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Beginning Black History



## Chicago Schools and regenterfication

Chicago Public Schools officials citing a sense of urgency, unveiling a series of proposals to address under-enrollment in 11 elementary schools, while addressing low performance in eight other schools that would undergo a "turnaround" if the plan is approved. A turning point reports the CPS and officials and educators must move

faster to create a great school system or leave behind a generation of young people unprepared for work and for life, Mayor Daley said. The impacts of Chicago School can be in part of many students have been left behind already from the demolition of public housing which contributed to the dismantling of the public education system with

schools closing served public housing and low income residents. Back in January, 2006 CPS said it took steps on Chicago struggling schools with a proposal for closings schools, principal replacement, and new curriculum among options as they viewed then: Restructuring List (Continued on page 3)

## Atty. takes on CHA/Police, Wins suit

By Ms. Beauty Turner

For numerous of years the Chicago Police Department have been arresting young men and young women for trespassing when they came to visit a relative or simply if they lived in public housing developments and couldn't show the officers a State ID.



Recently Attorney Tamara Holder stood up in support of some of the residents in the court of law and this is the results. Headline:

"Defendants Acquitted In Ickes Trespass Case", "Tamara Holder's Fight For Public Housing Residents".

Community Activist Barbara Moore alerted me to this issue in 2005 when her grandson were constantly being detained and arrested after visiting her in the

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On June 1, 1921 the Greenwood district known as Black Wall Street was reduced to rubble after a large-scale civil unrest known as the Tulsa Race Riot. Those who were there explains it was a massacre.

To Black History and to The Black Community and the Chicago overall;

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## Seniors organizing on 40th street



Ms. Beauty Turner

The aging of America, together with extended life expectancy, is resulting in an unprecedented demand for all kinds of long-term care services. Among these services are assisted living residences. However, according to the residents of Paul G. Stewart Apartments Senior Housing in the 500 East 40 building, Habitat Management Company has been doing an awful job keeping up their buildings.

Many of the residents believe they are just as bad as Regent Management company that was reported on television, that manage 45 Condo's and ran out on the residents after the media broke the

story they put a closed sign on their management door.

Many of the residents feel as if Habitat is not keeping clear records about their rent either.

"For the last 18 months since Habitat Management Company took over managing the Paul G. Stewart buildings every things been messed up, Residents in the building complained on January 28<sup>th</sup> in a community meeting.

"We formed a Paul G, Stewart Residents and Tenants Association trying to bring attentions to our dilemmas," Antoinette Ross a long time resident said. "Since December 2006 we have been trying to get Habitat to do their jobs as a (Continued on page 3)

# Under Obama's win "Black Leadership slept in Chicago"

Donnell Robinson Staff Writer

Chicago, Illinois was the home city and state of U.S. Senator Barack Obama, and he has done more than what people expected of him to the point that he can win the Democratic nomination for President of the United States, and on to winning the presidential election. But major

Black leaders hid from the fact that Obama did not generate the historic turnout that they expected, and it hurt the historic candidacy of Alderman Howard Brookins for Cook County States Attorney.

The Obama momentum did generate large number of new voter registrations, including the 114 years old Bronzeville resident Virginia Calls

who registered to vote for the first time in over 20 years. That momentum carried into the record numbers of people participated in early voting, but in the end the Black leadership failed to generate the early predictions of almost 70% turnout from the Black community. What was thought to be an easy win for Alderman Howard Brookins in his race

for State Attorney resulted in over 400,000 voters slept in the February 5 election.

State Senator and Illinois Senate President Emil Jones, Jr. said on WVON that he truly did not understand why the level of excitement that motivated him in this election did not translate more into others from the community.

"The Obama campaign made a decision not to invest in Illinois more because there was already high concentration of news reports and Obama material in so many local elections that they did not see a need to invest any more money, and I just expected more turnout," said Jones. WVON host Cliff Kelley said that he also did not understand how people could not say that they did not know about the significance of this election. Kelley said "maybe we need to get Dr. Carl Bell, the psychiatrist to examine the state of our minds."

"It is wonderful that Obama took Illinois; but we need to find where any of the presidential candidates stand on police brutality, housing loss, and lack of jobs that are a reflection of the Wards and areas where thousands of people did not vote" said Mr. Stanley A., a voter in his 40's named "Thank you to the African Americans who did vote. It was unfortunate that people did not know clearly that Brookins was qualified for the office."

"And people just did not make the connection of just how historic that Brookins candidacy was, and doesn't understand why Black leadership

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## Winners and Losers



William Beavers lost his seat as 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Democratic Committeeman to Sandi Jackson, and may now lose his seat as City Chairman of the Cook County Democratic Party



Jesse Jackson Jr. lost his 2<sup>nd</sup> attempt to get his former legislative aide Kenny Johnson elected to public office



Al Sampson's radio commercials talked about making history with Obama, but did not include the historic candidacy of Alderman Howard Brookins for States Attorney



Bobby Rush Loser for not seeking reelection for the historic 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Committeeman



Alderman, Howard Brookins, winner to run and loser to do all he could to win



Wallace "Gator" Bradley Winner for his field operation for historic election of Judge Michael Hyman



Ranoule Taumum, Winner for taking his 20% of supporters from his last campaign and putting that support behind Will Burns' campaign for State Rep. of 26<sup>th</sup> District



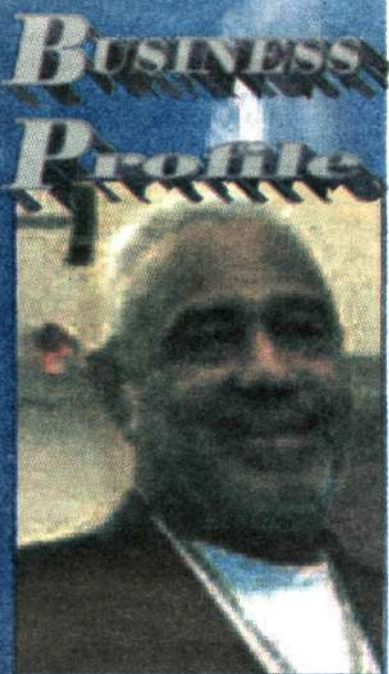
Pat Dowell Winner for 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Democratic Committeeman, with a different twist in political maneuvering of Ken Dunkin



Barack Obama wins more momentum as he wins in Illinois



Mayor Daley Winner for his early endorsement of Barack Obama and safe in his political posture again.



## Kenny Lewis

By Bridget Reynolds  
Corporate Office, Flossmoor, IL  
He has created over 47 corporations and began earning \$200,000 per year in his early twenties. He is a whiz at mathematics, business and financial planning. He's won countless awards for his salesmanship, and was a legend in the insurance industry. His latest project is a 5.5 million dollar, 14,000 square foot mega buffet and banquet hall, in Gary Indiana but that still is not the source of his pride and joy—lately.

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## Chicago Urban League tackles Black male crisis

with solutions driven initiative  
Civil rights group announces new pathways to success through alliances with faith com-

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Fact & Commentary Round Up of Mark Allen



SSJ Associate Editor

"Yes He Can"

Barack Obama became the first African-American politician to actually have a chance to win his party's nomination for the President of the United States by winning, in convincing fashion, all the political experts on television stated that he is the embodiment of hope. They stated that he has created the hope and change movement, so he is a force to be reckoned with in 2008. I agree. But I must in good conscience state here and now that for the sake of the country, for the sake of our community, and for the sake of hope - Barack if you are elected please deliver!!!

Obama is not the candidate of change in politics in the future. He has already changed much of the landscape of politics in this presidential cycle. He has already exposed the game for what it is. It is what is. I have ranted for months about how good people are muted by the political moves of well trained, well funded, deeply rooted political machines that exists for the sole purpose of getting politicians of their choice elected. Politics is about everything but issues. Politics is about delivering things for everyone but the people. It is not and has not been for a very long time about delivering good governance for the people.

We as a community should vote solely based on issues instead of on just how much we personally like the candidate. Yes. Obama has never been elected to an executive office. Yes. Obama has only been a Senator for about three years. Yes. Upon inspection Obama's record in state office does not necessary reveal him to be a maverick that has changed the landscape of politics in a city that desperately needs it. But, Barack is a very smart person that understands that what he promises he must deliver. He also has the experience of cracking the machine ceiling to break through into the United States Senate so he knows how to deal with dirtier politics-- keep your hands clean. And he is not bad on the issues either.

Barack also knows that the best candidate and the best public official do not always win. He has experienced that already. He has broken open for our community to see plain as day how politicians routinely give their endorsements away solely based on political convenience instead of philosophical integrity. That is why many of the members of the Black Congressional Caucus endorsed Hillary Clinton before the Iowa Caucus. That is why scores of African-American state politicians in South Carolina jumped on the Hillary Clinton band wagon months ago when she looked like a lock for the nomination. That is why several African-American politicians in Chicago gathered under the cloak of anonymity at the Ballroom on Martin Luther King Drive in Bronzeville on the Southside of Chicago several months ago to pledge their support for Hillary Clinton. It was not about any issues. It was not about any differences in policy between Obama and Clinton. It was about picking up their thirty pieces of silver.

Well, now that the race is wide open and Obama has demonstrated that he can win, the calculations have changed. Will all those African-American politicians jump ship and beg Obama for forgiveness or will change come on the local level as well as nationally?

I hope Obama continues to captivate the hearts, hopes, and dreams of the country and march right into the White House. And I hope that he starts to deliver real change from the moment he finishes his giving his oath of office until the moment that he hands over the keys to the new occupant of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW. And I hope that change that it flows from Washington, D.C. into our hearts and minds so that we can change our way of choosing politicians.

News Briefs

The Bronzeville Community Development Partnership (BCDP)

hosted a legislative reception and dinner celebration in the lower level lounge of Sebastian's Hideout in downtown Springfield Illinois. The legislative orientation reception was convened by the BCDP to educate African American legislators in the Illinois General Assembly on the importance of supporting African American heritage tourism development in Illinois. Bill Williams VP at the Chicago Convention & Tourism Bureau and board member of the BMC&TC (Right in photo) makes a point during the lively and entertaining orientation session. Other legislative and civic engagement leadership participating in the session included Rep. Ester Golar 3rd Dist., Sharon Morgan, Gina Griskall, Deborah Cuzan, State Senator Mattie Hunter 3rd Dist, State Senator Emil Jones Jr. 14th Dist, Anne Walker, Cheryl Colbert and Paula Robinson.

"Watergate Type Conspiracy Unveiled Involving HUD"

CCN Media Group Media Network backs call by Investigative Reporter for indictment and resignation of top Chicago Local HUD Officials, Chicago, IL

A four year investigation reveals that Housing and Urban Development Officials lied under oath in federal case # C032209 regarding New Englewood Terrace Apartments. Vs United States of America (HUD) on an illegal termination of a Housing Assistance Payment Contract. HUD recently lost the 4 year court battle. Investigative reporter, Lionel B Nixon (former HUD official) along with witnesses will provide facts never before revealed to the public.

A HUD "Watergate-type" conspiracy involving top HUD officials in Chicago confiscated and destroyed information. In addition to their retaliation against whistleblower, Ms. Freddie C. Batchelor ( who's laptop they confiscated because it housed evidence of obstruction of justice),. Batchelor also stated there is additional proof of direct retaliation and intimidation from HUD contained in one of their business envelope marked (Your Eyes Only) from HUD Regional Office 77 West Jackson, Chicago, Illinois (Letter and envelope to be displayed at press conference!)

Courtney Minor a federal HUD employee, said in that letter, said that Ms. Freddie Batchelor would be actually guilty of treason, if she talked about the obstruction of justice, a triple conflict of interest, malfeasance, public government corruption, and his misstatement of the ethics law.

Executive head of HUD, Secretary Alfonso Jackson was accused of retaliation. Greene, one of the PHA officials said, "I'm experiencing what happens when you really say no to the Secretary". Appeals to Jackson and subordinates in Washington DC to investigate these matters were ignored, said Nixon.

Farrakhan Scheduled to Address Nation of Islam "Saviors Day"

(Taylor Media Services) Nation of Islam leader Minister Louis Farrakhan is scheduled to address his organization's annual "Saviors Day" celebration in Chicago, Illinois on February 24th. Questions had been raised as to whether the 74-year-old Farrakhan would appear since he is thought to be suffering from complications related to treatment for prostate cancer. The often controversial Muslim minister had already turned over the day-to-day operations of his nationwide group to a committee he selected.

The theme of this year's gathering is "The Gods at War: The Future is all about Y.O.U. Persons interested in attending the event can visit online www.savioursday2008.org. or call 773-324-6000.

Rev. Jackson Responds to Fidel Castro's Resignation

The following statement from Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Sr., founder and president of the Rainbow PUSH Coalition is in response to today's announcement that Fidel Castro is resigning his lifelong post as President of Cuba.

"Today's announcement of Fidel Castro's resignation represents a major moment in history. The United States should seize this moment to open up a new era of relations with Cuba. It is time to break down old barriers and build new bridges. There must be an end to the economic blockade against Cuba and usher in a new climate of open educational, trade and cultural exchanges between our two countries. Restoring normal diplomatic relations with Cuba serves the interest of peace in our hemisphere. It is President Bush and Secretary of State Rice that should initiate this process.

UnZip

UnZip it at Editorial@SouthStreetJournal.net

Lake Meadows Apartments coming down!? Reports are in 10 years for low-rise condos. You mean to say Black middle class have to go too!? Wow city planners you are really being mean.



Congrats to 16th Ward Alderman

JoAnn Thompson at the Ribbon Cutting for a 146 unit senior supportive living building at 5717 S. Ashland

Legendary actress Denise Nicholas was in town recently at the Walmart, 2500 W. 95th Street and then at Kmart, 17550 Halsted Street, Homewood. The award-winning actress and author Nicholas made several stops in Chicago to autograph copies of her best-selling novel, "Freshwater Road" and to speak with high school students about the book and what life was like during the Civil Rights movement.

It looks like The Chicago Black Wall Street Project's challenge for inclusion of new Black products at the new Treasure Island Supermarket in Hyde Park is being heard.

Word has it that Treasure Island will announce that they have added Reggio's Pizza to start and are actively calling on other Black Product owners. Look for more efforts like this to hit places like Target, Lowes, Best Buy, CVS, Walmart and others in the Black community. Hellooo Melody Spann-Cooper!



Newsmax Magazine's special report "Obama & the Oprah Factor" Can Oprah Winfrey, the most influential woman in America, make Barack Obama the next President of the United States? A Zogby poll, commissioned by Newsmax, revealing Oprah's political reach and how Oprah stacks up against the power of Hillary Clinton.

"I believe that Barack Obama will defeat Hillary and win the Democratic nomination," so says Dick Morris, along with Eileen McGann, and he provides strong supporting evidence: "I think ... victories in states as diverse as Washington, Louisiana, Nebraska, and Maine illustrate his national appeal and demonstrates Hillary's inability to win in states without large immigrant and Latino populations."

Please note that the young lady that sang at the Former Mayor Eugene Sawyer city hall tribute on Friday, Feb. 1st was Englewood's very own, Felicia Coleman-Evans, daughter of Darlene Sherpard, President of the Sherwood Park Advisory Council. Felicia is a member of Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church and has song recently in Europe. Felicia made her Carnegie Hall debut as featured soloist in the tribute to the great Leontyne Price. In Bronzeville Andrea Lee, M.S.W. has reported that the Grand Boulevard Federation, is now located in the Charles Hayes Center at 4859 S. Wabash, 2nd Floor.



President Barrack Obama

Birthdays at FOX-TV include meteorologist Tammie Souza and GoodDay Chicago's morning news anchor Jan Jeffcoat.



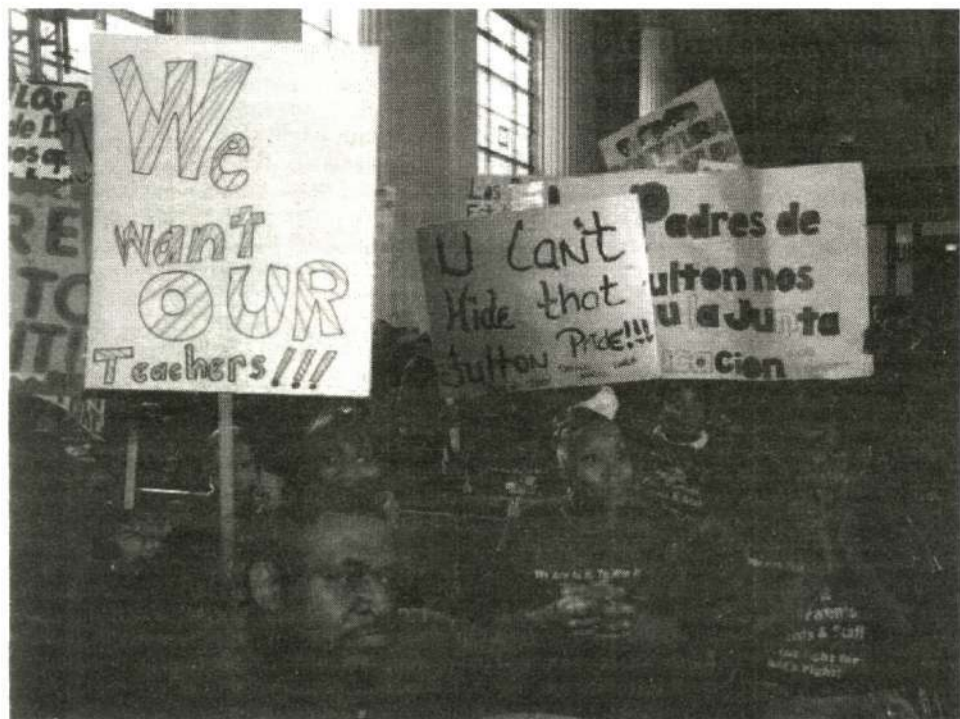
While our community has said good by to some famous political names, we are taking the to also lift up the names of a number our the not so famous name of people we have lost from the grassroots community. Berthond "Bert" Potts was another legend we lost from the grassroots community. Mr. Potts was a member of Operation Breadbasket, founding member of Operation PUSH and was still a current member of The Rainbow/PUSH Coalition at the time of his death. Potts' voice was well known to WVON AM 1690 listeners who for years heard Pott's on-air comments with his famous phrase "what I mean?" And right before his death he renewed his South Street Journal subscription. And to Black Star Project director, Phillip Jackson; his uncle and this publishers former landlord and friend, "The Button Man" Mr. John Jackson past. He was another regular caller on WVON. The same holds for John DeV Vaugh. He passed in December; a SSJ Advisory board member from the start in 1993. Then there was a host of family and friends of SSJ and the community at large. "Perhaps they are not stars, but rather openings in heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shines down upon us to let us know they are happy." But for somehow there were more deaths than there were births in the last two months.

Quotes: Black History "I don't want a Black History Month. Black history is American history." Morgan Freeman "I don't even know how he could form his mouth to say that. (Freeman) showed how backwards he is. Obviously, we need Black History Month. People of African ancestry need to know their history more than any other group." Dr. Conrad Worrill

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# Chicago Schools a mix of regentrification



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rates were decreasing at almost 50%... The truancy rate increased at 42 high schools, some quite markedly - Austin doubled from 33% to 64%, Robeson had 533 truants in 2006 up from 56 in 2005, Bogan 447 truants in 06 up from 14 truants. But dropout rates declined at many schools in 2006, including a few schools with a lot more truants.

Over the last five years Chicago has been experiencing a drastic economic transformation: a wave of new development and a reversal of white flight, a wave of gentrification, and the displacement of entire neighborhoods. To-

day again CPS proposed a variety of measures affecting nearly 200 schools that fall short of federal standards under No Child Left Behind. Repeating its proposal of 2006, roughly 1500 kids are going to be affected. Already there are students who will never be counted in the mid-south "Bronzeville" and west area schools that closed. They have become the disappearing children--not displaced, vanished with the neighborhoods school they once called home. Catalyst Chicago an independent newsmagazine reports, this is a much more complex problem than is described in the media and firing everyone in a school won't necessarily change the outcomes for kids living in high poverty neighborhoods, or in communities where learn-

**Rallies continue by teachers as shown at RainbowPUSH to save teachers jobs in the wake of the Chicago Public Schools proposals to close schools and fire and move teachers as are the students.**

ing and education is not valued by a large percent of the population.

For the teachers it will be hundreds of them, according to CPS [Sun Times says nearly 500]. Kids stay put at turnaround schools, while principals and teachers go back into the pool. Everyone leaves at schools that are being outright closed -- perhaps the most drastic move of the various options, even more so than turning a school around since it involves kids as well as teachers and administrators. Principals lose jobs at schools that are going to be consolidated, but teachers get to move along with the kids.

For the teachers it contributed to the rapid replacement with privatized schools and to the recent firing of unionized teachers and increase of non-union charter schools.

CPS, CEO Arne Duncan is defending his proposal to close failing schools and fire hundreds of teachers from those facilities. But Marilyn Stewart, President of the Chicago Teachers Union countered that Duncan's plan would destroy the collective efforts of diligent teachers trying to make a difference

"As a 30-year teaching veteran, I'm concerned about the students, teachers and communities who will be adversely affected by these changes." Said Stewart in response to the proposed plans for turning around underperforming schools and consolidating underutilized schools.

In her statement she said, "Every student has the right to be educated in a safe, healthy learning environment. Many parents tell us they prefer that be a school within their own neighborhood. The Chicago Teachers Union

has consistently opposed the idea of shifting students and closing schools as a means to improving them. We believe closing schools and displacing students and staff is not the answer."

One school advocate enlist that what's really going on here, if you look at all the choices for closings and messing around is an assertion by Duncan and Daley that they can do anything they want, since there is a "policy" reason for doing anything and a way of manipulating "data" to get the results they want. They currently have about 50 people (possibly as many as a hundred) "running the numbers" and preparing the lies for each school they are attacking. Demographics and Accountability are just the major departments that will be promoting the Big Lie over the next three weeks. The Law Department is working overtime to bring this prize (unlimited ability to terminate schools) to the Daley administration.

Steward said "As professional educators we know, and industry research has shown, that smaller classes lead to improved student achievement. Combining schools and students may lead to overcrowding, thus lessen a student's chance for success. The solution to underutilization is not to create overcrowding.

CPS must consult with the educators and other stakeholders affected in order to minimize or eliminate the adverse affects of these proposed changes. After all, teachers know what students need."

The CPS has held hearing around the city on the proposed turnarounds, consolidations, and relocations. The hearing are ending with a Board of Education meeting on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 at the Central Office, 125 S. Clark St., 5th Floor Board Chambers to vote on CPS proposals. To make comments at the meeting citizens must sign in for public participation in the lobby, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Meeting begins 10:30 a.m.

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# Seniors organizing on 40th street

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management company. We have issues such as deteriorating conditions of the parking lots as well as the buildings grounds. Other concerns sighted was: the Weatherizing of doors and windows, Insufficient lights in building courtyards, Plumbing and the Tenant use of the community room.

The Steward apartments monthly Rent is from: \$650 - \$850. Many of the residents said, "We even have worked with the Metropolitan Tenant Association plenty of meetings and workshops but nothing else, we need help!"

"Well first of all we are all in the dark, I think that Mr. Levin and Paul Bonner have come to a parting of the ways," Jeffery said.

"We have been told all types of things when it comes to our housings," Reverend Jefferies added. "Our concerns are that we are afraid if being moved up out of here and we have no where to go!" Reverend Jefferies a 24-year resident said.

"Since Habitat came to our buildings things have gotten worse," Mrs. Ross who is also a long time resident added.

"Feces is backing up in my sink, the grease traps haven't been clean out, the smell of sewer water reeks throughout our building," Reverend Jefferies went on to say.

Since December 2006 the residents have send out letters to the Governor, Congressmen, Habitat management company, HUD, MTO as well as numerous of others representative.

A spoke person for Congressman Bobby Rush -Touree Muhammad said when asked about the letter from Paul G Steward. "Congressman Rush informed me that he will be looking into this matter!" Muhammad said.

Mark Segal, Chief Operating Officer for The Habitat Management addressing the residents concerns responded by e-mail with a statement saying, "The Habitat Company shares residents' many concerns about the condition of the apartments owned by Paul G. Stewart Apartment Associates, Phase IV. As the management company engaged by the Illinois Housing Developing Authority to take over the management of this property, we have been working diligently with building ownership to help secure funding to make the necessary improvements to this building.

Habitat Company LLC has over 23,000 units under management, and are one of the largest private residential property managers in Chicago and the Midwest,

Aalderman Pat Dowell of the 3<sup>rd</sup> ward where the apartments are located said that she is fully aware of the residents in the Paul G. Steward buildings concerns. She also informed me that she have been to numerous of their community meetings," but the problem or the burden lays on the two Owners CEO Fred Bonner and IDA they would have to come to some type of agreement to help the residents!" Dowell said.

Fred Bonner did not return calls on the matter.

Paul G. Stewart Apartments - is descript as a living bold, beautiful, and bountiful! With feature new, fully rehabbed, spacious studio, 1 & 2 bedrooms apartments - each

with impressive amenities. In addition to a grocery store, dry cleaners, and a fitness center, we offer a full calendar of social activities, three media centers with 70" TVs, seven full-time social service coordinators, and 24-hour monitoring service - all with spectacular views of downtown and the lake!...However with all the improvements in the Paul G. Steward buildings recently; residents content that there needs to be be many more.'

"Recently IDA and Habitat have agree to come out and talk to the residents as well as put more capital into the buildings!" According to Metropolitan Tenant Organization (MTO) Organizer Malik.

The aging of the baby boomers has fueled

the change in senior housing options since the mid 1990's. The oldest baby boomers turned 60 in 2006, and when the trend peaks in 2030, the number of people over age 65 will soar to 71.5 million -- one in every five Americans. As a result changes have been made in all facets of senior housing.

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**GALLERY GUICHARD PRESENTS REFLECTIONS OF AN ART MASTERED: AN INTROSPECTION** Featuring the fine art of Charlotte Riley-Webb and Louis Delsarte, Exhibition till April 1, 5:00 - 10:00 pm Opening Reception: Gallery Guichard 3521 S. Martin Luther King Drive.



**Xpressions of You** is a time for young lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and allies/supporters of these women of African descent to enjoy a safe space and address issues they may be facing at school, at home, in church, and in the community. Age: 18+, Every 1st Friday - Drop-in, 6-9pm @ Affinity 5650 S. Woodlawn, Garden Level. Affinity provides a safe space for game night, movie night, networking and community involvement. Food provided. Every 3rd Friday - Doors open @ 7. Showtime 8-10pm @ Affinity, 5650 S. Woodlawn, Garden Level. Music-n- Discussion, Art-n-Discussion, Words-n-Discussion. Performances and post discussion.

**Energy-Efficient Light Bulb Giveaway.** The bulbs use two-thirds less energy than a standard bulb to produce the same amount of light and last ten times as long. Over the next month, they will be distributed through: Aldermen's offices, The Chicago Department of Environment, 30 N. LaSalle St., 25th Fl. The Chicago Department of Housing, 33 N. LaSalle St., 2nd Floor The Historic Chicago Bungalow Association, 1 N. LaSalle St., 12th Floor, The Department of Aging's Senior Centers, or call 311 to learn the nearest location that distributes bulbs.

**Volunteers Needed for Annual Daffodil Days in Chicago: March 17-21, event celebrates the hope cancer will be eliminated.** The Chicago office of the

American Cancer Society is seeking volunteers for its annual Daffodils Days, which celebrates the progress that cancer treatment is making, and the hope cancer will be eliminated. Among the volunteer tasks needed to be filled in addition to deliveries are daffodil pre-sales coordinators in individual Chicago businesses, and to take requests, pack and man individual table sales at locations around Chicago. Also needed are sponsors. For more information contact Emily Phillips at (312) 279-7257 or at [www.emily.phillips@cancer.org](mailto:www.emily.phillips@cancer.org).

Older adults and people with disabilities should apply for Illinois Cares Rx and Circuit Breaker benefits over the Internet to get their benefits faster and to avoid any possible break in coverage next year. Individuals can use the online application at [www.cbrx.il.gov](http://www.cbrx.il.gov) because it is the fastest way to get approved for the state's prescription drug assistance program, Circuit Breaker property tax grants and \$54.00 license plate discount. The state's pharmaceutical assistance program, Illinois Cares Rx, provides wrap-around prescription drug coverage to fill in the gaps created by Medicare Part D and offers drug coverage for people who do not have Medicare. Seniors with questions about Illinois Cares Rx or Circuit Breaker can call the Senior HelpLine 1-800-252-8966 or 800-624-2459.

## Thurs. Feb. 14

NAACP Chicago Far-South Suburban Branch. February Monthly Meeting **7:00 P.M.** St. Victors Catholic Church Rectory Hall 553 Hirsch Ave. Calumet City, IL 60409

## Friday, Feb. 15

Cook County Commissioner Robert Steele (2nd District) Invites you to the Grand Opening of his new district office at 3936 West Roosevelt Road, 1st Fl 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. For additional information or to RSVP please call (773) 722-0140. Entertainment and light refreshments. This month's Sistas in the Arts is co-sponsored with Affinity's XPU. 7:30pm Affinity 5650 S. Woodlawn (garden level) Featuring : Sharon Powell Poet and Sex Health Educator.

**Newsweek's Ellis Cose to keynote Chicago Urban League**

**Annual Report Luncheon** at the Hilton Chicago. A native of Chicago, Ellis Cose has, since 1993, been a contributing editor for *Newsweek* magazine. He is also the former chairman of the editorial board and editorial page editor of the *New York Daily News*. Cose began his journalism career as a weekly columnist for the *Chicago Sun-Times*—becoming, at the age of 19, the youngest editorial page columnist ever employed by a major Chicago daily. In addition League President and CEO Cheryl R. Jackson will launch the next phase of **projectNEXT**. For tickets call 773-451-3520. Email to [arl@cul-chicago.org](mailto:arl@cul-chicago.org).



**Haymarket Center** will host a dessert and beverage gathering for employers who have employed clients from our eight-week Job Readiness Program. 2008 from 2:30-4:30pm at 124 N. Sangamon Street complimentary parking RSVP to: Nephtali Fuentes at 312.226.7984, ext 546.

## Monday, February 18, Tuesday, February 19,

Why are young black men in jail? Why are babies making babies? The Media Connection TV Show entertainer and producer Bill Cosby at the Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Breakfast sponsored by the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition as he discusses the critical issue of "Raising Our Youth". The Media Connection Host Naimah Latif, CAN-TV Channel 19 in Chicago. 12:00 noon, Watch The Media Connection every Monday at 5 pm and Tuesday at 12 noon on CAN-TV Channel 19 in Chicago. To see on the Internet, go to Google Video and type in: The Media Connection host Naimah Latif. For info on upcoming shows call (312) 849-FILM (3456)

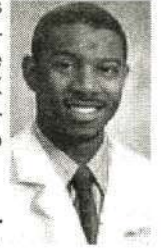
## February 19,

Grand Boulevard Federation, PPEN Monthly Meeting - TUESDAY, 2007 from 5-7 PM at 4150 S. King Drive (Centers for New Horizons). Please RSVP. GBF Monthly Meeting - Wed., February 20, 2007 at 10 AM at the Chicago Urban League (4510 S. Michigan). 4859 S. Wabash, 2nd Floor p: 773/548/8140 ext. 205

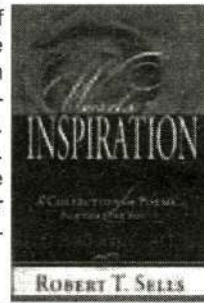
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## Thursday, Feb. 21

**ASK THE DOCTOR** 10-11am at Bessie Coleman Library, 732 E. 63rd Street. Sponsored by the New Communities Program/TWO in partnership with the University of Chicago's Dr. Thomas Fisher, Instructor, Emergency Medicine and Community Solutions in Action, ASK THE DOCTOR offers community members the opportunity to ask University of Chicago physicians questions submitted in advance or to benefit from the ensuing conversation. Only questions received by February 18th will be responded to. FAX questions to 773-256-1584 c/o Renita Austin.



**Words of Inspiration** by Robert T. Sells, Christian author Robert T. Sells offers the ultimate expression of love and adoration with **Words of Inspiration**, using a beautiful combination of poetry, prose and praise in this "love language" book. 6 pm. Free. Books will be available for sale and autographing.



**Global Reach Inc presents a black History forum** to acknowledge and celebrate the Achievements of African-America to World/Global History, Invited speakers are Dr. Yaounde Olu, Rev. Al Sampson, Marc FX Hart, Salim Abdulkhalik, Ron Carter SSJ Newspaper, at 7 pm, dr. Jacob Caruthers CCICS, 700 East Oakwood Blvd. 39th and Langley, Coordinator by Randy Evans.

## Feb. 22nd -23rd

To celebrate Black History Month, Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre (CRDT) **Jubilation runs at 7:30pm at the Columbia College Chicago Music Department, 1014 S Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60605.** Matinee performances on February 19th and 21st at 12:00pm are also available to school groups and community organizations. Tickets to CRDT's *Jubilation* are \$35 for reserved seating and \$30 for general seating. Advanced reservations recommended. To purchase tickets, contact the Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre office at **773-847-0305** or [CRDToffice@comcast.net](mailto:CRDToffice@comcast.net). For more information, please visit us at

[www.cerquarivera.org](http://www.cerquarivera.org). Phone 773-488-8636

**The 2nd Annual Rosa Parks "Taking A Stand" Awards** and Brunch honoring Clark Kirk, Clara Shelters: 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. 953 West 63rd Street Gifts from God Ministries. Love Donations will be accepted: Following the awards,



participants will attend a black history play at Kennedy-King College. The play will cost \$8. Prior Winners were Sen. Jacqueline Collins and John Paul Jones. Email Gay Chisum

## Sun. Feb. 24

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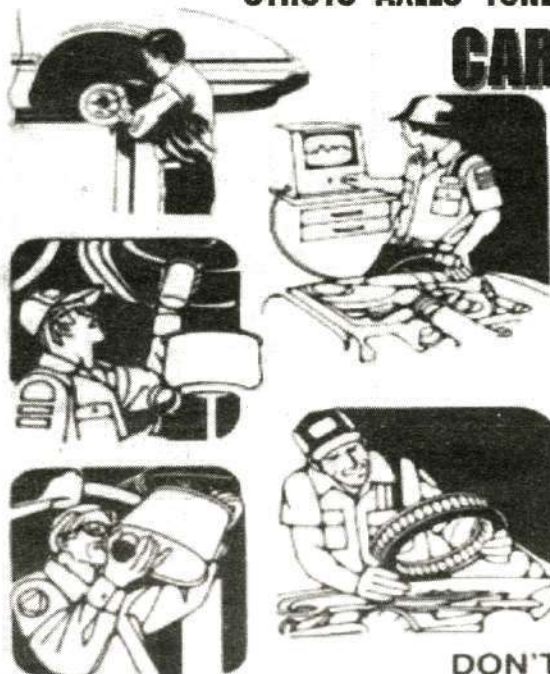
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## Westside Association For Community Action Receives Community Grant Award--

The Westside Association For Community Action (WACA) was the recipient of a community grant award recently from Jewel-Osco and Coca-Cola Enterprises at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of Black History Kick-Off Reception held at DuSable Museum of African-American History in Chicago. WACA was recognized at the Black History kick-off reception for their excellent, diligent community work over the years. Five other community organizations were also awarded and include: St. Sabina Church; Black-on-Black Love; Kenwood Oakland Community Organization; DuSable Museum of African-American History and Proviso Leyden Council on Community Action.



Pictured above are: (left to right) Miguel Alba, director of Public Affairs for Jewel-Osco; Corinne Jenkins, executive director of WACA; Lola Jenkins, vice president of Operations at WACA; Roy Whitmore, president of Operations at Jewel-Osco and Anthony Taylor, manager of Community Relations at Coca-Cola Enterprises. The Kenwood Oakland Community Organization (KOCO) was also the recipient of a community grant award from Jewel-Osco and Coca-Cola Enterprises at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of Black History Kick-Off Reception held at DuSable Museum of African-American History in Chicago. KOCO was recognized at the Black History kick-off reception for their excellent, diligent community work over the years. Five other community organizations were also awarded and include: St. Sabina Church; Black-on-Black Love; Westside Association For Community Action; DuSable Museum of African-American History and Proviso Leyden Council on Community Action.



## Teachers of tomorrow rally for funding

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To celebrate progress and foster growth of their community-enriching program, teacher candidates of Grow Your Own Teachers Illinois will rally in the Capitol rotunda in Springfield on Tuesday, Feb. 26, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Legislators and teacher candidates has launched their message: Grow Your Own which they say saves taxpayers' money because it fills understaffed lower-income schools with highly qualified teachers who are committed to their communities.

"The GYO partnerships and the inspiring teacher candidates will make their case for needed funding in Springfield with policy makers, many of them long-time supporters," said GYO director Anne Hallett.

Funded by the state, GYO unites community groups, higher education institutions and school districts to recruit teacher candidates from lower-income neighborhoods where schools have trouble retaining qualified staff. The state funds provide forgivable loans that help put the candidates through college so they can obtain teaching certificates. In exchange, they agree to teach for at

least five years in neighborhood schools.

Organizers expect more than 100 candidates from GYO's 16 partnerships around the state to attend the rally.

"We have grown considerably in the two years of the initiative," Hallett said. GYO wants funding for the program to increase from \$3 million a year in 2007 and 2008 to \$4.5 million for 2009. "This program has expanded from 12 partnerships to 16 and from 395 teacher candidates to 545. Increased funding is badly needed to support this growth."

The law that funds GYO sets a goal of 1,000 new teachers in schools by 2016.

Hallett says that 87 percent of GYO teacher candidates are non-white. "They are people who live in the neighborhoods," she said. "They know the culture of the kids and bring major assets into the classroom. We want these highly motivated adults to have the resources they need to reach their promise to become highly qualified teachers."

Candidate Tiana Camphor, 25, of Chicago's Southwest Side, was a dreamer, although she didn't dream of eventually being at the front of a

classroom. When she picked up her diploma from a south suburban high school, she was a teenaged single mother, and what she wanted was to sing.

"When I got out of high school, I really didn't have a desire to go to college. I didn't see the importance of it," Camphor says. "I was going to pursue a career in music."

But her love for her child and for reading joined with her love for music to put her on another path, one that would lead her to a husband, two more children, a church, community activism and then to Grow Your Own.

Camphor recalled that in high school "all my friends were studious, and my close friends went to college. My best friend went to St. Xavier in nursing." Camphor was visiting that friend who brought her to a life-changing moment: Camphor was introduced to a young man playing the piano in the lobby of her friend's dorm.

It turned out that the young man was a pastor involved in St. Xavier's campus ministry. He invited her to join his gospel choir. Now, Corey Camphor is her husband and the

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## WEST SIDE!!

some of the latest developments concerning the Proposed Ogden-Pulaski TIF. The Lawndale Alliance on Cable channel CAN TV21

The Lawndale Alliance will host the Ogden-Pulaski TIF Hotline on Monday, February 11, 2008, Cable channel CAN TV21. The live call in show, co-hosted by Valerie F. Leonard and Joe Ann Bradley, will give viewers a forum within which to discuss some of the issues surrounding the Proposed Ogden-Pulaski TIF Redevelopment Plan; provided an overview of the approval process and explore ways the TIF may more directly benefit local businesses, homeowners and residents. Program sponsors include the Monroe Foundation and Do for Self Community Development Corporation. A press release is attached.

### Approval Process

The Proposed Ogden-Pulaski TIF Redevelopment Plan is being advanced without the benefit of a local advisory council to review it before it is approved. The redevelopment plan was introduced to the Community Development Commission on December 11, 2007, and was reviewed by the Joint Review Board on January 4, 2008. The matter will appear before the Community Development Commission for a public hearing on February 19, 2008. The hearing will take place at 1:00, in City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor City Hall. We urge you to stand in the gap for North Lawndale and present public testimony. For info 773-521-3137.

### Correspondence to the City

The Lawndale Alliance submitted a letter to the Community Development Commission with a detail outline of our concerns and recommendations surrounding the Proposed Ogden-Pulaski TIF Redevelopment Plan. They have since received a letter

from the Department of Planning that refers them back to the Plan, but the group reported it does not address their concerns. However, Commissioner Randall has referred them to Deputy Commissioner Bonome for further discussion.

### TIF Advisory Council

There still is no TIF Advisory Council in place for the Proposed Ogden-Pulaski TIF. Nor has there been any communication from Alderman Dixon or Alderman Munoz as to when a Council will be put into place. If you are interested, please contact Alderman Dixon's office at 773-522-2430. If you are in the 22nd Ward, you should contact Alderman Ricardo Munoz at 773-762-1771.

### A Call to Action

Call Alderman Sharon Dixon at 773-522-2430 and Alderman Ricardo Munoz at 773-762-1771. Ask them to recommend that the Community Development Commission not move forward with the Proposed Ogden-Pulaski TIF Redevelopment Plan until a TIF Advisory Council is put in place, and community input is included

### The Civic Federation Calls for TIF Reform

The Civic Federation issued a report recently calling for TIF reform. To download a copy of the PDF file, click onto the link below. [http://www.civicfed.org/articles/civicfed\\_261.pdf](http://www.civicfed.org/articles/civicfed_261.pdf)

**Inquiring Minds Want to Know**  
Ms. Anita Booth provided the following information: A neighbor on 19th and Drake report, that they received a letter offer from the Department of Planning to buy their 2 flat for \$82,000,000. According to what was said in the (City's TIF) meeting, the plan had not yet been approved, so how could they make an offer for property in the TIF.

We will inquire if this home owner requested to sell their property. We thank the North Lawndale Community News for continuing to cover community and economic development issues.

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# Teachers

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father of her two younger children. Her husband also helped her connect to the Ambassadors for Christ Church, near 79<sup>th</sup> Street and Ashland Avenue in Chicago, and through the church, the singer found another voice. She became an activist with TARGET Area DevCorp., a community organizing and development organization that helped form GYO Illinois and is a GYO partner with Chicago State University and the Chicago Public Schools.

With a home life, a church and a community anchoring her, Camphor reverted to an old love.

"My husband had the book at our house," she said, referring to "Inside Mrs. B's Classroom: Courage, Hope and Learning on Chicago's South Side," written by a Chicago journalist, Leslie Baldacci, who left the craft to become a teacher.

Camphor was shocked when she read the stories of the miserable conditions in the schools.

One of Baldacci's statements stood out: "I can go and I can make a difference."

Shortly after Camphor finished the book, she learned about the GYO teachers' initiative, and today she is studying at Chicago State University to earn her teaching certificate.

To her, just as important as GYO's financial backing for school is the group's moral support through its cohort program.

"Our cohort is really like a big family. We check up on each other. We read chapters together," she said, adding that GYO's child-care assistance is a "life saver."

Will she be at the rally?

Yes, she says: GYO is "just awesome. We need to have more funding."

For Madeline Talbot, lead organizer of Action Now and a power behind getting the law passed, "there is no excuse for giving the kids who need the most help the least experienced teachers.

"GYO is changing that," Talbot

added, "and we're going to Springfield to make sure the General Assembly knows it."

## CBS 2 Special Edition of EYE ON CHICAGO CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Special Eye on Chicago Will Air Saturday, Feb. 23, at 11:00 a.m. and Sunday, Feb. 24, at 10:30 a.m. Donna Thompson, CEO Access Community Health Network, featured guest

CBS 2's Diann Burns will host a special edition of Eye on Chicago in celebration of Black History Month in Chicago. The half-hour program will air on CBS 2 on February 23 at 11:00 AM and again on February 24 at 10:30 AM. Burns will be joined by CBS 2 anchors and reporters, Suzanne LeMignot, Steve Baskerville, Jim Williams, Derrick Blakley, Pamela Jones and Dorothy Tucker. The program will focus on important issues impacting Chicago's African-American community. The topics include healthcare, children with special needs, male role models and culture.

## Black History

### "There are still a few seats available!"

## GHETTO TOURS

Ms. Beauty Turner has a unique bus tours of the inner city! It were featured in the Los Angeles Times, Chicago Sun Times, Chicago Tribune, Boston Globe, as well as numerous of other prominent papers in early July 07.

Next tour is on March 17 from 10-1 pm. (Visiting Cabrini Green Development.)

There are still a few seats available for "Beauty's Ghetto Bus Tours."

Every tour is conducted by national-award-winning Assistant Editor, South Street Journal Beauty Turner and co/hosted by the newspaper Publisher Ron Carter.

Turner will take you to historic sites, provide you with data and details about low-income families, and introduce you to people who



Rear center Ms. Beauty Turner founder and host of Beauty's GHETTO Tours looks on as co-host Ron Carter, publisher and Editor discuss and explain issues surrounding public housing. Photo by Mable Hardy

have been relocated from Robert Taylor Homes, State way Gardens, Madden Park Homes and the city's other, now-demolished high rise public housing developments. She has provided similar tours for Northwestern University's Freshman Urban Program, the Jewish Council on Urban Affairs, Cardinal Francis George and others.

The last tour was almost at capacity, so people are strongly recommend contacting Beauty at 773-924-9590 or 1-773-297-5619 cell, beautyturner@gmail.com Tickets are \$25 each.

Google search "Beauty's Ghetto Bus Tours" for more information.

Some of the people, groups who have grace the Beauty's Ghetto Bus Tours with their presents include: LA California Professor/Student 1/9/08

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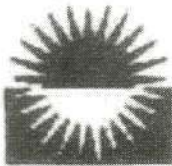
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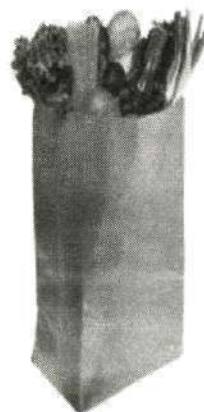
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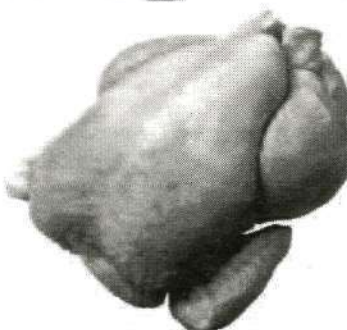
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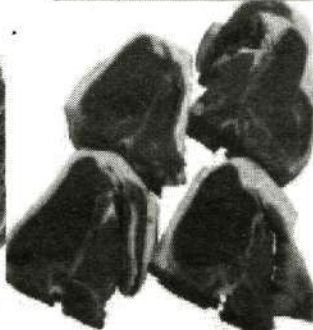
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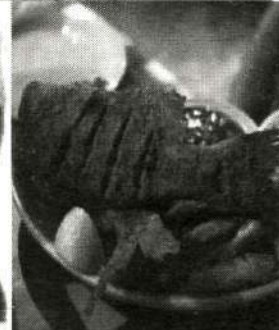
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# Gun Control in Chicago

Propelled by daily reports of shooting deaths across the nation, Rev. Gregory Livingston, national field secretary for the Rainbow PUSH Coalition, assembled leaders from the Brady Campaign Against Gun Violence, Purpose Over Pain, Save Another Life and others to plan concerted action in pursuit of stricter gun laws.

"We did not call this meeting because we knew that six people were going to be shot in a Missouri courthouse yesterday," Rev. Livingston said. "Nor did we know that three women would die because of gun violence in Louisiana this morning."

Mayor Richard M. Daley unveiled a package of "common sense" gun legislation proposals the City will support in Springfield and Washington, D.C., that balances the need to protect the rights of gun owners with the necessity of reducing the threat of gun violence in Chicago and all across America.

Rev. Livingston told the group that 30,000 people die from gun violence in the United States every year, with gun violence now the leading cause of death among African American males ages 15-24.

Initial crime data from last year shows that the vast majority of homicides in Chicago 75 per cent -- involved firearms, Daley said.

Further, the data show that 89 per cent of offenders had a prior record and that more than 73 per cent of murder victims had a prior record

as well, he said.

"Every year, I've presented an aggressive package of gun reform legislation in Springfield and Washington, D.C. In the last few years, we've made some, but not enough progress against the odds in Springfield.

Rev. Jesse Jackson, of the Rainbow PUSH Coalition, called for a summit of anti-gun organizations after five women were fatally shot at a Lane Bryant department store in Tinley Park, Illinois. Throughout 2007, Rev. Jackson led a campaign in support of common sense gun laws and a ban on assault weapons. In July, he and Fr. Michael Pflieger, pastor at the Faith Community of St. Sabina, were arrested during a protest at Chuck's Gun Shop in Riverdale, Illinois.

"Rev. Jackson was there when Dr. King was killed with a gun," Rev. Livingston reminded participants in today's meeting.

Many of those participants have been involved in tragic incidents of gun violence, including Jennifer Bishop of the Brady Campaign Against Gun Violence. Since the shooting deaths of her pregnant sister and brother-in-law, Bishop has spearheaded numerous anti-gun violence marches and rallies promoting awareness to the issue.

Daley said the legislative package includes five proposals -- four of which will be pursued at the state level and one at the federal level.

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## Nadie Aniece Cummings-Smith

### She Built Bridges Over Troubled Waters And Heard Trumpet Sound

I knew about a woman who was born September 18, 1915 in Waterford, Mississippi. She was the 9th of 15 siblings. She received her education in the public school system in Mar-

shall County, Mississippi. Mrs. Nadie Smith did not have an opportunity to complete her education but she used what she had learned to help others. While a 7th & 8th grade student, she was an able instructor who taught the lower grade level students. She volunteered and taught reading education at District 169 in Ford Heights to low-achieving students in the community. She did not have a diploma or a degree from any school or university, but she had a Ph.D. in life and yet another, in love.

Mrs. Smith career was being a wife to her husband and mother to her 13 children. She was a social worker to many in the community. She provided respite care to many, cleaning their homes and preparing their meals. She was a great worker with the PTA. She also volunteered for the American Red Cross who was responsible for making sure the children were vaccinated with their early childhood shots.

I remember eating many meals at her home. Nadie Smith cooking was one of her passions. She would cook a feast fit for a King. Breakfast consisted of bacon, eggs, grits, sausage, oatmeal, salmon and rice, and homemade biscuits on a daily basis. Her dinners were served with Roast, Turkey and Dressing, Beef Stew, Fried Chicken, peach cobbler, pound cake and her homemade dinner rolls. Nadie Smith was very big on family and community coming together.

I often speak about it takes a whole village to raise a child. Mrs. Nadie Smith was that type of woman who not only said it but lived it. If you did not have anywhere to sleep, you had it at her home. If you were hungry than you showed up and had breakfast, lunch and dinner.

I met this great woman over 41 years ago and always enjoyed our conversations and words of wisdom. I learned how to cook from this woman because I spent so much time in the kitchen with her. She would always tell me that when she cooks, it's not by measurements but to the taste. I mastered this technique because of her advice.

We need to learn the basics of what a family consist of and continue teaching our children moral values. I remember Nadie Smith told me a long time ago, "Family is like a tree, you need a leaf, branch and the roots. The leaf provides beauty, the branch provides strength and roots provide life. One cannot survive without the other." She fed and provided shelter, and mentored to so many in the community of Ford Heights. Nadie Smith has left this world but will always live in so many people's heart. She has gone to join her husband of 58 years. I had a vision of Deacon A.C. Smith standing at those pearly gates taking his bride to their new home. Nadie with her long silky black hair and draped in white with gold trim, telling the angels to continue to watch over her children and over 38 grandchildren, 93 great grandchildren and 23 great great-grandchildren. The church was crowded not because Nadie died, but because how she lived. This Great woman was not just a mentor to me, but she was my grandmother with a message that will live on forever. In her training I will continue to be an advocate for children and senior citizens.



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# Atty. takes on CHA/Police harassment of residents

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Robert Taylor Homes written in the South Street Journal.

Dariul Moore age 18 at that time was allegedly threatened and told by CPD not to visit his bed ridden grandmother while she lived in the projects. Or he would be constantly arrested for trespassing. "One time was too much to be arrested for visiting my Grandmother," according to Dariul Moore "My grandson was afraid to come over and visit me," Moore said in a telephone interview on February 17, 08.

"It felt wrong as if it were illegal than!" Moore added. It's unconstitutional for residents in public housing to be treated any less than being American citizens. Being poor shouldn't make you any less than any one else in America; and any one else that being treated unfairly challenge it in the court of law. Recently that same issue was raised in 2007 during my Ghetto Bus Tours.

Residents from the Dearborn homes, and Harold ICKES Homes told me what were taking place in their homes; Residents from ICKES sued CPD, CHA and the city about this trespassing issue. And this year they are finding out that fighting back pays off as Attorney Holder stood up in support of some of the residents.

On February 8, 2008, Atty. Holder won two cases of trespass on the Ickes property by way of acquittal.

The State of Illinois failed to meet its burden that Ickes residents could not have visitors on the property and such visitors would be arrested for trespass by Chicago Police. Each defendant, Larry Smith and LaCharles Washington, was charged with two counts of trespass: Trespass to State Supported Land and Trespass to Real Property.

Attorney Holder subpoenaed the Chicago

Housing Authority and the Woodlawn Organization (the Ickes' property manager) for alleged rules and regulations that residents could not have visitors. CHA as a whole pays the CPD \$16 million annually to police public housing, in which Derrick Hill reports he has no know report of what the CHA gets for their money.

LaCharles Washington was visiting his infant child prior to going to school at 10 am, when he was arrested outside the steps of an Ickes building and detained for ten days. He was later told by an assistant public defender to plead guilty if he wanted go home since he could not afford to post bond.

Attorney Holder was in court that day and convinced Mr. Washington to withdraw his plea of guilty and fight for his innocence. Friday's victories also settle a previous belief of Judicial Sub circuit No. 9 Judge Marvin P. Luckman, who, in open court, previously told defendant Larry Smith, "Unless you are on the lease, you can't be on the Ickes property."

Mr. Smith is also the father of an infant child who resides on the property; he was arrested with the child's mother, Marie Battle, last July. Attorney Holder tried Ms. Battle's case last October, which resulted in a not guilty verdict by Judge Luckman.

These acquittals now set a precedent for



**"... these arrests and prosecutions are flat-out wrong ... young people have been arrested in public housing from the year of 05 until now. Many of them now have a felony on their records concerning these trespassing charges."** Attorney Holder

the many pending and potential future trespass cases against relatives and friends of Ickes residents.

The victories also provide more fuel to the class action lawsuit filed by Attorney Holder on behalf of Harold Ickes Home residents against the City of Chicago Police Department in October of 2007. Attorney Holder has received hundreds of complaints regarding abuse of police power, including but not limited to trespass. Attorney Holder, who represented the men pro bono, commented, "the most important thing to me is that public housing residents realize that they do not have lesser rights just because the live in public housing."

She continued, "These victories prove that if you fight for what is right, you will prevail. Many of these arrests and prosecutions are flat-out wrong and a waste of the taxpayer's money." So many other young people have been arrested in public housing from the year of 05 until now; many of them now have a felony on their records concerning these trespassing charges.

Following the residents addressing the issues this reporter with Reverend Jesse Jackson and some other ministers stayed overnight at Ickes so the residents who are speaking out are not harassed. Jackson called the harassment an attempt to drive away low income residents from the increasingly upscale near South Side.



Ickes Homes is located on the west side of State Street between 22nd to 25th street. Young residents tried of police harassing them, climb in a tree and firm the misconduct of the Chicago Police Department violating their citizen rights and degrading them.

Ickes Homes is currently serving as one of CHA's "relocation resources," transferring residents who were moved from other developments. Plans for this property's future are under consideration. As half of the building are closed down.

Holder is one of Chicago's rising legal analytical stars. She gained national attention for fighting for the rights of railroad workers who were fired in the name of "homeland security" which led to a Congressional hearing. Her law firm specializes in criminal defense, expungements, Governor's pardons, police brutality and personal injury lawsuits.

Ms. Holder sits on the Women of Power Alumni Association Advisory Board; and is also the founder of Rev. Jesse L. Jackson's Rainbow PUSH Expungement Clinic.

Get in touch with Attorney Tamara Holder (<http://www.xpunged.com>)

# Politicians slept in Chicago

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did not make the same case for Brookins as they did for Obama," Stanley A said.

Even though political leaders like Congressman Jesse Jackson Jr. and others did not support Brookins, there was still enough voters that did not vote at all that could have made the difference for Brookins. Rev. Al Sampson's radio commercials talked about making history with Obama, but did not include the historic candidacy of Alderman Howard Brookins.

Ranoule Tatum who dropped out of the race for 26th District State representative endorsed the winner Will Burns a political insider that had enough backing to defeat Kenny Johnson. Tatum said that he was glad that his supporters were able to make the difference for Burns in his victory. "Most people saw Burns and Johnson running similar high tech campaigns, so we were glad to add our truly grassroots support on the ground for Burns and our 20% of support for Burns helped make the difference and we are glad and confident in Burns leadership." We could have done more to connect Brookins to Obama but did not and that's unfortunate, said Tatum.

"Not voting for Brookins was a travesty." Said Wallace "Gator" Bradley. "While Authorities tried to pull me down and, criminalize me for spreading the vice, 'put down the bullet, pick up the ballot, as a (Black) people are being tortured by police, under brutal circumstances and, facing depths of fiscal police organizations which are unimaginable. This was our last chance, the chance of a lifetime to speak out against the injustices.

Women might have taken a toll in the voting

turnout; seriously against Brookins for doing his wife "wrong", shamelessly spoken, "women of Chicago lack the vision of the larger spectrum, the Big Picture", take a look next time." Gator also mentioned,

In response to the voter turnout, WVON on air host Matt McGill said that he talked to people that did not vote and it appears that there is a sentiment among a lot of voters that they are "anti anything to do with politics, no matter what happens." With all the media hype around Obama that it wasn't clear that some real hands-on voter education still needed to be done to convince more people to vote.

Even with the small voter turn out Tatum, explained, "People do vote, African Americas do vote, however it is the percentage that does not participate, those are the votes that matter most because they neutralize the movement, they do not believe a change can come." A dent in a Black political movement and its leadership.

The black political base of leadership has issues of a transformation or a further lost of its political landscape.

A lost that have many concerns of the economics of communities. William Beavers lost his seat as 7th Ward Democratic Committeeman to Sandi Jackson, and may now lose his seat as City Chairman of the Cook County Democratic Party.

Bobby Rush surrendered his post of the first Black Historical 2nd ward committeemanship by not seeking reelection or slating anyone to retain it.

T.J. Crawford another WVON on air host said that too many people in the next genera-

tion still talk about how the elections were stolen proving that a majority vote does not count and don't participate.

Rick Bryant District Director for Jesse Jackson Jr, said "that's sad, maybe some correspond to conclusion, we need to listen to what Obama is speaking of, we need to realize this is a democracy, you get who you vote in."

"They say that after all the work people did in the last election, Bush was made the President even after Gore won a majority vote," Crawford said. And now the candidate is Obama, you already have super delegates saying that even if Obama win the popular vote they will keep their commitment to the Clinton so that kind of talk proves once again that the majority vote will not count.


The people of the 3rd Ward elected Alderman Pat Dowell as 3rd Ward Committeeman. Dowell said " the State of Illinois, and the country went to the polls to elect leaders who represent their values. I am deeply honored to be your Alderman and as Committeeman, I will ensure that our ward elections are held to the highest standards of integrity and fairness. I cannot express my gratitude enough for those who worked so hard on my behalf to make me the Democratic Committeeman of the 3rd Ward. Most importantly, I want to thank the voters of the 3rd Ward. Your faith in me will not be forgotten and I will work everyday to demonstrate that it is not in vain. Together, we will make our ward the best in the City of Chicago."

As we move into what is going to motivate voters to vote in November, enough community and political lead-

ers now agree that there must be more direct contact with the 400, 000 people that did not vote and how assessing what message will get them to the polls in November.



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# Off The Prison Wall

By Oscar Walden Jr.

## From the Scottsboro Nine (9) To the Jena Six.

**W**e salute The NAACP for the great job they did to help the Scottsboro Boys after many of them were sentenced to die in the electric chair in Alabama. They did come to their aid after dropping the Ball to the IDL in the beginning and I Want to talk more about what they actually did for them.

But before saying more about the NAACP, I want to say something about police brutality. After the Civil War, Now we know the slave owners bull-whipped their slave, cut their feet, toes and fingers off; raped the black women and sodomized the men. But after the Civil War was over, and the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Amendments were passed, it was unlawful to do this, so lynching prevailed in the South and also some Northern cities and thousands of Black men were lynched all the way up to the 1930's

Now, I was born June 25, 1931, at the beginning of The Great Depression, in Chicago, Illinois, exactly three (3) months after the Scottsboro incident, which took place three months before. Can you see the connection? If you don't, keep reading and you will see it.

On page 25 of a book by James Goodman, who taught history and social studies at Harvard University, you read where it says in his book entitled Stories OF Scottsboro: "The deputies discovered two white girls, dressed in men's overalls. Initially they said nothing about an assault. The first time the sheriff asked them if the boys had bothered them they said no only under the pressure of the lynch mob outside the jail in Scottsboro and the prodding of the solicitor, who kept saying, "Go ahead and say they did it, that boy attacked you, didn't he." The girls finally agree to make the charge. Investigations after the trials revealed that the two girls were notorious prostitutes, who applied their trade in Huntsville and Chattanooga. One of them,

Ruby Bates had once been arrested for hugging a Negro in public.

"The boys were held without bail; local lawyers refused to defend them; local Newspapers whipped up the mob spirit, and the judge scheduled the first trial for horse-swapping day, ensuring a tremendous crowd. Ten thousand people, most of them armed with rifles and revolvers, poured into a town of fifteen hundred. Sheriffs beat the boys in an effort to extract confessions, but in spite of the lies... they did not confess and they refused the advice of their crooked lawyer to "plead guilty and beg for life in jail." On the night of the first day of the trials, however, Clarence Norris was taken out of his cell alone, threatened, and badly beaten. He turned states evidence the next day. The verdict in the first case was greeted with applause and cheers from the spectators in the courtroom and a thunderous roar from the crowd outside. A brass band struck up a tune. The second jury had to be influenced by the reaction of the people of Jackson County to the verdict of the first.

It is significant to note that police brutality is not a ne procedure in our criminal justice system. However, in 1931 Black men were beaten openly and in public view until the US Supreme Court began to reverse cases like Brown v. Mississippi, etc., at which point police departments started secret interrogations in the back rooms near alleys of police stations of police departments started secret interrogations in the back rooms near alleys of

police stations of the United States, and while PCFA,INT'L doesn't go along with IDL's line of reasoning(because we are not Communist or Socialist), we prefer to believe that it was the US Supreme Court ruled in Powell v. Alabama 1932, the white man knew that from then on there would be oversight and the Writ of Habeas Corpus, and the writ of certiorari would bring reversals of these violations in the Federal Court.

It was after Scottsboro that police departments went underground, so to speak, especially

the Chicago Police I used them on Black had plagued to talk to help the Scottsboro sentenced to die, but week.



### Obama reply to Mr. Tavis Smiley

President and CEO, The Smiley Group  
3870 Crenshaw Boulevard, Suite 391  
Los Angeles, CA 90008

Dear Tavis,

**T**hank you for the invitation to participate in the 2008 State of the Black Union forum in New Orleans, Louisiana February 21-23. The exchange of ideas raised at this annual symposium are invaluable as our nation strives to address the critical issues facing not just African Americans, but Americans of every race, background and political party.

I especially commend you for hosting this dialogue in New Orleans. On the eve of the Louisiana primary, I visited this great city for the fifth time since declaring my candidacy to share policy proposals for rebuilding the Gulf Coast so that we never experience another Hurricane Katrina. On February 9, I was deeply humbled to win the Louisiana primary with 86 percent of the African American vote and a 14 point lead among all voters who said they were adversely affected by Hurricane Katrina.

Uniting our country and creating a national constituency for fundamental change is why I am running for President of the United States. We have come a long way in this race, but we still have a long road ahead. In the final stretch, I will be on the campaign trail everyday in states like Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin talking directly with voters about the causes that are at the heart of my campaign and the State of the Black Union forum such as affordable healthcare, housing, economic opportunity, civil rights and foreign policy. I am committed to touching every voter, and working to earn their vote.

That is why with regret, I am not able to attend the forum. I understand that you have declined the campaign's request to have Michelle Obama speak on my behalf. I ask that you reconsider. Michelle is a powerful voice for the type of real change America is hungry for. No one knows my record or my passion



for leading America in a new direction more than Michelle Obama.

Tavis, this is our movement and our time. I look forward to working closely with you throughout this election. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,  
Barack Obama

### Rev. Jackson Responds to Lynching Party Reference by Bill O'Reilly

The following is a statement from Rev. Jesse L. Jackson Sr., founder and president of Rainbow PUSH Coalition regarding Bill O'Reilly's comments about Michelle Obama.

Dear Editor

**O**n his radio program, talk show host Bill O'Reilly commented on Michelle Obama's recent statement regarding pride in her country. O'Reilly said, "I don't want to go on a lynching party against Michelle Obama unless there's

### Letters From

evidence, hard facts that say this is how the woman really feels."

This statement is hurtful and dangerous. These words from a man with a media platform like O'Reilly's can unwittingly send suggestions to sick people at a time when we have escalating mass violence, Jena is still a recent memory, and

the noose continues to surface as a symbol of intolerance in communities across the country.

The statement also calls up images of some of America's darkest moments. The lynching party—a horrific event that brutalized black Americans and terrorized communities. There is no acceptable context for the use of the term "lynching party" in our national political dialog and media.

President Bush recently stated that "lynching is not a word to be mentioned in jest. As a civil society, we should understand that noose displays and lynching jokes are deeply offensive. They are wrong. And they have no place in America today."

The President is right. While free speech is our right and privilege, there are standards of decency and dignity that all participants in the political dialog should observe as we energetically debate the issues.

We should all be sensitive to the historical journey Barack and Michelle Obama are on, and we owe it to ourselves to assume our best behavior and maintain maximum dignity.

Bill O'Reilly owes Michelle Obama and all of America an apology. Fox News must also react to this insensitive comment that is a reference to the very worst of America's racist past. We are asking both Fox News and the FCC to pass judgment on this.

### A Presidential Request

President George Bush  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

**W**e waited 7 years to contact you making sure we were successful in developing a road map impacting the plight to save the dreams, hopes and aspirations of the youth in the community where we live. We have the audacity to hope for America's promise.

We have spent the last 7 years saving a historical apartment building named the Michigan Boulevard Garden Apartments which I was illegally evicted from in 1999 where I served as the H.U.D. Drug Elimination Coordinator of a seeding program



# Editorial

## Black Wall Street Economic Summit



Ron Carter, publisher and editor, Mark Allen, associate editor

**O**n March 1, we will come into the Black Wall Street Summit thanking those of Tulsa Okalahoma and even those in Bronzeville as they have lived the Black Economic agenda that we strive for today.

Our economic purpose then and as we carry it out once again is to recognize the issues upon us and the challenges ahead.

The Black Wall Street, originally known as the Negro's Wall Street, is a term, reportedly coined by Booker T. Washington, to describe the segregated black business district on the south end of Greenwood Avenue in Greenwood, Tulsa, Oklahoma during the early 1900s. It was a prosperous area, made so partly by the segregation laws in effect at the time that restricted African Americans from spending their money in white areas. The area reportedly used "black dollars" instead of U.S. currency to do business inside the district.

Chicago today witness daily of the spiraling number of black males languishing on the streets. Regrettably, they have been eradicated from the process because they are considered an obsolete and fungible commodity with little or no economic worth, as jails are an economic market for others using Black youth.

It has been conveyed that the summit cannot be idle while increasing numbers of businesses face the risk of closing due to the monopoly of others. In addition, to widespread access to capitol and the responsibility that the community must act and act quickly.

One example as in the Englewood community of the 51 Korean stores being granted property on 59th street and Halsted, and overall the Chicagoland 2020 and 2040 plan that do not include the stability of Black businesses sharing the economics at least in its own communities. The 2040 Plan places strong emphasis within the

targeted Black communities; It is questionable whether these resources are sustainable for black business under the current development.

In as much, the Black Wall Street committee has proclaimed that the Summit is a long term long over due campaign with business organizations, consumer advocates, and business-related agencies is in place to assess actions taken and the challenge ahead to secure and increase Black businesses.

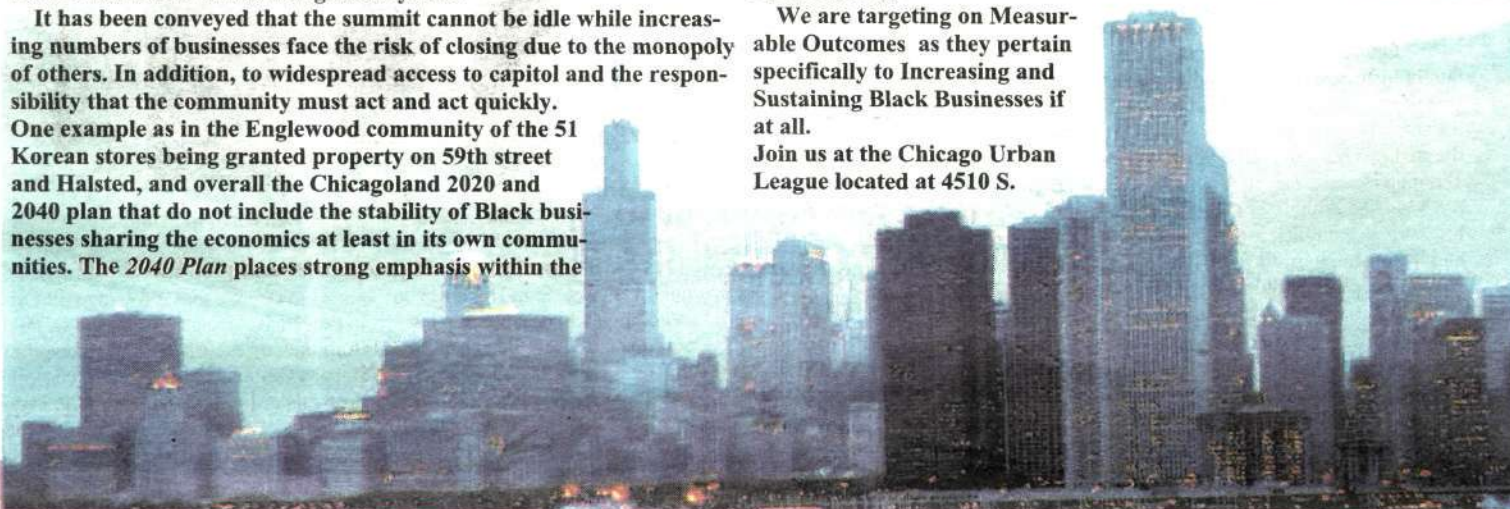
This Summit is to leverage our most valuable assets intellectual of working in harmony - while we utilize the nearly \$800 billion in Black consumer spending to advance our own economic agendas. We are to collaborate with the Chicagoland community businesses to strengthen the economic base among Black Americans."

There is no division among us. We are joined together in the same mind. Grant unto us each representative, the boldness speak a natural agenda which confirm with signs of action as where we are to go for the future.

We are targeting on Measurable Outcomes as they pertain specifically to Increasing and Sustaining Black Businesses if at all.

Join us at the Chicago Urban League located at 4510 S.

At the gravesite in Tulsa, what was a mascurader, not a riot because of Black economic gro



## the People

called the "Michigan Boulevard Garden Apartments Challenge" during the Empowerment Zone years.

In 1981 the Michigan Boulevard Garden Apartments (Rosenwald) was placed on the National Register of Historic Places list by then Congressman Harold Washington thereby designated as a significant architectural structure by the United States Department of the Interior and must be protected by this branch of government as a part of the American fabric which tells the story and is an exemplary model for workforce housing for the working poor.

In 1908 Mr. Julius Rosenwald became president of Sears. Mr. Rosenwald was inspired by Booker T. Washington an ex-slave and founder of Tuskegee Institute.

Of all his philanthropic efforts, Rosenwald was most famous for the more than 5,000 "Rosenwald schools" he established throughout the South for poor, rural black youth, and the 4,000 libraries he added to existing schools. The network of new public schools subsequently employed more than 14,000 teachers. In 1927, Rosenwald received a special gold medal from the William E. Harmon Awards for Distinguished Achievement in Race Relations for his contributions to the education of black youth.

In 1929 he built the Michigan Boulevard Garden Apartments; an exemplary model for workforce housing in Chicago. The covenants that were created by Mr. Rosenwald and Mr. Washington yielded an everlasting monumental legacy.

The Michigan Boulevard Garden Apartments were homes to residents rich and poor; famous and anonymous. This building is located in the Grand Boulevard Community (38); a Casey Reform Community.

"This was an extraordinary, first-of-its-kind place in Chicago, and the people who lived there were musicians, athletes, doctors ... the cream of the crop among Chicago's black aristocracy," as Rosenwald's grandson, biographer Peter Ascoli, who has wrote a book about his grandfather called "Julius Rosenwald: The Man Who Built Sears, Roebuck and Advanced the Cause of Black Education in the American South;" told the Chicago Tribune in 2003. "Inside this building were two nursery schools, ballet classes, and a Boy Scout troop. There were star-



gazing gatherings on summer nights ... and there were several stores on the ground floor, including a bank, a Sears, an A&P, and several stores owned by African-Americans."

The "Save The Rosenwald Coalition" needs technical assistance from the White House to ensure a successful redevelopment of our property; Provide a potential framework for improving our community's understanding of the structures and processes involved in successful heritage-led regeneration. The building is protected by U.S. Legislation:

We need your staff to research other resources available to us. Coalition members will be visiting Capital Hill in early 2008 to meet with your staff for assistance. I have elicited the support of Digger Phelps who worked with me on a previous project. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely, Bobbie Johnson RN

Convener - Save The Rosenwald Coalition as a Proud Black person and forward this to every Black Person you know!

## Arizona, Southern Style

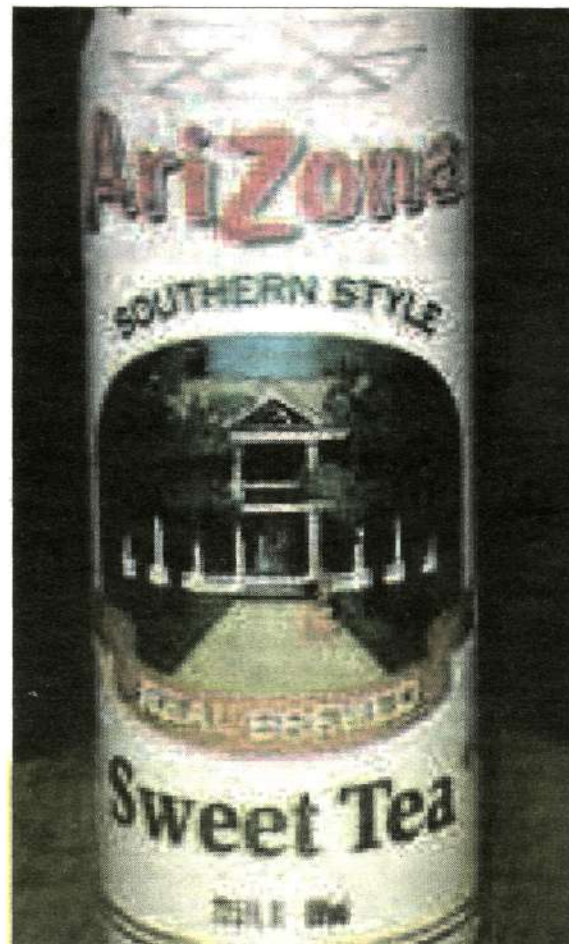
Dear Editor

**M**y name is LaMar McGowan and today was the first day of my life were I Felt like less of a Black Man! When did Slavery become marketable? I'm Calling for a nation wide Boycott on a drink company named "Arizona" which has a variety of flavors, I myself have bought a number of their drinks, but on 11/30 I bought my last one. Their is someone in the marketing dept. who told someone on the board that "We can degrade Black people and make money at the same time" and the board member agreed! Every Black person from the south knows how good it felt on those hot southern days to have a tall glass of sweet tea. "Arizona" has a flavor known as "Southern Style Sweet Tea" but if you look closely on the front of the can their is a picture

of a Plantation!

Yes I said a Plantation, with a white couple on the porch and a Black woman Dress like Aunt Jamama walking away from the house. When did Slavery become marketable? My Grandfather was 100 years old before he passed in 2004 and that Picture reminds me of his very few but painful story's not a hot southern day with a cool refreshing glass of sweet tea. So stop buying any drinks from this company! Stand up and let your voice be heard & overload their lines. 1-800-832-377

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# Entertainment Brief



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**MAXINE DANIELS FIRES BACK AGAINST R. KELLY:** Daughter of George and Regina says singer is trying to defame her parents.

\*Maxine Daniels, the 21-year-old woman at the center of R. Kelly's latest sex scandal, has taken her story to the Chicago Sun-Times in an attempt to defend herself and her parents against accusations leveled in a press release issued Monday by Kelly's camp.



\*Entertainment mogul Sean "Diddy" Combs says there's a huge difference in his acting performance in Broadway's "A Raisin in the Sun" and his performance in the made-for-TV adaptation scheduled to air Monday (Feb. 25) at 8 p.m. on ABC.

**SPIKE LEE BACKS OBAMA:**

\*Spike Lee told an audience at the University of Dayton to "do the right thing" and support Sen. Barack Obama's run for the White House.

**'MADEA'...THE CARTOON:** Yes, Tyler Perry is animating his famous gangsta grandma for a new TV series. \*Now that Madea has left her rather large mark on the stage and big screen, the next step for creator Tyler Perry is to bring the gun-toting grandma to life in her own cartoon series.

**'DEBATERS' SCREENED AT BAFTA/LA EVENT:** Film's "The Great Debaters" got the royal treatment in Los Angeles Sunday at a special screening hosted for families by The British Academy of Film and Television Arts/Los Angeles' Inner City Cinema.

**MARIO, JASON TAYLOR GO 'DANCING':** New crop of 'Stars' announced for ABC reality show; cast comes together for 'Oprah' taping.

\*Singer Mario and Miami Dolphins star Jason Taylor are among the dozen celebrities who will compete on the next season of "Dancing With the Stars," which returns to ABC on March 17.



**TANK ARRESTED DURING NBA ALL-STAR WEEKEND:** Singer alleges police brutality in New Orleans. \*One minute, Tank is singing with Jordin Sparks in the Grammy swag suite. The next minute, he's tasered and handcuffed near the House of Blues in New Orleans.

**MAGAZINES LINE UP FOR J.L.O BABY PHOTO:** People magazine reportedly pays millions for exclusive shots.

\*So what's the going rate for first dibs on pictures of J.Lo's twins? MSNBC is reporting that People magazine is prepared to pay Jennifer Lopez and her husband Marc Anthony \$6 million for exclusive pictures of the babies.

**NICOLE MURPHY LOVES HER SOME STRAHAN:** \*Nicole Murphy, the ex-wife of actor Eddie Murphy, recently spoke to People magazine about falling in love with her current squeeze, Michael Strahan of the Super Bowl champion New York Giants.



**MORE MIJAC GRAMMY RUMORS:** Singer allegedly demanded a special award and other accommodations in exchange for appearance.

\*Cindy Adams of the NY Post claims to have more details about the drama between Michael Jackson and Grammy producers that resulted in a planned segment saluting the 25th anniversary of "Thriller" being cut from the Feb. 10 telecast.

**DIDDY SAYS HIS ACTING GAME HAS IMPROVED:** Mogul set to show and prove in Monday premiere of 'Raisin in the Sun.'

**'OPRAH' TELL-ALL WRITTEN BY WOULD-BE EXTORTIONIST:** \*The man who tried to extort Oprah Winfrey is releasing what he's calling "the most explosive book ever written about the talk show queen."

**ITTY BITTY BITS:** Michelle Obama in Newsweek; Dog Chapman returns; Michael Clarke Duncan in the 'Street'; \*The latest issue of Newsweek has an extensive cover feature on Michelle Obama, the wife of Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama.

**SHOOTING CANCELS LIL WAYNE-HOT BOYS REUNION:** Gig in New Orleans scrapped after three people were shot outside N.O. venue.

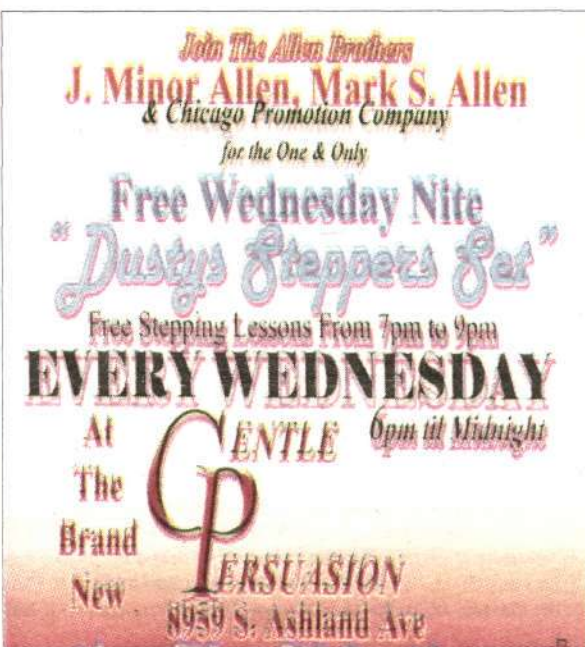


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FEBRUARY  
3<sup>rd</sup> **Toots and Blows...** Award winning Chicago writer/producer Deri Tylons' tale of a young poet who finds romance with a girl from the hood during a controversial beef in Chavalon (Chatham-Avaon).  
10<sup>th</sup> **The Last Stand...** This brilliant story follows the turbulent personal lives of four very different people surviving in the cut throat-world of the comedy business. An emotional roller coaster that should have gotten a lot more attention but no doubt they could have used a bigger budget. Guy Torry, Damon Dewitt Henson, Anthony Anderson and a performance no less than genius by Kevin Hart. Also look for Brad "T-Rone" Sanders.  
17<sup>th</sup> **Male Grouple...** This award-winning, comedy film-short written and starring Chicago native Morocco Omari shows what sometimes happens when one lifelong homey blows up in the rap game and the other one doesn't. Co-stars Russell Hornsby. Financed in part by Denzel Washington.  
Never Get Outta the Boat... A dark ensemble comedy that follows a group of young men struggling through life at a drug rehab center in Los Angeles. Stars Chicago boys Nick Gillie and Harry Lennix.  
24<sup>th</sup> **The Visit...** Dramatic story of a young man incarcerated for a rape he didn't commit. Hill Harper, Billy Dee Williams, and Rae Dawn Chong. Filmed in Chicago.

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# Black History in Film

## Columbia College Chicago's Film & Video

Department and Critical Encounters, as part of the African Heritage Celebration, presents a screening and debate of Gordon Park Jr.'s 1972 film SUPER FLY. Join faculty members Vaun Monroe (standin' with the 'fly) and George Bailey (stickin' it to the movie) for a spirited debate of one of the most controversial and influential films ever made. Thursday, February 14, Columbia College's Film Row Cinema 1104 S. Wabash, 8th Floor, Chicago 7:00 p.m. start.



can-American cast, including Lena Horne, Ethel Waters, Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington and Eddie "Rochester" Anderson. Little Joe is a compulsive gambler who has promised his wife Petunia that he'll give up this bad habit. However, one day Little Joe goes to a casino where he is shot and severely injured. Little Joe dies and is given six months to redeem his soul and become worthy of entering Heaven, or his soul will be condemned to Hell. When he is resuscitated, Little Joe must choose between redemption and Georgia Brown, a seductive singer. Unrated. (Excerpted from a review by Alejandro Frias on [imdb.com](http://imdb.com).) Phillip Jackson says, "This Black musical is similar to *The Wizard of Oz*. I encourage youth to see this film with parental guidance." Saturday, February 16,

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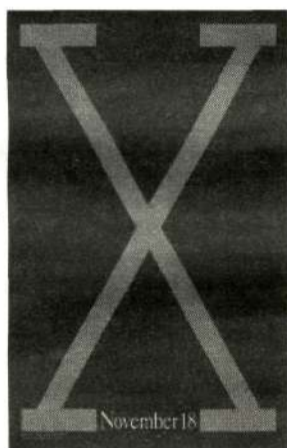


## Black Star on the Stars on Hollywood

In celebration of Black History Month, The Black Star Project has organized a Film Festival! The three selected films represent three distinct depictions of the African-American experience in the 20th Century. Saturdays in February for a free screening and discussion of these films. Referee'd by Ron Falzone, FREE and open to the public. Saturday, February 23, 2008.

## Malcolm X

direction by Spike Lee, this film traces Malcolm X's path from hustler and drug runner to his conversion to Islam and emergence as a leader in the Nation Of Islam. This film is filled with riveting performances by Denzel Washington, Angela Bassett, and Al Freeman, Jr. as The Honorable Elijah Muhammad. Rated PG-13. (Excerpted from [www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com)).



Refreshments will be for sale. Please call 773-285-9600 to reserve seats. The Black Star Project, 3509 S. King Drive, Suite 2B. *Cabin in the Sky* was a groundbreaking production for its time due to its use of all Afri-

## Infinite Dreamer Production, LLC

headed by Ny'Acies Thomas, present the socially conscious original musical stage play *The Infinite Dreamer*, set to run February 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup> of 2008 at the Malcolm X College, 1900 West Van Buren Street, Chicago, IL. 60612. Doors Open at 6:30pm. The Play starts at 7:00 PM. *The Infinite Dreamer* (<http://www.idreamstageplay.com>) is an intriguing tale of one man's struggle with the negative temptation of easy money. When recording artist Ny'Acies Divine (Ny'Acies Thomas) is approached by a record company, dangling a big money contract to entice him to include profanity and derogatory lyrics in his music, he resists. Until, his Mother is given a life hinging ultimatum of having a heart transplant, which the family cannot afford, and the insurance does not cover. His psychologist and love interest, Dr. Theresa Stevenson (Dionne Woodson), reaches out to help. Will he sell his soul to get the funds for the much needed operation; does he even have a choice?

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G. Garvin 'Turns Up the Heat' on the Talk of Chicago **Renowned Chef brings Real Talk, Real Life, Real Radio to new weekend program**

*The G. Garvin Show with Emilie McKendall returns to the Talk of Chicago 1690 WVON on Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from noon-3pm.*

Chef G. Garvin, host of TV One's popular, *Turn Up the Heat*, will not only bring his culinary skills to the air with special features such as, *Hooking It Up*, *Cooking It Up*, but the program will also focus on the social, economic and spiritual dynamics within the African-American community, for example, the importance of African Americans taking the lead in the rebuilding of New Orleans, the difficulties Black women face in the film industry and the troubled lives of Black athletes. "I want to discuss why positive images, responsibility, accountability and stable support systems are important and why positive results are not just a coincidence—it's about positive resolution," expressed Garvin.

Sharing the hosting duties with Garvin will be Chicago radio personality, **Emilie McKendall**, who has graced the mic on several radio stations in the Chicagoland area

## Sam Cook and Dinah Washington would be really good too.



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**THE BEST MUSIC OF YOUR LIFE** is 40 years old this year. The official date is May 6<sup>th</sup> (at WVON) and we're starting our celebration now with this column in the South Street Journal. We'll recall some of the really good times and good music you've made part of your life just like we do on the radio at WKCC 89.3 FM. This is the Kennedy-King College radio station that you can now hear on line at [WKCC.fm](http://WKCC.fm) (that's WKCC dot fm).

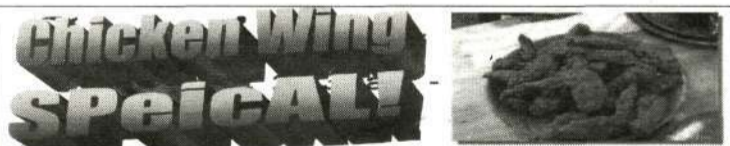


**TUNE IN AT MIDNIGHT** and do the time travel thing with the Temptations and Miracles, Count Basie, the Spaniels and El Dorados. Muddy Waters and Koko Taylor, Marvin and Tammy and the neighborhood kids Sam Cook and Dinah Washington. We bring you the memories and songs you love. A fan named Donald Yarborough called me "The Time Collector" and you know he's probably right. We've got a lot to bring you in the South Street Journal with a little help from our friends in this office...radio's missing magic, Mark Allen and another "Doctor", Dr. Veronica Williams who knows her gospel radio.



**SOUTHSIDE SENIORS GET READY TO PARTY** with us at the ATLAS CENTER, 1767 E. 79<sup>th</sup> street at Creiger. The special event is our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The event is a fund raiser for the Atlas Center between Stony and Jeffery, and tickets are only five dollars for the dancing and the fun we will have from 12 noon until 4. This IS the Dusty Record Convention for seniors. We'll be saluting the southside high schools you may have attended. For more details call 312 747 0189.

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# Business Brief

## Equal Pay Act to ensure women and men paid equal wages for equal work

The State announced that Illinois has won its first Equal Pay Act case in court resulting in thousands of dollars in owed wages for a female employee. The Illinois Department of Labor (IDOL) found that Main Street Liquors located at 2000 W. Madison Street in Chicago violated the Act by paying a male clerk a higher wage for performing the same work as a female clerk formerly employed at the store. On Jan. 17, 2007, a Cook County Circuit Court judge ruled in favor of the State and ordered the employer to pay \$4,061 in backwages and \$8,122 in penalties to the employee, making this the State's first equal pay case won in court since the law went into effect in 2004.

The Equal Pay Act complaint was filed by a female clerk when she learned that a male clerk was paid more for performing the same work. After investigating the complaint, IDOL found Main Street Liquors in violation of the Equal Pay Act and on June 30, 2005 demanded that the employer pay backwages to the complainant. The employer refused to comply with the Department's demand, making it necessary for the Department to seek the assistance of the Illinois Attorney General's Office to recover the wages and to collect penalties for delaying payment of wages due the employee. Illinois' Equal Pay Act prohibits employers with four or more employees from paying unequal wages to men and women doing the same or substantially similar work, requiring equal skill, effort, responsibility and under similar working conditions.

## DCEO Announces Expanded Access to Workforce Services for Individuals and Businesses

City and state community, civic and business leaders to attend the Chicago launch of Illinois workNet Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Director Jack Lavin, Mayor's Office of Workforce Development Commissioner David Hanson and Illinois Department of Employment Security Director James Sledge announce a comprehensive effort to transform and expand access to the state's workforce development system. Illinois workNet is a free resource that integrates physical locations (Illinois workNet Centers) with online resources and a broad range of community-based organizations to connect individuals and businesses with high-quality career planning, training, job placement and support services.

Tuesday, February 19, 10:00 a.m. news conference. Jack Lavin, director, Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), David Hanson, commissioner, City of Chicago, Mayor's Office of Workforce Development (MOWD), James Sledge, director, Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), Local elected officials, Local business, community and civic leaders Instituto del Progreso Latino, an Illinois workNet Center, 2570 South Blue Island Avenue,

## Black male crisis

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community and new programs focused on education, the workforce and multimedia outreach

The Chicago Urban League on announced its strategic response to the crisis of African American men and boys with a new program designed to promote social, educational, familial, and economic success at its Annual Report Luncheon.

The Initiative for African American Males, or I AM, will tackle the negative trends and outcomes that disproportionately impact Black males. The initiative is integrated with new programs to expand job and career opportunities for African Americans, to develop stronger connections to the Black church, and to establish a multimedia platform for African Americans in Chicago. The programs represent Phase II of the League's groundbreaking projectNEXT economic empowerment agenda.

Ellis Cose, author and Newsweek magazine columnist, was the featured speaker at the event, which drew more than 1,000 of Chicago's business, civic, political and academic leaders to the Chicago Hilton and Towers. One of the largest business networking events of the year, the keynote address was delivered by Cheryl R. Jackson, now in her second year as President and CEO of the Chicago Urban League

With the I AM program, Jackson said the League is taking a leadership role in helping to address the Black male crisis. "African American men and boys are becoming lost in a cycle of hopelessness and underachievement. We must restore their hope and give them tools for economic and social success," Jackson said.

## Power to open a Building for Business

Once a model and now an entrepreneur, 35-year-old Bertina Power is set to open a 3,500-square-foot office building in February for small businesses and self-employed professionals looking for space to grow and develop their respected businesses.

And unlike many commercial office buildings where tenants must supply their own office equipment such as copy and fax machines and even a receptionist, Power is supplying all these needs as amenities. Other shared amenities include two conference rooms, kitchen, break room and a café.

"Tenants will have their choice of using the staff receptionist for administrative support or bringing their on staff person," Power said.

"Of course, those tenants wanting to use the services of the staff receptionist will have an additional charge added to their monthly rent." Power, a real estate broker, began working as an accountant for Atena Insurance after college. A Hampton University graduate, she is married with a one-month old son. The incubator, Power Business Enterprise Center, at 8055 S. Stony Island Ave., used to be Keller Williams Realty and had been owned by a medical professional who sold the building.

There are 10 offices available ranging from 66-square-foot to 172-square-foot. Tenants can choose from one to three-year leases at \$17 per square foot. On-site parking is available to tenants and mailbox rentals without an office is another service the incubator offers. "We will have 20 to 30 mailboxes available for rent. A lot of times small businesses, especially home-based businesses, will not have a business address that they can receive mail and packages. So this is an option for them," adds Power.

"They could even rent out one of our conference rooms for a day or a few hours if they need to meet with clients or simply need a place to come do some work for a few hours." The entire building will be Internet connected so those wishing to bring laptops can do so. "This location offers excellent street parking right in front of the building," Power added. "And because of its proximity to Interstates 90, 94 and 57, it is a perfect location for today's mall business."



"I grew up not too far from here so I have a personal investment in this project and I want it to work," she said. "While my goal is to help Black business professionals especially women, I am open to doing business with anyone. Embarking on her first commercial project, Power said if this project proves successful, she hopes to develop more commercial properties.

There will be an open house at the building for prospective tenants from 5p.m.-8 p.m. Monday. For more information, or to RSVP call (773) 721-9200.



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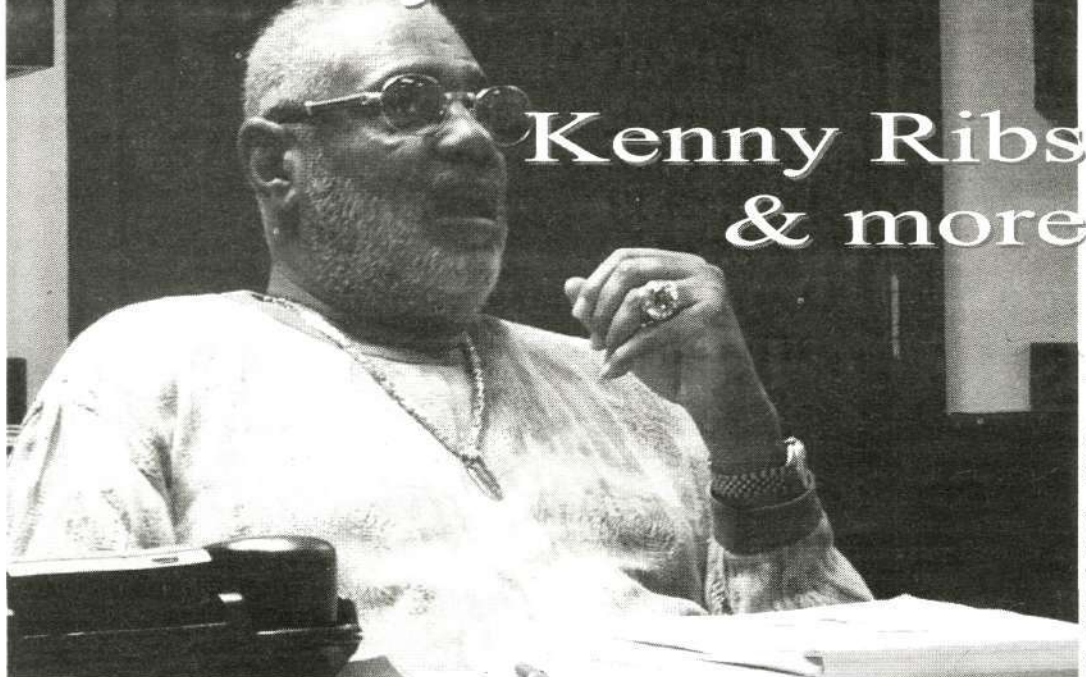
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# Kenny Lewis

# BUSINESS Profile



## Kenny Ribs & more

Asked what he would say to those who are wary of what appear to be pyramids Lewis informs that "YTB is publicly traded, we are regulated by the FCC, were regulated by the same people who regulate Google Microsoft, ATT, IBM etc. Our books are open and we make a profit." When asked if people can be confident in the future of YTB, Lewis defends, "I'm am not going to get involved in anything that is not right. I've got too much to loose. I've done my due diligence and if the United States government says it's okay, I say it's okay."

YTB is a 120,000 member strong international travel agency, a partner of Travelocity and is set on a path to rival the largest agency in existence. The ideal behind YTB is not simply selling travel but a lifestyle. A lifestyle that capitalizes off of the tax breaks

it pay. YTB pays you back for how you live when encouraging friends, family and associates to pool their resources in your direction (through purchases), or recruiting where you reap the reward for the sales or their recruits. Like any other multilevel marketing corporation YTB recruits its members through other members who have a 'downline'. Members sell not only travel but have a website which in addition to travel offers a bridal registry and can even allow you to save on car purchases.

It can begin as easily as a \$500.00 investment and \$49.00 monthly hosting fees for a ready made business that can be up and running on the internet within 24 hours of your signing up. "Travelocity came to YTB approximately two years ago offering to partner with them." Lewis explains that although Expedia is the largest travel agency in the world, "we feel that we will overcome Expedia in two to three years." He further explains how Expedia has felt the pressure of YTB's rapid growth so much so that they began multilevel marketing two weeks ago. "We will be in every country in the world in a matter of time."

It's only natural that Kenny Lewis would choose YTB given his affinity for what he sees as winning team.

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On a sparkling black marble conference table in one of four suites at his corporate headquarters sit six trophies the spoils from his latest passion. And the returns keep coming. Kenny Lewis is engaged in something worthwhile and could not be more content.

And like some ebullient fiancé, he will flash you the evidence to prove it. On the fifth finger of his left hand he bears a blue and white sapphire ring for \$100,000 dollars in sales in his first quarter [check this info]. Ask Kenny Lewis what thrills him these days and he will emphatically and unabashedly respond YTB. No sweat. And no sweat it was. "This thing is huge."

YTB (Your Travel Bureau) is a multilevel marketing corporation that Lewis discloses as one of the easiest and most satisfying venture has ever endeavored. Why? "Because it works. And it works without thinking about it."

That is what he advises his newest recruits and prospects. And (besides running his Kenny's Ribs and Dusties buffet chains) that is how he spends his time these days. Recruiting and mentoring. "When people come in I don't want them to try to think about it and figure it out."

"I'm a giver. I'm a giver from my heart" says Lewis explaining part of the passion. Promoting YTB is a way that he can give entrepreneurs the opportunity to change their lives. Unlike Kenny's Ribs chain which has never been franchised, YTB allows a minimal investment of under 500 dollars. There is not the risk and financial involvement. "... you can't get hurt", says Lewis. While many have approached Kenny Lewis to open up their own Kenny's Ribs franchise Lewis contends that the financial risk was too great and people wanted him to guarantee their success.

"When people come to me and say give me a franchise for Dusties [Buffet] or give me a franchise for Kenny's [Ribs], I cringe... because they want me to guarantee their success. Those ventures cost a million to five millions dollars. Now I'm very skeptical about taking someone's money, because once I take your money, you are going to hold me accountable for your success. I don't want that responsibility. I don't want it."

I feel [YTB] is the greatest business opportunity I have ever seen. The huge plus is that it can't cost you more than 500 dollars so you can't get hurt. How many black entrepreneurs have been slaughtered out there-, their lives wrecked because of getting involved in a venture [that costs way more] than what they anticipated? In most cases they take that leap of faith with less than 30 percent of the money they need. "Even if it's the [worst] decision you've ever made, at least you have gotten that entrepreneur [quest] out of your system and it didn't hurt you."

I love it {YTB} because I feel it's my calling. I want to help people, and I know that if a person makes money it can change his circumstances. It can change their family circumstances for generations to come.

Lewis admits that YTB is not for everyone but encourages people anticipating operating a business to try YTB first.

Lewis' advice to first time business owners is "...rather than go and lease a space or trying to put some type of store up, or go into any type of business, whatever it might be, I would rather see them try this and see if it works before they go jump into something else. Even if they get into something else,

they don't have a mentor, they don't have a track to run on, they don't have somebody to help get them out of their jam when they get in a jam. And the money that they need is going to be way more than they ever thought of."

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# Mr. Buy Black Speaks on the Economic Agenda"



must change the Civil Rights struggle to a struggle for economic and political improvement.

I read in the Black Press in 2006 that the National Urban League changed their agenda from Public Relations and Social Work to improving the economic conditions of the black communities.

The Black Press is now publishing about the many economic summits held in various parts of the country. I know it is the Black Press that is causing recognition for me and the United American Progress Association. In 1961,

I organized the U.A.P.A to get more blacks involved in Business Ownership. I feel Education, Votes and Proper Use of our Dollars can get blacks off the bottom.

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## "Borrower Outreach Days" Caught in Foreclosure Crisis

According to preliminary figures from the National Training and Information Center, about 14,000 foreclosures started in 2007 in Chicago, up from 10,339 in 2006. Mayor Daley Outlines City's Foreclosure Initiatives with HUD Secretary Jackson, Encourages Residents to Attend Workshops

Since 2003, well before the crisis of the last year, the City and its partners began to combat foreclosures through the Home Ownership Preservation Initiative, or HOPI (HO-PEE). Through the initiative, any Chicago resident who is having trouble paying their mortgage can be connected to a financial counselor simply by calling 311, the City's non-emergency number.

Last year, the City also substantially increased its efforts to inform residents about the availability of its 311 foreclosure assistance campaign with a widespread marketing campaign.



Rainbow Push National Field Secretary, Mr. Gregory Livingston, Tommy Bennett, National Director of Community Affairs stands with James Brown. The Rainbow Push Coalition has been helping homeowners like Mr. James Brown get through the home foreclose process.

On January 1, the City launched its new "early warning" process to give homeowners more time to get help before a foreclosure action is initiated.

how to avoid foreclosure, we have a real chance of making a difference," he said.

## CHA's Plan for Transformation Moving Forward in the 3rd Ward

Alderman Pat Dowell (3) is encouraging residents to learn more about the ongoing plans to improve the commercial and residential environment of the 3rd Ward.

Dowell said "I am hopeful that as the 3rd Ward continues to grow and re-develop we will remain a place that is welcoming to people of all income levels. The re-development of Robert Taylor Homes as Legends South will provide not only market rate housing, but also mixed-income rental and affordable housing units."

"As residents see cranes going up and construction beginning, not only for this project but many others, I want them to know what is going on in the ward. Building can bring not only homes and stores, but jobs and

opportunity. I want all of the residents to be informed about their neighborhood," continued Alderman Dowell.

In the coming weeks, the master plan for the re-development of Robert Taylor Homes (now known as Legends South) will be moving forward to transform and revitalize the current site and surrounding neighborhood and reintegrate Robert Taylor Homes into the larger community.

According to the developer, Brinshore Michaels, the plan calls for the construction of up to 2,388 new mixed-income rental and affordable and market homeownership units, the rehabilitation and construction of

seven community facilities, and the development of new retail space.

The entire site was addressed in a single master planning process because of the critical link between the development on-site and the surrounding community, and the need to comprehensively address its impact on the future of the area.

In the current phase which began the week of December 17th, Brinshore Michaels will be constructing a total of 118 rental units at 39th and Indiana, 41st and Prairie, 42nd and Wabash and on Prairie, between 42 and 43rd. Fifty two (52) units will be set aside for public housing residents, forty three (43) are affordable units and twenty three (23) are market rate apartments. Powers Construction, an African American firm is the general contractor. More information on the Plan for Transformation is available at [www.thecha.org](http://www.thecha.org). (See the Plan for Transformation).



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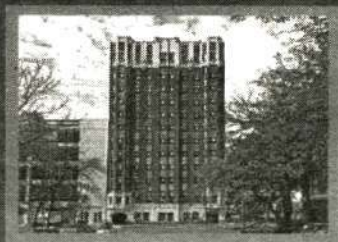
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### Lawsuit produces jobs

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As it was explained persons choose a field in which they are interested to work, and they will be walk through the entire process to get hired into a union. If one do not have any experience in that particular field, the starting pay rate is \$29.00 per hour. More if you have a background in that field.

The contact's Tonya Cody-Robinson, (773)538-5120. They are looking to recruit very heavily at this time, as reports are they have not received enough participants to begin the February class.

## Chasity Melvin of the Chicago Sky - WNBA Encourages Jobs For Youth Clients to Reach for the Sky!

Chasity Melvin's awe-inspiring message to the JFY's graduating class was nothing short of a slam dunk. Calm and confident, Chasity gave JFY graduates some insight into the world of being a WNBA star, what she likes about Chicago and her future goals. Chasity said to JFY clients, "You are truly blessed to have a program like JFY." The clients were elated to have the opportunity to ask questions about her phenomenal career and how she feels about living here in Chicago. She humbly replied, "I like the Lakefront, I like being right downtown and I have a great view. The Lakefront is the best part of Chicago for me right now."

As reported by the Chicago Sky's website, Chasity says that "My immediate goal was to come to Chicago and give some veteran leadership and help the team finish close games and we've been able to do that." The Sky has made major strides early on in year No. 2 of the franchise, thanks in large part to the recent acquisition of Chasity Melvin, who came to Chicago in a

trade with Washington back on May 24, 2007. The veteran center has put up double digits in points and rebounds in nearly every game she has played for Chicago, and as a result wins are starting to come at a more frequent pace. The afternoon concluded with Chasity signing autographs and posing for pictures with clients and staff.

For twenty-eight years, Jobs for Youth (JFY) has provided job training services to Chicago's youth and provided Chicago's business community with motivated, job-ready workers. JFY is the largest non-profit in Chicago serving young adults 17- 24. JFY's mission is to help young men and women from low-income families become a part of the economic mainstream. Jobs For Youth has made a difference in the lives of over 100,000 Chicago area youth. Jobs For Youth provides all services free of cost.

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## State Computer hiring

The state's new web-based electronic hiring system is up and running. The launch of [www.work.illinois.gov](http://www.work.illinois.gov) came less than one year after the Governor announced plans for the website creation.

The new eRecruiting website is designed to expand access to jobs within state government and significantly increase the pool of applicants. All Illinois state agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor are using the new program, giving job seekers one-stop for finding, applying for and tracking the status of their state job application. "I am committed to streamlining the hiring practices within the state. The new website makes it easy for more talented people to find and apply for jobs in state government," said Governor Blagojevich. "We need to use every tool that is available to attract the best and brightest to public service. This new technology helps us achieve this." The web-based system run by the Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) was created with the user in mind. The website, [www.work.illinois.gov](http://www.work.illinois.gov) lets applicants focus their search for a state job, by allowing them to search open positions by job description, county and/or salary. "The new program is really driven from the job seekers perspective," said Maureen O'Donnell, Acting Director of Central Management Services. "The program helps applicants target their job search more effectively by focusing on a particular field of interest. An applicant can even register for email notification of specific job opportunities."

The new eRecruiting website also lets job seekers register a personal profile and basic professional background, and each time a position is applied to, the previously-entered profile information will automatically be included in the application.

This eliminates the need to re-enter the same information for every job application. The system also makes it easier for applicants to track their progress. The job seeker can log on to [www.work.illinois.gov](http://www.work.illinois.gov) anytime to check the status of their application.

## Program to help women and minorities gain jobs in building trades

Daley praises cooperative efforts of City Colleges, Construction Industry, Labor. A voluntary program created by the City Council and aimed at increasing the employment of women and minorities in the building trades has placed more than 150 City Colleges students in union apprenticeships in its first two years of operation, Mayor Richard M. Daley said today.

"In two short years, the Dawson Technical Institute has established itself as the top apprenticeship trainer in the city, and that is a tribute to the spirit of cooperation and partnership that so many different groups have brought to this effort," the Mayor said in remarks delivered at Kennedy-King College, 3901 S. State St., where the apprenticeship training program is located.

The program was created in November, 2005, when the City Council passed an ordinance to provide financial incentives to companies that agree to sponsor Dawson graduates for union apprenticeships.

Under the ordinance, a City contractor gets credits if it agrees to sponsor graduates of Dawson's Construction Program for union apprenticeships. The credits would be applied toward the company's next bid

on a City project.

"The ordinance doesn't force anyone to participate and it doesn't impose penalties.

It merely tells contractors: If you're willing to help these new workers gain a foothold in your industry, the City will make it worth your while," Daley said.

"Two years later, we can be proud to say that the voluntary approach has been a successful one and that the Dawson apprenticeship program is helping us make sure the people who build our city are representative of the people who live in our city," he said.

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# Black Wall Street Economic Summit

Saturday March 1, 2007 8:00 a.m.

Chicago Urban League 4510 S. Michigan Ave.

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The Chicago Black Wall Street Economic Summit – IV

## Summit AGENDA

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| 1. Opening Summit Called to Order—  | Ron Carter, BWS Chair             |
| 2. Prayer   | Rev. Ghant                        |
| 3. Purpose and Direction—   | Mark Allen                        |
| 4. Recap of Summit III—   | Cheryl Calvin                     |
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| I. Overview: Black Wall Street—   | Shaka Barak                       |
| II. Address by— Michael Carter of Black Wall Street District Oakland, California    |                                   |
| III. Business organizations and their directions—                                   | June Norfleet                     |
| • The Chicago Urban League -  | Mark Allen                        |
| • ACE Business Network—   | Morgan Carter                     |
| • Austin African American Business Network Alliance—                                | Malcolm S. Crawford, Sr.          |
| • Bronzeville Chamber of Commerce   | John Blair                        |
| • Business Economic Revitalization Association                                      | A. Spears                         |
| • Black Chamber of Commerce   | Grady Norwood                     |
| V. Sustaining Black businesses—   | John Clark, CEO of Reggio's Pizza |
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| BREAK 30 MINUTES  |                                   |
| VI. Black Youth and future of Black Economics —                                     | Roderick Moorehead                |
| VII. The new legislative campaign "Black" vs. "Minority" Agenda (elected officials) | Phyllis Logan                     |
| • Aid Emma Mitts (37)   |                                   |
| • Representation (Aid L. Thomas) 17th Ward  |                                   |
| • Aid Robert Fioretti (2nd)   |                                   |
| • Stephanie Neely, City of Chicago, Treasurer                                       |                                   |
| • State Treasurers Office (Representative)  |                                   |
| VIII. Black products and trade in community stores campaign)                        |                                   |
| IX. State of Black Contractors  | Eddie Read                        |
| X. Buy Black Campaign projects (Summary of Black consumerism and capital)           |                                   |
| • Buy Black—  | Webb Evans, UAPA                  |
| • Black Products Campaign   | Robert Beck, ACOG                 |
| • Black Inventors Association —   | Calvin Flowers                    |
| XI. Black business districts (75th Street) and other parts of Chicago               | Ron Carter                        |
| XII. Increase of Black Businesses overview —  | Mark Allen                        |
| XIII. Summary, follow-up direction next Summit May 17, 2006 —                       | Ron Carter                        |
| Adjournment   |                                   |

