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□ **ANNUAL PURGE:** As you all know, we require you to take membership in the Network seriously and actively, at least to the extent of annually reaffirming your desire to be part of us. We keep records of everyone who writes in, with items for the newsletter, financial contributions, change of address notices, etc. We then place on your address label an asterisk (*), signifying Member in Good Standing. Look at your address label. If there is no asterisk, it means: a) you have not been a Good Member and communicated with us over the past year; or b) we have not been Good Record Keepers and have failed to note such a communication from you. In either case, however, the consequences are that you will not receive the next issue, *unless* we hear from you again, telling us you want to be retained (and hopefully in that communication enclosing some tidbit for the Newsletter or check to keep us rolling.) But . . . you have been warned: no asterisk, no #37. We don't want to drop anyone, so we hope that you asteriskless ones will contact us right away.

□ **MINI-FINANCIAL REPORT:** Since #36 we have received 34 contributions, totalling \$720. Several were \$50 contributions, from those of you who can afford it and want to make sure we stay solvent, and we thank you all. Use the coupon, and give often and give big.

□ **STUDENT NETWORK MEETINGS:** As a result of the summer work Sheri Taub did, we now have introductory PN meetings set up, actually or tentatively, at the following planning schools: Univ. Tenn.; Ariz. St. U.; Columbia; Ga. Tech.; UCLA; USC; New School; Univ. Texas; Univ. Iowa; Fla. St. U.; Rutgers; Univ. Mich.; UC-Berkeley; and Univ. N. Carolina. Please contact us if you are from some other school and want to set up a meeting. We'll send along materials and suggestions. These meetings are very helpful for building membership and introducing us to budding planners from the get-go.

□ **CREDIT DUE:** From Network Chair Chester Hartman: The last four issues of the Newsletter have been primarily the work of Network member Prentice Bowsher, who has taken over most of the editorship tasks from me since early this year. He's done a dynamite job, as I'm sure you'll agree, and deserves our thanks.

□ **WORKING PAPERS INSERT:** The insert from *Working Papers* mentioned as the lead item in #35 was missing for about two dozen of you, as they supplied us with too few. If you didn't get one, you can still do yourself and us a favor, by writing them directly (186 Hampshire St., Cambridge, MA 02139) and mentioning you're a Network member when you send in your subscription form—it's \$18/year (\$13.50 for low-income subscribers), and we get about half of that as a Network contribution. If you haven't already subscribed, we encourage you to do so. The upcoming November issue will have an article on housing allowances by Chester Hartman—you can get a reprint of that from the Network by sending in a stamped, addressed envelope.

□ **FEED US BACK:** While almost everything in our Newsletter is material you folks send in for wider dissemination, we get remarkably little feedback from you on how you like the Newsletter, changes you would like to see made (longer items, shorter items, etc.), and, in particular, what volume and kinds of responses you get from having put an item in. It's lonely at the center, and we'd very much like to get an occasional evaluation of how it all is helping you.

□ **ADD PN SPRING CONFERENCE:** The Steering Committee shortly will be acting on a proposal for a Spring Network conference (possibly co-sponsored and organized with one or more other groups). Meanwhile, a few responses from Network members to share with you:

From **Mickey Lauria** (U. Iowa Grad. School of Planning, 347 Jessup Hall, Iowa City, IA 52242): "Progressive Planning and *Policy*: Alternatives to Reaganism" would be a fruitful theme. I would see a realistic purpose for the conference being to explore issues and problems in planning and our work, as this relates to the aforementioned theme. I think conference attendance should be open. I think it should be co-sponsored by a policy oriented group like the Institute for Policy Studies. I would think that Columbia U. would be better than SUNY, Buffalo—but the question should be whether the east coast is the place to hold it? Where was last year's conference held? This is not so important to me for, if the timing is right, I will attend wherever it occurs.

From **Joochul Kim** (Dept. of Planning, School of Architecture, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287): In response to your question on Spring '83 PN Conference, I think it is a good idea, but locations other than traditionally acceptable sites such as New York, and other Eastern cities, should be considered. People like us in the Southwest are struggling to share our ideas and beliefs in planning, but we need more support from you. The national conference would be a case in point. In terms of our main topic and objectives, I think you raised most of the issues that should be covered in Spring. I think that our conference should be open to everyone.

From **Gray Smith** (1515 Sylvania House, Juniper/Locust, Philadelphia, PA 19107): Next year I intend to attend the Network Conference. In response to your inquiry in #35, here are some thoughts: Theme: Anything that strengthens a counterattack on "Reaganism" is imperative. Since it's to be a national conference, local issues might be secondary. Purpose: It seems that since the Network wants to influence public policy, then a political agenda must be pursued at the meeting. Develop public policy on the Network's traditional urban/rural issues that could theoretically be "planks" in a party platform. Then lobby like hell to get our parties to listen and adopt. Who: Most definitely co-sponsor the events with others, many others . . . Never has it been more necessary to do coalition building—rural coalitions, energy conservation coalitions, environmental coalitions, etc. The meeting can do that, if aimed at that well in advance. Include both activists and policy-oriented groups and technical assistance provides. Where: Philadelphia, of course. No place is better on the East

Coast for transportation and accommodations. Not many progressive universities here (stay away from Penn.), although many have small active and semi-progressive urban studies programs. In addition, Philly is the center for many highly visible and successful activist groups, national and local. Many should help with the conference.

Please get your ideas and thoughts in to us now—including the option of not having a conference—while plans are still very fluid.

Passing the Word

□ HAITIAN-AMERICANS: The Haitian-American Community Association of Dade County (Miami) is involved in a project to improve housing conditions in Miami's Little Haiti neighborhood. Although much of its time is spent defending against evictions and in other litigation, the group is also concerned with making urban planning more fair and rational. South Florida Networkers who are interested should contact HACED's director, Roger Biamby, or its lawyer, Jonathan Thiele, at 5909 N.W. 2nd Ave., Miami, FL 33127, 305/751-3429.

□ SHARED HOUSING QUARTERLY is a new newsletter from the Shared Housing Resource Center designed to facilitate information exchange and networking, and to transform shared-housing interest into successful action. Scheduled to appear in October, January, April, and July, the *Quarterly* is actively soliciting news items and articles. The initial, 6-page issue included articles on national legislation, a shared-housing experiment in Philadelphia, and the counselor's role in match-up programs. No subscription cost listed; but a contribution might be in order. Contact: The Shared Housing Resource Center, 6344 Greene St., Philadelphia, PA 19144. (A 56-page report on a March 1982 national shared-housing conference is also available at \$6.50 a copy; see PN #35.)

□ ALTERNATIVE MBAs, ET AL: From Networker Michael Kieschnick (71 Parnassus Ave., San Francisco, CA 94117, 415/557-3020(w)): I am working on my final months as director of the State of California Office of Economic Policy and economic advisor to Jerry Brown. Among the major projects we are currently working on are a detailed guide for unions in evaluating whether or not to purchase a plant being shut down; a study of the California financial industry; starting a new-product loan fund for small businesses; and developing an early warning system of possible industries and counties facing plant closings. Anyone interested in any of these projects should contact me.

In some of my other roles, I have helped put together a small group of Northern Californians who are interested in working with worker-owned companies (including possible conversions). We have a wide range of skills including finance, marketing, and organizational development. Finally, I am helping to start a money market fund which will restrict its investment to those companies meeting certain socially responsible criteria. In all other respects it will be equivalent to traditional money market funds.

Another project I am starting is the compilation of those progressives who have developed business and financial skills. There are many of us with and without MBAs directly using these skills, and many organizations who need them. Over time I would like to develop a roster parallel to the annual

Network roster which can be used for business partners, investors, employment, employees, or expert advice. Anyone interested in this should write me and I will send them a survey form.

□ NETWORK ARCHIVES: From Networker Pierre Clavel (Dept. of Urban Planning, Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N.Y. 14853): Last summer Chester Hartman and I met with Herb Finch, director of the part of the Cornell University Library that contains the planning archives collection. Cornell has for many years been building up an archival collection of letters, manuscripts and papers of planners, and now has the largest U.S. collection, including the papers of Walter Thabit pertaining to Planners for Equal Opportunity, an organization from which Planners Network is in direct line of descent. (See item below.) It had occurred to me that the Network represents an important aspect of the current historical record, and that many of its members' papers ought to be preserved. (By "papers" we mean to suggest a very inclusive concept of the documents that report on, illustrate, inform the projects and work we do.) Finch then suggested that Cornell would be more than interested in being a repository for such papers as Network members, or the Network as an organization, wished to deposit. (There would be some constraints, surely). For such papers as were archived, there would be prepared an index of what was deposited, and the papers would be made available in accordance with whatever arrangement could be mutually arrived at between depositor and the archives. We made a counterproposal, to which Finch was amenable: The Network office would serve as a clearinghouse: it would ask for significant work and other documents by members, list what it received in the Newsletter, and provide the Cornell collection with a selection of this work periodically, on a basis mutually arrived at with Cornell and the depositors. Of course, there would be no bar to individual arrangements with Cornell or any other archives.

Any comments or suggestions? This project might entail some volunteer work, but the payoffs seem well worth it.

□ PEO ARCHIVES: From Networker Walter Thabit (305 E. 11th St., New York, N.Y. 10003): The Planners for Equal Opportunity archives, covering PEO's history from its formation at the 1964 AIP Conference in Newark to its demise in 1974, has been lodged in the John M. Olin Research Library at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. The organization was founded by planning activists who believed that planning skills should be used in the war against discrimination and poverty. PEO's goal was to insure blacks and other minorities a fair share of the "fruits of an affluent society."

At its height, PEO had over 700 members nationwide as well as chapters in several cities and regions. Among its more notable active members were Chester Hartman, Frances Fox Piven, Paul Davidoff, Clarence Funnye, Kevin Lynch, Roger Montgomery, Walter Thabit, Janet Reiner, Tom Reiner, Albert Mayer, Clifford Ham, Britton Harris, Ting Pei, Michael Abeloff, Harry Schwartz, Hall Winslow, Lew Lubka, Carla Cohen, Charles Kaswan, David Stoloff, Yale Rabin and Don Ardell. Through their activism (and that of many others) and their involvement in PEO, the theory of advocacy planning was spawned, developed and (to a certain extent) legitimized.

The PEO archives are perhaps the best source of planning involvement in the civil rights struggle of the 1960's and early 1970's. They include the programs, research and activities of the organization, the preparatory material for and proceed-

ings of 6 annual conferences, copies of all issues of PEO's newsletter *Equalop* and other publications, press clippings, minutes of Policy Committee, membership and other meetings, membership lists, correspondence and other information.

□ **CDC FUNDRAISING:** The National Congress for Community Economic Development has prepared a report on 121 foundation and corporate sources of funds for community economic development efforts. Key information is provided on each source, including an address, contact person, officers' and directors' names, assets, average awards, special interests, and application procedures. The information was drawn from sources available at the Foundation Center. The report is called *A Fundraising Matrix for CDCs*; copies are \$10 prepaid, from the NCCED, 2025 Eye Street N.W. #901, Wash. D.C. 20006.

□ **THE ISSUES OF 1982: A Briefing Book**, is a 240-page report from the Conference on Alternative State and Local Policies on progressive ideas for state legislatures in 35 key areas such as economic issues, crime, consumerism, human services, and natural resources. Each briefing paper includes background, a current analysis, policy suggestions, and further references. Copies are \$8.95, from the Conference, 2000 Florida Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20009.

□ **ANTI-NUKE ORGANIZING:** Various professionals from wide-ranging disciplines are undertaking to organize efforts against nuclear weapons. We want to keep you posted on the following developments.

One new group is **Social Scientists Against Nuclear War**, which seeks to harness the energies of social scientists committed to ending the threat of nuclear war and reversing the arms race. The group wants to give social scientists an opportunity to use their minds and skills to change public perceptions in the direction of peaceful alternatives; to make an impact on public policy; and to help develop and guide a large and permanent peace movement. A half-day forum and organizing meeting was to be held October 9 at the Bank Street College of Education. For details, contact: SSNW, Graduate School and University Center, CUNY, 33 W. 42nd St., New York, 10036.

Another new group is **Environmental Professions for Nuclear Disarmament**, which will constitute itself as a research and action organization. It will prepare materials on nuclear issues and on budget alternatives. The idea is to encourage and service teach-ins in architecture and planning schools, to inform and proselytize within the professions about the nuclear threat, and to assist other groups. To get moving, the New York Network meeting on October 22 will be devoted to the anti-nuke issue, and an organizing session will be held November 3. Both meetings will take place at the City University Grad Center, 33 W 42nd St. #207, at 6 p.m. For details, contact: Richard Hatch, 40 W. 27th St., New York, N.Y. 10001, 212/889-4976.

A group has been meeting in Boston to discuss the formation of a Planners for Peace effort there. About 18 people attended a September 15 meeting; another meeting was held October 6. The group continues: We anticipate several brainstorming meetings will be needed to define a program and schedule for ourselves. Several individuals, including Networkers Kevin Lynch and Tunney Lee, are already critiquing civil defense plans; with the anticipated return of Governor Dukakis there may be some interest in research on the military dependency of the state economy; the

City of Boston's Board of Health is proposing a regulation which would require every public building to post the following sign: "The Board of Health of Boston has determined that no occupants of this building will survive a nuclear attack. Nuclear war has no cure. It can only be prevented." The city is bursting with disarmament activities, and the time is ripe for planners to get involved. We will report on our progress, and look forward to news from other parts of the country. For further information and details, contact: Kathryn Kasch, 91 Charles St., Boston, MA 02114.

□ **\$\$\$ FOR DEVELOPMENT:** The South Shore Bank of Chicago offers certain depositors competitive investment returns on funds the Bank uses to subsidize some costs of its extensive and heralded development efforts in the mixed-income South Shore neighborhood. Collected from supportive depositors around the country, these "development deposits" have been declining recently, and the Bank is seeking new depositors. If you are interested, it could be a good way to support the Bank's neighborhood efforts, while making some money yourself. Don't send money yet; first, for further information and details, contact Joan Shapiro, Director of Development Deposits, South Shore Bank, 71st and Jeffery Blvd., Chicago, IL 60649, 312/288-1000.

□ **REPORT FROM STOCKHOLM:** Networker Elly Berg (Barrstigen 11, 16135 Bromma, Sweden) writes that an urban environmental education network continues to develop throughout Sweden, is planning its third conference this fall in Kiruna, and currently has groups active in 11 cities. Elly's own work involves immigrant children, and seems prepared to expand, possibly with funding from the School Board. Her work is carried out at the Old Town Urban Studies Center, on a 700-year-old city square that is awash both with some of Stockholm's displaced poor as well as with its free-spending tourists. "During the spring of 1982," she writes, the Center "has been a lively place. In addition to study circle participants and other visitors, there have been weekly workshops with children's groups," some Swedish, and some Polish- and English-speaking immigrants. "One of our aims has been to have these children show us what they see in the Old Town. They drew, painted, and made silkscreen and potato prints. And how they all drew! Many drew realistic responses to the architecture around them, with a directness that showed the strength of their experience. These drawings now form the basis for our continuing work with these children, following the lead of the questions they asked as they worked. Questions will continue to arise from the new children who come to our workshops, as they look, see, record, and wonder."

□ **AGING IN PLACE** is a new, 106-page report from the Conservation Foundation on strategies to help the elderly stay in revitalizing neighborhoods. Based on a two-year effort by the Conservation Foundation and the Urban Institute, the report catalogs efforts to reduce housing costs, provide home maintenance, increase housing opportunities, benefit from rising home values, and achieve other gains. Copies are \$9, prepaid, from the Conservation Foundation, 1717 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036.

□ **EQUITY CONVERSION:** Growing out of a two-year, federally funded home equity conversion project, the National Center for Home Equity Conversion has been organized in Wisconsin as a resource center and information exchange on the burgeoning variety of plans to help elderly homeowners gain access without selling and moving to the accumulated

equity in their homes. Center memberships, which include publications, meetings, and other services, are open to individuals, for-profits, and nonprofits. Rates vary from \$12 to \$60 a year. Contact: National Center for Home Equity Conversion, 110 East Main #1010, Madison, WI 53703.

□ **JOBS WITH PEACE** National Network is a nationwide support system for groups urging a shift in federal spending from military hardware to jobs creation and social services. They have a list of publications, including an organizing kit (at \$5). Memberships, which include a newsletter, other publications, and announcements, cost \$10. Mail to: Jobs with Peace National Network, 2990 22nd St., San Francisco, CA 94110.

□ **SURVIVAL SKILLS** for gay and lesbian groups are offered at weekend workshops around the country by a Wisconsin group called Survival Skills. The workshops, which cost up to \$105 per person, include mini-lectures, small-group exercises, role-playing, and back-home planning. Sessions run from Friday evening to mid-afternoon Sunday, and include fundraising, public relations, volunteer development, and group planning. Contact: Survival Skills, 4877 East Clayton Rd., Madison, WI 53711.

□ **ALBERTA FUTURIST:** Marion Loring is a retired teacher, a futurist, and self-educated in economics, who founded and directs the Values Economy School in Tangent, Alberta. She is a versatile speaker, and is planning a tour of the West Coast in the late fall. She would like to hear from groups or individuals with whom she could meet or stay, and from any other Networkers who might share her interests. Contact: Marion Loring, Values Economy School, Box 2, Tangent, Alberta T0H 3J0.

□ **INNER-CITY AID:** The Ford Foundation has awarded a \$350,000 grant to the National Urban Coalition for a two-year program of assistance to community-based groups engaged in center-city commercial revitalization and housing projects. The grant will allow the National Urban Coalition to continue working with community groups, and to establish new technical assistance offices in Washington, D.C., and Oakland. For further details, contact either Karen Spellman or John Brandenburg, The National Urban Coalition, 1201 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036.

□ **HOUSING TRAINING:** The National Housing Law Project has developed a training program for tenant associations and boards of directors that covers finances, management, legal issues, and tenant relations. Sessions can be arranged for either full- or half-day; rates vary depending on the length and number of participants. For further details, contact: Daniel Pearlman, National Housing Law Project, 2150 Shattuck Ave. #300, Berkeley, CA 94704, 415/548-9400.

□ **CALIFORNIA WORKER CO-OPS:** The National Consumer Cooperative Bank is developing a \$500,000 loan program to encourage worker ownership of community businesses in California. Called the New Venture Program, it is aimed at worker-buyouts of financially stable businesses whose owners are selling because of age or other interests, and who will facilitate the transition to worker ownership. The program will be run from the Bank's western regional office. Contact: Jill Storey or Christine Scribner, NCCB, 1330 Broadway #1017, Oakland, CA 94612, 415/273-7576.

□ **PN ACTIVISM:** From Irwin Mussen (2237 Derby St., Berkeley, CA 94705): I would like to state an opinion which I feel is of concern to the future well being of the Network itself. In order to enroll and hold the interest of more members, I believe that there should be much more emphasis on local action in the field. Academic discussion surely has its place. But I wonder how many of our colleagues—especially "mature professionals" long out of school—require the reinforcement of direct action in order to maintain a high level interest in an organization dedicated to positive social change. I know I do.

If Herbert Marcuse is correct in his estimate that American social revolution (or evolution) is most feasible beginning at the local level, then the Planners Network needs to turn its attention to that level—to conduct research, formulate plans and programs, support issues and, in various ways, make its voice felt in the neighborhoods, communities and regions of the land. I believe that most who join the Network possess the types of attitudes and skills required to know how to listen to the true needs of the community, and to assist in making those needs heard by decision-makers.

I wonder how many of us share the view that community projects should play a much more prominent role in the future of the Network.

□ **ANTI-NUKE FILM:** *America: From Hitler to Reagan* is a 70-minute color feature from Parallel Films, whose press release proclaims, "Here is a plea for peace that brings information to the screen that cannot be found in your public library." Contact: Parallel Films, 314 West 91st St., New York, N.Y. 10024, 212/580-3888.

□ **ALTERNATIVE FOREIGN POLICY:** The Coalition for a New Foreign and Military Policy is a collection of 50 national religious, professional, research, and social action organizations working for a peaceful, non-interventionist, and demilitarized U.S. foreign policy. Members receive action alerts on key legislation, action guides on the issues, and resources for local organizing work. Dues are \$20. Contact: Coalition, 120 Maryland Ave. N.E., Wash. D.C. 20002.

□ **LAW FOR PEOPLE:** The National Public Law Training Center offers a series of training programs on public interest legal issues for lay people. Programs include housing law for non-lawyers; law and the elderly, and negotiation and mediation skills. Programs run from three to four days, and costs vary. For details, contact the Center at 2000 P Street N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036, 202/872-0660.

□ **CHD UPDATE:** "If you want peace, work for justice" is the theme of the 1982 Campaign for Human Development, which will collect funds November 21 for its annual support of self-help and social justice projects among the poor in the United States. In 1981, almost \$9.5 million was collected for nearly 200 projects in communications, economic development, education, housing, legal aid, and social development. For copies of the 1982 annual report or further details, contact: Campaign for Human Development, U.S. Catholic Conference, 1312 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20005, 202/659-6650.

□ **SAFETY NETWORK** is the six-times-yearly newsletter of the National Coalition of the Homeless, a group formed in the spring to serve as an advocacy voice for the homeless, and as a clearinghouse for information on strategies and resources. In addition to emergency shelter, the Coalition seeks more

rational housing, employment, and mental health policies on both local and national levels. Headquartered in New York, the Coalition includes representation from some 40 cities and regions across the country. Send reports on homelessness and shelter programs, contributions, and subscription requests to: Coalition for the Homeless, 105 East 22nd St., New York, N.Y. 10010.

POST-INDUSTRIAL PLANNING: From Networker Howell Baum (UMd School of Social Work and Community Planning, 525 W. Redwood St., Baltimore, MD 21201): I will be teaching a course on post-industrial planning theory in the spring, and would appreciate receiving syllabi, case materials, or suggestions from people. I would be glad to send a copy of my own syllabus in return for the help.

LAWYERS V. DATA: The National Social Science and Law Center has published a manual for lawyers, *Discovery and the Use of Quantitative Data*, outlining applications of computer data analysis in preparation of legal arguments. The manual, available at \$37.50 a copy, is the latest in a series of publications from the Center, which is funded by the Legal Services Corporation. For a publication list and further information, contact: NSSLIC, 1825 Connecticut Ave. N.W. #401-S, Wash. D.C. 20009, 202/797-1100.

DEVELOPMENT DEBACLE: *The World Bank in the Philippines* is a 270-page report from the Institute for Food and Development Policy on how economic development in the Philippines pitted Western economic interests against the Philippine majority. The report says the Bank's economic prescriptions actually hurt the very people they were supposed to aid—the poor majority. Copies are \$7.95 from the Institute, 1885 Mission St., San Francisco, CA 94103.

WISCONSIN HOME LOANS: Networker Dorothy Dean (Milwaukee County Supervisor, County Courthouse #201, Milwaukee, WI 53233) writes of what she says is a successful low-interest home improvement loan program in the state, financed from proceeds of tax-exempt bonds. Loans of up to \$15,000 are available for up to 15 years for repairs to low- and moderate-income owner-occupied homes of four units or less. Started in 1978, the program has made some 4,200 loans totalling more than \$24 million at rates ranging from 4 to 8 percent. Loans have been made in each of the state's 72 counties through a network of 140 participating local lenders, including the First Hub Credit Union in which Dorothy serves as a Community Development Committee member. "It has made a dramatic, positive impact on our neighborhood, both the loan program and the credit union," she says.

EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP: *Issues, Resources, and Legislation* provides history, case studies, and further resources on this growing movement, which by the end of the 1970s saw more than 5,000 employee-owned firms operating with more than two million employees. The report, which is available from the Conference on Alternative State and Local Policies, also explores the advantages and disadvantages of employee stock ownership programs and worker cooperatives, the two major forms of employee ownership. Copies are \$6.95 for individuals, \$13.95 for others, from the Conference, 2000 Florida Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20009.

LAND GRAB: *The Corporate Theft of Wisconsin's Mineral Resources* is a report by networker Al Gedicks and others on the invasion by multi-national mining companies of

ore-rich farm, forest, and recreation land in the Lake Superior region of Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Michigan. More than 40 companies have leased over 900,000 acres of land in the area as more politically stable alternatives to third-world operations. *Land Grab* examines mineral leasing in eight northern Wisconsin counties where the companies' exploration is most intense. Exxon, Inco, and Phelps Dodge are profiled. Copies of the 50-page study are \$6 prepaid from: Center for Alternative Mining Development Policy, 1121 University Ave., Madison, WI 53715.

PN PERSPECTIVE: A helpful report on the organization and development of the Planners Network appears in a recent issue of the *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* (Vol. 6, No. 2, 1982). Written by Steering Committee member Jackie Leavitt (434 W 120th St., New York, N.Y. 10027), the report is titled "A Progressive Planning Identity: The Import of the Founding of the Planners Network, 10 May, 1981." Her conclusion: "The Planners Network offers progressives in planning a structure in which their skills can be used to critique capitalism, achieve short-term modest gains, and advance long-term political organization."

SINGLE PARENT HOUSING: Jackie Leavitt, teaching at Columbia University's Division of Urban Planning, and a Network Steering Committee member, will be giving a talk at the housing panel of the American Collegiate Schools of Planning, on October 23. (Other panel members include Network members Frank DeGiovanni, and Dowell Myers.) Jackie's talk is titled, "Aunt Mary and the Shelter-Service Crisis for Single Parents." The paper grows out of work she and Troy West, another Network member and architect, have done for the Bergen County, New Jersey chapter of the League of Women Voters. Jackie is interested in receiving any information on housing proposals or projects concerning single parents. Please send to: Division of Urban Planning, 410 Avery Hall, New York, N.Y. 10027.

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A word on funding: Annual financial contributions are voluntary, but we do need funds for operating expenses. The Steering Committee has recommended the following amounts as minimums for Network members: \$10 for students and temporarily unemployed; graduated payments for the employed of \$20 plus an additional \$1 for each \$1,000 earned above \$10,000.

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□ PUBLIC INTEREST MONITORS: Networker John Forrester (Cornell Dept. City/Rgnl. Planning, 106 W Sibley, Ithaca, N.Y. 14853) points out that a recent issue of *Health Education Newsletter* (Vol. 2, No. 2, 1982) contained a helpful list of groups that monitor various aspects of government's role in society: health care, children's programs, budget priorities, etc., etc. He adds, "I have written to some of these groups, and they are very helpful—and, I think, resources for people doing many sorts of local organizing."

□ THE PEOPLE SPEAK: We need graphic, factual, documented reports on the effects in your community of homelessness; displacement; discrimination; public housing vacancies, rent increases, closures; foreclosures against the jobless; abuse, misuse, or non-use of community development block grants or urban development action grants. The reason is a planned effort by Rep. Parren J. Mitchell (D-Md.) to find out what really is going on, and to let the Congress and the people know about it. Mitchell, who represents largely black neighborhoods in Baltimore, wants to use the information in a series of daily floor statements, starting in January; and possibly to publish a collection of the better reports. Reports can be from anywhere in the country. If you will send them to us at the Planners Network, marked "The People Speak," we will edit and organize them, and coordinate the results with other efforts in Mitchell's office.

□ PN IN *SHELTERFORCE*: The Planners Network has agreed to write a regular column in *Shelterforce* magazine, and the lead-off article appeared in the July issue. In it, PN Chair Chester Hartman reviewed the background and history of the Planners Network, and invited *Shelterforce* readers to follow up with networking, ideas, suggestions, etc. Other columns will follow. The idea of the series is to bridge the gap between community groups and professionals, and to strive for a working balance between the two resources. Contact: Shelterforce, 380 Main St., East Orange, N.J. 07018.

□ DAVIDOFF AT QUEENS COLLEGE: From Networker John Seley (124 E 84th #4c, New York, N.Y. 10028): As of September 1, 1982, Paul Davidoff has joined the Department of Urban Studies at Queens College as a Full Professor. In addition to his duties as a full-time faculty member, Paul will bring with him the Metropolitan Action Institute, of which he will continue to be Director. As most readers should know, Paul has had a distinguished career as an advocate planner for low-income and minority groups. The Metropolitan Action Institute will continue its work in housing and economic development. Along with Barry Commoner and his Center for the Biology of Natural Systems, Paul continues a trend of progressive social policy research at Queens.

□ HEALTH & MEDICINE is the name of a glossy, new quarterly publication from the Health and Medicine Policy Research Group. The 32-page spring issue examined the corporatization of American health care; an upcoming issue will explore cultural issues in health. The magazine's purpose is to analyze present health systems and policies, and to offer alternatives, with the goal of developing an environment where health maintenance is encouraged and where care for illness, when needed, is delivered humanely, effectively, and equitably. Subscriptions begin at \$10 (for students, senior citizens, and low-income), from *Health & Medicine*, 220 S State #300, Chicago, IL 60604.

□ MARCUSE ON RENT CONTROL: That rent control produces abandonment is one of the most frequently used arguments against rent control, with the example of New York City and the South Bronx being the horror story produced to prove the point. A recent study by Peter Marcuse of Columbia University examines the evidence and concludes there is no such causal connection. A copy of the study "Housing Abandonment: Does Rent Control Make a Difference?" is available from the Conference on Alternative State and Local Policies, 2000 Florida Ave., N.W. Suite 400, Wash. D.C. 20009, at \$4.95.

□ PN IN LIBRARIES: From Networker Mickey Lauria (U. Iowa Grad. School of Planning, 347 Jessup Hall, Iowa City, IA 52242): In #35, you asked for feedback concerning Newsletter subscriptions for libraries. I think this is definitely a good idea. In bad times, with less individual subscriptions, whether they be due to Networkers becoming less interested or not being able to afford such donations, the library subscriptions will keep the network solvent. This was the case with *Antipode*, although this is an academic journal; I think the opportunity is the same.

□ SEATTLE HOUSING: Folks in Seattle are working with low-income downtown community groups in their efforts to influence completion of a new zoning code for the downtown area. It is hoped certain zoning restrictions will curtail runaway downtown growth and help preserve affordable housing. One idea is for developer fees charged to office developments. There may be other land-use mechanisms that have been effective also in preserving low-cost housing in downtown communities. If you have ideas, specific experience, or just want to lend your support and encouragement, contact: John Fox, Downtown Neighborhood Alliance, 619 N 35th, Seattle, WA 98103.

□ HOUSING & LOCAL GOVT: From Networker Irwin Mussen (2237 Derby St., Berkeley, CA 94705): I would like to refer Network members to a work which I think is of value in local housing and community development efforts: *Expanding the Local Government Role in Housing* by Daniel Leibsohn. It is a practical guide to currently relevant methods for cities and counties interested in making some dent in the housing problems of their communities. It can help local governments fulfill a responsibility which most of them have traditionally felt to be beyond their control and resources, but which at least the more progressive localities now realize that they can no longer neglect. Indeed, this is an exploration into what could truly be called creative federalism. It does not obviate the need for Federal assistance in housing, but it does not require that cities and counties wait for the Reaganesque New Federalism—that shallow rationalization for abandoning long-accepted (though always woefully underfunded) Federal responsibilities. The book is available from Dan at the San Francisco Foundation Housing Task Force, 351 California Street, Suite 920, San Francisco, CA 94104. Checks for \$5.00 should be made payable to him.

□ DANGER REAGANATION: *What Reagan Is Doing To Us* is the title of a just released 317-page Harper and Row paperback, co-edited by Network member Alan Gartner (along with Colin Greer and Frank Riessman). It's got 15 chapters, each dealing with a specific disaster area (education, health care, the family, welfare, crime, neighborhoods, minorities, women, labor, defense policy, civil liberties, etc.)

The housing chapter is by Network chair Chester Hartman, who will send you a copy if you send him a SASE—better, however, you should buy the whole book, which is only \$3.50.

□ **APA WOMEN'S ISSUES:** From Linda Hollis (6413 Maplewood Dr., Falls Church, VA 22041): I have been asked by Carol Barrett, Pres. of the Division for Planning & Women of the American Planning Assn., to be policy liaison to the lobbying staff at the national office. I am also supposed to act as public relations person for the Division. That is, if someone from the media calls APA and asks about national policy having particular impact on women and children, they'll be referred to me. I would like to solicit help from Networker members in expressing their concerns.

□ **CUBA TRIP:** Although the Reagan Administration last May placed certain limits on travel to Cuba, visits for the purpose of professional research were still permitted. In this light, we're happy to announce the fourth Architect's/-Planner's Cuba Research Program. During the week of Jan. 7-14, we will be meeting with officials of Cuba's planning and housing agencies and visiting new housing developments, new communities, and other examples of Cuba's progress in the fields of construction and social planning. The cost of the trip will be \$580 round trip from Miami (including travel, hotels, meals, etc.—double occupancy). A deposit of \$100 is due by November 15. For more information, write or call Jill Hamberg, 57 W 93rd St., New York, N.Y. 10025, 212/866-0317, or Tony Schuman, 56 W 22nd St., New York, N.Y. 10010, 212/691-9708. (Under current U.S. travel restrictions with respect to Cuba, participation in this research program is limited to professionals and graduate students in these fields, and to journalists.)

□ **UDAG OPPORTUNITIES:** A decline exists in current application for HUD's Urban Development Action Grants, and that means that most "technically acceptable" projects are getting funded. If you have, or know of, a good economic development project that needs public money, now may be a good time to submit a UDAG application. (Housing support will be more difficult, and soon will be phased out.) Community-based organizations or other nonprofits that are finding it difficult to obtain private financing may want to consider a joint venture with a more established economic entity. (There are good and beneficial examples.)

The Mexican-American Research Council in Austin is providing technical assistance in packaging in the Southwest. If you are elsewhere, have a development plan, and need help in packaging it, write to the Planners Network; and they will pass along your request to friendly forces within HUD.

□ **ADDRESS CHANGES:** Many Networkers seem to move around a lot. When you do, please let us have your old address and zip code as well as your new ones. Names (like luggage) sometimes are identical, and we want to be sure we change the right address card. Moreover, our cards are maintained in zip code order (because that's the way the Post Office wants the mail); so if we don't have your old zip code, we can't find your old card; and we wind up paying postage for phantom recipients. So please help out and send both old and new addresses.

□ **TALK UP PN:** Let people know about the Planners Network. Probably the best means of outreach we have in bringing people into the Network who ought to be there is

when you yourselves inform and recruit people you work with and meet. We have a good two-page introductory sheet (write us for a copy or copies), and you can show back newsletters to people. Or just sit down and make a list of people you think ought to be in the Network and we'll send them the information sheet.

Upcoming Conferences

□ **PUERTO RICAN NONPROFITS:** The National Puerto Rican Coalition will hold its second national conference October 28-30 at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. The conference is designed to explore relationships between the nonprofit sector in both the United States and Puerto Rico and the for-profit sector in the United States. Contact: National Puerto Rican Coalition, 701 N. Fairfax St., Alexandria, VA 22314, 703/684-0020.

□ **NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS:** The National Association of Neighborhoods will present a national conference October 28 and 29 at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C., on "City Budgets and Neighborhood Business: A Match for the 80s." The agenda includes studies on neighborhood-based service delivery and neighborhood business practices, financing, and opportunities. Contact: National Association of Neighborhoods, 1651 Fuller St. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20009, 202/332-7766.

□ **ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN RESEARCH:** The 1983 conference of the Environmental Design Research Association will be held April 23-27 at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The deadline for papers and proposals for symposia, workshops, and poster sessions is November 1, 1982. For submission instructions, write ERDA 1983 Organizing Committee, Department of Conferences and Institutes, 205 Nebraska Center for Continuing Education, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583.

□ **SOCIALIST SCHOLARS:** November 20, 1982, at Hunter College CUNY there will be a New Socialist Scholars' Conference, bringing progressive academics from the U.S. and Europe together to share recent scholarship. The humanities and social sciences—including urban studies—will be represented. For more information contact either Bogdan Denitch, Chair, Department of Sociology, CUNY Graduate Center, 33 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036, or Nancy Kleniewski, Department of Sociology, SUNY, Geneseo, NY 14454.

□ **ORGANIZING URBAN CHURCHES:** An organizing conference of the Urban Church Lobby will be held November 17-19 in Washington, D.C., sponsored by the Churches' Center for Theology and Public Policy. The Lobby will be a public policy advocacy office, will do legislative and administrative lobbying, and will serve other advocacy functions as an urban policy center. The conference will examine the impact of the Reagan Administration on cities and the urban poor, and explore appropriate responses by urban churches. There will be speakers, workshops, and caucuses. Registration is \$95 per person (\$85 before No. 1); lodging is at the Skyline Inn on Capitol Hill (800-528-1234),

which has special conference rates. For further details, contact: Churches' Center for Theology and Public Policy, 4500 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20016, 202/363-3089.

Ex Conferences

□ **THE FOURTH WORLD:** The second international assembly of the Fourth World (small nations, small communities, and the human spirit) was held Aug. 4-11 at UFA-Fabrik Commune in Berlin, West Germany. The assembly included workshops, forums, and a plenary session; and explored the issues of small nations, ethnic groups, and tribes; politics and the peace movement; the world economy and politics; and communes and self-organized collectives. Contact: UFA-Fabrik Berlin, Viktoriarstr. 13, 1 Berlin 42.

□ **SECTION 8 EXISTING:** Quadel Consulting Corporation held a conference September 29 and 30 in Washington, D.C. on the Section 8 Existing rent subsidy program. The conference included panels on housing vouchers, moderate rehabilitation, basic operating skills, and financial management. Details: Quadel Consulting Corporation, 4733 Bethesda Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814.

□ **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH:** The California Department of Health Services and UC-Berkeley's Center for Labor Research and Education held a conference October 1 on California's new worker-health "right to know" laws. The sessions reviewed workers' rights under the law, explained how to use available information, and provided ideas on resources for additional help. Details: Hazard Evaluation System and Information Service, Dept. of Health Services, 2151 Berkeley Way #504, Berkeley, CA 94704.

Jobs

□ **ECONOMICS/URBAN STUDIES:** The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay has an opening in September 1983 for

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an assistant/associate professor who will be based in the Interdisciplinary Concentration in Urban Studies, will hold a joint appointment in Economics, and will participate in the program in Public and Environmental Administration. The position will require teaching introductory and advanced courses in economics and urban studies, and graduate-level courses in the administrative and policy sciences. Send resume, transcripts, and references to Dr. Ronald K. Baba, Chairperson, Urban Studies, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, WI 54302.

Etcetera

□ **UPCOMING DEADLINE:** The next issue of the newsletter is due in December. The deadline for copy is Monday, December 6, but mail early; we don't want the Post Office's slow delivery process to keep your message from appearing when you want it to.

□ **LOST SOULS:** We appreciate the time so many of you take to look over the list of lost souls each issue and help us re-establish contact with them. The updated addresses (with zip code old and new) we get from you, or the messages you give them to get back in touch with us are greatly appreciated. Following are the newest of the lost, from #35—August 23, 1982.

Bruce Astrein, Boston
Deborah Teltscher, Cambridge
Phyllis Salowe-Kaye, Montclair
Richard Hatch, New York
Thomas Bauer, Wash. DC
Susan Lupton, Raleigh, NC
Paul George, Murray, KY
Deborah Redman, Iowa City
Lou Sartor, Houston
Tim Campbell, Berkeley
Michael McElroy, Honolulu
Marya Silvernale, Seattle
Janice Woodcock, Seattle

Neil Klopfenstein, Cambridge
Richard Whitman, Arlington, MA
Jack Stokvis, Jersey City
Irene Sherr, Philadelphia
Cindy Konits, Baltimore
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