th Annual Golden Fellowship Dinner

on Nov. 11 at the Hilton Chicago featured new League President & CEO Cheryl Jackson the first woman President in the League's 90-year

history; dinner chair Carrie Hightman, former president of AT&T Illinois; and music sensation Heather Headley.

Various Chicago and national leaders and elected officials addressed the crowd, including

Mayor Richard M. Daley, U.S. Senators Barack Obama and Dick Durbin, Rev. Jesse Jackson Sr. and National Urban League President Mark Morial. The League presented its



Leadership Award to Compton and the Lifetime Achievement Award to Westina Matthews Shatteen, daughter of the late, legendary civil rights leader Edwin C. "Bill" Berry, a former CUL president.

For the first time ever, five of Chicago's leading female TV anchors shared a stage as co-emcees: Marion Brooks of NBC 5 Chicago; Diann Burns, CBS 2 Chicago; Cheryl Burton of ABC 7 Chicago; Allison Payne, WGN-TV News; and Robin Robinson of Fox News Chicago.

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Schedule of coming dates

- November 16, 22 — Everlasting Life Detoxification and Regeneration Program (meets each session at 6:30pm)
- November 18 — Holiday Favorites Food Prep/Demo (2:00pm)
- November 23-26 — Center Closed
- January 18 — Everlasting Life Detoxification and Regeneration Program (6:30pm)

Smoke Kills So Will a Lack of Fire Drills

Ms. Beauty Turner

The Chicago Fire Department Command Staff established a command post at Oak Street Beach in September of this year. CFD rescue units participating in this drill included a fireboat, air sea rescue divers and helicopters. A simulation of a large-scale response to a cruise boat in distress by key units of the Fire Department was also in effect. The scenario included a "Mayday" call over a Marine radio frequency by a Vessel Captain and the evacuation of passengers into the waters of Lake Michigan. All of this happened on the Lake Front near Oak Street.

To think if before 9/11, and focusing in on the example of Hurricane Katrina, if there were more fire drills maybe a lot of the elderly people would have survived that harsh hurricane.

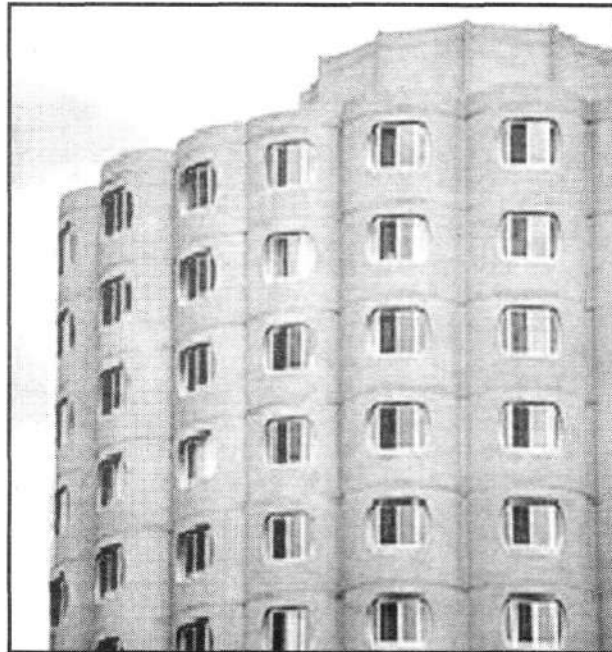
However, looking at the low income luxury high rises for Senior Citizens such as the Judge Slater Homes off of 43rd & Cottage Grove, as well as the ones on 40th & Lake Park, just too name two places, are towering over the city of Chicago looking nice, but just how safe are they for the elderly?

Underneath the \$1.6 billion Chicago Housing Authority's Plan for Transformation concerning low income families as well as for seniors, the city has relocated thousands of senior citizens into them.

But along with those high concrete towers comes some valid concerns such as Joyce Lee age 61 has raised. "I don't feel safe in my building" Ms. Lee said at a recent meeting at the Rain and Shine Baptist Church at 704 East 43rd street. Joyce is an elderly disabled woman with salt and pepper grey hair, who walks on a silver walker.

On November 2nd, Lee, and others in the meeting stated that they were con-

cerned about their welfare as well as the other senior citizen's that are disabled who live in buildings that are



There is a definite need for evacuation emergency plans and fire drills in our low income and seniors buildings. Management should conduct fire drills at least once a year.

over four floors high.

"We don't have fire drills in our complex; and that scares me," Lee went on to say. "I just had two hip replacements and some times I can't remember things," Lee added. "I know that I'm not the only disabled person in the complex," Lee commented. Lee was concerned because of the recent rash of fires that ripped through city high rises. Lee spoke about the elderly lady that

was in a fire who died along with her grandson.

"Nobody is paying attention to the elderly when it comes to things like this," another young lady at the meeting commented. "We don't seem to have any type of plan if something like that happens to us," Lee added. "When it comes to disabled people in high rises there should be a monthly fire drill," Lee recommended. Lee said that she had contacted her

management company High Land Tudor Manor as well as her Alderman Leslie Hairston (5th ward) and asked them about fire drills for the elderly.

Chicago Fire Department's spokesperson Larry Langford (son of former alderman Annie Langford) said "we normally ask the management to conduct fire drills at least once a year." He

continued to say "we have certain standard procedures when it comes to elderly in high rises,"

"We also have a plan where people who are disabled can register with the city so that we can know who lives where," Langford added.

Langford took down Lee's information so that the fire department could begin to address her concerns.

Alderman Hairston did call me back and I repeated Lee's concerns to her. Alderman Hairston assures that she would look into Lee's concerns as well as the matter of fire drills for the elderly.

Knowing a lot of elderly people who are disabled, some who can not even get out of bed, made this issue a great concern of mine, and hopefully to my readers as well.

In the event of an emergency, have a plan of action!

1. Call 911. Give the address, floor, and nature of emergency.
2. Don't use vanity addresses.
3. Call building management. Notify them of the emergency.
4. Know where fire extinguishers are located.
5. Know how to use fire extinguishers properly.
6. Know how to evacuate your area.
7. Know all exits and where they lead to.
8. Never use the elevators to evacuate in a fire situation.

A demand for more fire drills for elderly disabled people in high rise's is on the move, at least once every two months, as well as in Nursing homes.

Fact & Commentary

Weekly

Round Up of.....

Mark Allen Associate Editor

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nesses and jobs leave our communities.

Grass Roots Organizing Needed For Minimum Wage Increase

If you want to show ordinary people that their efforts matter when lobbying the government, then you need to organize an IMMEDIATE campaign that can generate thousands of calls into the legislature and

postcards, faxes, etc. This is a very unique opportunity to actually show grassroots people that their input does count. It could even include a statewide bus trip to bring thousands

to Springfield to publicly show their support for the minimum wage. As we seek ways to reconnect the masses to the electoral process and to the grassroots organizations and their significance, we need a public campaign from the those in need of a minimum wage increase to be involved in the effort to mobilize for it.

I would think that the Governors political fund could help with financing this effort, almost the same manner that he sought grassroots mobilization to show support for this Kids Health Care Legislation.

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The Black Seal



Then I heard a voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us? And I said, "Here am I. Send Me!" -- Isaiah 6:8

This divine word is the driving force behind the emerging presence of the African American Seal. The Seal is an awesome and impressive work of art that was conceived and designed for people of African descent through the inspired vision of founder, Terry Holloway. The native from Pompano Beach, Florida was passionately driven by his vision and desire to inform African Americans and introduce them to their great legacy and true cultural identity. For the past decade, Holloway has dedicated his resources, time and energy to the development of this powerful image.

The concept for the African American Seal was born out of personal historical experiences of African Americans and especially the heightened civil rights era of the 1960's. These factors influenced Holloway's desire and will to create this magnificent masterpiece. In his early years, Holloway was blessed to have parents, elders and educators that exposed him to knowledge of Black history, celebrities, and influential people that played an important role in reshaping our rich cultural heritage. These valuable experiences afforded Holloway opportunities to learn the greatest of all lessons in life that taught him the gift of charity and the duty of serving others. Holloway has profound respect and appreciation for the many courageous leaders of his ancestry, who made tremendous sacrifices to pave

the way for a better life for all African Americans. Holloway's unconditional love for people and his community is the inspiration that led this gifted designer to create a symbol that connects African Americans to their heritage and positive inner-self. With enthusiasm and conviction, this visionary has been on a quest for the past two decades to develop an image that would continuously encourage African Americans to honor their past and strengthen the future for generations to come. The African American Seal has proudly emerged to fulfill this purpose.



Terry Holloway
Founder & President
King Black Enterprises

Creator:
 Great Seal of
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Holloway's faith and commitment to his vision is evident. He strives daily to motivate African Americans to pursue their passion with excellence and embrace a sense of purpose to help make the world a better place. Holloway's beliefs, values, and positive attitude exemplify these principles that will forever define who he is. During his collegiate years at a Historically Black College and Universities (HBCU), Morris Brown College in Atlanta, Georgia, he began a journey to discover the inner greatness that exists in all people. He recognized the importance of having positive self-identity and awareness that will enable us to assume the responsibilities in our communities. He strongly feels that attending an HBCU is the primary reason that he has remained connected to the core of his heritage. Holloway is excited and totally committed to follow his calling to serve a greater cause to improve the well being of our people and to make a significant impact in his community. Holloway has readily put his plans into action and decided

to make a difference in our world by helping to keep our legacy relevant. Holloway is on a mission to empower his community, by presenting positive and powerful images that reflect who we are. The African American Seal reinforces a "feel good" attitude for those who see and embrace it. The Seal is a symbol that offers enlightenment and hope to African Americans, which gives us what we need and want. This image respectfully represents and expresses our history and true existence. The Seal is Holloway's contribution to the African American community. He offers it as a symbol for us to use in our efforts to continue and preserve the rich and proud legacy of our African American ancestry. Leaving no stones unturned, the African American Seal is more than just an image, it is an historical evolution and it represents a cultural revolution.

Get ready to get on board and ride this cultural train with the African American Seal as it begins the journey of sweeping across the nation to reconnect forty million people back to their African roots. Our future generations anticipate their liberation as the next Frederick Douglass, Harriet Tubman, Malcolm X, Rosa Parks, Bill Cosby, Oprah Winfrey, and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., as they are empowered to discover their destiny and rise up to greatness to lead the way. Remember, our great legacy, the African American Seal, is a monumental sign for this day and is here to stay.

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US Soldier Killed Herself After Objecting to Interrogation Techniques
 The true stories of how American troops, killed in Iraq, actually died keep spilling out this week ... Now we learn that one of the first female soldiers killed in Iraq died by her own hand after objecting to interrogation techniques used on prisoners.

Iraqi Data Suggests Civilian Deaths Still Rising
 The number of Iraqi civilians killed by violence may have jumped to another record high in October, data from the Iraqi government indicated on Wednesday.

Statistics issued by the Interior Ministry for Iraqis killed in political violence put civilian deaths last month at 1,289, nearly 42 a day and up 18 percent from the 1,089 seen in September, itself a record for this particular series of data.

Israeli Strikes Kill Eight Palestinians
 Soldier Israeli forces backed by tanks killed eight Palestinians including at least five militants on Wednesday. One soldier was also killed in one of the heaviest

Israeli raids into the Gaza Strip in months.

Don't Blame Us, Say the Global Gas Guzzlers. The White House offered a cool response to the Stern review, acknowledging that it was a "contribution" to the study of global warming but declining to endorse its findings. The US energy industry was less cautious, accusing Nicholas Stern of producing a report that owed more to "science fiction" than economic reality. "The Stern report is fun with numbers for political purposes. It's easy to make guesses; it's

harder to pin down reality," said an industry spokesman.

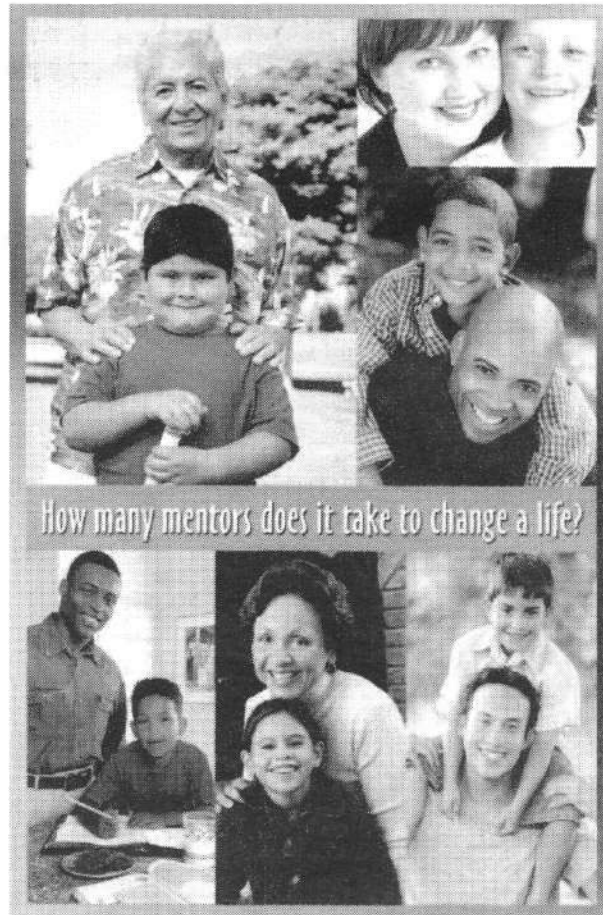
Colorado City to Vote on "Carbon Tax" Voters in Boulder, Colorado, will decide Tuesday whether the city will become

the first in the nation to impose a "carbon tax" on homeowners and businesses to fund efforts to reduce emissions that cause global warming. Environmentalists Attack Republican Stronghold in California

In a year of unpopular Republican incumbents, perhaps no congressman is more reviled than Richard Pombo of California. Environmentalists loathe him because, as chair of the House Resources Committee, he advocated selling off one quarter of the country's national parks and pushed for oil and gas drilling in the Alaskan wilderness and the Pacific Ocean. The media has been gunning for him because he took money from the disgraced Republican Party lobbyist Jack Abramoff. Republicans in his district have been made queasy by his deals with developers, who have increased the value of his family-held landholdings while contributing to his political campaign fund.

Depleted Uranium Risk "Ignored"
 UK and US forces have continued to use depleted uranium weapons despite warnings they pose a cancer risk ... and now senior scientists have pointed to worrying health statistics in Iraq, which show a rise in cancer and birth defects.

Suit Filed to Prevent Sending Convicts out of State
 The state's prison guards union and another union went to court Monday to stop Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's plan to ship thou-



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Ald. Tillman Makes Surprise RSVP For SSJ Gala

South Street Journal office received a surprised confirmation and honored that the legendary 3rd Ward Alderman Dorothy Tillman has confirmed to be present at its 13th Anniversary gala on Saturday December 9, 2006. The alderman will be in attendance with others celebrating the newspaper in.

Other notable community representation includes Bill Norels (who was featured in the first print September 1992) who has taken on as chair of the South Street Journal Advisory Board. Presenters at the event include William "Dock" Walls, Eddie Read, Dorothy Brown, Rev. Al Sampson, John Paul Jones, Bruce Crosby, Wallace "Gator" Bradley and others with a special performance by Chicago Earl Calloway. Through the years, the newspaper has been a customary critic of elected officials of the Bronzeville community that included the 3rd Alderman Tillman, from a distance on issues.

Associate Editor Mark S. Allen (also noted in the first issue in 1992 as well) will be conducting a future one on one interview with Alderman Tillman, as well as other leaders in understanding leaders' roles in the communities working together, despite different political agendas.

Optimistically it will be the beginning of a more productive working relationship that leads to more community involvement in the 3rd ward, and other community areas that the newspaper serve.

Recently the newspaper have relocated back in the Bronzeville community, its office located at 449 East 35th Street.

Morgan Carter and Ranoule Tatum will be the MCs for the gala that will be a reunion of persons that has been part of the newspaper's challenges and growth.

The newspaper has begun its weekly printing as it is rebuilding relationships in the Bronzeville community and establishing circulation relationships in the South Suburb under the direction of Frederick Williams and Okema McCloud that puts the newspaper in a unique position to be real catalyst for measurable, positive change for the building and rebuilding of communities.

Moving ahead with its staff, Ms. Daisy Johnson, Joseph Gilmore, E.J. Jackson, Wanda Lee and Donnel Robinson

The agenda of the Gala will pay tribute to the book "Kings" written by Nat Thompson addressing the unity that was a network of economic development in the Bronzeville community from the early 20's to the mid 50's. It was a time where Black owned and operated businesses and organizations control the development of gas stations, ma & pa community stores, shoe stores, clothing stores, restaurants, car repair shops, car rental, recording shops, beauty supply stores, concert and banquet halls, produce markets, all by Black businesses providing goods and services.

The gala will be held at the beautiful Prince Masonic Hall at 809 East 42nd Place, 5-6 pm reception and the program starts at 6 pm.

The anniversary and fundraiser puts the community as well as the newspaper steps closer to the glue that brings the Bronzeville area back together on a common and holistic agenda of community empowerment.

In the spirit of the late Lu and Jorja Palmer and Vernon Jarrett, the newspaper is fulfilling their challenge to maintain an Independent Press for providing for and protect



Morgan Carter, co MC of the event



Ranoule Tatum



Re-Thinking The Thanksgiving

By William Katz

Since 1621 and Governor William Bradford of the Pilgrim colony of Massachusetts, Thanksgiving Day has been a political holiday. Usually wrapped in warm family and patriotic values, our rulers have shaped it to meet their needs. A Presidential Proclamation announces Thanksgiving each year and relatives and friends sit down to turkey feeling they are participants in a moment rich in tradition and worthy of celebration.

But is this tradition something to celebrate? In 1620 Pilgrims from England aboard the Mayflower came ashore in Massachusetts. They were able to avoid disaster and starvation when the Wampanoag Nation brought them gifts of food and offered advice on planting, hunting, and fishing. Since half of the world's crops had been planted by Native Americans and were unknown to Europeans, the Wampanoags brought the Pilgrims something of a miracle.

In 1621 after surviving their first winter, Pilgrim Governor William Bradford ordered a celebration. But Pilgrim thanks were not extended to the Wampanoag hosts but to their white God and deep Christian faith. If the Wampanoags were invited by the newcomers who viewed them as inferiors and servants, it probably was to have them bring the turkey, corn, and other delicacies, or serve the food.

If the Pilgrims learned any lessons about interracial co-operation in 1621, they were soon forgotten.



In 1637 Governor Bradford, who saw his colonists locked in mortal combat with dangerous Native Americans, ordered his militia to conduct a night attack on the sleeping men women and children of a Pequot Indian village. To Bradford, a devout Christian, the massacre was imbued with religious meaning:

It was a fearful sight to see them frying in the fire and the streams of blood quenching the same and horrible was the stink and stench thereof. But the victory seemed a sweet sacrifice and they [the Massa-

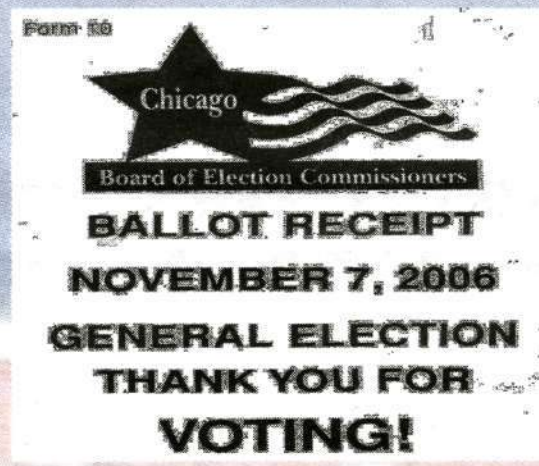
Post Election Wrap-Up: Delusional

Local Republicans, in the course of the just concluded Mid-term election, dragged out their tired old complaints about unwavering African American support for the Democratic Party. The accusation, most recently in an editorial in the Chicago Tribune, asserts that the community's support for the Democratic party in Illinois is blind, and without any rational justification. That African Americans have mistakenly abandoned the party of Abraham Lincoln. And, most specifically, that Republican candidates like Judy Baar Topinka and Tony Peraica would serve those in our community better than their Democratic counterparts.

In previous editorials we covered the principle reasons for supporting Blagojevich over Topinka, most having to do with Topinka's close ties to the convicted George Ryan and her slating Alan Keyes over nearly a dozen qualified local Republicans in the Senate race.

With Peraica, his overly conservative views were out of place in Cook County. Regardless of Peraica's characterization as a reformer, a Republican board president would have little opportunity to forward any agenda against the tide of Democrats in county positions. Additionally, with Paraica's close ties to Peter LaBarbera of the Illinois Family Institute, residents of Cook County could scarcely take the chance that legal health services like abortion and access to prescription medications like the morning-after pill would be endangered by Peraica's "reform" agenda.

"All politics is local," the late Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill used to say, and at no time in the history of the Republic has this homily been so apropos. For African Americans to judge if a political party is worthy of support, one need only look at their record. Taking a look at the record of the Republican Party is most revealing.



Katrina - the list of slights, transgressions and criminal conduct against our race is legion.

Affirmative Action - the current president took the opportunity of the celebration of Rev. Martin Luther King's birth to announce the administration's opposition of the University of Michigan's admission policies that took into account race as a factor in maintaining a diverse student body.

The Federal Minimum Wage - Republicans have blocked any attempt at raising the minimum wage for a decade, a wage that currently falls thousand of dollars a year short of the current poverty line in America.

Voter Suppression - Republicans passed all measures of laws requiring expensive voter ID cards; provided fewer voting machines in African American communities country-wide; moved polling places the day of elections without notification; and eliminated thousands of legitimate Black voters from rolls.

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Black On Black \$

Dear Editor:

I listen with deep interest October 20" to Roland Martin on WVON discussing the large amount of money the city is paying to contractors and the small amount going to black contractors. He discussed what some people are doing to get more contracts for black contractors. People were calling in pledging money to pay for what ever it cost to carry out their plans. I have worked all my adult life trying to get whites to do what they should do in regards to blacks. But my biggest efforts have been trying to get us to do what we should do among ourselves to help each other.

It was discussed that the city is giving only 9 per cent of the city's contracts to African Americans. I have been living where I am since 1945. There have been more buildings rehabbing in the neighborhood this year than any year since I moved here. I think it is a shame that the only blacks I have seen working on a building in this neighborhood is the ones I hired. While I am 100 per cent for making the city do what they should do, but I think every church leader, block clubs and all other leaders should be doing our best to get all the people we can to spend their



money with Black Owned Businesses. I am for others doing all they can to get the city to do right.

I am putting most of my money in the United American Progress Association; getting more people to subscribe for the Black Press, buy their grocery at a Black Owned Grocery Store, carry their clothes to a black owned cleaners, buy their gas at a black owned gas station, eat at a black owned restaurant, have their banquets at a black owned banquet hall, listen to radio station W.V.O.N., buy their clothes at a black owned clothing store and use the services of black contractors and buy goods produced by blacks. At the same time I am asking every business owner to give the best in goods and services and give with courtesy. I know many blacks who are not spending 9 percent of their money with blacks. Those who are interested in getting more people to spend more with blacks please contact Webb Evans at (773) 268-1873. If we use my method we will create many of the jobs that we are trying to get others to give us.

Webb Evans, President
United American Progress Association

Salvation Army Would Never Omit The Black Press

Dear Mr. Carter,

On behalf of The Salvation Army, I would like to clear up the inaccuracies as represented by Mr. Morgan Carter in his letter, "Blasts Salvation Army's Omission of Black Press from Open House in Englewood" which appeared in Letters to the Editor, the October 12 edition of the South Street Journal.

Letters To



The Salvation Army's 70,000 square-foot Red Shield Center is a wonderful addition to the Englewood community. The Center was built with the community in mind, and many of its programs and services are tailored specifically to meet the needs of the community residents. The Center's advisory council which meets monthly is comprised of business and community leaders,

Harold Washington



Ron Carter, Publisher and Editor

people of this city.

Business as usual will not be accepted by this chief executive of this great city.

Chicago has been characterized as the most segregated city in the United States, a city they said could never change.

Chicago is one city. We shall work as one people for our common good and our common goals.

That fallacy flies in the face of studies that show, every day, in every way, things are getting a little worse for America's minorities relative to the progress made by those in the top percentiles of assets and income.

The second fallacy is the idea that we have reached a kind of plateau, economically and socially, where there is no longer a need for affirmative action, no need for righting the balance.

The third fallacy is that affirmative action doesn't work.

Throughout American history many of our social gains and much of our progress toward democracy were made possible by the active intervention of the federal government.

Today has seen the bright daybreak for this city, and for perhaps this entire country. Blacks, whites, Hispanics, Jews, gentiles, Protestants and Catholics of all stripes have joined hands to form a new democratic coalition.

We fought that good fight with unseasoned weapons and a phalanx of people who mostly had never been involved in a political campaign before.

We have destroyed the dinosaur.

What is so remarkable about the success of affirmative action is that it has been accomplished despite the Justice Department and the policies of the federal government.

With the approaching mayoral election in February 2007, the interests lie in exploring Chicago politics is more critical. And even as there was four potential Black candidates, now three calling for what Washington was about, William "Dock" Walls, Dorothy Brown and now Syron Smith (political involvement in Chicago).

The changing landscape of the loop, economics, housing, population change, education, the increase of Black youth in jail, corruption and business patronage, added with the current Mayor Richard M. Daley with his father wings around him, to the present elected officials there is a need for informed deliberation about the state of progressive politics.

Washington won the election by 3.3 percent. Political action works but its going to need to muster all every political resources if it is to be rebuilt.



Photo: Antonio B. Dickey

Nineteen years have passed since the nation last saw Harold Washington, the great reform mayor of Chicago, lead by the greatest grassroots political movement Chicago had ever seen.

Elected in 1983, Washington died suddenly on November 25, 1987, a massive heart attack at his desk in City Hall. Many would frown not to mention he may have been poisoned, and then others would say he was not taking care of his health, as he should have.

While the election of Mayor Washington was a historic moment for Black, Latino and progressive forces both locally and nationally, in the minds of many, Chicago still search for the grand style of Washington more than the solutions to issues and programs that needs to be addressed. With a personality that was charmed and direct he gave Chicago new image grander than being known for Al Capone.

As I recall while in African, the countrymen there upon knowing one were from Chicago they shouted, "Harold! Harold! Not bang bang, Al Capone.

No doubt Washington left behind a legacy. It is noted with such monuments as the main Chicago Public Library, the Harold Washington Cultural Center in Bronzeville, Washington City College and at park and housing complex, several other local facilities are named in the late mayor's honor. Those symbols of him actually are achievements with him in mind. On the contrary are there motives behind carrying on his political purpose.

But in Chicago as many elected officials now in office did not support him, glad it was just a brief climax, with the idea that his education was merely a facade created to perpetuate the political memory. In any discussion of Chicago politics the root of it comes deeper than one could imagine, one political and governmental professional states Chicago is beyond plantation politics.

"Historically", then-Chicago Board of Election Commissioners Chairman Michael Lavelle. Said, "this is the highest turnout we've ever had, as far as we know, for a municipal election,"

POLITICAL CAREER BEFORE BECOMING MAYOR:

Illinois State Representative, 26th District, 1965-1976, Illinois State Senator, 26th District, 1977-1980

Chicago Mayor Candidate, 1977 (received 11% of the vote), United States Congressman, 1st District, 1981-1983

1983 MAYORAL ELECTION:

Harold Washington announced his candidacy on November 10, 1982. He won the Democratic primary election on February 22, 1983 with 36% of the vote, defeating incumbent mayor, Jane M. Byrne, Richard M. Daley, Sheila Jones, William R. Markowski and Frank R. Ranallo. Washington won the general election on April 12, 1983 with 52% of the vote, defeating Bernard Epton (Republican) and Ed Warren (Socialist Workers). He was inaugurated at Navy Pier on April 29, 1983, with his famous Inaugural address (One must not forget the heated dispute among factions in the City Council. Early on, many of his plans were held up in the City Council by an opposition bloc of 29 aldermen led by Edward Vrdolyak (10th). The confrontations became so heated that they became known as the "Council Wars." A

court-ordered redistricting in 1986 brought an end to the contention when special elections brought in more aldermen who supported Washington.

Washington was reelected with 53 percent of the vote against Vrdolyak, who ran in the Illinois Solidarity Party, and Republican challenger Don Haider, in 1987.

With the votes he needed in the City Council, Washington passed.

Thousands of Chicagoans attended his wake in the lobby of City Hall between November 27 and November 29, 1987. On November 30th Rev. B. Herbert Martin officiated at funeral services in Christ Universal Temple at 119th Street and Ashland Avenue, Chicago. Harold Washington was buried in Oak Woods Cemetery, 1035 E. 67th Street, Chicago.

Then-Ald. Eugene Sawyer was appointed as acting mayor. Mayor Daley defeated Sawyer in a 1989 special election. The coalitions that Washington was build around gone. Daley beat every Black progressive ticket candidate or candidate that claimed association with Washington political agenda.

To mark the anniversary of the passing of Harold Washington, we print below excerpts from him:

In a well-known sound bite from his victory celebration, he told a cheering crowd,

"You want Harold? Well, here's Harold!"

Business as usual will not be accepted by any part of this city.

Business as usual will not be accepted by the

vice. Follow-up calls were made to the media, including the African American newspapers, to ensure that they received the press release, and more importantly, to encourage them to cover the event.

The Salvation Army recognizes our important role in the communities where we serve "...to meet human needs in His name without discrimination," and that our role extends from our churches to the social services that are an integral part of our daily outreach. We realize that without the community's support, we will not be successful.

Captain Charles E. Williams
Englewood Corps Officer

The Westside

Dear Editor:

I live and raised a family on the west side of Chicago. I have always been involved in my community and an active member of ACORN. I have worked many political campaigns for those who I believed in; Harold Washington, Art Turner, Michael Chandler, Danny Davis, even Jesse Miller.

In 1996, with ACORN, I was part of a group of volunteers that registered over 10,000 new voters. This new technology is great for me, as a senior, although I need help with sending replies. I love it.

I know of the City's effort to do a wireless network and the communities' effort to construct a community benefit agreement. I know that there are community activist that want the best for their community, because they live in the community. I know that every time something good comes into our communities, people from outside the community, who claim to be professionals, come and want to

run the show. I know the west siders because I live out west, those that have been active on the technology issue are our professionals. I have never seen Layton or Don in Lawndale, Garfield or Austin. I do know Ralph, Isaac, Lowery, Bob, Shirley and Charles. We don't need these "outsiders" coming to steal potential from our community, that is all they wish to do, anyway. From my understanding, whatever Layton can do, those that went to Minneapolis can do and probably better because they live in the City of Chicago, within the most needy communities. What we should do is make it a requirement that you live in the City to Organize in the City. I invite Layton and Don to our monthly Block Club meeting, although I am sure they won't come, no money at the Block Club so they won't come.

Christine Carter



ng Holiday

Massachusetts militiamen] gave praise thereof to d. Reverend Increase Mather, Pilgrim spiritual father and still a hero in most US textbooks, asked his congregation to give thanks to d "that on this day we have sent six hundred heathen souls to hell."

In 1622, the year after the first Thanksgiving in Plymouth, patience ran out for Virginia's Native Americans. They staged a massive attack on Jamestown that took 350 lives, and reports historian James H. Johnstone, "The Indians murdered every white but saved the groes." Even at this early date two peoples color showed a willingness to unite.

In 1789 Thanksgiving was revived when George Washington as first President asked US Congress to make it a national holiday. Using the holiday's mythology of generosity and cooperation, he sought to unify diverse ethnic and racial groups behind the new political experiment called the United States.

and reborn as a unifying political symbol, Thanksgiving has glorified the European invaders, and their oppression of people of color.

Instead Thanksgiving could honor those Native Americans and African Americans who became freedom-fighters and the unity these two often forged during five hundred years of e. Their rich history of heroism and unity a Thanksgiving holiday.

Republicans

ation of College Loan Programs - systematizing the doors of high learning to lower intents.

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ild Left Behind - Republicans never funded late, forcing school systems to adhere to the without the necessary support funding to do

Immigration Policies - refusing to close our cheap, illegal labor.

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its For the Rich - shifting the tax burden for the country on the backs of the middle and some brackets.

st goes on; racial profiling; no universal health prescription drug program for seniors written by companies forbidding Medicare to negotiate prices; highest unemployment in the Black ty ever; union busting; etc, etc, etc.

he most shameful Republican tactic of all, f Uncle Toms in our community to shill for standard, racist programs, essentially showing plete disregard, nay, contempt for African is at large. And finally, their use of racist ads e country, but most specifically in Tennessee the Mandingo syndrome once again.

ext time a Republican bemoans what they ize as our "blind" community support for the ic Party, invoke Janet Jackson and ask, "what done for me lately?" And when they have no ve answer or justification to give, tell them to nd then see if they're feelin' you yet.

The Editor

pastors and residents from Englewood.

The dedication of the Red Shield Center on October 7 was a free event and open to the public. The Salvation Army solicited input from the advisory council and Alderman Latasha Thomas' office (15th Ward) in putting together an invitation list. While the list did not contain every single address in the Englewood community, it did include churches, businesses and many of the community organizations and schools.

We worked very hard to ensure that the dedication was not just a traditional Army event, but a community celebration. Several Englewood pastors were part of the program and most of those in attendance were primarily from the community. The audience was treated to performances by the Englewood vocal ensemble and the Wentworth Elementary Brass Ensemble, all students from the Wentworth Elementary School which lies adjacent to the Red Shield Center.

To say that The Salvation Army intentionally omitted the Black press from this event is a total fabrication. A press release containing all the pertinent details of the Red Shield dedication was faxed to the African American press including the Chicago Defender, N'DIGO, the Citizen and the Chicago Crusader, among others-two days prior to the event.

On the day before the event (Friday), a media advisory about the event was sent to the general media through our PR newswire ser-

Rescind HB 4050

(Continued from page 1)

formed SSJ.

He said Madigan push the bill addressing major lenders will reverse their history of denying credit to minorities, thereby increasing credit access. However organizers against the Bill say the Bill fails to measure and anticipate declining property value due to the decrease in private investment in the targeted census tracts and zip codes.

One act of the Bill calls for mortgage lenders that work with poor credit seekers to disclose their lending data to a state regulatory agency via a Database. This data is to access the lenders/brokers quotes that may be predatory in nature, and not fair to borrowers.

"Who want to take that risk of being labeled as a predatory lender and have their license revoked?" Stress Jones. "Mind you, most lenders/brokers representing the 10 zip codes are predominately African American and Latino. Black and Latinos professionals are increasingly attracted to this industry. But now, state legislators wish to force them to release data. These are the same professional that were pushed aside by mainstream lenders, who wanted to keep their profits internal."

"HB 4050 must be rescinded. Plain and Simple!" Says Santos. "This policy speaks to a more serious debate about all public policy to introduced, negotiated and the degrees in which indigenous African American/Latinos people are represented."

"HB 4050 denies and undermines the public and private investment that Chicagoans has come to know. Let us expand credit and abandon the Database. Let us measure the willingness of mainstream banks to invite poor credit rated consumers to open accounts at their banks." Santos said.

Everloyce McCullough, of Englewood homeowner and Coalition to Rescind HB 4050 added, "Not only homeowners and purchasers are being affected, but so are young Black and Latino professionals that have entered the real estate field".

"These professionals helped us win homeownership, now they will be forced to reconsider doing business in their neighborhood. This reminds me of the late 1960's when the insurance industry overtook our communities and forces indigenous black companies out of business."

The Coalition have also been moving the issue in Springfield as lawmakers meet in closed and open sessions during its 2006 Veto Session. After delivering over 8,000 petitions to the Governor, State Senate Majority Leader Emil Jones, and House Speaker Madigan following its November 6th pre-election rally front of the State Building

Rep. Ken Dunkins and others state officials has address the community in meetings A Representative from Madigan Office, and core leaders of the Coalition have met to address actions to measure the progress and arguments on both



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sides of the Bill. Jones said "We are pleased that the Springfield Leaders are moving to take a broad review of the very discriminatory housing law, as the Coalition is still requesting a leadership meeting with State leaders prior to any significant legislative changes."

"We would still pursue our legal strategies working with volunteer attorneys and clergy members experienced in these matters" stated Julie Santos who just recently attended Latino Attorney's Assistance meeting regarding HB 4050. The State public hearing on HB 4050 will be held on Monday, November 27th, beginning with a 12 noon and a rally at the James Thomp-



House Sponsors for HB4050 are Michael J. Madigan - Susana A Mendoza - Barbara Flynn Currie - Eddie Washington - Harry Osterman, Lisa M. Dugan, Daniel J. Burke, Mary E. Flowers, Milton Patterson, Kenneth Dunkin, Deborah L. Graham, Patricia Bailey, David E. Miller, Richard T. Bradley, Karen A.

Yarbrough, Arthur L. Turner, Lovana Jones and William Davis

Senate Sponsors for HB4050 are Martin A. Sandoval, Jacqueline Y. Collins, Miguel del Valle, James T. Meeks, Mattie Hunter, Louis S. Viverito and Kimberly A. Lightford.

son Center (100 West Randolph) Lower Leveled Conference Hall - Followed by a 1 pm to 3 p.m. Public Statement Period.

Other actions included a Chicago city council hearing on HB 4050 and its impacts resulted in introducing a resolution on November 1st during its meeting by Alderman Shirley Coleman (16) and co-sponsored by Alderman Howard Brookins (21).

HB 4050 needs immediate public oversight and amendments to head-off further discrima-

tory practices. Homeowners and poor credit purchasers should not be treated like sex offenders. The City Council and the Mayor's office must head-off the anticipated loss in real estate taxes, reduced property values and other private investment.

"If HB 4050 continues, the city and county will significant revenue. In addition, contributions to the State's Low Income Trust Fund via real estate transfer taxes can be diminished," states Jones.

"Let not thy will roar, when thy power can but whisper."

--Dr. Thomas Fuller--

The Challenge to the Demarcates recent victory



Last November 7 election, the Democrats won control of both chambers of the United States Congress and the majority of the Governor Mansions around the country. Most black folks are loyal democrats so for many of "us" the election was a long time coming and it was well worth the wait, however for the few black folks that are republican it must have been pretty excruciating. Since I am an independent I did not experience either emotion, but I must admit that I am hopeful.

I am hopeful that the members of the Congressional Black Caucus will use their newly earned access to power to deliver tangible results to their constituents. This is the best time to progress the national and local black agendas since every member of the Congressional Black Caucus is also a democrat. I want to be clear. I am not advocating for members of the Congressional Black Caucus to launch a wave of hearings or to constantly grab media time discussing "black issues." No. I am talking about delivering results that have a direct positive consequence in the lives of people in our community.

On November 8, 2006, Laura Washington wrote a very timely article where she challenged the Democratic Party to deliver something tangible to our community. The tangible, and potentially historic, one result that she challenged the democrats to deliver was full voting rights

for residents of the District of Columbia. I agree with the article, but not just on the issue of D.C. voting rights. I think plenty must be done to address the needs in the African-American that can be address by the federal government. The main reason why I feel hopeful is that for the first time in over a decade our issues can be addressed at the federal level without organizing a rally, launch a public campaign, or running to the media for attention. Our issues can be addressed in committee. It is no secret that I am a critic of the two party system in general and the Democratic Party controlled machine here in Chicago. I have written about how the machine encourages bad government because it stifles choice based on merit as opposed to back room selections



based on protecting the jobs of incumbents and the power of the machine. I am a firm believer in transparent government. Well, there is a difference between transparent government and posturing in front of the television, radio, and print media. Our community does not need any televised "forums" to discuss the crisis in our community. Now is the time for our elected statesmen to work together to deliver tangible results to our community. We do not need flash. We need results. And now it seems to be the perfect time to act.

Mental Health Facility Still Accused of Using Rape

(Continued from page 1)

mouth dry, slur speech, tremors. SSJ inquired to the Facility Administrative Assistant about the dry mouth and the fact my brother was seen drinking urine and eating his bowel from the toilet. The Administrative Assistant at the Chester Mental Health Center told me yea; when they are on that medication they will do anything to get some water.

He admitted to the abuse yet he made it appear that it was necessary to continue the medication regardless to the side effects do to the fact they need the medication to control the bad behavior problem. Doing the September 2006 TPR the unit B Director said to me I know its sound bad but yet David is getting better. Since September 2006 my brother diagnosis changed from a delusional disorder to manic depression (bipolar disorder) in the blink of an eye after fourteen years on the same medication now he has a new License Clinical Social Worker (LCSW).

I believe my brother is being pun-

ished do to the fact I complained about the rapes and battenng on my brother and the fact the Security Therapy Aid (STA) falsify their incident reports.

Editor's Note: This is yet another chapter that needs to come to some finality by the appropriate governmental agencies. A legal team that is familiar with how to fight this kind of fight needs to be assembled for counsel. But in the final analysis, there are some agencies of government that our tax dollars pay for that should be specifically looking into this, and providing some answers to the question of how does these matters get resolved and this young man get back home to the supportive services of his family. The South Street Journal will contact these agencies and report back on their response.

If there are readers with insights and offers of help and guidance please contact the family member listed. Contact: Wazirah H. Muhammad, 638 N. Lockwood Ave. Chicago, IL 60644, Home (773) 626-5453 E Mail mfm1877@yahoo.com

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 Beautiful Places & Spaces: Group show on view in ETA Gallery



Three generations of black women reflect on their lives, disappointments and the realities of aging in Marsha Estell's HEAT, opening at eta Creative Arts Foundation Thursday, November 30, 2006 and running through Sunday, January 21, 2007. Directed by Ilesa Duncan, show times are 8 pm Thursday through Saturday; 3 & 7 pm Sunday at eta Square, 7558 S. South Chicago Avenue. The popular "2-for-1" tickets Thursdays at 8 pm and Sundays at 7 pm continue, subject to availability, except opening and closing nights. This production is partially supported by ComEd. General admission is \$25 w/student, senior and group discounts. For tickets, call 773-752-3955 or visit the eta web site at www.etacreativearts.org.

In this story of a familial journey, two sisters come together to visit their ailing mother, with a daughter in tow, one tempestuous summer weekend. Past wounds are confronted as they come to accept themselves for who they are.

Featured are Carol Brazier, Rhonda Bynum, Gay Glenn and Debrah Neal.

ILESA LISA DUNCAN'S (DIRECTOR) credits include Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill at Columbus' CATCO, Pegasus Player's Young Playwright's Festival and Red Rain for Lincoln Center Theatre's director's lab festival in NYC and Salt in a Wound and Killing Me Softly at eta, Breath, Boom at Pegasus Players, Waiting to Be Invited at Victory Gardens, House that Rocked at Black Ensemble and the hit dark comedy Love Child at Chicago Theatre Company, Theatre on the Lake and Live Bait Theater. Regional credits include A Raisin in the Sun (Columbus, OH), Shakin' the Mess Outta Misery (Indianapolis, IN) and the Trial of One Short-Sighted Black Woman ... (Milwaukee, WI). A member of

Lincoln Center Theatre's Director's Lab, Ilesa is an NEA/TCG 2002-2004 directing fellow.

MARSHA ESTELL (PLAYWRIGHT) is a native Chicagoan and resident playwright at Chicago Dramatists. Heat received its world premiere at Chicago Dramatist and was nominated for a 2004 Joseph Jefferson Theatre Award for Outstanding New Work. Heat was also a finalist in the Dayton Futurefest 2002, 3rd Place winner of the 2001 Theodore Ward Award for African American playwrights, and featured in the 2002 Voices from the Edge Festival at New Perspectives Theater in New York City. For the past three years, Ms. Estell has been a member of Chicago Dramatists' associate program, The Playwrights' Network. Her plays have received readings at Chicago Dramatists, Goodman Theatre, Chicago Theater Company, eta Creative Arts Foundation, Dayton Playhouse, and Famous Door Theater. Her play "Mama Said There Will be Days Like This" was commissioned and produced by Chicago's Black Ensemble Theatre for an extended run. Ms. Estell is a member of the Women's Theatre Alliance, Actors Equity and AFTRA.

Also opening in the eta gallery is a group exhibition Beautiful Places & Spaces: Works by Sherman Beck, Robert Carr, Tamara LaVillie and Luther (Kush Bey) Woodley. Carr is a self-taught artist whose media include acrylics, oils, pastels, pencil and mixed media. Beck is a painter who has also worked as a commercial artist and a freelance illustrator for newspapers, magazines and children's books. He has exhibited at the Studio Museum in Harlem among other places. Woodley is a painter and arts educator who teaches drawing, painting and printmaking as well as art history. A free public reception takes place from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, November 30.

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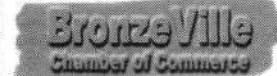
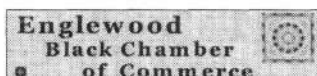
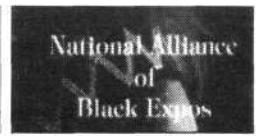
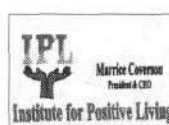
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**The Black Ensemble Presents
2nd Black Playwrights Festival**

Jackie Taylor announces the Black Ensemble Theater will present the Second Annual Black Playwrights Festival, November 13-20, 2006. The Black Playwrights Festival, by Black Ensemble Theater Founder and Executive Director Jackie Taylor and award-winning actor and writer David Barr III, promises to be an exciting week of new works by up-and-coming as well as established African American writers. The Black Playwrights Festival will include a celebration of the works of Useni Perkins, several works commissioned as part of the Black Ensemble Theater's Black Playwright's Initiative, as well as new offerings from established artists in the city.

All Black Playwrights Festival events will take place at the Black Ensemble Theater, 4520 N. Beacon, in Chicago. Ticket prices vary from \$10.00 - \$15.00. Students and Senior tickets are \$5.00.

Several of the world premiere performances appearing in the 2006 Black Playwrights Festival will move on to productions at The Black Ensemble in the near future. They were developed in part through the Black Playwright's Initiative workshops, classes, table readings, symposia, private dramaturgy, and Black Ensemble commissions. These works were chosen from the hundreds of plays that the Black Ensemble

receives and develops each year by its company of artists.

Each staged reading of a play-in-progress will be followed by a moderated audience discussion.

The Black Playwrights Festival is produced by Jackie Taylor and David Barr III. Members of the Black Ensemble Theater's Black Playwright's Initiative (BPI) assist in designing and promoting the Festival. Members of the BPI include David Barr III, Christopher Benson, M. Shelly Conner, Lephate Cunningham Jr., Wendell Etherly, Andre Hogan II, McKinley Johnson, Barner Hill, Dawn Mitchell, Woodie Bolar, Calvin Johnson, and Joe Plummer.

The 2006 schedule for the Black Playwrights Festival is as follows:

Date: Friday, November 17, 2006

What: Blackstage Late Night
No props, few rehearsed lines and lots of LAUGHS all combine for a night of comedy sketches produced by M. Shelly Conner.

When: 11:00 p.m. Ticket price: \$10.00. The Producer: A writer who has taught the craft at both the elementary and college levels, M. Shelly Conner is an artist whose work covers a broad range of disciplines. Her works include stage plays, poetry and novels.

Date: Saturday, November 18, 2006

What: A play reading by Wendell Etherly

of his new work, "A Red Summer". When: 3:00 p.m. Play reading 5:00 p.m. Discussion

Ticket Price: \$10.00

The Playwright Wendell Etherly Wendell Etherly, born in Chicago in 1979, started writing at the age of twelve, and attended Columbia College in the Fall of 1999. Prior works include, "Let No Man Put Asunder," "Grace's New Year's Resolution," and "The Inheritance;" the latter was produced as a playhouse production at the Nathan Manilow Theater in Park Forest earlier this year.

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Foundation. For more information contact. Ms. Sasha Daltonn or Ms. Loren Buford 866-756-6288

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Dawn Bless Mitchell is a playwright, poet and actress. She has written hundreds of poems and performed in several productions including "At Last" at the Black Ensemble Theater and the Congo Squares' "Black Nativity."

For more information on the Black Ensemble Theater Company, please call 773-769-4451 or visit www.BlackEnsembleTheater.org

The Snow Queen



Pictured: The Enchantress (one of the many puppets created for The Snow Queen by Blair Thomas & Company), and Cheryl Lynn Bruce as the narrator in Victory Gardens Theater's world premiere holiday musical spectacle The Snow Queen, based on the story by Hans Christian Andersen, directed by Frank Galati. Photo credit: Michael

Hans Christian Andersen's beloved fairy tale The Snow Queen is coming to spectacular new life in a beautifully imagined new winter musical spectacular created by Chicago folk music legend Michael Smith, Tony Award-winning director Frank Galati, and master puppeteer Blair Thomas & Co.

Victory Gardens' second world premiere in its new home in the historic Biograph Theater, The Snow Queen is a spine-tingling swirl of snowflakes, eye-popping puppetry and stagecraft, warm storytelling, and a chillingly beautiful score, all combining to tell Andersen's immortal tale of innocence, love and loss. A perfect fit for the holidays, The Snow Queen begins pre-

views December 1. Performances run through January 7 at the new Victory Gardens Theater at the Biograph, 2433 N. Lincoln Avenue, in the heart of Chicago's Lincoln Park neighborhood. Talking animals, wooden soldiers, witches, and lost children swirl in her mysterious spell. But it is up to Gerda to brave the Snow Queen's icy ire and bring Kai home to the love that awaits him.

The Snow Queen promises to entertain adult audiences with Smith's wickedly humorous lyrics, and romantic and moving songs of the heart, as recalled in his past hits at Victory Gardens, his musical autobiography Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate in 1994, which won

four Joseph Jefferson Awards, and Hello Dali: From the Sublime to the Surreal, a world premiere folk music revue performed in 2000.

Smith also wrote the music for acclaimed director Frank Galati's staging of The Grapes of Wrath at Steppenwolf, which transferred to New York and won two Tony Awards. Blair Thomas is founder of Blair Thomas & Co, and co-founder and former artistic director of Chicago's Redmoon Theater.

Lyrics and music for The Snow Queen are by Michael Smith. Book is by Michael Smith, Frank Galati and Blair Thomas. Director is Frank Galati. The cast features Cheryl Lynn Bruce (The Storyteller), Mattie Hawkinson (Gerda) and Andrew Keltz (Kai). Puppets and Visual Design are by Blair Thomas & Co.

Behind the Scenes of The Snow Queen Hans Christian Andersen (1805-1875) was born in the slums of Odense, Denmark, the son of a shoemaker and a washerwoman. His first book of fairy tales was published in 1835, followed by many other volumes of children's stories, almost one a year, until 1872. He wrote more than 150 fairy tales in his lifetime, including The Little Mermaid, The Emperor's New Clothes, and The Ugly Duckling.

The Snow Queen is sponsored in part by The Boeing Company. The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund is the Primary Foundation Sponsor of The Snow Queen. The Chicago Community Trust is the Exclusive Sponsor of Victory Gardens' Inaugural Season at the Biograph.

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South Suburbs

By Okema McLoyd

Mary Denise Thompson can design a fashion ensemble for any occasion. This summer alone, she designed for proms, fashion shows, hair shows, other designers and her own clientele. Now that the cold weather approaches, she's re-designing furs and making women's leather midriff jackets her prices vary.

Denise is what her clients call her and that clientele grows every day. Referrals are her biggest form of advertisement. She rarely has to give out business cards. Her customers are always satisfied. Clients often receive their finished merchandise with complimentary accessories such as gloves, purses and belts.

Formal wear and evening gowns by Denise are luxurious and reasonable. Weddings and proms keep her busy in the spring and summer. Using sequins, embroidery and rhinestones, she pays special attention to detail. Her designs are unique, classic and timeless. She works with various fabrics, specializing in precision cuts and quality merchandise.

A recent collaboration between Denise and Wayne Reed, another up and coming stylist produced a phenomenal line of men's blazers. The various textures, colors and stitching were sleek and well designed.

Denise started sewing in high school. Her mother was a seamstress and when she stopped sewing and left her sewing machine alone, Denise began to use it. Denise participated in Dunbar High School's fashion program. As a teen, she

All these outfits were designed by Denise in one week for Beati-cian Ms. Nay Nay of Harvey for Hair Wars 2006 Hair Show in Downtown Chicago.



took up dress making, tailoring and upholstery. As a teenage mom, she made clothes, and designed home furniture and draperies.

Sewing contract work for Pen & Pal as well as Mom & Me, a kids clothing company helped Denise obtain the experience she needed to turn her hobby into a profession. After working for other designers she finally became self employed in

2004 when her clientele began to pick up. It has been growing ever since.

Currently, Denise is designing and teaching sewing classes in her home studio. She plans to open a boutique next spring.

Denise especially enjoys home designing. Antique style furniture is also one of her specialties. The regal furniture pieces are one of her favorite designs. She also specializes in custom draperies.

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The City Council on November 15th passed Mayor Daley's \$2 Billion LaSalle Street Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Plan. The Neighborhood Capital Budget Group's Accountable Development Task Force worked for over 6 months to convince City Council and Development Commission members, not to pursue the designation of the most tax rich district as a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District.

The LaSalle Street TIF district comprise of properties such as City Hall, the Sears Tower, the historical Northern Trust Bank. The TIF Plan for removing \$4 Billion of equalized assessed valued property off the tax roll for the 23 year life of the TIF. The Plantake \$2 billion in property taxes away from Chicago Public Schools, Park District, Cook County and 5 other taxing bodies.

Of the \$2 Billion being removed, the City has only documented plans for spending \$550 million over 23 years. Therefore, the remaining \$1.5 Billion will be administrated by a favored city bank and forever considered the Mayoral Slump Fund.

The City Council Finance Committee chaired by Alderman Ed Burke officiated the approval process.

When the final moments to approve the \$2 Billion TIF plan was being introduced and after all public comments concluded of the 28 members were present. Initially other members were present. In the final moments, only Burke, Beale, Stone, and Austin.

The \$2 Billion TIF Plan passed Finance Committee without the required 15 member. Apparently, the City Clerk Ethic Rules states that a quorum can be determined by the Committee, despite the lack of a quorum and thereby presented to the Full City Council.

The LaSalle Street TIF and its impact will soon be felt across the city as Cook County Government begin the process to address its over \$500 million budget deficit. Watch for the County to request a tax increase for FY 2007, to cover both its higher labor cost, but also their continued loss of property tax revenue from City Hall controlled TIF dollars. For more information on TIF's go to www.ncbg.org the County David Orr Office website at www.cookclerk.gov

The Austin-Irving Neighborhood Council requested an investigation of the merit of the City Council Finance Committee approval of the LaSalle Street TIF Plan without the presence of a quorum. According to the Cook County Assessor's Office, the LaSalle Street TIF District has an equalized assessed valuation (EAV) of \$4 Billion. This is the most tax rich district ever brought before the city council for TIF approval. Of the 28 Aldermanic members assigned to the Finance Committee only 5 were present to vote on designating the LaSalle Street TIF district.

They believe the City Council fell short of its legislative ability to advance the LaSalle Street TIF ordinance to the full City Council via its lack of an aldermanic quorum.

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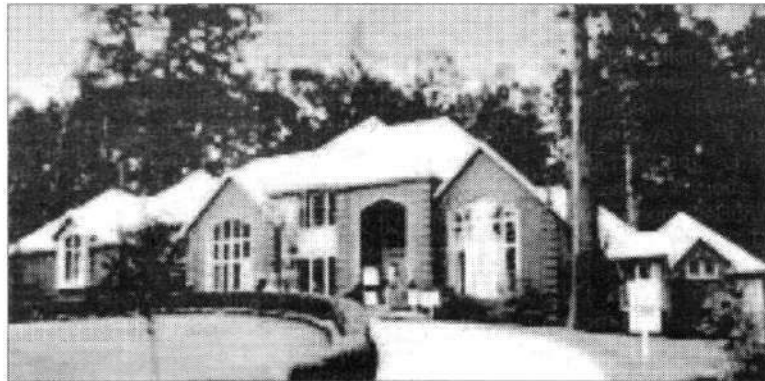
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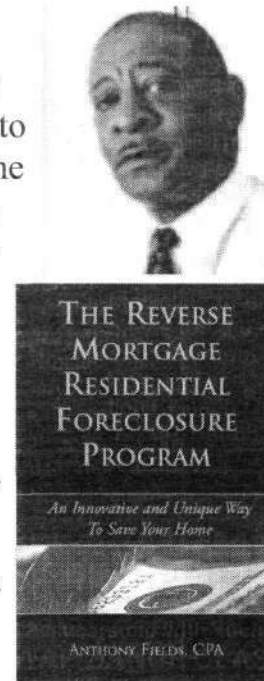
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Jackson, Jr., Calling On Wal-Mart To Sever Relationship with Nelson

Jesse L. Jackson, Jr. called on Wal-Mart, America's largest private employer, to fire Terry Nelson - the Wal-Mart and Senator John McCain consultant (and RNC employee) who masterminded the obscene and offensive 'Call Me' ad attack against Tennessee senatorial candidate Harold Ford, Jr. Wal-Mart spokesperson Dave Tovar stated it was 'absurd' for Wal-Mart to comment on this.

But Jackson in his statement said he found nothing 'absurd' about Wal-Mart severing a relationship with a man who produced an outrageous and offensive ad in a major political campaign - especially a company that just promised to build five super-stores in African American communities in Chicago, a company that gave a \$1 million grant to the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, another \$5 million grant to the National Urban League, a \$1.5 million grant to the United Negro College Fund, and a total of \$500,000 to minority journalism scholarship programs at 10 universities including Hampton and Howard universities.

Jackson continued saying that an NNPA examination of the company's federal tax 990 forms listing charitable contributions for the past five years shows contributions to Black organizations remained about steady between \$325,000 in 2001 and \$322,336 in 2002, rising slightly to

\$402,400 in 2003 increasing more to \$689,227 in 2004 and then more than doubling to \$1,702,500 in 2005.

Those contributions are inconsistent with a Terry Nelson ad against Harold Ford, Jr., in a race for a Senate seat in Tennessee. Wal-Mart stands at a defining moment. Either it's going to tolerate such conduct by one of its high-level consultants, or it's going to do the right thing and fire Terry Nelson."

Business HoliDaze N' Bronzeville

ROOM 43, a new Event Facility, located at 1043 E.43rd St., will host "HoliDaze N' Bronzeville", a holiday celebration for the Bronzeville Chamber of Commerce (BVCC), joined by it's Partner, National Association of Marketing Developers (NAMD) on Tuesday, 5 December 5:30 PM - 9:00 PM. BVCC President, Johnnie Blair and NAMD National President, Debra Crable again ignite the flame of partnership in keeping with a Chamber Vision to increase the circle of partnership across Bronzeville, between Busi-



ness's, Organization's, Resident leaders and area developers. Bronzeville is on the move. Attendees will be Chamber and NAMD Members, their Guests, Sponsors, Donors, Special Supporters prospects and new Chamber Membership applicants, who join up online. Confirmed RSVP's Required. Limited Capacity. Contact 773 268 1800 or email at Bronzevilleinfo@aol.com for any additional questions.

Buyers' vs. Renters' Seminar

Scheduled for Thursday, November 16 at the Medical District City Apartments (901 S. Ashland) from 6 to 8:30 p.m. This event is near the UIC campus. The seminar event is a power-point presentation that will outline information about today's real estate market. The pros and cons to renting and buying residential homes and investment property. various types of financing. pre-qualify anyone an opportunity for everyone in attendance to ask questions/ comment and to get acquainted.

There will also be a time for networking Harold D. Arnold, Jr. Real Estate Consultant, American Invscio Realty, Inc. 312.595.4866- Direct, 312.523.8174- Cell, Harold.Arnold@Americaninvscio.net.

The New Englewood Business Development Council (NEB) is the vessel to serve as a connection to bringing new customers into a business.

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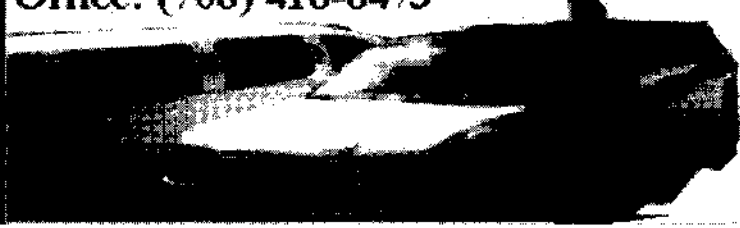
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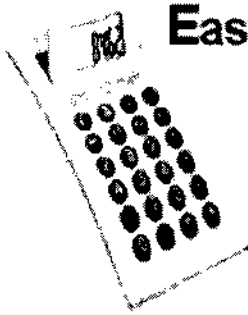
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U.S. Charges Eight Defendants In Two Cases Alleging Illegal Internet Sales of Prescription Drugs

Eight defendants were charged in two separate criminal cases involving illegal distribution of controlled substances, including anabolic steroids and other prescription drugs over the Internet, federal law enforcement officials announced today. Five of the defendants were arrested today in the Chicago area, announced Patrick J. Fitzgerald, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, together with Gary G. Olenkiewicz, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Drug Enforcement Administration Chicago Field Division; Michael E. Cleary, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Chicago Field Office of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration Office of Criminal Investigations; and Byram W. Tichenor, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division in Chicago. According to the complaint in one of the cases, the FDA and the DEA began the investigation in 2005 following a complaint from a Massachusetts man that his son had used his credit card without permission to purchase anabolic steroids over the Internet from PMeds.com. "For too long a virtual medicine cabinet has been open on the Internet with cyber drug dealers illegally doling out prescription medications. Today we closed shop on one of these rogue Internet pharmacies," Mr. Olenkiewicz said. "Operation Cyber-Roid was successful due to the cooperative efforts of our partners at the FDA, IRS and the U.S. Attorney's Office. The DEA will continue to work with our law enforcement partners to put an end to the diversion of controlled substances." Mr. Cleary said: "This investigation again dem-

onstrates the commitment of FDA's Office of Criminal Investigations to aggressively pursue, with the cooperation of our law enforcement partners like the DEA and the IRS, the illegal distribution of prescription drugs over the Internet by those who greedily place the health and safety of U.S. consumers at risk to line their pockets."

In one case, six defendants were charged in a criminal complaint with conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, including anabolic steroids, through the website PMeds.com. Defendants Gary Calow, 44, of Metepec, Mexico; his brother, Larry Calow, 44 of Tinley Park, and Ricky Boros, also known as Vince Kwiatkowski, 67, of Oak Brook, allegedly formed the Internet pharmacy business PurchaseMeds, Inc. and the website PMeds.com to sell prescription drugs online. The complaint alleges that beginning in January 2003, the website took drug orders from the Calow residence in Tinley Park, forwarded the orders to a site in Metepec, Mexico, and then smuggled anabolic steroids and other controlled substances into the United States for shipment to customers. PMeds also allegedly utilized commercial carriers to ship steroids concealed in electronic equipment and women's shoes into the United States. The complaint further alleges that Sergio Oliveira, 46, of Hoschton, Ga., supplied PMeds with steroids and other controlled substances from his business in Belize. In return, Gary Calow wire transferred at least \$198,703 to Oliveira's companies between November 12, 2003, and

March 23, 2006, for payment of controlled substances and prescription drugs, according to the complaint. It further alleges that Randy Soderlund, 41, of Tinley Park, and Larry Calow's daughter, Beth Calow, 20, of Hobart, Ind., processed Internet orders for drugs at the Tinley Park residence.

Larry Calow, Boros, Soderlund and Beth Calow were arrested today and were scheduled to appear at 4:30 p.m. today before U.S. Magistrate Judge Nan Nolan in U.S. District Court.

Also scheduled to appear at 5 p.m. today before Magistrate Judge Nolan is another defendant who was arrested, Garishkumar Ray, also known as Garish Ray, 54, of Glenview, who was charged together with Sam Soans, of India, in a related criminal complaint. They were charged with conspiracy to distribute prescription drugs other than for a legitimate medical purpose. In addition, Ray and Soans were charged with obtaining and dispensing controlled substances with a fictitious or expired DEA registration number. Ray is the chief executive officer and president of Dawn National Pharmacy (DNP) and Soans is the marketing manager of the website dnrpharmacy.com. On occasion, DNP filled drug orders for the Calow brothers, who operated the PMeds website. DEA records show that DNP obtained 101,600 dosage units of hydrocodone, the generic name for Vicodin, between January and October 2006, without a valid DEA registration number. In addition, the complaint alleges that Ray and Soans regularly dispensed controlled substances, including hydrocodone, over the Internet without a valid doctor's prescription by utilizing doctors located in Puerto Rico to approve prescriptions without contact with patients.

Subject: Job Openings

(Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) invites applications for one (1) full-time Program Specialist/Instructor and three (3) full-time Program Specialists/Advisors in the Project Success program. Program Specialist serves a diverse population and must reflect commitment, dedication and belief in the development and fullest potential of each student. Successful candidates will demonstrate the ability to work with students, faculty and staff and enable Project Success to offer innovative instruction, creative problem-solving, service learning and overall excellent approaches for student persistence and retention.

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IDES Helps Veterans Find Jobs

"Gov. Blagojevich and I have been strongly committed to helping the men and women who serve in our nation's Armed Forces find jobs," said IDES Director Brenda A. Russell who attended several



IDES Director Brenda A. Russell

of the day's events. "The Governor has been clear in his goal to create a comprehensive career services program with dedicated staff and resources to ensure that veterans get the services they need and deserve. With this event, we brought awareness across Illinois about veterans employment opportunities in the state as well as what employers can do for veterans, deployed service members or those returning from active duty."

Across Illinois, IDES helps veterans find jobs, transition back into the civilian work force, and provides employers and veterans' service organizations resources to enhance the employment of veterans. IDES resources include job search workshops, individual career counseling sessions, veterans jobs fairs, outreach programs to incarcerated and homeless veterans, employer visits for job development opportunities, and Illinois Skills Match, an Internet-based job match service, that matches veterans first to job openings that match their individual capabilities. Since 2003, the number of employers working with IDES and using Illinois Skills Match has doubled. There are currently more than 16,000 employers working with the state.

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