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## All Roads Lead to South Street 13<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary And Fundraiser Saturday, December 9th

### Daley's Hispanic Democratic Org. Member Indicted

Prosecutors announced an indictment in the inquiry of the hiring practices of Mayor Daley's political organization. In this gutsy and bold move, the prosecutors indicted a Hispanic Democratic Organization (HDO) coordinator for lying.

The Hispanic Democratic Organization, a powerful street team for Mayor Daley, is being investigated for hitting up city officials for jobs for the HDO. John Resa, a worker in the Water Management Department, pleaded not guilty to lying about seeking city jobs as rewards for campaign workers.

Hundreds of workers in the HDO received jobs with the city in those oh-so-desirable jobs in the water department and streets and sanitation department. Resa was put on paid administrative leave following the indictment. Resa just returned to work for the city from disability leave on November 15th as a watchman.

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Follow the leaders, Cheryl Jackson, new president of the Chicago Urban League; 3rd Ward Alderman Dorothy Tillman, Eddie Read, president of The Black Independent Political Organization; 20th Ward Al-

derman Arenda Troutman; Rev. Al Sampson (ordained by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr); Morgan Carter ("The World's Conversation Starter"); Park National Bank's Bill Norels; Chicago Mayoral Candidates

Bill "Dock" Walls and Clerk of the Circuit Court Dorothy Brown; Illinois State Senator Kwame Raoul; and the list goes on and on, and we hope that many others will follow the leaders and supporters to the 13th

Year Anniversary and fundraising affair for The South Street Journal Newspaper.

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### Inside South Street



### Cosby Does CPS

Comedian Bill Cosby, who ignited a national debate by blaming some poor blacks for their problems, is bringing his self-help message to Chicago parents and their sons on Wednesday.

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### Unity or Bust



The 2007 Mayoral Election Page 9



### Man Dies in Custody of Riverdale Police

By Okema McLoyd Edward Howard was arrested last month for domestic violence. His long time girlfriend called police but didn't press any charges

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## Another Police Shooting



Photo by Stephen C. White

Community activist "Queen Sister" confronts a Chicago Police Officers after a man was shot by the police after he refused to drop his weapon.

The CPD reported the incident occurred on 67th and Prairie where the police, two blocks away heard a shot. Upon arriving a man was seen fleeing and was ordered to stop and drop his weapon.

After not responding, the police shot the man in the leg.

About 50 community activists arrived countering police actions. During the press conference the CPD reported the incident justified. It was reported the man shot another man in the stomach.

"Last year around about this time there were 39 police shootings which was one less than this year," Pat Camden, spokes person for the Chicago Police Department said.

"Since the beginning of this year, 40 people have been shot by police, 37 weapons have been recovered, and 15 of them were fatalities" added a spokes person.

## Midway Movers: Who's Moving Who?

The South Street Journal (SSJ) will begin an investigative series on the various levels of contracting and service provision opportunities that continually elude Black businesses.

By Mark Allen Associate Editor

A reader prompted SSJ to report on a series of the government moving contracts after they were watching the recent election night coverage that sparked how much business a non Black moving company appears to have from government in majority Black service areas. With that the recent disclosures that even with almost 40% of the Chicago population, that Blacks were still only receiving less than 9% of city contracts, and maybe less than that from County and State government "Who's Moving Who?"

It appears that Black people are still getting far less of moving contracts while others appear to be getting more of the moving contracts. Questions raised why certain moving companies are getting more of the contracting

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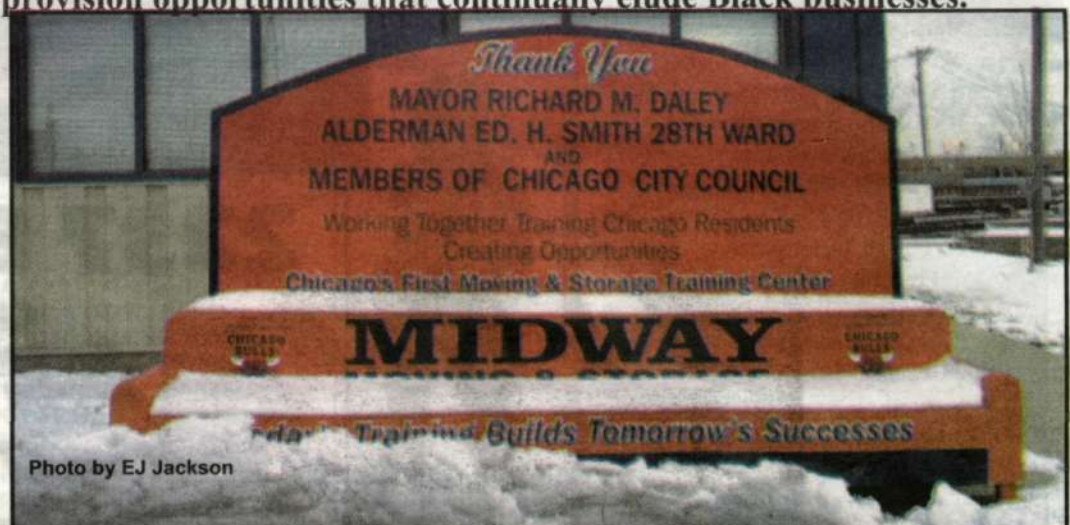


Photo by EJ Jackson

Midway Movers, a non-Black company located on 4100 W. Ferdinand has more business in Black areas than Blacks



Fact & Commentary Weekly Round Up of..... Mark Allen



3rd Ward Feature on Alderman Tillman Coming

A few issues ago, it was reported that this reporter would be doing a special one-on-one interview with Incumbent 3rd Ward Alderman Dorothy Tillman. Since that time I have received a number of e-mails and phone calls from people giving me direction as to the kinds of questions and focuses that this in depth dialogue with Alderman Tillman should take. Now I must also state for the record that no particular candidate has approached me, but surely their respective supporters have, and even those outside the ward who have an opinion, one way or another on whether Alderman Tillman deserves another term as 3rd Ward Alderman.



As I have tried to respond to the supporters of those who are candidates against Alderman Tillman, one of the other major challenges that this reporter faces is that after 30 years in this business of public service, I have developed a personal relationship and opinion on most public officials and those activists and organizers who offer themselves as candidates. For the most part, I can have positive things to say just about everybody that wants to be a candidate for various offices, and is why I have at this point, taken no partisan position on any candidates, although I do have friends and associates who continue to ask me questions and I give the same answers to all. It's up to the particular candidates to best use what all candidates, campaigns, and supporters use to convince a majority of voters to decide who will actually be the one to be that elected official for their respective areas.

So, thanks again to all those who have contacted me to give me their insights on what I should be asking in a one-on-one interview with Alderman Dorothy Tillman. The land, the lots, the housing, the dollars, the CHA, the Mayor, the specific plans for the future, and all the other things that have been directed at me on this issue.

Sponsors needed for new radio talk show on WBGX-AM 1570

Thanks to C. Frances Parks of A.A. & A Insurance Services and Independent Southside Allstate Insurance Agency owner, Joe Ziegler, Jr, SSJ will attempt to expand our outreach to the public with the trial of a new Monday night 2 hour night-time talk show on the new 24 hour gospel radio station WBGX-AM 1570. Only with your financial support can we be successful in expanding



Southside Allstate Insurance Agency owner, Joe Ziegler, Jr is providing financial support for WBGX-AM 1570 outreach

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Organization local governments need to invest more in paratransit services

Organizations Call For Better Transit Service

Metro Seniors in Action, a organization that, recognized the need for older people to continue to be actively involved in issues that directly affect them since 1974. and Neighborhood Capital Budget Group (NCBG) a decade-old coalition of nearly 200 community based organizations and local economic development groups in Chicago dedicated to improving our neighborhoods through well-planned, targeted public investment. are calling on the government for better paratransit service.

Some communities and some types of riders get more and better service than others. Our transit justice coalition wants Pace, CTA, and our other transit agencies to expand and improve the quality of paratransit and "main line" public transportation services. This means that the public must have a greater voice in transit service planning. The riding public deserves a voice in ensuring that both paratransit and main line transit are accessible to all.

A key to creating equal access for all is to keep paratransit services and transit fares on CTA affordable. Our transit justice coalition is calling for: No PACE paratransit fare increase and to restore the CTA cash transfer.

Our organizations and the riding public understand that to keep fares affordable, our transit agencies need increased funding. While the State funding formula must be changed, other local governments need to invest more in paratransit and transit, too! Chicago and Cook County should increase their contributions. City Hall could tap proceeds from the Chicago Skyway and Downtown Parking Garages' leases. Developers should pay an "Impact Fee" to help fund transit. The State should share its Homeland Security funds and Medicaid funds. And RTA should work with the public and local governments to identify other revenues that could be dedicated to paratransit and public transportation.

If Pace and CTA (and RTA and Metra for that matter!) want more taxpayer dollars, then they must be more transparent about their budgets and their performance. The public deserves to have regular "report cards" on how well each paratransit service provider and each CTA bus and rail route are performing.

Pace, CTA, and our other transit agencies must also be accountable for how the public's money is being spent. Any new funding should be targeted to expand and improve service to under-served areas and populations; and repair and maintain our existing infrastructure. Any major new capital projects should go first to expanding the reach of transit into communities that have been historically under-served!

To achieve this transit justice goal, the Illinois General Assembly should pass transit accountability reforms such as those proposed under HB4663 and release the Illinois Auditor General's report on CTA, Pace, Metra & RTA to the public!

For more information go to <http://www.metroseiors.org/> or <http://www.ncbg.org>

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Mayor Richard M. Daley and Police Superintendent Phil Cline unveiled the Chicago Police Department's new bomb robots, which are capable of locating and disarming explosives from a safe distance. And reports are even potential mayoral candidates.



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Todd Stroger was upstaged by Republican Commissioner Elizabeth Gorman's 12 year old son at his swearing in by former Alderman 4th Ward and Mayoral candidate Timothy "Vote calculator" Evans. And word is Todd was the aldermen responsible for the Mayor given SSJ an acknowledgement on its 13th year, page 8.

K&G Clothing Store, located at 2535 West 95th Street in Evergreen Park is the latest clothing store where Mark S. Allen has gone to seek to upgrade his wardrobe for the new year.

So if you see Allen in some new garb, you can thank part of his new look to Jackie Blue and clothing consultant Avon



Brown, an Alpha Phi Alpha Man who had no problems helping a Kappa Alpha Psi man pick out parts of his new wardrobe. And we're looking to K&G Store Manager Mike Boyd to strengthen this relationship and their exposure in Chicago Grassroots community.

Look Good in the Hood by going by "The Wood" clothing store in the strip mall on 63rd & Damen. Phat Farm sweat suits that are now on sale. "The Wood" will have their own ad in next weeks issue. Look Good in the hood going by "The Wood" clothing store in the mini mall on 63rd and Damen. Tell them, "Mark Allen's family sent you."

A recent Sun Times article revealed potential presidential candidate Illinois State Senator Barack Obama's middle name is HUSSEIN!, which Sen. John McCain, sees it amusing in his potential run for president as well. There is always sometime to remind the others you are not one of them.

Well CHA not only got rid of its former CEO Terry Peterson, but over the past seven years it got rid of 4,200 employees, now with a staff of 300 people, but yet CHA is spending \$13 million on the Chicago Police Department. Who or what are they policing. So much for the residents or former residents.



Dr. Roy Jones, Project Director for Call Me MISTER Program at Clemson University.

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# Man Dies in Custody of Riverdale Police

By Okema McLoyd

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nor was she injured. Edward however, died that same day of asphyxiation while in custody of Riverdale police.

Edward's mom Teresa Howard says she received a call from her son on that Monday night. She says Edward told her that he needed someone to pick him up the following morning from Cook County Courthouse in Markham, but he never made it there.

About ninety minutes after Edward called Mrs. Howard received a call from Riverdale Police telling her that Edward tried to hang himself. She was told that he was in an ambulance and that medics were trying to revive him. Edward died the day before his son's tenth birthday. He had been working extra hours to save money to buy his son birthday gifts and for the holidays. Riverdale police told the family it was suicide but, one who knew Edward believes he killed himself.

The Howard's are eager to see the autopsy report or video footage from the lock up area where Edward was held. Many police departments view and record the lock up area's in their stations. Typically, items that can be used to cause bodily harm are taken from prisoners to prevent such tragedies from occurring. Rather Howard angered police and they used excessive force causing his death or Edward himself became overwhelmed with emotion and committed suicide, Riverdale police are responsible. He was in their custody.

Teresa Howard says she is not just a parent to her children; she's also their friend. She believes she knows all there is to know about her kids, willing to admit the good and bad, she says this isn't something that he would do. She says Edward has been in trouble before and had no reason to be afraid. She said he wasn't too upset when he called, under the circumstances. Edward had been going to church. He even cut his

Pastor's hair from time to time. Beside's being a part-time barber, Edward worked at Mobile oil and even took on a third job for Christmas. For just a moment during an interview with Mrs. Howard, I could hear brief joy in her voice as she explained how excited Edward was about the holidays.

Edward's death is another controversial tragedy surrounding law enforcement officers. Right now, Rev. Al Sharpton is in New York counseling and protesting for the family of an unarmed man shot to death by police after leaving his bachelor party. In Atlanta an eighty two year old grandmother was killed by police who were serving a warrant at the wrong address. Recently cases of women being raped by law enforcement officers while incarcerated have been reported. Rev. Sharpton and other activist are pushing for federal laws to protect citizens from bad policing. Citizens want police prosecuted when they kill senselessly.

It goes without saying the Howard family is having a very hard time dealing with this. Like many families who've lost loved ones, the holiday season is especially rough. The Thanksgiving holiday wasn't celebrated in the Howard home this year and they aren't making any plans for Christmas. Edward was looking forward to spending the holiday season with his family and friends. Why would he kill himself? Everyone wants to know what really happened inside Riverdale police station that night. Has anything like this happened before? Was this tragedy self inflicted or caused by police? Was it recorded on surveillance cameras in the lock up area? Riverdale police were unavailable for comment. The Howard family has hired an investigator and hopes that law enforcement is conducting an internal investigation as well.

# Hispanic Democratic Organization Member Indicted

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Formed in or about the early 1990s, the Hispanic Democratic Organization ("HDO") was a political organization with hundreds of individual participants, many of whom were City of Chicago employees. One of the leaders and principal organizers of HDO was Individual A, a high-ranking City of Chicago ("City") official.

HDO supported political candidates in a variety of campaigns, including City aldermanic, City mayoral, Illinois state representative, Illinois state senate, suburban Chicago, statewide and federal campaigns. For the individual candidates selected to receive HDO support ("HDO-selected candidates"), typically, individual HDO participants performed voter outreach efforts on behalf of the HDO-selected candidate. The voter outreach efforts (otherwise known as "field" activities) included, among other efforts, registering voters, obtaining signatures from registered voters on nominating petitions, delivering campaign literature door-to-door, soliciting City service requests from potential voters during canvassing efforts, and providing election-day assistance.

In addition to these field efforts, participants in HDO were solicited to make financial contributions to support HDO and also to support HDO-selected candidates.

According to court transcripts, operationally, HDO was divided into three geographic divisions, generally known as HDO North, HDO South and HDO Southeast. During its peak years of operation, from the mid 1990s through approximately 2004, HDO Southeast had as many as 500 individual participants who performed political work on behalf of one or more HDO selected candidates



Water Management Department worker and leader of the Hispanic Democratic Organization John Resa was indicted for lying. ABC film clip

(the "individual HDO participants"). During these years, the head of HDO Southeast assisted individual A in coordinating HDO Southeast activities. Individual B, was a City employee and a close associate of Individual A.

Generally, in HDO Southeast, the specific political directives, whether related to field work activities or fundraising efforts, were disseminated through a hierarchical system. That is, Individual A, typically through Individual B, informed John Resa, the defendant, knowingly made false material declarations by stating, in substance, the following:

Q: Did you ever talk to [Individual B] or [Individual A] about a job related request that any of these [individual HDO participants], any request that they had, did you ever pass that on orally to [Individual B] or [Individual A]?

A: No.

Q: Never once?

A: Never once.

Q: So your testimony here under oath is that you might have told [the individual HDO participants that you had passed on their job-related request], but in fact you never did?

A: Right.

Q: Tell us sir, what's the point of that?

A: To keep them going. Excuse my French, bullshit them, to keep them

coming to campaigns. Once you tell them they ain't nothing in there, they're going to take off on you. And a lot of people come and go, and 6 to keep them around, you got to tell them what they want to hear. And that's how you kept, I'm a salesman, and that's what I do. So I sell myself to them just like they sell themselves for a candidate.

Q: So you lied?

A: Yes.

Q: A lot?

A: Yes.

Q: Okay, so you routinely told them that you were trying to assist them in employment, but you never once did?

A: Yeah.

Q: My question, sir, is did you ever, your testimony under oath is you never once, never once, for any of these [individual HDO participants], actually went to [Individual B] or [Individual A] ...and tried to assist them in getting a job or a promotion or an overtime benefit, anything at all?

A: No.

Q: But you are also telling this Grand Jury that you routinely told them that you were doing such things,

A: Yeah.

Q: -and that was all a lie.

A: Yes.

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**New "Black" Power Summit Needed for Englewood**

It is time to have much more focus on what is happening in terms of Black empowerment in Englewood. There are too many mixed signals coming when we see more press events talking about how other ethnic groups are in fact receiving more contracts for the rebuilding of Englewood than that of Black people by which much of the major building and rebuilding plans were allegedly designed. We have too many of our Black men and women not having enough legitimate income opportunities for themselves and their families, so we should have no excuse in our fight to make sure that every opportunity is sought to increase the number of Black people with contracts and employment opportunities for the Black people of Englewood. We need to have more public Black summits that we can report in the paper the Black community of Englewood.

**Calendar & Press Releases**



**Thru Dec.**

**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. 35<sup>th</sup> 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



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**Thur. 30**

A Celebration of Women Join **Southwest Women Working Together** and other professional women who desire to empower and inspire all women for an evening of motivation and a celebration of women. Speaker **Sheila Perry**, Executive Director Southwest Women Working Together. 6845 S. Western Avenue Chicago, IL 60636. 5:00pm-8:00pm. To RSVP, please contact Veronica Springfield at 773.737.2500 ext. 249 or vspringfield@swwt.org

**Fri Dec. 1**

Protect Yourself. Protect Your Loved Ones. **Get Your Flu Shot This Fall!** 2006 Flu Shot Clinics. All clinics are open 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Pneumonia shots will also be available. Please bring your Medicare Card if you have one. Chatham Satellite Center, 8300 S. Cottage Grove. Call 311

**CHICAGO LAND WORLD AIDS DAY** Save the Date: **TEST OUT** World AIDS Day. For locations throughout Chicago call the city's 311 Help Line on World AIDS Day: World AIDS Day Gospel SHOUT OUT Malcolm X College, 1900 West Van Buren, auditorium, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This is a FREE concert

**Day of Dignity** On December 1, 1955, **Mrs. Rosa Parks** defied the segregation laws by refusing to move from her seat

on a public bus in Montgomery, Alabama. Learning from the past and continue the public's call for justice in public transit. Keynote Speaker: Rev. Calvin Morris, Ph. D, Executive Director, Community Renewal Society, respected leader from the 1960's movement, King College preparatory High School, 4445 So. Drexel Blvd. 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm, Sponsored by: Metro Seniors in Action and NCBG's Campaign For Better Transit (CBT). For more information call 312-253-0641 or 312-939-7198 ext. 3 8 6 8 www.metroseiors.org or www.bettertransit.com

**Teacher nominations close For 2007 Golden Apple Awards.** Nominations will close December 1 for the 2007 Golden Apple Awards for Excellence in Teaching. To be eligible for the 22nd annual awards, nominees must be full-time classroom teachers currently teaching in grades 9 through 12 at an Illinois public or non-public school located in Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake or Will county. Nominees also must be committed to continue teaching for at least two years after receiving the award.

Ten award winners will receive a paid sabbatical to study tuition-free at Northwestern University, a laptop computer, \$3,000, the 10 winners will be named in March. Nomination forms are available at the Golden Apple Web site, www.goldenapple.org or by calling 312/407-0433 ext. 108, or writing to Golden Apple Foundation, 8 S. Michigan Ave., Suite 700, Chicago, IL 60603. For more information, call 312/407-0433 ext. 12

**Sat. Dec. 2**

2006 Winter Meeting, Gifts From God Ministries, 953 West 63rd St. 10AM to 12:00 noon, Pastor St John Chisum, Host The Pastors of Englewood celebrate this season continue to uphold the blessings of God to the Englewood and West Engle-

wood Community

**Sat Dec. 2** why some people succeed and others don't? presented by **Karyn Pettigrew**, Thoughts Are Powerful, Thoughts Create, You Can Have The Life You Dream Of Empowerment, Audience Participation, Q&A, Random Intuitive Readings, Drawing for Free Gifts, Networking & More!!! Time: 6 PM - 8 PM/Arrive Promptly, 1 East Superior Suite 307, \$25.00 Advance/\$30.00 Door, RSVP/MORE INFO: Call 773-233-9214. Guest Presenter, Ehyck F. Gilmore, is a Certified Hypnotherapist, Life



Coach, Empowerment Coach, Intuitive Counselor, and Author.

**Sun., Dec.3**

Citizens for Willie Cochran for Alderman, 20<sup>th</sup> Ward, at ETA Theater Event, "Heat" Written by Marsha Estell, Directed by Ilesa Duncan, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. ETA Creative Arts Foundation, 7558 S. South Chicago Avenue, Two sisters come together to visit their ailing mother, with a daughter in tow, one tempestuous summer weekend. Witness three generations of Black women reflect on their lives, disappointments and the realities of aging, as they confront past wounds on the familial journey of accepting themselves for who they are. Meet and greet reception w/ refreshments after the


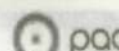
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**Dec. 6-7**

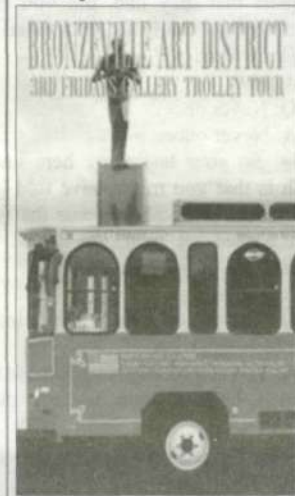
**Chicago Public Schools** will be sponsoring their annual parent involvement conference, **"The Power of Parents"**, at McCormick Place, Lakeside Center, 2301 S. Lake Shore Drive from 8am-2pm on both days, and include keynote speakers Bill Cosby, Mayor Richard M. Daley, CPS Board President Rufus Williams, and various workshops and planning sessions. addition, Bill Cosby will be leading a men-only discussion group on December 6<sup>th</sup> from 4-7pm. The conference is FREE (lunch included) but participants are **strongly encouraged** to register in advance to guarantee admittance. Stop by your local school for official registration forms or call 773.553-1400 for further information.

**Thur., Dec. 7**

**RTA Community Meetings/Budget Hearings Schedule CHICAGO.** South The RTA is seeking public input regarding the Moving Beyond Congestion strategic planning process, and regarding the proposed operating and capital program and

  budget for public transportation in the region; 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Sheldon Heights Church of Christ, Corner of 113th and Halsted, Chicago, Central: Monday, December 11th, 9:00 am - 10:30 am, Michael A. Bilandic Building, Room C500, 160 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago. **SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY, South:** Thursday, December 14th, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, South Suburban Mayors & Managers, Meeting Room C, 1904 W. 174th St., East Hazel Crest, Meetings are open to the general public. No RSVP necessary.

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# Cosby Does CPS

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Chicago Public Schools officials hope to use Cosby's star power to help pull a record number of families to the district's annual parent involvement conference.

At the same time, board president Rufus Williams, who lobbied for the Cosby appearance, plans to use the entertainer's message of personal responsibility as a strategy to improve poor academic performance, especially among boys, in the predominantly African-American school district. Black males have the highest dropout rates in the Chicago schools. "We have to grab our young men and elevate them," said Williams. "We are not ignoring our young women. We will get there. But we need to deal with [the young men] first."

Cosby will offer an unusual after-school session for boys and men after he speaks to the wider parent audience earlier in the day. Both events are free and on a first-come, first-served basis at McCormick Place Lakeside Center.

The after-school session on how to be a responsible man is open to all races. The talk from

4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday is planned for boys and teens in 6th through 12th grades and their fathers, uncles, guardians and mentors.

Doors open for the earlier parent session at 9 a.m.

"If we are going to close the [racial achievement] gap in education, we have to elevate the importance of education. Education is as important as breathing," Williams said.

Though Williams strongly supports Cosby's message and presence as a role model for young African-American men, some of Cosby's remarks have spurred controversy over the last two years. The debate began in 2004 when Cosby harshly criticized neglectful black fathers and blacks who used ungrammatical English, among other behavior, at an event commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Brown vs. Board of Education decision.

Cosby then took his message on the road, holding forums on family and education in Detroit, Los Angeles and other cities.

Since then, scholar Michael Eric Dyson and others have criticized Cosby, who grew up in a



Phillip Jackson, executive director of The Black Star Project



Bill Cosby

sonal criticism.

"You could have a clash of the classes in the black community, between the middle-class audience Cosby would tend to attract and the low-income families in the schools," said John Paul Jones, a parent and Englewood community activist who plans to attend.

Others think Cosby's emphasis on self-reliance and no excuses is needed to help today's black youths take advantage of the opportunities provided by the civil rights movement.

Phillip Jackson, executive director of The Black Star Project, which encourages families, especially fathers, to get involved in their children's education, said his group is urging parents to attend the conference—no matter what they think about Cosby.

After Cosby speaks Wednesday, a series of Chicago Public Schools parent workshops will be offered Thursday in Spanish and English. The topics range from how to help children with a science project to how to go back to college.

"The goals of this conference are bigger than Bill Cosby," Jackson said. "He isn't going to be the solution. The solution will be when men on the block step up."

Chicago school officials encourage anyone interested in attending any part of the conference to call 773-553-1400.

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- December 2 - Weight Training (9:00-10:00 am)
- December 2 - Breath & Meditation (11:00-11:30)
- December 2 - Egyptian Yoga (12:30-1:30 am)
- January 18 - Everlasting Life Detoxification and Regeneration Program (6:30pm)



## City Clerk Election First Hispanic appointed, Johnson steps up to challenge

City Council confirmed Illinois State Senate Assistant Majority Leader Miguel del Valle as the city's first Hispanic clerk.

Sen. Del Valle was once known for his progressive positions at odds with Mayor Richard M. Daley. Hispanic council members praised the Mayor's appointment of del Valle to replace Jim Laski, who was forced to resign as city clerk in February before pleading guilty to taking bribes in Chicago's Hired Truck program. Del Valle's appointment takes effect Dec. 1, and he will face an election to the post in 2007. One opponent is Sally Johnson

"It's a happy day for Hispanic politics," said Ald. George A. Cardenas (12th).

Ald. Billy Ocasio (26th) said del Valle was "someone who has worked in all the communities, not just the Latino community." Del Valle grew up in Chicago's West Town and Humboldt Park neighborhoods and has represented the 2nd District since 1987. Del Valle said he will resign from the General Assembly.

Sally Johnson is President of Chicago Architectural Windows, construction firm is also a candidate for City Clerk slanted with William "Dock" Walls mayoral candidate. Johnson is a lifelong community activist and was a member of the late Mayor Harold Washington's Cabinet



Chicago City Clerk Candidates newly appointee Miguel Del Valle and Sally Johnson

where she served as the Director of the Mayor's Office of Inquiry and Information. Under the direction of the late Mayor, Ms. Johnson and her staff developed the City of Chicago's first Computerized Information and Complaint system.

Del Valle's confirmation comes two weeks after Daley's appointment of an African-American woman, Stephanie Neely, as the city's interim treasurer. While Daley hasn't officially declared he's running for re-election next year, he was scheduled to hold his first fundraiser.

After the council meeting, Daley responded to the results of Tuesday's elections. "I think it's been a great victory all the way down," he said. "The Democratic Party has opened its wings."

Daley acknowledged problems with the voting process, which he said would be investigated. But he declined to comment on Peraica's march to the Board of Elections early Wednesday morning to protest vote count problems. Daley said, "I was in bed." (part Source: Medill News Service)

## Aldermanic Round-Up

### Alderman Tillman Defends Herself

Under fire from a political rival, Ald. Dorothy Tillman (3rd) angrily defended her decision to use more than \$200,000 of her annual allotment for street, alley and sidewalk improvements on four bronze statues of musicians heralding the Chicago Blues District. **Mel Monroe**, who runs an executive search firm said "you're not allowed to pay your mortgage with taxpayers' money. You can't pay your car note or your personal bills. She owns the building she's in [at 4645 S. King Dr.]. Her daughter runs a business [in the 47th Street Marketplace]. The sculptures are just a way to improve her own property values and make this the gateway to Bronzeville."

"We have culture! Although the sculpture expense is unusual and not included in designated menu prices, Tillman said it's perfectly legitimate.

"They use menu money for those blue light [surveillance cameras], don't they? Of course we use menu money for statues. We have a right to do that," Tillman said.

"Would you rather see, up and down King Drive and 47th Street, blue lights instead of culture? Blue lights say, 'Don't come here. Don't have economic development. Don't grow because we have crime.' [Wouldn't you rather] say, 'We have music. We have culture?'"

As for the street, sidewalk, alley and viaduct improvements normally funded with aldermanic menu

money, Tillman said she has done "quite a bit" of that, and even more projects are in the hopper.

Tillman also denied that the statues were designed to increase the value of the property that she and her children own.

### Alderman Stone to Seek Re-Election

Speaking to an enthusiastic gathering of supporters, **Alderman Stone** announced his intent to seek re-election at the What's Cooking Restaurant in the Lincoln Village Shopping Center.

"I dedicated my career to working hard and fighting for the people of the 50th Ward. I plan to continue working hard to make the 50th Ward a great place to live and work. I look forward to working with the people of the 50th Ward and serving as their Alderman. I am devoted to our Ward and our community," said Stone.

Alderman Stone represents the 50th Ward of Chicago, Illinois. His ward encompasses part of the North Side and includes some of the most diverse areas of the City of Chicago. Alderman Stone was first elected to the city council in 1973 and has been representing the 50th Ward ever since. Alderman Stone is Vice-Mayor of the City of Chicago, Chairman of the City Council Committee on Buildings and serves on the Committees of Budget and Government Operations, Finance, Housing and Landmark Preservation, Traffic Control and Safety.



## HDO Member Indicted

(Continued from page 3)

Q: to keep them coming in—  
A: Right.

Q: —because you're a salesman?  
A: Right.

Q: You also understood that a number of your people received career service motor truck driver jobs over the years, correct?  
A: Correct.

Q: And its also your testimony that however they got it, it had absolutely nothing to do with anything you did on their behalf?  
A: Correct.

WHEREAS, in truth and fact, as defendant JOHN RESA then well knew: a. On multiple occasions during his tenure as Political Coordinator, RESA talked with Individual A or Individual B about job-related requests of individual HDO participants; b. On multiple occasions during his tenure as Political Coordinator, RESA passed on job-related requests of individual HDO participants to Individual A or Individual B; c. On multiple occasions during his tenure as Political Coordinator, RESA went to Individual A or Individual B and tried to assist individual HDO participants in obtaining job-related benefits; and d. On multiple occasions during his tenure as Political Coordinator, RESA made efforts on behalf of individual HDO participants in employment related matters with the City, including jobs for career service motor truck driver, among other positions.

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The program will address four areas: Social, political, Economics and the Media. A promise to keep the original purpose of the newspaper true to representing the interest of the people. In planning our program, we extend this invitation to you in retrospective tracing the first twelve years of South Street Journal with the return to Bronzeville in support of economic endeavors and our agenda for 2007 as we have become a weekly newspaper.

This event takes place this Saturday, December 9th, beginning with a reception from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM at the Prince Mason Hall, located at 809 East 42nd Street (Cottage Grove).

The program and dinner will begin at 6:00 PM. The costs for the event is only \$50.00 and includes a subscription to The South Street Journal.

There is much to celebrate, as this event has a number of significant highlights including, 13 years under the leadership of Ron Carter as publisher and editor; the addition of veteran political activist Mark S. Allen as Associate Editor and his celebration of 30 "straight" years in public service on a local, state, and national level; the papers new expanded office space at 449 East 35th Street; now going from a bi-weekly to 35,000 weekly circulation; new South Suburban Division.

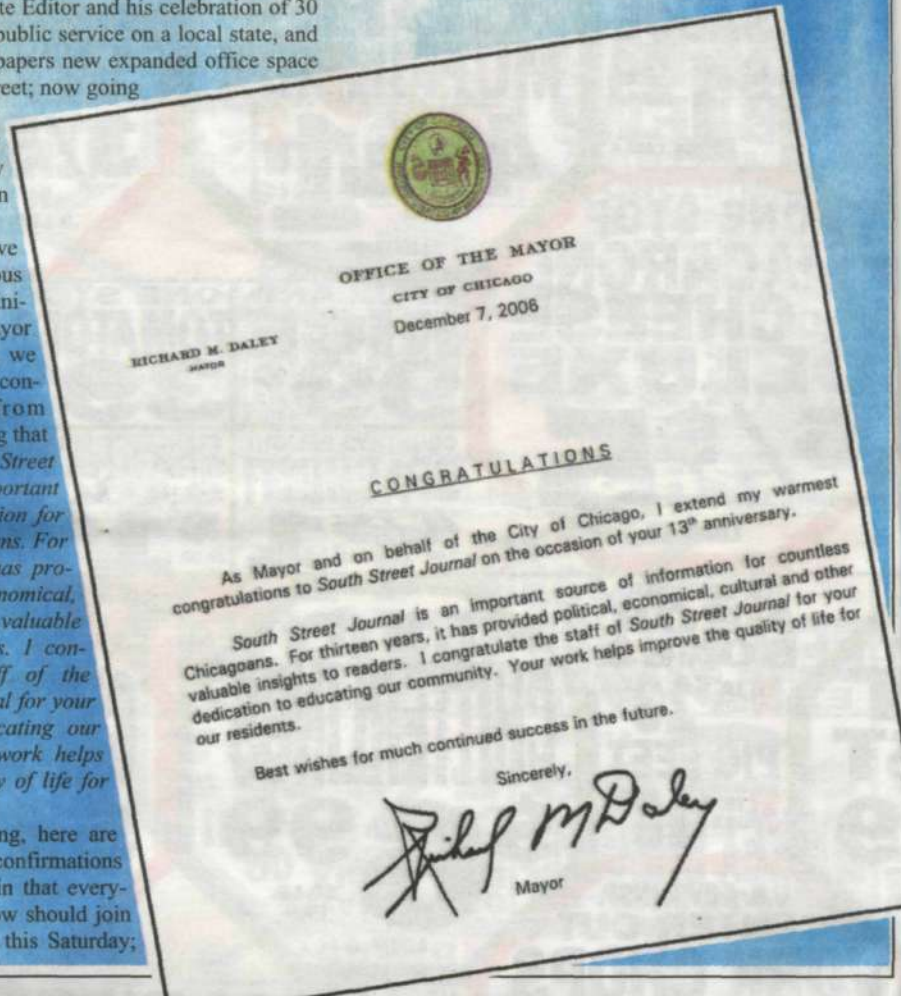
Even though we have been a serious critic of the administration of Mayor Richard M. Daley, we received official congratulations from Mayor Daley saying that "The South Street Journal is an important source of information for countless Chicagoans. For thirteen years, it has provided political, economical, cultural and other valuable insights to readers. I congratulate the staff of the South Street Journal for your dedication to educating our community. Your work helps improve the quality of life for our residents."

As of this writing, here are some more of the confirmations that were coming in that everyone reading this now should join in attendance with this Saturday;

State Representative Elga Jeffries; 17th Ward Aldermanic candidate Tyrone

De'Andre Hawthorne; Will and Bruce Crosby; Harold Lucas; Ziff Sistruck; Larry Hayes; Michael Jones; Lorna Barnes; Pastor Reginald Parks; John Blair; John Woodson; Keith Whitley; Joann Blackmon; Wanda Carter; Richard Blackmon; John Paul Jones; Maurice Coverson; Earl Calloway (who will be performing); Arene Jones; Beauty Turner; 3rd Ward Aldermanic candidate Pat Dowell; and Nat Thompson the author of "Policy Kings" whom the theme of the gala is tailored;

Thirteen years has been a memorable community experience, a legacy of the press, and the desire to energize our responsibility for the future. Please join us as we continue the important work of SSJ by committing to be present and placing a commemorating advertisement and/or a writing of yours regarding SSJ for the upcoming book on the newspaper in collaboration Columbia University of New York' this will appear in our December 7th issue.



RICHARD M. DALEY  
MAYOR

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December 7, 2006

### CONGRATULATIONS

As Mayor and on behalf of the City of Chicago, I extend my warmest congratulations to South Street Journal on the occasion of your 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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Best wishes for much continued success in the future.

Sincerely,

*Richard M. Daley*  
Mayor



# History

## Fred Hampton Dec 4, 1969: The Death Of A Panther

December 4, 1969.

Not across seas, nor in Nazi Germany, but on the west side of Chicago, IL. Thirty-seven years ago the U.S. government via the Chicago Police Department enacted one of many brutal attacks on the Black Power movement of the 60's.

The 21 year old charismatic Deputy Chairman Fred Hampton and 22 year old Defense Captain Mark Clark, of the Black Panther Party, were assassinated in cold blood. The over 99 rounds fired upon them. Seven survivors were in the apartment and were victims of trumped up charges, including Chairman Fred's 8 1/2 month pregnant wife/comrade Akua Njeri fna Deborah Johnson.

Fred Hampton was a high school student and a promising leader when he joined the Black Panther Party at the age of 19. His status as a leader grew very quickly. He was involved in a lot of activities to improve the black community in Chicago. He maintained regular speaking engagements and organized weekly rallies at the Chicago federal building on behalf of the BPP.

He worked with a free People's Clinic, taught political education classes every morning at 6am, and launched a community control of police project. Hampton was also instrumental in the BPP's Free Breakfast Program. Hampton had the charisma to excite crowds during rallies, he was suppose to be appointed to the Party's Central Committee. His position would have been Chief of Staff if he did not have an untimely death on the evening of December 4, 1969.

### Events Leading up to The Death of Fred Hampton

The social climate of the late 1960s was definitely not on Hampton's side. The government was not supportive of any radical political organization, and in fact turned out to be downright suspicious at any attempt to challenge or change the status-quo. Discriminating against the black community was the norm. When word of a "Days of Rage" rally came to the government's attention, it was known that some members of the BPP supported this "attack on the pig power structure." Allegedly, Fred Hampton and the majority of the Chicago Panthers did not support this rally, but to the FBI they were guilty by association. This information, combined with the general suspicion the government had of the BPP, and Fred's powerful speaking and organizing skills, made Fred Hampton a wanted man. The Federal Bureau of Investigation saw Hampton as a threat to society that needed to be eliminated.

Fellow Panther, Willam O'Neal was recruited by the FBI and. conspired with the Chicago Police Department (CPD) to spy on Hampton.

Upon him giving information about the Panthers daily itinerary his felony charges were dropped. His job was to serve as a bodyguard of Hampton and director of the Chapter's security. He was suppose to notify the FBI of the Panther's apartment floor plan and how many residents lived in the apartment. When the FBI got its information a raid was authorized by the state attorney Hanrahan. FBI special agents sent a memo to J. Edgar Hoover stating that "a positive course of action (was) being effected under the counterintelligence program."



Fred Hampton Chairman and Bobby Rush (left) Minister of Defense of the Black Panther Party

Then two officers entered the bedroom and shot Fred at pointblank in his head to make sure that he was dead, and no longer a so-called menace to society. It has been said that one officer stated, "he's good and dead now." The officers then dragged Fred's body out of his bedroom and again open fired on the members in the apartment. The Panthers were then beaten and dragged across the street where they were arrested on charges of attempted murder of the police and aggravated assault. The incident also wounded four other Panther members

### The Big Conspiracy

Immediately after the incident FBI, CPD, and state attorney Hanrahan started their cover-up. They showed false re-enactments on TV, fabricated photographic evidence, and went as far as making a fake investigation. Hanrahan had the audacity of saying, "We wholeheartedly commend the police officers bravery, their remarkable restraint and discipline in the face of this vicious Black Panther attack, and we expect every decent citizen of our community to do likewise."

The members of the Black Panther Party did not take this incident lightly. They immediately opened up the apartment to the public to show the brutality of the police. A later investigation found that no more than four bullets left the Panther's apartment while approximately two hundred entered the apartment. As explained by this resource, there are many inconsistencies in the accounts of what really happened Hampton and Clark were murdered.

The civil trial was the longest civil lawsuit in the history of the United States of America according to the National People's Democratic Uhuru Movement (NPDUM). Despite a ridiculously long trial, not one officer spent a day in jail. Fred Hampton's murder has never been vindicated, other than through speaking engagements, accusations of government wrong-doing on the web, and literature published on the subject.

One would hope that the passing of time and increased social awareness has changed behavior in this country enough to prevent something like this from happening again. Sadly, accusations of conspiracies past and present seem to surface daily. These violations of Civil Rights endanger the freedom of all Americans and the integrity of the structures that govern us. Suppressing those who express controversial ideas are suppressing the voices of justice. Motivated by fear, oppressing these voices oppresses the voices of all Americans.

### December 4, 1969 - Chicago The execution of Black Panthers Fred Hampton and Mark Clark



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From the Publisher

# Unity or Bust



Ron Carter,  
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## The Chicago Mayor's Race in 2007, Useless calls for unity?

As the race for Chicago Mayor election begins to take place, the concern before the black community is demanding the leadership to mount a serious political agenda to the vital issues facing it and resolutions possible to a Black candidate.

Who are the spokes people for these troubled times and by what appointment were they crowned? As seen in the past, those who are the most vocal do not automatically qualify to become the stewards of change. They is no sign of a potential organization who can continue to move Chicago forward biding time for the right man or woman to lead a charge for change or is it due for a change. Williams 'Dock' Walls started three years ago and now Dorothy Brown have declared her run for the city's highest office.

Even with the Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley dynasty under so little scrutiny by elected officials, with criminal allegations reaching all the way to the Mayor so firmly entrenched in bidding, contracting, zoning and hiring are questionable at best. Is the African American community learning anything from the various factions as it relates to what should be the strategy in the upcoming Mayors race.

The late mayor Harold Washington repeated over and over that "it was the plan, and not the man" when it came to Black empowerment, but it does appear that have followed behind Mayor Washington have not been able to successfully develop and imple-

ment a plan to bring the Black community more economic resources, even when Blacks were a majority of the population of Chicago. There are other ethnic groups who have effective organized economic empowerment for their communities notwithstanding if it were a Black or White Mayor. White communities did not stop lobbying and organizing for the economic or political empowerment for their communities when Mayor Washington or Mayor Sawyer was in power.

Listening to the who support Daley and understand why they have chosen to support his reelection. On the same note, others support Circuit Court Clerk Dorothy Brown and Bill "Dock" Walls and understanding why they each support and believe in their respective candidates.

Is this a new version of the old Sawyer/Evans debate that split the Black community, that even when Sawyer was the only candidate, just enough Evans supporters didn't help and Sawyer lost; then when Evans was the only candidate.

So here were are with today's real question. If Dorothy Brown were the only Black candidate, would each of Bill "Dock" Walls supporters enthusiastically support Brown in the manner that they do Walls? Or if Bill "Dock" Walls became the only Black candidate, would the supporters of Dorothy Brown support Walls in the manner that they do Brown? Only those who honestly know the players in both of the camps now can truly answer that. And that doesn't even speak to the large numbers of Black people that have voted over and over again, in higher and higher numbers for Mayor

Daley's reelection, despite the agenda or candidate from the Black community.

There's a new generation of eligible voters out here who seem to be just waiting to see how these three factions play it self out up until the February elections, as they remain undecided.

So which way do one go?

South Street Journal, in suggesting a united front to challenge the incumbency of Mayor Daley, seeks to rally the efforts of all African Americans living in Chicago to slate a single candidate for the office of Mayor, rather Mayor Daley is a better candidate or not.

Only by unifying efforts behind a single viable candidate will African Americans have a serious chance of not challenging each other in the status quo of the biggest political division in Chicago.

However, in any kind of analysis of the upcoming race to City Hall it appears the most relevant question facing voters is, should there be another black politic organization in Chicago such as the Hispanic Democratic Organization that is now functioning as the once Chicago Black United Co

Perhaps it is a duty to shake things up, if for no other reason than to bring a greater level of transparency to the governing of Chicago. And perhaps, in the process, bring even more people to the table to dine on what this city has to offer.

Perhaps it is time, but it cannot happen unless the community can all pull together and present a united front the first week of January. Later than that Unity will be a bust, it will be too late.



Dear Editor

## On torture To The Following Aldermen/ Women:

Manny Flores, Madeline Haithcock, Dorothy Tillman, Toni Preckwinkle, Leslie Hairston, Freddrenna Lyle, William Beavers, Anthony Beale, John Pope, James A. Balcer, George Cardenas, Frank Olivo, Theodore thomas, Shirley Coleman, Latasha Thomas, Thomas Murphy, and Howard Brookins, Jr.

As you are aware, this past summer Special Prosecutors Edward Egan and Robert Boyle released a report documenting two decades of police torture but said that "regrettably, we have concluded that the stature of limitations would bar any prosecution of any offenses our investigation has disclosed." You are also aware that the City of Chicago continues to pay private attorneys for Burge's defense and fight the appeals of torture victims who remain behind bars. Black People against Police torture and its allies are adamantly opposed to the millions of dollars spent defending Jon Burge and demand that the City of Chicago initiate reparations for the victims of torture.

As legislators with fiduciary responsibilities, we feel that you have been negligent in your duties to protect the citizens of Chicago. In

your negligence you failed to monitor the Chicago Police Department. By not voting against the city budget that allocates more than five billion dollars to fund an entity of city government, the Chicago Police Department, until the concerns and outcry of the community were addressed, you sanctioned police torture.

In order for the community to hear from its elected officials, Black People Against Police Torture will hold three community Town Hall Hearings to have you address the following concerns: 1.

Stop compensation for Burge's defense. 2. Stop Payment of Burge's pension. 3. Proper adjudication of the torture victims who remain incarcerated.

Establish a vehicle that will repair the lives of more than 200 hundred victims who were tortured and wrongly accused under then Commander Jon Burge and remain traumatized to this day.

The dates for the hearings are December 9, 2006, January 13 and February 10, 2007. The first hearing will be held at Jacob Carruthers Center For Inner City Studies located at 700 E. Oakwood Blvd. at 1:00 p.m.

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**WRAP Supporters:**

Dear Editor;  
The Women's Resource Assistance Program, Inc. is a not-for-profit community based organization that provides intervention and prevention programs that are designed to increase the educational and personal development of women and their families. WRAP offers Welfare-to-Work employment training and job placement programs, HIV/AIDS education and testing, Bi-lingual education, emergency funds for rent and utility, individual and family counseling, and youth life-skills education and prevention services.

Every year we host a holiday event for the families who are enrolled in our various programs by providing them with toys, dinner and food baskets. The holidays are always a strenuous time for people from a low economic background. Americans who live below the poverty line (a horrifying \$14,630 for a family of three) have the same dreams, hopes, and aspirations as those fortunate enough never to worry about food, rent or the cost of going to see a doctor. What they don't have are opportunities or understanding. More often than not, they were born to poverty instead of a nice home with the advantages of financial stability and an unclouded future. And yet, because of that randomness of birth, society tends to punish, ignore or fear those who live in poverty. Most of the youth involved in our programs are from single family homes, re-

side in public housing and almost all of the mothers who participate in our parenting Welfare-to-Work program are receiving welfare.

This year's holiday celebration will be held Saturday, December 16, 2006 at the Woodlawn Community Center in Robbins, IL, and we're asking your help to make this event a success. We are accepting monetary donations as well as toys, food, drinks and gift bags. We will have over 175 women and children attending this event. Our youth range in age from one (1) month to 15 years old.

Your contribution will reach many people in need during this season of hope and giving. If you would like to make a contribution or have questions, please contact Janice Culbreath, Business Manager at (708) 339-9727 or email: j.culbreath@yahoo.com. All checks should be made payable to WRAP.

Thank you for making this holiday warm and bright.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Rhilender Wilson  
Executive Director

**Englewood Issues:  
Walmart Vs. Black owned**

Dear Editor;

There are serious issues facing the development of Englewood/West Englewood. A few months ago we proposed a \$85 million dollar 20 story mixed use development (60 commercial locations and 60 condos, rooftop restaurant and indoor track) for our community. Currently there are about 402 black people waiting to join our community trust. (Note the trust will own the building). We proposed our building to be located across from the new \$256 Kennedy King College at 63rd and Halsted.

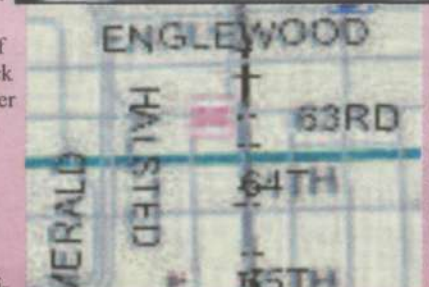
We met with the Chicago Dept of Planning and Development on Aug. 1, 2006 along with our architect. For several months we heard nothing from the city or our Alderman Shirley

Coleman (16th Ward) until recently. We were informed that our alderman wants to put Wal-Mart on the same 8.8 acres of land that we want to put our project on. Our position is that both projects can fit on the same land. There will need to be adjustments by all parties involved. As many of you witness the disgusting fight over the BIG BOX ORDINANCE it really was a major distraction. First and foremost government shouldn't be in the business of trying to regulate what a private company pays its employees by instituting criteria that only pertains to certain businesses. Our response is the ordinance had nothing to do with improving Black Wealth, Legacy or Black Businesses Ownership: it only pertain to jobs.

The National Black Chamber of Commerce and the Englewood Black Chamber has joined forces to go after front companies and their sponsors. The NBCC will sponsor lawsuits against both the sponsors and the front companies for civil damages and lost work.

A couple of months ago the Chicago Public Schools named the landscaping firm Monaghan based out of Arlington Heights along with Rohar (trucking firm) owned by former Chicago Bear fullback Roland Harper in an alleged contract fraud case.

*We will fight on your behalf. Contact Revin Fellows Outreach Coordinator at 773-329-9936 or email us at info@englewoodbcc.org We will continue the battle for black business owners.*



(Note: Rohar worked as a sub-contractor on the Dan Ryan Expressway for Walsh Construction). Pass the word we need to hear from black landscaping that bid on work from 2000 thru 2006 for the Chicago Public Schools. Last, many communities and other elected officials have contacted us about locating the REIT project to their community.

It would be a tremendous loss to the Englewood Community if this project was moved to another community because of the Non-Sense that is taking place in Englewood. Consider that there are nearly 1,400 businesses in the 60621 and 60636 zip codes, blacks own less than 140 businesses in our community, 383 churches and unemployment around 40 - 50%.

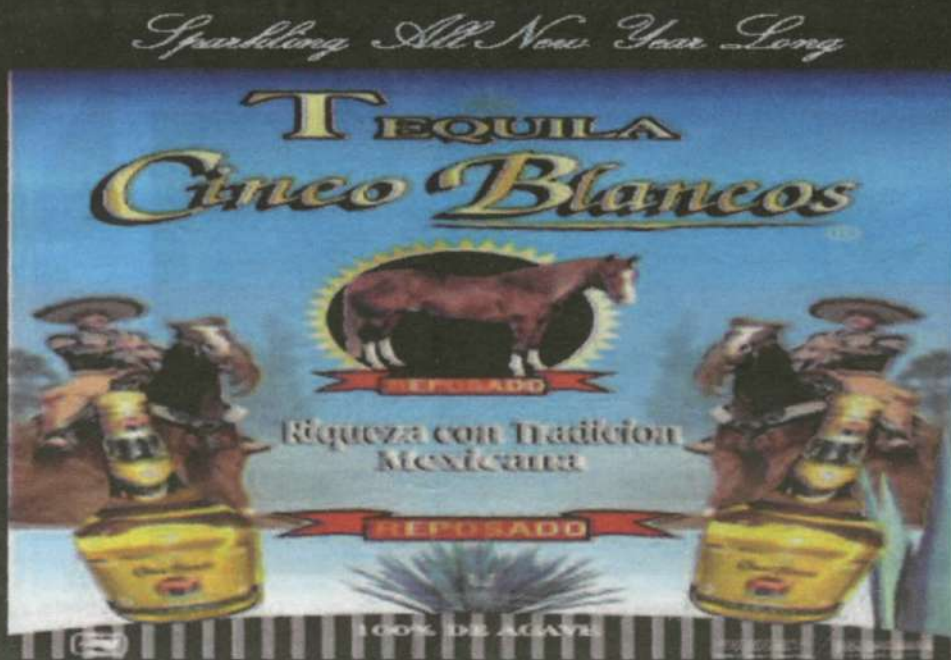
THIS PROJECT is overwhelming supported by the community. So why are we being held up. MAYORAL AND ALDERMANIC ELECTIONS ARE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2007. MARK YOUR CALENDERS (KEEP THE ABOVE IN MIND)

Special Congrats to our Banking and Finance Chairman William "Wil" Burch through his foundation (Chicago Family Foundation) fed nearly 400 people in the community on THANKSGIVING DAY. Stay tuned for his winter coat drive and Christmas food drive. Mr. Burch a 31 year old businessman and community activist is doing great things in Englewood and West Englewood. (Mr. Burch wrote a grant and coordinated the entire development of only the second playground built in Englewood in the last 10 years, nearly 300 volunteers help build the playground). WE CONSIDER MR. BURCH A YOUNG BLACK MALE ON THE MOVE.

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Too often womyn of African decent are portrayed as video vixens, 'baby mommas,' and objects. This seems to be the only way a woman can break into the mainstream and become successful in the entertainment industry. However, Sistas say they know these stereotypical images of us are one-sided and over-exaggerated. Black womyn have long played an instrumental role in the way in which we view politics, the economy, and societal ills- domestically and abroad.

From Sarah Vaughn to Jill Scott - Zora Neale Hurston to Edwidge Danticat - Margaret Burroughs to Annie Lee - Judith Jamison to Debbie Allen, there is a rich history of creativity and expression among us. Sistas hope to celebrate and continue the legacy of great womyn artists, with their monthly showcases. Saturday, December 9th at Jack's Java ~ 9500 S. Western ~ Evergreen Plaza Mall (next to Carson's) ~ 6pm Poetry Workshop/Open Mic 7pm SHOWTIME! Email aquamoon@spokenexistence.com to sign up for the open mic.

And don't forget you can also purchase Holiday gifts with Sistas as well. (Refer to the side bars.) Their books are discounted on the [UnSilenced Woman Press](http://UnSilencedWomanPress.com) website. FREE Shipping. FREE Handling. These discounted holiday prices will also be available at the Sistas in the Arts Series! showcases Nov-Jan.

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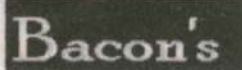
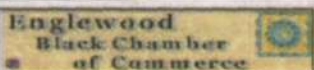
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# Entertainment



### EDDIE MURPHY BACK FOR 'BEVERLY HILLS COP IV': Actor looking to update the classic film franchise.

\*Cue up the "Axel Foley Theme." Eddie Murphy is moving forward with a fourth installment of his successful film franchise, "Beverly Hills Cop."

### TONY PARKER ENGAGED TO EVA LONGORIA: Guess this means they're officially back together.

\*\*"Desperate Housewives" star Eva Longoria and her longtime boyfriend Tony Parker are engaged as of Wednesday night, reports the Associated Press.

### ESSENCE TAPS BEYONCE TO LEAD MUSIC FEST: Singer is first talent announced to work annual event.

\*Beyonce has been selected to headline the 2007 Essence Music Festival, to be held during the July 4th weekend in New Orleans.

### RAPPERS, MOONEY WEIGH IN ON PROPOSED N-WORD BAN: Paul Wall, Noreaga offer differing views; Mooney compares his ban to Pryor's.

\*Michael Richards' N-word-filled rant at the Laugh Factory last week has thrust the racist epithet in the midst of a national debate and prompted one Web site to interview a variety of rappers for comment.

### SANAA LATHAN 'TUCKS' INTO NEW ROLE: Actress stars on FX hit series by: Kenya M Yarbrough

\*Film star Sanaa Lathan tried something new as a character in the film "Something New" last

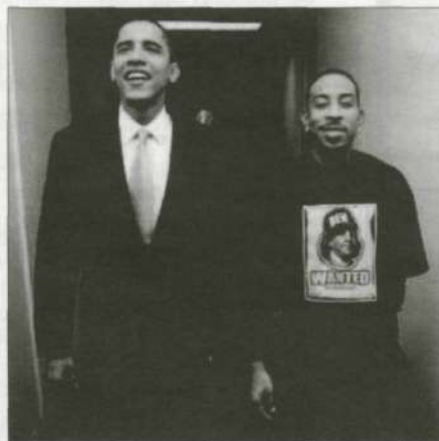
year, but now the actress is trying a little something new in her career.

### SUGE RESPONDS TO SNOOP'S 'ROLLING STONE' INTERVIEW: Death Row mogul calls rapper a 'rat'; plus, Snoop sues Priority Records.

\*It was only a matter of time before Death Row Records founder Suge Knight would be asked to comment on the latest interview of his former artist Snoop Dogg, who trashed Knight in a cover story in the new Rolling Stone.

### SIMMONS GIVES UPDATE ON TRIP TO BOTSWANA: Mogul is on a 9-day fact-finding mission to research diamond trade.

\*Russell Simmons has released another statement regarding his 9-day fact-finding mission in South Africa and Botswana with the Simmons Jewelry Company delegation.



Read more

### LUDACRIS MEETS WITH BARACK OBAMA: Pair discussed ways to promote AIDS Awareness.

\*As spokesman for the international YouthAids organization's youth awareness campaign, Ludacris was in Chicago this week speaking to college students and meeting with U.S. Sen. Barack Obama about promoting AIDS awareness.

### STUDY FINDS FEW ROLES FOR NON-WHITE ACTORS: UCLA research says actors may have legal grounds to sue studios.

\*A new study of the entertainment industry found that minority actors have extremely limited casting opportunities and may have legal grounds to sue the studios over the lack of available roles.



### BOYZ II MEN PREP FOR A COMEBACK IN THE STATES: Group's new album outsells Beyonce, Janet in Japan.

\*First week sales in Japan of Boyz II Men's new album "The Remedy" has beaten opening week totals from Be-



yonce's "B'Day," Janet Jackson's "20 Y.O." and Justin Timberlake's "FutureSex/LoveSounds," according to a release from the group's rep.

### JUDGE TOSSES WOMAN'S MIJAC CLAIM: British woman swore she was the mother of singer's three kids; plus other Mijac news.

\*When a British woman sued Michael Jackson last October claiming to be the biological mother of his three children, the singer's rep Raymone Bain quickly wrote it off, preferring "not to focus attention to this ludicrous claim."

OPENING THIS WEEK: Kam's Kapsules --

### Weekly Previews That Make Choosing a Film Fun by: Kam Williams

\*The Nativity Story (PG for violence) Faith-based Biblical drama chronicles the trials and tribulations endured by the Virgin Mary (Keisha Castle-Hughes) and Joseph (Oscar Isaac) during their 100-mile trek from Nazareth to Bethlehem before the birth of the Christ child in a manger.

### EUR DVD REVIEW: Another Gay Movie by: Kam Williams

\*If you've seen American Pie, then you pretty much know what to expect of Another Gay Movie, except that in this raunchy, raw sex romp we have four high school grads making a pact to lose their virginity by penetrating a member of the same sex.

### FILM BITS: Shareeka's Gotham award; Halle is paid; Thomas, Nunn join 'Raisin'; USA picks up Denzel/Fox; J.Lo seeking Scientology?

\*The film "Half Nelson" and its star Shareeka Epps continue to be recognized during this early part of the award show season.

### MUSIC BITS: Three 6 settles; 50 vs. Oprah; Yo-Yo still alive; Blige, T.I. lead Billboard Awards; Akon dominates Billboard; Usher's Spirit Award; Game on AOL.

\*Three 6 Mafia has settled a lawsuit by 19-year-old Ramone Williams of McKeesport, Penn., who claimed he was assaulted at a concert when fans obeyed lyrics of their song "Let's Start A Riot."

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## The Black Talk About

### Economics & Community News

By Lawrence Hayes

#### The Unity Club For 2007

The unity club starts with the coming together of a media network that made the decision to really work in conjunction with myself and others who are in the fore front of communities and really care. Here's to the best gala in the city... price, message and fun. This affair is the thirteenth year for the South Street Journal and their event is on December 9 2006.

**The Second National Alliance of Black Expos** has had 17 years of events and we are still in federal court with the dark side, Clear Channel and its taken over all the black events and now our only radio station WVON am. And now we lost our historical land mark the Chicago Defender and everyone's jumping on the Daley band wagon.

**Its scared Bobbie Steel** now wants her son in her spot guest what he got it she wants to build her destiny like the Daley, the Stroger and the Jackson. Stay tuned, there's lots more to come.

**Now here is a real party,** old school style and new visions for 2007 so come join us New Year's Eve at the Holiday Inn Mart Plaza's 14<sup>th</sup> floor. Let me tell you what real Brothers talk about on



The old Chicago Defender building. For Sale.

Monday night at South Street Journal. Open forum with Mark Allen, Daisy Johnson Ron Carter and myself with special guest we will demise the old year and plan what every business owners should be doing at the end of the year so here it is. Chicago first media group... hold it, I no you're saying that it's nothing new, but I beg to differ. It's the only group for the community. You don't believe me, well let's take inventory. The Defender? Have you seen it lately? The building that sits on 2300 S. Michigan is closed. Imagine, the only brain that thought of moving or was it money and if it were the leadership to save it politically, religiously, or other wise. So the next time you see a so call "leader" say what historical landmark that black people had, and it's now gone, what are they thinking and what business do we need with him... "what have you done lately". Don't forget to E-MAIL: lawrence-hayesexpo@yahoo.com for comments or information

## Midway Movers

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opportunities at the expense of qualified Black owned and operated companies. And why are Blacks collectively allowing this without the level of challenge that would bring much needed economic opportunities and job creation for Black men and women in our communities?

The company, Midway Movers received attention during the recent election night coverage when the subject of ballot counting and their delivery to and from official election offices was the major focus of media coverage.

Over and over again, viewers saw moving trucks and workers from Midway Movers being reported as the company who has the regular contract with the election authorities to deliver and return election machinery to and from the many polling places across the City and County. And into those late hours, the costs of additional billing for overtime must come into play which may mean millions of dollars that may be going regularly into Midway.

As if this were just one lucrative contract for one company upon further investigation and review, Midway is enjoying even more contracting opportunities. Midway was a corporate sponsor of Chicago Public Schools, "Principal for a Day" Program, Illinois federation of Human Rights, The City of Chicago's Department of Cultural Affairs honored as with the distinction of being named the "Official Movers" of the "Chicago Cows on Parade" and the "Suite Home Chicago" Summer Art Programs.

One was reminded of the major transformation of Chicago public housing developments and the extensive operation that was engaged to remove the properties, the families and their belongings from the many CHA developments. Once again, Midway moving company plays a prominent role in being the only trucking company that anyone can remember that was seen on an everyday basis outside of the CHA offices and CHA developments moving furniture and families for the CHA transformation project.

With a majority of the residents and facilities that needed to be transported being from predominately African American communities, no information from CHA showed contracts from Black moving companies such as Reo movers, Lawrence or Big O moving companies.

Midway Movers continued to get the lucrative contract to provide these moving

services, over Black owned and operated trucking and moving companies..

Chicago-based Midway Moving and Storage Co. founded in 1987, its president and CEO Jerry Siegel 42, explained, "There are construction companies that do millions and millions of dollars with the city but we're just a moving and storage business."

"We don't do all that much business with the city." He added saying that, "We enjoy our relationship with the city. We have a good operation from the Mayor on down".

Mr. Siegel could not say how much contracts he received from doing city business. Nor the City of Chicago did not respond at deadline but referred that the information is on their website. SSJ was not able to find the contract amount as directed by the city.

Midway all so surfaces at the Chicago Board of Education on a regular basis moving furniture and equipment.

Is this what Black communities are supposed to expect in terms of Black economic empowerment when Blacks are in elective office, get appointed to public agency Executive positions? And why are the letting of lucrative contracts to Black owned and operated companies not increasing with increased levels of Black officials now in charge?

What do Black owned and operated companies have to do to get their fair share of contracting opportunities, especially in areas that are servicing a majority African American constituency? And where do they find the answers as to why the Midway Moving company seems to be enjoying a process that continually allow them to obtain with ease, contracts in majority Black service areas over qualified Black owned and operated movers.? This must be a major Black empowerment agenda item for Black officials to right this wrong, and The South Street Journal will continue to report and expose this and continue to until Black owned and operated movers get their fair share.

According to Midway Movers, it is because of their professionalism and because of the quality of service they consistently provide to their family of clients.

the voting machines for past elections and for the 2004 Presidential elections, and they say that they are committed to our community through participation and support of charity organizations. More next week.

Contributing to this story was  
EJ Jackson



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