Endorsements

First of all, we encourage voters not to vote for Judge Richard Crane for letting those police officers get away for shooting at the Black couple. Even though Judge Eugene Pincham says he should be retained. Under the law, Crane did the right thing. Rod Blagojevich the Democratic nominee for governor, neither GOP nominee Jim Ryan took a public position on Judge Crane. A sign of what voters may expect from a prospective governor.

South Street Journal, in the same way, that South Street Committee endorsed Bobby Rush and Roland Burris. However, Blagojevich says he has a sincere passion for the issues. However, Blagojevich says he has a sincere passion for Black people. Even though Judge Eugene Pincham says he has a sincere passion for the issues in Black community.

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Exploratory committee to announce Jakes candidacy for mayor

Donnell Robinson

Staff Writer

(Chicago) — Prospective candidate Paul Jakes had high spirits in his message when addressed the "Stop the War" rally in Chicago loop. He carried on the spirit as he accepted the backing of the Accountability Committee (TAC). The momentum was boosted again with the Chicago Defender editorial the position that Jakes can win. "But only if we get behind him."

However, the closest Jakes will officially announce his candidacy will come on Friday, November 1, at Bethel AME Church 4448 S. Michigan Ave. at 6:30 pm, where an Exploratory Committee will start the process to gain the momentum of Clergy, Business and Community Support.

Impatient, some members of the community are waiting for Jakes to make the official announcement. Including members of TAC.

"That announcement will be in line with an action plan for new voters, the money and leaders to stand tall, and the resources of TV, radio, polling, and focus groups to give the voters a full picture of the candidate," Said Atty. Bob Anderson a member of Jakes Exploratory Committee.

Speaking before the Task Force for Black Political Empowerment, Jakes said, "This is not about me. This is a calling and a draft. I will be an instrument to carry this movement forward." Jakes is expected to be present at the rally that is on 47th Street the Quest to save the "Rosenwald", One of the first workforce housing complexes built in America for working class African Americans.

Farrakhan: on D.C. sniper

Former member violates Islamic teachings

"It is horrible for us to learn that someone who once was a part of our ranks may be involved in something as horrific as this," said the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan.

Maryland officials on Oct. 25 charged John Allen Williams, also known as John Muhammad, 41, and teenager John Lee Malvo with six counts of first-degree murder in the shootings. A third man, reportedly co-owner of a blue Chevrolet Caprice the pair was caught in, was arrested in a material witness Oct. 26. Farrakhan said the accused deadly D.C.-area sniper has had no link with the Nation of Islam for three years and anyone guilty of such murder violates Islamic teachings. "Nowhere in teachings of Islam, and of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, would we countenance any man taking the lives of innocent human beings."

"I and we grieve for the senseless loss of life and with all families that lost loved... But we also grieve for Williams, also known as John Muhammad's, first wife and his second wife and their three children, who will have to grow up and live with whatever comes from the trial of these two persons."

"Members of his family said, 'This is not the John that I knew.'" (Continued on page 7).

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Freedom of the Press is not Free,
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Statement to the Media
Sunday, December 1, 2002 At Harris YWCA

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A Crystal Ball of terrorism the past,
Cointelpro Specter, Haunts of Black
With Frances M. Real

Today the U.S. of America is at a point of imbalance

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Political Black Summit called for Nov. 16

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Chicago Head Start Program gives Moms as well as Kids a head start in life

Chicago has 3,774 Head Start slots; currently many of those slots remain unfilled. While the Head Start program is of vital importance, many caregivers do not know that the Head Start program exists or fully understand the breadth of its services. Head Start programs nationwide have served close to 18 million children and families since its inception in 1965. The Head Start program has helped improve the lives of millions of Chicago children and their parents who live below the poverty level one year ahead in reading and 1.5 years ahead in math. Thirty-five percent of these students went on to attend college, which was 2.5 times the rate of their peers without the aid of early childhood education services (Abecedarian Project statistics).

In addition, the children showed improvement in prereading skills such as letter recognition, expanded word knowledge, phonemic awareness, knowledge and significant gains in social skills (Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey [FACES] results).

In conjunction with Head Start, the City of Chicago also provides family literacy and career planning programs to enable mothers to contribute more to their children’s development, as well as realize a better life for their families. Parents are offered GED tutoring, computer training, English as a Second Language courses, vocational training, etc. In exchange for their living allowance, parents who do extremely well in the program are recruited as mentors and as volunteers in Head Start and other child care facilities.

Various Head Start Programs still have openings. These include neighborhoods such as Englewood, West Englewood, East Garfield Park, West Garfield Park, Lower West Side, Humboldt Park, Greater Grand Crossing, Austin, North Lawndale, South Lawndale, Logan Square, Uptown and New City. Those interested in enrolling in the Head Start program should call 1 (800) 239-9957.


Protest on lack of Blacks at Soldiers Field

Civic activist Eddie Read will be leading community representatives to Chicago Sports Authority meeting on Friday November 1, to address the lack of Black contractors on the Soldiers Field Project.

Read toured the construction site with State Representatives La Jones and Charles Morrow, where they witnessed seven Black contractors working on the project. In addition, not only out of State workers from Iowa and California, but contractors from out of the country from Australia.

Read made the announcement of a meeting on WVON Radio for community support to assure a fair representation of Black contractors.

Sources close to the project informed SSJ that minority representation is met by the affirmative action goals of 25%. Agencies officially representing Black and other minority group’s as part of the Oversight Committee are the Target Group, Chicago Urban League, and Black Contractors United.

However, Read stated, “Everything, not a white man is a minority. That does not address Black representation.”

Joining in with Read is the newly formed Voice Of The ExOffenders, who have been addressing many construction issues around the city.
**Fight to Save Historic Church moves from Community Streets to Court**

Chicago, a prominent architectural advocacy group, ranked Chicago's Seven Most Threatened Buildings 198. Metropolitan Community Church moves from Metropolitan Community Church significant historic structures. Historic 113-year-old facility. This ties to prevent demolition of the museum to be demolished. “This is a community effort,” Davis said. “We’ve had conversations about [people] filing a lawsuit against the Board and taking a neutral position.” But now, the Board is defending what The Accountability Committee (TAC) calls an unfair policy.

The Board filed a defense brief in U.S. District Court before Judge Charles R. Norgle in response to a lawsuit filed by Chicago citizens who are candidates for citywide office in 2003. Their lawsuit alleges that the Board’s requirement that candidates for city-wide elections must gather 25,000 signatures is excessive. The Board’s requirement that candidates for city-wide elections must gather 25,000 signatures is excessive. The Board’s requirement that candidates for city-wide elections must gather 25,000 signatures is excessive. The Board’s requirement that candidates for city-wide elections must gather 25,000 signatures is excessive.

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**Chicago Elections Bd. Reverses Position, Defends 25,000 Signature requirement to thwart Challengers to Richard Daley**

In a national comparison, Chicago Mayor candidates in:
- New York
- Boston
- Los Angeles
- Illinois statewide offices

**Before the General Assembly changed the law in 1995**

Chicago Mayor candidates 2,261.

In a startling reversal of its position, the Chicago Board of Elections has with to court to defend its 25,000-signature requirement for city-wide candidates. The Board’s Chair, Bill Daley, said earlier the requirement is “excessive” and should be reduced, and claimed Tom Leach said, “We’ve had conversations about [people] filing a lawsuit against the Board and taking a neutral position.” But now, the Board is defending what The Accountability Committee (TAC) calls an unfair policy.

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**TAC, a citywide coalition of citizens and businesses seeking to energize Chicago’s February 2003 election, supports the lawsuit. Alderman William Beavers and Ed Smith, Rainbow/PUSH, an organization with a significant presence in the African American community, filed a motion to present the systematic dismantling and demolition of the landmark church.**

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The Rosenwald Building

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Sawyer and Pat Dowell. Johnson, who is also a member of the building council stated she is working as the Committeeman, and says the Rosenwald "Redevelopment Plan" that includes a cooperative, mixed use complex for seniors, the physically challenged, market rate, Section and community residents making the transition from welfare-to-work, is a "Rosenwald Re-Development Plan" that includes a cooperative, mixed use complex for seniors, the physically challenged, market rate, Section and community residents making the transition from welfare-to-work, or become maids.

The City officials in collaboration with the Chicago Housing Authority inspected the building and found it not livable. With the threat to the public health and a hazard from the building that was vacated in 2000 within three months. It alarmed community residents with a questionable intent as a land grab. However, the building had years of deterioration and drugs distribution activity. One of the business tenants, Finer Foods, is in the process of suing for false inspections of the building forcing him out of business. This tenant is a member of the tenant council of the building said she is pleased with her new apartment and away from the building. She said she has a "Rosenwald what choice did they give us. When the building is not kept up surely a person would want to move. It was a shame the way the building had deteriorated."

According to the Lakefront Outlook, the city owns the Rosenwald and it is maintained by Ald. Dorothy Tillman ally, Elzie Higginbottom, head of East Lake Management, Tillman, Higginbottom nor the City return SSJ calls in time for deadline. Johnson, program director of Teen Cyber Tech Cafe, the organization was housed in the building. Johnson was part of a Chicago delegation that went to Cleveland Ohio earlier October to the National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference.

The Landmark Preservation Council of Illinois put the Rosenwald on a list of the 10 most endangered historic structures in the state. And the National Trust for Historic Preservation to use their resources to save the Rosenwald building according to Johnnson. Richard Moe, President of the National Trust announced a new initiative which is being kick off called "Work Force Housing. This initiative will institute the development of affordable housing stock for the working poor using the Historic Tax Credit and the Low Income Tax Credit. HOP VI, HUD's Neighborhood Networks initiative, TIF and other resources to leverage funding for the re-development of the historical landmarks.

Noted philanthropist Julius Rosenwald, at the urging of Booker T. Washington, built the building in 1929. Designed by Adler Planetarium architect Ernest Grunfeld, the building was designed to meet the demand for housing Chicago's then growing black middle class. The building must be done before any demolition.

The Rosenwald was one of the 62.000 Lawyers in the State of Illinois and Cook County, but there is only one.

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Bruce Crosby, Accountability Committee; Kenny Sawyer, 3rd ward candidate, Rene Havell, Coalition to Protect Public Housing, Theresa-Hay, former tenant of the Rosenwald, Gerri Oliver, Pat Dowell, 3rd ward candidate, Lee Walker, New Coalition, Pat Hill, Accountability candidate, John Paul John, Greater Englewood Task Force and, front roll at mic Kathy Thomas, GOP candidate with Bobbie Johnson, leading the press conference and rally to save the Rosenwald Building on 47th Street.

One of the first tenants, Mrs. Howard, 97, a former resident of the building says; "They were spending too much money trying to house working black folks who came from down south so they built this building."

"My husband was a Pullman Porter, he and the other men in the building pool their monies together and started the Illinois Service Federal Credit Union right here in the building."

That historical credit union is now Illinois Service Federal Bank, a black bank still residing in the Bronzeville community.

Johnson said. "With $1.6 billion in federal money and an open ended commitment from Mayor Daley, we would like to use some of these dollars to refurbish the Michigan Boulevard Garden Apartments.

There is no report cost factors to restore the building. But, Pat Dowell former Mid-South Planning Executive, Director and canddat for 3rd ward alderman took the position that a cost to rehabilitate the building must be done before any demolition.

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Jakes billed for aldermanic candidates and the public.

“Some of us haven’t been in the same room together in years,” Jakes explained. “But today, is the day we are moving forward. However, no public official has endorsed Jakes’ potential run.

“That's expected,” said Cleveland Little, a community and political activist. “One person that can get the most Black leaders together today is Mayor Daley. As Thomas “NT” Todd says it: ‘they are not selling us out, they are giving us away’.

With the lack of black elected officials, Atty. Anderson says. “We are going to fight this. The issues and the future are too high not to. And we call on all those who stand for right to join us as they always ask us to join them during their election.”

Bruce Crosby co-convenor of TAC and a member of Jakes exploratory committee said, “Jakes has the consensus of our community in his leadership. His actions have always spoken louder than his words. Moreover, in this instance upon announcing he again is standing when many would not. Jakes is most noted for his activism on police matters. However, he has a political and government background ranging from 1981 as a civil rights leader with then Operation PUSH, District manager under former Cong. Gus Savage, and worked for city government. ‘Frankly, the people of Chicago both Black and White, will remember what he has done in all those areas,” Said Crosby.

Other candidates in the race are Rafael Chagin, Rev. Joseph McAfee, Pat McAllister, and Rev. Robert Flood Pumph. 

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Black Leadership Summit Nov. 16 to follow Atlanta Cong. McKinney address to Chicago

Ujima Political Action Committee and Kennedy King Student Gov­ernment will host Atlanta Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney to Chicago. She will be discussing her recent defeat at the hands of what many say groups outside the Black community and what it means for the future of Black independent poli­tics. The event will take place on Saturday, November 9, 10:00 – 5:30 pm at Kennedy King College, Inter­national Room $800 S. Wentworth. Admission is Free.

However, with the aftermath of McKinney speaking to Chicago, progressive political activist and the public at large will gather again for a Black Political Leadership Summit to take place the following Saturday, November 16, 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, at the Centers for Inner City Studies, 700 East Oakenwald.

The Summit is a call to action addressing the February 2001 elec­tion according to Randy Evans, member of the Ujima Political Ac­tion Committee, who called the summit along with Fre Currier, pub­lisher of SJJ called the meeting as a quick follow-up to the expected road map that McKinney will outline for the future of Black independent poli­tics. The event will take place on the overall populace has been paid since Sept. 3, 2002. The City of Chicago have col­lected more than $4 million in overdue ticket revenue has been paid since Sept. 3, 2002.

As in the sixties and seventies, black aldermen was identified as the der the late Mayor Richard J. Daley “Silent 6.” Black aldermen then un­der the major and stated writing another ticket for having bald tires!

We know there is room for all of us on the freedom of speech, religious, political and quasi­militant leadership has been silent.

Even the Chicago Urban League, which sits a stone’s throw away from the Harris YWCA, has taken up the plight. “And let’s not talk about the body of church­goers, preachers with ten and twenty thou­sand people congregations.”

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The goals of Summit are to ad­dress leadership over the next 3 months. The Summit is to address the 32 black wards in Chicago with approximately 800,000 Black voters in Chicago. What has happened is because too many Black people do not see a rela­tionship between their vote and any change in their lives; the process has turned off a lot of people.

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Video. In response, it beefed up its public image during the ward remap with political ‘consultant Demarre Cobb.

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City Budget

With a $116 million deficit for 2003, the City of Chicago’s $4.7 Billion budget includes: $195 Million GO Bond for Public Works, Continuation of the Annual $200 Million “Neighborhood Alive 21” Construction Fund for new Police and Fire stations, a layoff of 200 city workers, and a possible tax levy increase to shore-up its five (5) municipal pension funds.

The Neighborhood Capital Budget Group (N CB G ) in collaboration with its Community Capital Campaign (CCC), a consortium of community groups for accountability over capital spending and more public investment in neighborhoods will be assisting groups to testify at the City’s 2003 Budget Hearing. The public hearing will be held, Wednesday, November 6, 2003, 12 noon (following the City Council Meeting), City Hall – 2nd Floor Chamber.

“With over $400 million in unspent Tax Increment Financing (TIF) dollars deposited within 121 TIF district accounts, the City is letting you “close your eyes” to this shell game,” John Paul Jones of the NCBG said.

“People should use this opportunity to testify before the City Council on what they expect from government for services, programs and funding priorities.”

The way the budget is “Streamline” millions in TIF funds can have little regard to communities official “redevelopment plan.”

“It is important citizens review the budget with their Alderman to ensure parity in spending and greater public investment in their neighborhood.”

For information and/or fact sheets on the Budget, contact John Paul Jones or Helene at NCBG at (312) 939.7198.

Farrakhan: on D.C. sniper

And this is not the John that we knew. What happened to him, what caused this remains at present to me and to us a mystery. It’s something that must be probed and it must be found. What turns a person into a cold killer of innocent people?” he asked.

One of the victims, Ken Bridges, was a Black empowerment activist and longtime friend and associate of Min. Farrakhan.

The accused sniper was in bad standing with the Nation over a child custody dispute with his second wife, who attends a D.C.-area mosque, Min. Farrakhan said. He had not been heard from since 1999, the Minister said.

“We would all ask that any who is guilty of such be punished to the fullest extent of the law,” Min. Farrakhan added. Under the Nation’s teachings, members are not allowed to possess any weapon, Min. Farrakhan explained.

“Yet, I respectfully say, to the members of the media and the American people, Timothy McVeigh confessed that he was a Christian, but nobody blames the church for his misconduct,” he observed. Mr. McVeigh was found guilty of the April 1995 Oklahoma City Federal Building bombing. Likewise, the pastors of those imprisoned are not linked to their crimes, but there is a bias that allows for Islam to be wrongly attached to crimes, he said Muslims already suffer from a stigma and pain of Sept. 11.

Mr. Williams first attended a study group in northern Cal."
Damn, isn't it rather obvious after all this bloodshed that war is not the answer.

By Beverly A. Reed
Columnist for the Chicago Defender

I was going to tell you about a crime scene I saw today but I've seen so many I don't know where to begin. My mind is reeling from the bloodlist. Everywhere I look there is nothing but violence and pain. I think someone was killed near my house but I don't know. I just saw shattered glass, shivering cops and people looking. I kept going.

I came home and there was Mr. Muhammad's face plastered all over the television. The media never says or can make sense of what makes no sense so we will just see footage of Dr. King or Gandhi or President Ikeda or Mother Theresa or anybody who does not have a rifle or an ink pen to sign a check to buy more might. No we have to see where he slept or what he ate or watch while they harass the hell out of his poor ex-wife or whoever else they can get their hands on.

Now we have Black John and White John both Americans and both accused of terrorist acts what the Sam Hill is happening. Maybe violence is not the answer. Everybody has a reason. The people who barged into a Russian theatre with bombs strapped to their bodies last night have a reason. The young men who hold it down out here have a reason. George Bush has a reason.

But I don't have a reason what I have is three daughters and I want to live in a world that is not hell bent on destroying itself and whatever it takes to make that happen. Is what I am interested in hearing about and reading about and seeing outside.

Am I rambling? Too bad. Sometimes we get so caught up in the correct this and that we just forget to just stand up and tell the truth. I am frightened. But I am willing to do my part to get the good and the bad guys to just...

Stop killing people.

Next issue of SSU Q&A with Ms. Beverly 'Oye' Reed, From the past and everyday life from "God's Eye" to her Cable program on November 21, 2002.

No way to end terrorism
Cointelpro Specter, Haunts of Black America

By Beverly A. Reed
Columnist for the Chicago Defender

In what may be the beginning of a Third World War, as the events unfold, the United Nations kicked off a worldwide online petition drive starting from France in an effort to avoid a tragic war. As the U.S. has backed off bin Laden and drive attacks on Saudi Honan, the Judicial Watch, a public interest group that investigates and prosecutes government corruption and abuse, said that the Bush administration is continuing a practice of providing the American public with false and misleading information concerning Islamic terrorism plans and attacks against the United States. They point out the after effects of 9/11 is still in the midst of the citizens rights in the mist of President Bush's Homeland Security Plan.

Bush in his address to the nation said that the Homeland Security Plan "will give our government resources in a way that is thorough and unified." The Department of Homeland Security is the largest reorganization of the federal government since the 1940's.

Judicial Watch reports, "Gives their (Bush Administration) poor track record leading up to September 11, the FBI and Justice Department have neglected to establish a pattern, for obvious political purposes, of withholding or not providing accurate information to the American public in order to deceive the public about acts on U.S. soil." They charged the FBI and its Justice Department with fraudulent practice that must cease.

National Secretary of the Black Radical Congress, Frances M. Beal, beers with caution the 911 and citizens plight of Martin Luther King, Jr. "And today history is written for activist who marched on the FBI and Justice department against President Bush, saying no to the FBI attacks on civil rights and liberties charging there was no vote in Congress. No public referendum. Nor was there no judicial review."

Speaking earlier this year, Judicial Watch Chairman and General Attorney Larry Claryman said, "Our FBI Director and Attorney General, who have proven that they have a hard time telling the truth to the American people, and should be fired or forced to resign."

The Judicial Watch reports what is new is that the FBI is overtly shifting from focusing on criminal investigations into focusing on counterintelligence programs - a code word for an attack on dissent and on political and religious organizations.

The Homeland Security is viewed by many as the FBI being unleashed on targets by the Bush administration. Targeted because of political or religious views or affiliations warrant surveillance, infiltration, and disruption of the personal lives of the organizations to which they belong.

Klayman added, the current Washing scandal is not about what the FBI or the CIA knew - which apparently is plenty - but the fact that the FBI and other security agencies refused to act on information because of political interference from higher ups rooted in the political and economic lots of the bin Laden to the Bush family.

Since 9-11, thousands of Muslims, Arab American, and South Asian people have been subjected to the violation of their civil rights and liberties. Charitable organizations have had their assets seized. Thousands have been illegally detained. Educational institutions, homes, and businesses have been raided. In addition, the FBI has carried out a massive interrogating campaign of people based on race, religion, and ethnicity.

"The Administration's continued defiance of constitutional safeguards seems to have no end in sight," stated the dean of the Black Caucus and ranking member of the House Judiciary Committee John Conyers (D-MI)."Any government effort to institutionalize the same powers that allowed the FBI to wrongfully spy on the activities of civil rights organizations and disinformation found on the private affairs of Martin Luther King, Jr.," he continued, "would constitute an embarrassing step backwards for civil liberties in this country."

Real examples what many of the younger Black activists may not know is that Cointelpro did only unconstitu-
The game has been set up from the start. As many people like gambling "like Mike" and Auntie Eda (Who normally wins). Some people just have that old, common sense and good luck. However, the majority are just plain old foolish gamblers like Mike, without the money to blow. Chicago and Illinois should join both governor candidates against gambling in Chicago. The state and the city need real economic growth not a chance of people making the wrong decisions. It is morally wrong.

For poor people and those praying to get a piece of the American dream such as Chicago Black community, a taste of the results of casino gambling in Chicago is an example of the State Lottery. Here's are a sum up of the facts on Gambling according to Clarence Terry’s. Illinois State Lottery reports revenue. Englewood, Roseland, Auburn Gresham, in four Zip Codes: 60617, 60619, 60620, and 60628— are the biggest spenders, totaling more than $10 Million in 2001 and 2002. Next is $1 Million dollars — are 45 other zip codes, including Park Forest, Matteson, and Dolton. Zip Code revenue for a single year is $8,600. 8,600 is 149,419 for combined lottery revenue of $9 Million in 2001, and $11 Million so far in 2002 fiscal year. Predominantly African American or Latin, low-income Chicago communities have generated the highest lottery sales in the state, shows an analysis of Illinois Lottery records since 1997 reported the Chicago Reporter. In addition, residents in these communities have a higher proportion of their incomes on the lottery than people in more affluent areas. In addition, despite the state’s recent economic downturn, lottery spending has increased; the reporter found number-bases games of chance is a history in poor, black communities.

Illinois proposed a statewide numbers game in 1972 as a way to fund schools. Yet, the school system in Chicago still has a cloud of neglect. If the city is a state of depending on its citizens unfortunate loses for economic development like if it is done to parking then the Mayor and the pol conduct a survey. In addition, despite the state’s recent economic downturn, lottery spending has increased; the reporter found number-bases games of chance is a history in poor, black communities.

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Shaw - Meeks Race

The progressive voters in the 15th Senatorial race got a choice on Nov. 5th, Like children looking at playground fight between Democrat incumbent William Shaw and Rev. James Meeks. Two Black leaders fighting over a political agenda for the most part the voters are not aware of. Meeks reportedly has a campaign budget of $300,000. Shaw on the other hand has the politically conservatives of black officials along with renegade political activist supporting him to stop the political stronghold Meeks would gain with congresswoman Jesse Jackson Jr. In that one political forum they were almost physically fighting. The verbal political battle that is raging resulted with Shaw being handed questionable sentimental background on Meeks. It was very distasteful. If true raise the political and spiritual leadership of Meeks as the next in line to take over RainbowPUSH.

Their campaign is far from a kid game. The sad part is the clout they did not have enough rational to publicly to say the admitted to sit down and discuss their difference. Leaving voters stranded in the middle.

Even with Meeks radio commercials are questionable to low down political leadership oppose to a man of God and honestly with ones fellow man. Both are portraying themselves as the wrong candidate with rhetoric rather than a political agenda for the people. That’s what is running under a political party is all about.

Shaw is challenging his image of being an issue, he consider exceptionally nasty. Pointing out what is at stake is more than enough. The House and the Senate. But if Meeks do will, he would for the most part support the existing legislative agenda of the Illinois Black Caucus.

The Republican Party has appointed its candidate with the chance that the White Democrats in the south suburbs would skip over to vote for the Republican, as it was done in Chicago during the Harold Washington election according to a leading State copyright 2002. The voters of the 15th District have a mission for the generations to come to embrace not only community and economic empowerment, but political development as well. They will decide a political leader hopefully that will rebuild unity and political empowerment. This race should be about that.

Or like the playground fight, its just another day.

Dear Editor;

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We give our democratic candidates another stab at the community. Blagojevich admitted, Roland Burris lost the election because of the color of his skin. From the results of the primary, lets see what happens with Roland's vote November 5th.

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Coalition to Save Metropolitan Church

left in it. To tear a sound structure down, especially one with so much history and value, just to build one that’s new just doesn’t make sense.

The lawsuit filed names Reverend Leon Perry III as pastor of the church, the church itself, its board of trustees, Mark Collins, Gary Brooks, Yvonne Bryant, Maxine Brown, Renardo Johnson, Susan Dugan, Brian Graham, Karen Hansberry, Eugene Mandeville, Chandra Johnson, Susan Dugan, Brian Graham, Karen Hansberry, Eugene Mandeville, Chandra Nickels, A. Doris Reynolds, James Stewart and Lisa Whaley, Adkins Architectural Antiques of Houston, Texas; and Rutz Organ Company of Morristown, Minnesota. The suit alleges the Metropolitan defendants have proceeded without authority to demolish the church, mortgage the congregation’s real property and waste millions of dollars of the congregation’s money to build a new one in its place. Shortly thereafter, the congregation was vacated and build a new one in its place. Shortly thereafter, the congregation was vacated and its building and began holding services at Wendell Phillips High School.

In August 2002, Adkins Architectural Antiques, of Houston, Texas began removing the stained-glass windows from the church, prompting a demonstration by community residents and current and former members of the congregation. An emergency stop-work order was issued by the City of Chicago on August 28, 2002 to prevent the continued removal of the stained-glass windows, which was being carried out without a permit.

Plaintiffs further allege that Rev. Perry or other Metropolitan defendants have entered into an agreement with Rutz Organ Company to sell the congregation’s Skinner pipe organ, a rare and extremely valuable instrument built in 1923 by noted American organ builder Ernest M. Skinner, containing 2,573 pipes and integral to the design and appearance of the church.

If you have any spiritual and/or Church news or information, Please submit it to South Street Journal at 128 East 58th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 Email SouthStreetJournal@aol.com Fax: 773/434-2368

Funny how we call God our Father and Jesus our brother, but find it hard to introduce them to our family.

Funny how small our sins seem, but how big ‘their’ sins are.

Funny how much difficulty some have learning the gospel well enough to tell others. But how simple it is to understand and explain the latest gossip about someone else.

Funny how we can’t think of anything to say when we pray, but don’t have any difficulty thinking of things to talk about to a friend.

Funny how we are so quick to take directions from a total stranger when we are lost, but are hesitant to take God’s direction for our lives.

Funny how so many church goers sing ‘Standing on the Promises’ but all they do is sit on the premises.

Funny how people want God to answer their prayers, but refuse to listen to His counsel.

Funny how we sing about heaven, but live only for today.

Funny how people think they are going to Heaven but don’t think there is a Hell.

Funny how it is okay to blame God for evil and suffering in the world, but it is not necessary to thank Him for what is good and pleasant.

Funny how when something goes wrong, we cry, ‘Lord, why me?’ but when something goes right, we think, ‘Hey, it must be me!’

Oh wait ... maybe all this isn’t so ‘funny’ after all.

Lajuan Whitley, Dispatcher Manager DNSS Chicago
Announcement

Washington Park Children's Free Clinic, offers free checkups, school physicals and vaccinations for children. Every Thursday from 5:30-7:30 pm at the Church of the Good Shepherd 6700 S. Prairie Ave. 684-6651
Saturday, Nov. 2, Economic Empowerment Initiative Workshop, 10:30 AM-12:30 AM Center for Inner City Studies, 700 East Oakwood Blvd. Topic: EZ/EC Business Grants, Trade Mission to Ghana, West Africa, April 12-19, Monday, Nov. 4. How to apply for the EZ/EC Smil Business Grant, 5:00 - 8:00 PM. New Callie Church - 5001 S. Washington, Bring copy of the grant, your business plan and rough draft of your completed application. Grant due November 12 at 4 PM. For information: 773/451-6527.

Eyes of the Rainbow, a film on the life, political imprisonment, and exile of ex-black panther Assata Shakur. Directed by award winning African-Cuban filmmaker Giona Rinaldi. It brings to life not only the struggle of this extraordinary woman but through music and dance also gives the viewer a glimpse of the Cuban Revolution and the rich African legacy that she has

Rite of Passage into Elderhood, Initiate Anderson Thompson, at the South Shore Cultural Center, 7059 S. South Shore Drive, Sunday, November 10, 3:00 pm. $5.00 per person, presented by the Black United Fund.

The United American Progress Association will celebrate their 41st Anniversary Sunday, November 10th at the Provision Banquet Hall, 8445 S. Ashland Ave at 3 pm. They will honor Chanta Strauberg, Chicago Defender as their Woman of the the Year and State Representative Constance A. "Connie" Howard for the outstanding job in Springfield, Derrick Harris, President of the Harvey II, Chapter of UAPA, and the late Ken Bridges from Oaklyn, New Jersey, Co-Founder of Matah Net Work (who was killed in the recent east coast killings. Tickets $35

Chatham Avalon Park Community Council's (CAPPCC) 26th Annual Awards Dinner celebrating its 47th Anniversary. The event will take place Friday, November 15, 2002 at the Haremone House, 11901 S. Loomis from 6:30 to 11:30 pm. Joe Moore, Manager of Community Relations for Shell Oil Company and Cheryl Nolan, Director of Public Affairs for Jewel/Osco Company are Honorary Co-chairs on the Committee that handles this affair.

The Black Law Students Association of the John Marshall Law School, will hold a discussion of Reparations Now...Who, What, When, Where, Why! How! Southside 7 pm Friday, Nov. 15, Pilgrim Baptist Church (Community Center) 3001 S. Indiana Ave, Westside, 10 am Saturday, Nov 16. Douglas Park Cultural Center, 1401 SW. Sacramento. $1 donation at the door - to pay event costs only.

Workshop Coalition meet every Wednesday, 325 South California Ave. Chicago, IL 7:00 pm (male only) 773-285-1600.

Harold Washington Party 2000 International presents Hotline 21 every Tuesday 8:00 pm until 8:30, Live interaction TV programming where the viewers call in on politics, education, health, jobs, police brutality with guest. Host by Herman W. Baker Jr. Chairman and William Brown. For information call 773 669-5345.

Englewood and The Unity Church of God In Christ holds its weekly meeting addressing the Englewood community on Fridays at the church, 521 W. 69th Street at 6:00 pm to discuss the needs of Englewood. For more information call (773) 487-9062 or (773) 224-6438.

Columbia College Chicago will showcase "The Chronicle of a Schizophrenic and his Reluctant Helpers" at the Glass Curtain Gallery 1104 S. Wabash Ave. The exhibit runs through Nov. 22, Friday Nov. 1, the artists Ziegser and Syne will be present for the opening reception from 5 pm - 8 pm. For info call 312-344-0650.

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Me, Marry You

When did you decide you're worthy to be someone's bride
Not just a place to hide or put my thinking inside
But to hold you up with pride
Let's put all that aside
When I'm not your girl

I've been within your dreams
Now I want you to be free
Some of these words I want you to missing
You're easy, a little too sneaky

Only a true Queen can please me
No give it up please kiss me
Beautiful body, nice behind—smart educated

All combined
A woman I'd proud to call mine
We're talking long term, my life time
Nah, don't cry like your feelings hurt & white

Think about it, are you worthy of my time
Many times around the block you're been

Let's not talk marriage, I ain't wanting the baby carriage

Think about it, are you worthy of my time

**The Historic Sutherland**


Kenswood

On the corner of 47th and Drexel, they said it couldn't be done. Entertainment is steadily coming back to 47th Street. That once vibrant jazz scene on 47th Street would never happen again. The Sutherland Lounge was the center of this cultural-economic activity presenting the practitioners of a new form of jazz called Bebop in an elegant setting.

However, in the 70's, so called urban renewal, diminished city services, poverty and drugs turned the once vital 47th Street corridor into a waste land. However due to the efforts of a small band of artists activist called the Sutherland Community Arts Initiative (SCAI) the project was born after it was forced to close its doors in 1994 due to code violations.

Over the course of time with internal problems, even with lawsuits among members of the organization, the Sutherland was struggling to find a place of its own in South Shore.

During the September 8-10 weekend of 1999, nearly a 1000 jazz fans from 14 different states filled the club to hear the music of African Brass, Lester Bowie, Rose Mitchell and Deevee Redman.

May 2003 is the schedule opening date for the Sutherland to host some of the finest jazz ensembles in the world.

When I met you at the club, I first noticed you from the crowd. I was at the center of this cultural-economic activity, presenting the practitioners of a new form of jazz called Bebop in an elegant setting.

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**BAD COMPANY**

(***) Anthony Hopkins and Chris Rock team up in this espionage action comedy offering nothing new or better that we haven't seen before in other "buddy" movies. Chris Rock plays the street hustler who learns too late of a deceased twin brother spy working on an international mission. Rock has nine days to become his master spy brother to help Anthony Hopkins foil a rival super-powers destroying each other. An intriguing story involving terrorists are involved through a trio of missing nuclear bombs in the middle of Russia and the U.S. Only Ryan believes Russia first introduced by Alec Baldwin and performs as Ryan's mentor, Pinhead. The movie is a good film, but it is not as good that we haven't seen before.

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Senior Citizen in dispute with Webb Dealership

A South side senior citizen was spared the worry of how to pay for a $20,000 car that almost ended up costing her twice as much before her Alderman and the City intervened on her behalf.

The odyssey of Ophelia Bridges, 82, and Webb Ford, 2601 W. 95th St., Evergreen Park began a few months ago when Bridges saw an ad for a new Crown Victoria. The ad offered the car for $19,498 at 0.9% financing. Later, she discovered that her new car cost her $40,999 at 4.9% interest for the next five years.

Dealerships and their salespeople also should do a better job of telling customers that additional options and newer models lead to higher sticker prices.

The Department of Consumer Services has the actual facts research & survival center that a race of people have decided to put their interests first for the entire race.

Bridges contacted Alderman Shirley Coleman (6th) who referred the complaint to the Department of Consumer Services which persuaded Webb Ford to reduce the price of the car to $24,900 at 0% financing.

Everyone, especially seniors, needs to make sure that they understand the terms of a contract before they sign the dotted line," said Caroline Orzac Shoenberger, Commissioner of the Department of Consumer Services.

"It is easy to misunderstand the financial fine print but no one wants to end up paying more than they can afford which is why it is important to carefully read the contract, ask questions, and bring someone with you to assist if needed," Shoenberger added.

The Actual Facts Research & Survival Center (theactualfacts@matah.com or www.mymatah.net/theactualfacts)
"Got A Felony?" Can’t get a job or housing" Expungement and HB 1961

Tens of thousands of Illinois ex-offenders have completed their sentences, but are yet unable to regain all the rights and privileges promised to Illinois citizens. The Chicago Coalition for the Homeless charged that low abiding men, women, and youth across Illinois who earlier in their lives made unfortunate choices were overlooked in their involvement with the criminal justice system, have paid their debt to society and deserve a second chance.

The organization is working to help ex-offenders have better success upon release from prison conducted a recent survey with the assistance of the Cook County Sheriff’s Office shows that the 1200 per prison are homeless. Out of 235 women, 54% homeless upon being released. Only 8 had a place to go to. The survey also found, the others upon release would return to abusive, sexual assault and domestic violence.

HB 1961 allows Cook County to seek funds to establish a Residential Treatment and Transition center for women. The Bill passed the Senate and the senate judiciary committee by an 11-0 vote. President, John Stroger, opposes the bill until funding by the state is in place.

Impact of Neighborhood Segregation on Black Homeowners.

A recent Brookings Institution report finds that Black homeowners are hurt most by neighborhood segregation. The Brookings Institution Center on Urban and Metropolitan Areas. The report finds that after equalizing for income, Black homeowners were 18% less value in their homes than White homeowners. By contrast, Black homeowners owned only $2.16 worth of wealth as a creation tool for different ethnic and racial groups in the nation’s 100 largest metropolitan areas. The report finds that after equalizing for income, Black homeowners had substantially less home value than White homeowners. Home value and equity are the typical American family’s most important financial asset, and often the only vehicle for passing wealth to children and grandchildren.

In recent years, federal policies have focused on increasing the percentage of Americans who own homes - particularly minorities, since their homeownership rates have lagged behind those of whites. The report’s key findings are:

1. Home values for Black homeowners were 18% less than values for White homeowners. For every dollar of income, White homeowners owned $2.64 worth of house. By contrast, Black homeowners owned only $2.16 worth of house. (2) Both Black and White homeowners were hurt by high levels of racial segregation.
The Rosenwald

The Rosenwald was one of the first examples of "workforce housing" constructed by the famous philanthropist Julius Rosenwald at the request of Booker T. Washington before his death. Mr. Rosenwald was the president of Sears and supporter of Mr. Washington and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Overlooking a landscaped courtyard, the reminiscent of the past duplexes or penthouses occupying the 3rd, 4th, and 5th floors added attraction for the new middle-class into the community. Notables like Quincy Jones, Joe Louis, Nat King Cole, and a sizable percentage of Chicago's African American human capital resided at the historical structure.

Johnson stated revitalizing this building offers an opportunity for elected officials to make well the promises and failures of Chicago's Empowerment Zone designation. Johnson asked, what better way to celebrate the accomplishments of the ancestors.

Johnson points out that some units will be replaced with new units. "Enough time has passed for everyone to realize that there is not enough affordable housing available in the city of Chicago to meet the growing needs of the working poor."

"Four years have past since the new "Welfare to Work Initiative" hit. What percentage of the newly employed is able to get adequate affordable housing in the newly certified into the resident business development that should have occurred through the One Stop Capital Shop Initiative part of the Empowerment Zone tool," stated Johnson.

"Reparations Now! That is what we are demanding. The Rosenwald Re-development plan will be owned by CHA and community residents transitioning from welfare to work that may or may not have a Section 8 certificate, which can be exchanged for a mortgage. The arrangement is on line with the plans of Jutters Rosenwald and Booker T. Washington."

"President Bush has offered a comprehensive agenda to encourage homeownership for all Americans to at least 5.5 million people by the end of the decade. As the third ward Republican Committeeman, this is one of the President's goals that is going to extend ownership to the people many of these programs were targeted to, My people."

"With the presidents agenda to help remove the barriers to homeownership that stand in the way of our nation's African-American, Hispanic, and other minority families, this is one historical movement should be made. Whatever the cost maybe," Johnson said.

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