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PN SPEAKERS BUREAU: Networker Vincent LeVeque has put together a 12-page roster, listing over two dozen Network members from all parts of N. America who are available (often without fee) to speak on a wide variety of subjects. It's a useful resource for student Network chapters, local and regional groupings, workplace meetings, community groups, etc. Send a SASE (37¢ postage) and we'll send you a copy.

READER-WRITERS: Examination of recent and back issues of the Newsletter suggests you who are reading our news are writing less of it yourselves. More and more of our copy seems to be provided by those outside the Network who want to communicate with us (and we are happy that outsiders are looking to us more), but fewer and fewer items we print are those supplied by our members. Think about something you want to bring to the attention of us all—something you've written or read, a project you're working on, a conference you went to, etc.—and do up a short blurb. Don't just consume, provide. Become a reader-writer.

STEERING COMMITTEE: Several Steering Committee members met in Chicago during late October at the Assoc. of Collegiate Schools of Planning conference. The principal matter discussed was the possibility of another national conference during 1983 (possibly preceded by several regional conferences), around the theme of alternatives to Reaganism. We currently are developing a proposal which will be brought before the Network as a whole in an upcoming Newsletter. If you have ideas or an interest in working on national or regional meetings, let us know right away. Regarding additions to the SC: several of you have expressed an interest in joining the Steering Committee, and we shortly will have in place a process for making such additions; if others of you are interested, please send in a short biosketch.

CONTRIBUTIONS COUNT: Please, folks, remember that PN "dues" are an annual ritual. If you haven't given in the past year, please use the form to send us your contribution. Since issue #36, we have received 60 contributions totalling \$994; again, a few biggies came in (\$100, \$50), which help out a lot and also make us feel really good. So if you can afford to write out a big check, please consider doing so.

WORKING PAPERS: Our special subscription offer for *Working Papers* netted them 28 new subscriptions from Network members, and netted us \$208. Good for us; good for you.

HOUSING ACTION: Planners Network was included among some 150 organizations who sent a "sign-on" letter to key Congressional leaders on Nov. 22, urging them to schedule action on low income housing legislation and appropriations early in the "lame duck" session. Action was needed urgently because Congress adjourned for the elections without acting

on essential legislation to authorize continuing low income housing programs, so the HUD appropriations bill was adopted with no money in it for low income housing.

ELECTION RETURNS: Networker Marcia Kaptur, we're happy to report, won her Toledo (OH) Congressional race. In Oregon, returning Rep. Jim Weaver gained from tons of volunteer work by PN state coordinator Mary Vogel. She has written him, describing the Network, the skills of its members and her own work in housing, and suggesting a meeting to explore possibilities of further cooperation. In particular, she wants to try to influence Weaver toward a more progressive analysis of the problem.

IN MEMORIAM: We are sorry to report the death of PN Member Donald Appleyard, of the UC Berkeley Dept. City & Regional Planning, in an auto accident in Greece. Don was a fine person and made important contributions to our understanding of cities. We will miss him.

Passing the Word

FILM FESTIVAL: FAC-TV, the 4th International Festival of Films on Architecture and Planning, will be launched in New York in Spring 1983, and will be devoted to films for a television audience—to broaden the limits of perception and open new methods for communicating the essence and importance of the built environment. In addition, FAC-TV will include "ARCHI-SPOT," a television spot/public service announcement competition based on general architectural and planning themes. For information on rules, regulations, deadlines, etc., contact: FACT/USA, 491 Broadway, 11th Floor, New York, N.Y. 10012, 212/966-0713.

GIFT-GIVING GUIDE is the name of a timely 62-page book from the Funding Exchange which unravels and explains the charitable deduction. Based on pages of examples, it shows how to both save money at tax time and increase the effectiveness of giving. Copies are \$7.50, prepaid, from The Funding Exchange, 135 East 15th St., New York, N.Y. 10003.

FARM FORECLOSURES: Community Access to Media and the Milan (Minn.) Community Education Council have produced a 20-minute, 16mm color film on the hardships rural families face when they are forced to leave their land. Called *Foreclosure*, the movie depicts a 1982 family being foreclosed on, and then flashes back to a 1930s farm auction where friends and neighbors banded together to save a farm. Prints will be available in January 1983, along with a study guide. Costs are \$175 for a print; \$60 rental before January 15; \$250 and \$70 later. Contact: Community Access to Media Inc., 2524 Hennepin Ave. #6, Minneapolis, MN 55405.

□ **D.C. GENTRIFICATION:** The latest publication in the George Washington University series on Washington Studies examines *Gentrification in Adams-Morgan*, a remarkably vital and heterogeneous neighborhood, and is by Jeffrey Henig, an assistant professor of political science at GW. The study draws on statistical data and student interviews with neighborhood residents. One of its most disturbing conclusions: "While there are cities and neighborhoods in which the call for tenants' rights remains vital, there seems to be a growing fatalism; in a hostile political and economic climate, the demands of survival in a very personal sense may inhibit impulses to communal action." Copies of the study are \$5, prepaid, from Center for Washington Area Studies, Academic Cluster T-106, The George Washington University, Wash. D.C. 20052.

□ **ARCHITECTS AS ENABLERS:** The International Union of Architects has announced a 1983 juried international competition on the theme, "The Architect as an Enabler of User House Planning and Design." The idea is for entrants to design methods and procedures for users to design their own dwellings and neighborhoods and to project some possible designs that might result. Submission deadline is July 1983; judging will be in October/November. The jury will be chaired by John F.C. Turner of London. Details have been sent to most schools of architecture, or contact the International Union of Architects, 51 Rue Raynouard, 75016 Paris, France.

□ **POPULATION PROJECTIONS** are often the de facto growth policies of communities, used in self-fulfilling ways to determine the size and location of roads, sewers, water projects, power lines, schools, etc., according to *The Handbook on Population Projections* now available from the Sierra Club. The handbook provides tools for interpreting such projections and viewing them in a more critical perspective. Copies are \$6, prepaid, from: Information Services, Sierra Club, 530 Bush St., San Francisco, CA 94108.

□ **POLICY STUDIES ORGANIZATION** is a scholarly association for folks concerned with the substance and procedures of policy studies. It publishes two quarterly periodicals, *Policy Studies Journal*, and *Policy Studies Review*, directories of academic programs in policy studies, and provides an information clearinghouse. Annual membership/subscription is \$14, mailed to Stuart Nagel, 361 Lincoln Hall, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL 61801.

□ **HUMAN ECOLOGY:** The Society for Human Ecology is being formed for persons interested in developing and applying human ecological approaches to issues concerning the relationships between people and environments. Memberships, which are \$15 for students, \$45 for nonstudents, include publications, *Human Environments* and *Human Ecology*, and reduced rates for an annual conference. Contact: Society for Human Ecology, University of Maryland, Marie Mount Hall #1401, College Park, MD 20742.

□ **SIMULATION GAMES** are models which approximate some external reality, says J Games, a Cape Cod producer of simulation games on global issues. Three games are currently available, and others can be developed to order, allowing 10 weeks lead time. The existing games, designed for classroom or recreational use, include "Who Needs Enemies," a world

hunger game; "Nukes or Cukes," an economic conversion game; and "Asphalt Bullfight," building a highway through a city. Games are \$16 each, prepaid, to J Games, Box 276, Barnstable, MA 02630, 617/362-6979.

□ **WORLDORDER:** The Institute for World Order works to build understanding and public support for a just world order in which humanity is the important constituency. Its efforts include three major programs, the world order models project, the transnational academic programs, and the promotion and public outreach program. Memberships are \$10 for students, \$25 for nonstudents. A publication list is available. Contact: The Institute, 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10017.

□ **REVISED FUNDRAISING:** Joan Flanagan has updated and revised her five-year-old report on raising money for community groups, *The Grass Roots Fundraising Book*, and copies are available for \$8.75, postpaid, from The Youth Project, 1555 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036. Discounts are available for bulk orders. Special chapters are included on fundraising planning, major donor campaigns, starting a business, payroll deduction, special events, and direct mail.

□ **NONPROFIT "HOW-TO":** *The Successful Volunteer Organization* is the result of a request by the W. Clement and Jessie V. Stone Foundation to Joan Flanagan for a comprehensive "how-to" manual to help new non-profit organizations get started right, and to help established charities get better results from limited resources. The book, available in bookstores at \$14.95 (\$8.95, paper) a copy, covers getting started, getting results, getting organized, and getting advice. The publisher is Contemporary Books, Inc., 180 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60601.

□ **WOMEN IN THE WORK FORCE** is an information and advocacy project of the American Friends Service Committee based in High Point, N.C. The project publishes a bi-monthly newsletter *Women in the Work Force News* (\$3 yearly) and a series of worker rights handbooks titled, *What Every Woman Worker Should Know About...* (\$.50 each). Handbook topics include discrimination, sexual harassment, job safety and health, unemployment compensation, minimum wage, etc. Orders should be prepaid to Women in the Work Force/AFSC, Box 2234, High Point, N.C. 27261, 919/882-0109.

□ **THE NEIGHBORHOOD AGENDA** is a six-point program outlining major priorities for improving the delivery of city services in Philadelphia neighborhoods. It reflects concerns raised by more than 5,000 neighborhood leaders from all parts of the city in town meetings on the city budget. Proposals include neighborhood job banks, a new housing strategy, a comprehensive weatherization program, support for "Town Watch" crime prevention efforts, a comprehensive plan for youth, and neighborhood coordinating teams. The proposals, background, and supporting arguments have been compiled in *The Neighborhood Agenda*, available for \$3, prepaid, from The Institute for the Study of Civil Values, 1218 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, PA 19107, 215/922-8960.

□ **ISLA VISTA ORGANIZING:** The people of Isla Vista and a core group of students and faculty at UC Santa Barbara are working to develop a lasting and effective tenants union. They

planned an organizing workshop in early November, and are searching for additional support from interested organizers and housing activists. Contact: Barry Zimmerman, Associated Students, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106, 805/968-9798.

□ **NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION:** Network Chair Chester Hartman has started attending monthly luncheon meetings with The Neighborhood Coalition, a loose organization of Washington-based groups oriented toward neighborhood issues. Among the items from the October meeting which might be of interest to Networkers:

- A Neighborhood Development Demonstration Act has been introduced into Congress, in two versions. It calls for a three-year program of federal matching funds to neighborhood development organizations. \$15 million is the authorization, for up to 300 organizations. One version (S 3019, by Sen. Heinz of Penn.) has a local government "checkoff" feature and therefore has the backing of the Natl. League of Cities and US Conf. of Mayors. The other (HR 7189, by Rep. Pritchard of Seattle) does not have this requirement, and thus has the support of the Neighborhood Coalition. Nelson Rosenbaum of the Ctr. for Responsive Governance (2021 L St. NW, Wash. DC 20036, 202/223-2400) is the contact for more information.

- The Working Group for Community Development Reform (1000 Wisconsin Ave. NW, Wash. DC 20007, attn: Paul Bloyd) has prepared some materials on the new HUD regulations, cutting out from the CDBG Program any meaningful low-moderate income benefit requirement. By the time you get this, the Dec. 4 deadline for comments on the proposed regulations will have passed; but contact Bloyd if you want to stay involved in this issue.

- Community Reinvestment Act changes being proposed by the FDIC would drop from coverage new applications and relocations for state-chartered lenders. More information on this from Allen Fishbein, CCC, 1000 Wisconsin Ave. NW, Wash. DC 20007.

- Some interesting community anti-crime legislation has been introduced by Sen. Specter of Penn. Further information from Ellie Wegener, Box 1292, McLean, VA 22101.

- ACORN is organizing a series of "Reagan Ranches" in various cities, "umbrella" protests against various aspects of Reagan policies, built around some kind of "tent city." Contact Seth Borgos at ACORN, 1638 R St. NW, Wash. DC 20009, 202/462-4200, for further details.

- An analysis of the Administration's newly enacted job training bill, to replace CETA, is available from Bob McAlpine of the Urban League, 425 13th St. NW, Wash. DC 20004. The Natl. Employment Law Project (236 Mass. Ave. NE, Wash. DC 20002, attn: Larry Glantz) has also prepared an analysis of this legislation.

We'll continue to pass on items of interest picked up at these luncheons.

□ **AGING FUNDS:** The Villers Foundation has just been established (with a \$40 million endowment) to undertake funding and advocacy of projects relating to the elderly. The foundation has a distinctly progressive slant, and Network members involved in elderly-related issues would do well to make contact with them. They are planning a series of local consultation meetings to develop priorities and funding ideas, as follows: NYC—Dec. 20-21; Atlanta (or Jackson, MS)—Jan. 10-11; Chicago—Jan. 17-18; Boston—Jan. 24-25; Denver—Jan. 31-Feb. 1; San Francisco—Feb. 3-4; Miami—Feb. 10-11. For further information, contact Ronald Pollack (their Exec. Dir.) or Jeff Kirsch at 2633 16th St. NW, Wash. DC 20009, 202/387-8855.

□ **DOCS V. HEALTH PLANNING:** Networker Barry Checkoway (Dept. of Urban Planning, Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, IL 61801) has added a new chapter in the continuing story of consumer organizing for better health planning in east central Illinois. Writing in the *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law* (Vol. 7, No. 1, Spring 1982), he describes providers' reaction to a consumer majority on a local Health Systems Agency, and concludes that despite the providers' success in regaining control of the agency, the important news was strong consumer organizing over health care issues. An earlier installment appeared in the Summer 1980 *Journal*.

□ **HOUSING SPECIAL ISSUE:** The September 1982 issue of *Environmental Action* is devoted to housing, the first time that an environmental magazine has looked extensively at the subject in relation to ecology. Articles explore people, policies, issues, and trends; and provide a wide range of perspectives. Single copies are \$2.50, annual subscriptions (for 10 issues) are \$15, from: Environmental Action, 1346 Connecticut Ave. NW, Wash. DC 20036.

□ **APPALACHIAN READER:** *The Don West Reader: Poems, Stories and Essays* is a collection of the writings of Don West, for over 50 years a minister, teacher, poet, and labor organizer in Appalachia and the South. A mountaineer and a native of Georgia, he presents a true picture of his people and his land—mountaineers instead of hillbillies, progressive in tradition, working for a better future. He and his wife Constance West founded the Appalachian South Folklife Center in Pipestem, West Virginia, to provide for education and empowerment of poor Appalachian children. \$5.00 from West End Press, Box 7232, Minneapolis, MN 55407. The Wests can be contacted at Box 5, Pipestem, WV 25979.

□ **ELDERLY HOUSING:** Accessory apartments and granny flats are drawing increased interest as possibly helpful alternatives in meeting the housing needs of the elderly. A publication list of related articles and reports, many of them written by Networker Patrick H. Hare, is available from him at 2027 Que St. NW, Wash. DC 20009, 202/234-1219.

□ **APPLIED BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE AWARD:** The 1982 Douglas McGregor Memorial Award for excellence in the application of behavioral science was awarded to Networkers John I. Gilderbloom and Richard P. Appelbaum (both of the Sociology Dept., Univ. of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106) for their paper "Housing Supply and Regulation: A Study of the Rental Housing Market." The award was announced by *The Journal of Applied Behavioral Science* (Box 9155, Arlington, VA 22209), and will appear in the February 1983 (Vol. 19, No. 1) issue.

□ **ROANOKE HOUSING PLAN:** *Choices: Alternatives for Housing in Old Northwest Roanoke* describes an action research plan designed to assist low income, Black residents to evaluate design guidelines for housing construction and rehabilitation in their neighborhood. Techniques described would preserve the historic area as a cultural and economic hub for the Black population. It provides descriptions of proposed solutions to the neighborhood's problems in the northwest area, together with the description of a new solution—infill housing and renovation. A two-page summary of this MA thesis by Sharon Booker is available from *Southern Neighborhoods* (c/o NCCED, 2025 Eye St., NW,

#901, Wash. DC 20006) or a copy of the published version may be obtained for \$2.50 to Lyna Schneekloth, School of Architecture, Cowgill Hall, Blacksburg, VA 24061.

□ **WORLD ARMS SPENDING** is chronicled in current terms in the 8th edition of *World Military and Social Expenditures 1982*, by Ruth Leger Sivard, from the Institute for World Order. Her report documents the irony that growing arms spending worldwide actually threatens rather than safeguards world peace, and that instead of stimulating the world economy, it comes at a time of spreading recession, stifling economies, and staggering increases in the numbers of impoverished, uneducated, and underfed people. Copies are \$4 prepaid, from the Institute, 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10017, which also has an extensive publications list.

□ **BOSTON ON FILM:** Cine Research Associates has produced two remarkable films on life in Boston: *Down the Project*, on the city's public housing efforts; and *Mission Hill and the Miracle of Boston*, a chronicle of urban renewal in an Irish neighborhood. Both run 60 minutes, and are in 16mm black and white. And each is available for rent or purchase. Contact: Cine Research Associates, 1126 Boylston St., Boston, MA 02215, 617/442-9756.

□ **GOV'T CONSUMERS' MANUAL:** The U.S. Office of Consumer Affairs has pulled together 92 pages of government and private listings for consumers seeking information or help with problems and complaints. The listings range from the regional offices of federal agencies to state utility commissions and car makers consumer contacts, complete with names, addresses and phone numbers. Single copies of *Consumer's Resource Handbook* are free from: *Handbook*, Consumer Information Center, Pueblo, CO 81009.

□ **FOOD CO-OPS:** Networker David Houseman (State Office of Services to the Aging, Box 30026, Lansing, MI 48909) reports on the availability—and tremendous popularity (2,000 orders in 10 months)—of a six-bulletin Cooperative Extension Service series on establishing and operating food cooperatives. The series is based on work he has been doing in a statewide program to promote local self-help, such as cooperative gardens, food buying clubs, and solar greenhouses. For non-Michigan residents, the food co-op series, called *Together for a Change: A Series on Food Cooperatives*, is \$1.65, from the Cooperative Extension Service, Michigan State University, E. Lansing, MI 48824.

□ **INTERNATIONAL IDEA EXCHANGE:** The Stonebow Project is an idea from Sven Bjork (Box 21, 1301 Sandvika, Norway) for an international forum for linking seemingly unassociated phenomena and unrelated efforts in the fields of education, planning, and research for the resulting synthesis of ideas that might emerge. Development of the idea is a long-term project, but includes an initial effort at networking with a quarterly newsletter, "The Stonebow Connection." He is anxious for names of interested participants; a 4-page project statement is available.

□ **MASS. KIDS REPORT:** *Massachusetts: The State of the Child* is a just-released 104-page report by the Massachusetts Advocacy Center (2 Park Sq., Boston, MA 02116). It's free, but they would appreciate a donation to the Center (they suggest \$5 for the book + 70¢ postage/handling). The report's

statistics are pre-Reagan. A later report, due soon, will document the impact of the Administration's budget cuts on child-related programs.

□ **JUNE 12TH MARCH BOOK:** The folks at the Institute for Policy Studies have compiled a 128-page book using pictures and quotations to document the June 12th disarmament demonstration in New York and related demonstrations elsewhere. Called *You Can't Hug with Nuclear Arms*, the book features a foreword by Rev. William Sloane Coffin, and is available for \$10.95, prepaid, from IPS, 1901 Que St., NW, Wash. DC 20009. Quantity discounts are also available.

□ **SOCIAL INVESTING:** *Good Money* is a new newsletter on social investing and inventing from the Center for Economic Revitalization, Box 363, Worcester, VT 05682. The Fall 1982 introductory issue includes an insert called "Net-backing," which reports on short items. Longer pieces reported on the history of social investing efforts, analyzed possible investment situations, and provided insights into related developments in England, Ireland, and Japan. Subscriptions for the bimonthly range from \$12 for students and the poor (\$13,000 annual income or less), to \$36 for individuals and nonprofits, to \$108 for corporations.

□ **TUFTS MASTERS PROGRAM:** Tufts University offers a two-year interdisciplinary Masters Degree program in urban and environmental policy that is an alternative to traditional programs in public policy and planning. Students specialize in environmental policy and planning, health policy, or community development; field-based training is stressed. As of September 1982 tuition was \$4,782. Applications and financial aid requests are due before March 15, 1983. Contact: Robert Hollister, Dept. of Urban and Environmental Policy, Tufts University, Medford, MA 02155, 617/628-5000 ext. 726.

□ **LIFE AFTER SILICON VALLEY:** Networker Tim Stroshane (107½ Cedar St., Santa Cruz, CA 95060) reports: "I have produced a draft on 'Democratic Planning and Military Conversion: Technology and Employment,' with a case study of the Mid-Peninsula Conversion Project of Mountain View, CA. The piece is a theoretical and empirical look at MCPC's attempts to create alternative forms of employment for military workers, low-income people, and labor in Silicon Valley, USA, through alternate technology projects. This is only a draft, but I would like comments on it from other planners who are interested in creating a new 'politics of production' while trying to stave off nuclear annihilation and economic holocaust. If you're interested, send me \$5 for copying costs, and I'll cover postage (another \$2).

"Also, if there are other conversion projects or peace groups out there organizing around alternate forms of employment, I'd be interested in hearing from and about them."

□ **NEWSLETTER 'HOW-TO':** *How To Do Leaflets, Newsletters, and Newspapers* is a 144-page effort by Popular Economics Press (Box 289, Boston, MA 02112) to explain the planning, organization, and mechanics of publications such as this one. The book, available in single copies for \$5.95, "tells all anyone needs to know to get such projects off the ground," according to the publisher. Bulk rates are available.

□ **PLANNERS' SELF-DEPENDENCY:** From Networker Leo Lillard (2814 Buena Vista, Nashville, TN 37218): Due to the obvious collapse of planning funds, I have been forced to retreat to my second profession: industrial engineering. I would like to know what financial alternatives others in the planning network have developed, particularly Afro-Americans. Why couldn't the Network run a survey of career postures of its members?

□ **SCOTTISH RADICALS:** From Cliff Hague (14 Dalhousie Terr., Edinburgh EM10 5NE, Scotland): We got five of our nine Radical Institute Group candidates elected to the Council of the Royal Town Planning Institute. Our four student candidates were again returned unopposed. We now have 14 RIG members on Council—therefore, about one-third of the total Council.

In the coming year, we aim to campaign on our Alternative Planning Strategy, both nationally and in Branches. The planning system over here is being changed quite substantially to make it more overtly and unambiguously subservient to the interests of private capital; and the professional establishment has been muted in its opposition.

I think we have failed in our advocacy myopia. We forgot to build a real viable mechanism to weather the inevitable turn on, turn off of this capitalist elite monopoly economy. We have lost many a marginal liberal radical to hard times because their contact with cold reality disillusioned them, and they had no comeback support system. We must seek to earnestly push for courses in planning schools that discipline students in self-dependency.

□ **NEIGHBORHOOD \$\$\$ DEVELOPMENT:** Networker Dennis Bricking (2829 Westminster Ct., Louisville, KY 40206) reports on an effort in community-based economic development undertaken by Louisville's California neighborhood through its block club federation. The block clubs, working with the city, local planners, and the Legal Aid Society, have developed a plan and located a site for a small neighborhood shopping district. The neighborhood groups would own a piece of the land, and also share in the project's cash flow, which would generate funds for other community projects. The project would create perhaps 25 jobs, it has been estimated. Efforts to develop the project further are underway.

□ **HELP FOR PRODUCER CO-OPS:** From Networker Sam Salkin (3100 Connecticut Ave. NW, #120, Wash. DC 20008): I am working as the Senior Planner at the National Consumer Cooperative Bank. I am just finishing the Bank's strategic plan for the food industry. The Bank is attempting to figure out how to do market rate development finance in this country. At present the Bank's assets outstrip the effective demand. The Bank has a chartered mandate to lend to cooperatives of low income people, no easy task in the 1980s. Ten percent of the Bank's assets (\$235 million) may be lent to producer cooperatives. Again, effective demand is limited. I am interested in making myself available to groups with a track record of success in solid and effective organizing that have a commitment to business development.

□ **AVAILABLE IN D.C.:** Networker Gregory D. Squires is seeking part-time employment in the Washington, D.C. area for the summer of 1983. He would be interested in teaching a course/seminar on the racial implications of economic disinvestment (e.g. redlining, plant closings, capital mobility) or

assisting others doing related policy oriented research. He can be contacted at: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 230 S. Dearborn, Room 3280, Chicago, IL 60604, 312/353-7371.

□ **COMPARATIVE URBANIZATION:** I am planning to teach next year a course on Urban Economic Development which will compare urbanization in industrialized and third world countries. I would appreciate your sending me course syllabi, reading lists, or citations to your favorite book(s) and article(s). Send to Prof. Larry Sawers, Department of Economics, The American University, Washington, D.C. 20016.

□ **WASTELAND VOICE:** From Networker Stan Kabala (Pittsburgh Architects, 237 Oakland Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15213): Threatened and chastened by the Annual Purge warning in PN #36 let me submit this call to Networkers in what sometimes seems like a wasteland in terms of alternative social policy. Expanding on Ed Meek's item in PN #35 on organizing financial and technical assistance for worker-owners I would like to get in touch with others in Western Pennsylvania interested in the issues of community economic self-reliance, worker self-management, and appropriate technology and environmental maintenance in the post-industrial complex.

□ **JOBS & ENVIRONMENT:** A 320-page book, *Fear at Work*, by Richard Grossman and Networker Richard Kazis debunks the myth that improving the environment costs jobs, and that the country's economic welfare depends on deregulating environmental protection. It provides the facts people need to fight for both decent jobs and clean environments. Single copies are \$10.95 from Pilgrim Press, 132 W. 31st St., New York, N.Y. 10001. Bulk orders at special prices are available from Environmentalists for Full Employment, 1536 16th St. NW, Wash. DC 20036, 202/347-5590.

□ **SUBSIDIZED DISCRIMINATION:** In its report *Business Incentives and Minority Employment*, the Wisconsin Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights found that racial minorities and women are underutilized in businesses which benefit from various financial incentives (such as industrial revenue bonds) offered by all levels of government. The report recommends that units of government issuing industrial revenue bonds or other forms of financial aid should require recipients to comply with strict affirmative action requirements. Copies of the report are available from Gregory D. Squires, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 230 S. Dearborn #3280, Chicago, IL 60604, 312/353-7371.

□ **SECOND OPINION** is the name of the monthly newsletter of the Coalition for the Medical Rights of Women, an organization of consumers and providers working together to make the health care system more responsive to women's needs. A recent issue included articles on restrictive abortion policies and on the special effects of smoking on women, as well as shorter notes. Subscriptions/memberships begin at \$15. Contact the Coalition, 1638-B Haight St., San Francisco, CA 94117, 415/621-8030.

□ **UNIVERSITY FOR SALE?** From Networker James Herrick (9216 3rd Ave. N.W., Seattle, WA 98117): I would be interested in hearing from people who are concerned about the "selling" of public universities to private corporate sector interests in order to bring in money. Due to budget cuts by

state legislation and diminished federal grants many state universities, such as the University of Washington, are turning to the private sector for money. With such funds come changes in academic program priorities. Such changes are beginning to reshape the academic programs of public universities along lines directly supportive of corporate business interests in profit maximization. Academic programs not supportive or opposed to such interests are targeted for reduction or elimination.

□ **SEEKING TAX IDEAS:** From Networker Peter Marcuse (Dept. of Urban Planning, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027): Members of the New York Network would be interested in ideas for raising public revenues for use in producing and maintaining low income housing. San Francisco's development tax/housing supply ordinance is one example. We are considering a luxury housing tax, to be imposed on rentals over \$1,000 a month or sales over \$100,000. Proceeds would go into a dedicated "Housing Users" fund. We would be interested in hearing about any other ideas, whether just proposed or in effect.

□ **THE FRUITION PROJECT** is an effort to arouse interest in planting fruit and nut trees on public lands so their food will be available to all, and publishes a twice-yearly newsletter, *Fruition*, for \$10. Back issues are available. Contact: The Fruition Project, Box 872, Santa Cruz, CA 95061.

□ **WORLDWATCH PUBLICATIONS:** The Worldwatch Institute has a special offer to social change magazine and newsletter editors of free *Worldwatch Papers* from its extensive list for review in their publications. The one condition is inclusion of the Institute's name and address, and the \$2 charge (to others) for each *Worldwatch Paper*. Topics cover global housing, alternative energy, health, and refugee issues. Contact: Worldwatch Institute, 1776 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Wash. DC 20036, 202/452-1999.

□ **THE WORLD CONSTITUTION** and Parliament Association (1480 Hoyte St. #31, Lakewood, CO 80215) has been formed to support the efforts of the Provisional World Parliament in creating a World Disarmament Agency for monitoring the control of nuclear and other weapons of mass destruction. Information is available, including a booklet, *Design and Action for a New World*, and contributions are encouraged.

□ **GROWTH STOCK:** *Trees for California* is a 56-page handbook by naturalist Dennis Hanson to broaden the reader's perspective and encourage action to build up and protect our storehouse of trees. The book highlights trees as providers of food and energy, filterers of air, and protectors of valuable soils; and features supportive citizen groups such as Tree People in Los Angeles and Friends of the Urban Forest in San Francisco. Copies are free to Californians, \$3 for the rest of us (prepaid to the State of California), from Office of Appropriate Technology, 1600 9th St. #330, Sacramento, CA 95814.

□ **COMMUNITY-BASED TA:** Seattle's SCOPI (Scientists/Citizens Organized on Policy Issues) Project is designed to function as a "matchmaker" between scientific and technical experts and the people of a community, to help put science and technology to work in the public interest. It has undertaken projects in land use, housing, energy conservation,

and noise control, among other areas. Some project reports are available. Contact: Sandra Sampson, SCOPI Project, Metrocenter YWCA, 909 4th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104.

□ **ITHACA NEIGHBORHOOD STUDY:** From Networker Susan Lobbenberg (312 E. Upland Rd., Ithaca, N.Y. 14850, 607/257-4421): I am writing to ask whether any Networkers have been, or are currently, involved in local urban/social/architectural studies. I am about to start such a study with local residents of Ithaca's Southside and a local nonprofit housing agency, and would like to find out about people doing similar projects elsewhere, especially in upstate New York.

□ **WORKPLACE SAFETY:** From Michael Brown, STS Program, Clark Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. 14853: I am working on a project investigating the attitudes of people who work with chemicals on their job about health risks. What do they know about the risks, where do they get information from, what do they do with the information, how do they feel about working in a risky environment, are they active on health and safety to any extent. If anyone else has done work in this area I would be interested in hearing from you. I am also helping establish a workplace health and safety information service designed to give technical information on hazards to workers and small business employers. I would appreciate any information or suggestions people have in setting up and operating such a service.

□ **CORNELL SUMMER PROGRAM:** Cornell University's Dept. of City and Regional Planning will put on its fourth Progressive Planning Summer Program next June 6-Aug. 5, with a combination of academic courses and shorter institutes. Most of the activity will be concentrated during three weeks in June when courses and institutes will be supplemented by social events and evening lectures. Courses include National Planning and Industrial Policy (taught by Howard Wachtel); Rural Planning Issues (Charles Geisler and Mark Lapping); Neighborhood Housing Strategies (Chester Hartman); Alternatives in Third World Planning (Idrian Resnick); Introduction to Planning (Harvey Jacobs); and Quantitative Techniques for Planners (Cornell Staff). Institutes are Rational Reindustrialization: A New Agenda for Local Economic Planning (Dan Luria and Jack Russell); and Management Training for Community Enterprises and Nonprofit, Local Government Agencies (Dick Schramm and Jim Crowfoot). Tuition is \$700 for the courses; \$150-\$375 for the institutes, with partial scholarship aid in some instances. For information, contact: Pierre Clavel or Lynn Coffey, Dept. of City and Regional Planning, Sibley Hall, Cornell U., Ithaca, N.Y. 14853, 607/256-6212.

□ **BLOCK BY BLOCK:** *Building a New Life in Mozambique* is the title of a 16-minute slide-tape show produced by Networker Barry Pinsky (472 Brunswick Ave., Toronto, Ontario M5R 2Z5) for the Toronto Committee for the Liberation of Southern Africa (TCLSAC). Based on Pinsky's work in community-based shantytown upgrading in Mozambique's capital, Maputo, the show stresses self-reliance and community control. The presentation is available for rent (\$20) or sale (\$105) from TCLSAC, 427 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Ontario, 416/967-5562. Mailing costs are extra.

□ **CEDAR RIVERSIDE HOUSING:** Networker Tim Mongavan (2604 S. 7th St., Minneapolis, MN 55454) reports on

the October groundbreaking in Minneapolis' Cedar Riverside neighborhood for 65 super energy-efficient, Section 8 family units. The project includes new construction as well as rehab. and comes after an extensive community-based effort in organizing, planning, and development. Tim works for the Cedar Riverside Project Area Committee, which carried on a major share of the effort.

NETWORKER DENIED TENURE: Networker Dudley Burton (4062 Winkle Ave., Santa Cruz, CA 95065) has been denied tenure as an environmental planner at UC Santa Cruz, because he "did not meet the standards of scholarship expected of tenured faculty," according to Chancellor Robert Sinsheimer. More than 150 students protested the decision in the Chancellor's office. Burton said the decision to deny him tenure was a reflection of outside budget pressures on the university and the question of what types of students the school will supply.

PROMOTING NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESSES: Networker Steve Lazin (213 E. Cliveden, Philadelphia, PA 19119) reports on a successful, two-day "Run Your Own Business" Festival, sponsored by the Delaware County (PA) Economic Development Center, for older neighborhood business districts. "We feel we've hit upon a formula of great potency," he writes, "good old American entrepreneurial fever ('make-a-million' hype), plus emphasis on community resources and benefits, which results in an entertaining program with wide appeal and potential for great impact." Travel arrangements for the Festival are possible through the co-sponsor, J.G. Press, 18 S. 7th St., Emmaus, PA 18049, 215/967-4135.

Lazin also is seeking information on business district authorities (also called special assessment districts). The Delaware County Economic Development Center is studying the concept, and would benefit from the experience of others.

PERIODICALS CHECKLIST: Renewal Inc. (Box 43241, Wash. DC 20010) has available pressure sensitive labels for more than 1,500 New Age, progressive, feminist, environmental, futurist, alternative periodicals. The list might be helpful for mailings, press releases, etc. Cost is \$50 for "movement" groups and individuals.

BANK LENDING DATA: The Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (Wash. D.C. 20219) has completed a study of improving loan disclosure reports under fair housing laws, the Community Reinvestment Act, and the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act. Copies of the study are available. In general, the study concludes that a unified system of reporting is feasible, would reduce lenders' costs, and improve information available to the public.

FREE BOOK OFFER: *Social Policy* magazine is offering a free copy of *What Reagan Is Doing to Us* (PN #36) with each new \$15 *Social Policy* subscription. Contact: Social Policy, 33 W. 42nd St. #1216, New York, N.Y. 10036.

MORE BOOK NEWS: From Herbert Gans (Department of Sociology, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027): Perhaps Networkers would be interested to know that the Free Press has recently published an updated and expanded edition of *The Urban Villagers*, which updates some now 20-year-old ideas about poverty, race, class, urban renewal,

and related matters. And Columbia University Press has just brought out a new edition of *The Levittowners*, which had been out of print. It's the old book with a new preface.

HOUSING THOUGHTS: PN member Peter Dreier (Dept. of Sociology, Tufts U., Medford, PA 02155) published an article in the Aug. 21 issue of *The Nation* entitled "The Housing Crisis: Dreams and Nightmares." Copies of this article—which included a friendly reference to PN and its ideas for housing reform—are available from Peter by sending him a SASE.

'HOUSING' FOR THE PRESS: From Peter Dreier (Sociology Dept., Tufts U., Medford, MA 02155): I am doing an article with Chester Hartman designed to help sympathetic journalists learn how to cover housing issues from a progressive, grass-roots perspective. It will primarily be a "how-to" guide—what sources (such as PN, *Shelterforce*, etc.) to contact, what issues to focus on, and so on. But we also want to include a critique of how the mainstream news media—newspapers, magazines, TV—cover housing news. We would appreciate PN members sending to either of us examples, anecdotes, opinions on the bias of news coverage of housing. We would like to use such examples to illustrate the biased, one-sided, or incomplete way the media cover housing. Also, if you have examples of particularly good, even-handed, progressive news coverage of housing, please send those along, too. The idea, of course, is to help journalists develop perspectives, instincts and sources from the housing activists' side of things. We hope to publish the final product in the *Columbia Journalism Review* and also issue a somewhat longer report on the topic.

HEALTH WATCH is a national project developed by the American Medical Student Association (Box 131, Chantilly, VA 22021, 703.968-7920) to collect and disseminate case reports of patients who are denied access to health services or receive inadequate or inappropriate care because of recent changes in government policies. AMSA has an organizing package and background information for those who are interested.

ALTERNATIVE HOUSING REPORT: *Meeting America's Housing Needs*, a new report from the Conference on Alternative State and Local Policies, examines how economic conditions and tax laws have raised housing costs, and changed the goals of homeownership from tenure to investment. The report concludes with a comprehensive program of federal, state, and local actions to reduce the cost of housing. Copies are \$5.95, prepaid, from the Conference, 2000 Florida Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20009.

CITY VENTURE CRITIQUE: Two University of Minnesota staffers have prepared a working paper, *The Politics of Private Sector Initiatives: The Case of City Venture Corporation*, which raises a number of issues critical of Control Data Corporation's highly promoted urban revitalization effort, City Venture Corporation. The report was first presented at the Chicago Conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning in October. Copies are available for \$5 (payable to the Hubert Humphrey Institute), from authors Calvin Bradford and Mihailo Temali, Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 909 Social Sciences, 267 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55455, 612 373-2653.

□ VOLGA CRUISE: Networker Jan Reiner (1000 52nd St. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33710) reports on his second peace cruise of the Volga in August as part of a 165-person tour sponsored by six American groups. He reported on an earlier trip in PN #27. "The 10-day cruise was a delightful, mind-stretching experience," he writes. "We saw historic and modern cities, talked with 'our resident Russians' on the ship, visited with Soviet peace groups, and met with Soviet citizens casually in their homes. Whether we listened to children or talked to adults, prevention of another war seemed clearly on their minds."

□ ANTI-NUKE NEWS: In New York, Environmental Designers for Nuclear Disarmament has arranged itself as a study group for a few sessions to learn more about the facts, issues, and implications of the nuclear threat. Meeting formats include presentation of papers and discussions. For details, contact: Richard Hatch, 40 W. 27th St., New York, N.Y. 10001, 212/889-4976.

In Boston, the Planning for Peace group has developed a statement of purpose and is continuing work on expanding its vision and developing an agenda. For details, contact: Kathryn Kasch, 91 Charles St., Boston, MA 02144.

□ PROTECTING CALIF. COAST: From Networker Ruth Galanter (3717 Inglewood Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90066): With the change in state administration and the ambitious plans of Secretary Watt to sell oil leases off the coast, California coastal activists are gearing up for the new season. The League for Coastal Protection, formed last year to promote coastal conservation legislation in Sacramento, is preparing to introduce legislation to mandate preservation of the remaining wetlands, and organizing a network of people to lobby both in Sacramento and in legislators' home districts, and to revitalize the 10-year-old effort to protect California's coast from overdevelopment and to open it to the public. A regular newsletter, *Coastlines*, describes what is happening on the legislative front and how various parts of the state are dealing with it. "Coastal Alerts," short notices explaining urgent developments requiring immediate action, are put out as needed. These usually describe a particular upcoming vote and who needs to be lobbied.

Needed: members, money, activists, information, technical help. If you've got it, we'll be glad to use it. To join, send a check (\$25 individuals, \$200 organizations) to: League for Coastal Protection, c/o Bob Garcia, 202 Cherry Ave., Capitola, CA 95010. For info: Sally Friedman, c/o NRDC, 25 Kearny Street, San Francisco, CA 94108, phone 415/421-6561, or Moe Stavnezer, 824 Amoroso, Venice, CA 90291, phone 213/822-4725.

□ ANTI-CRIME FUNDS: The Eisenhower Foundation is developing an anti-crime self-help program under which it will provide up to 10 community-based groups with seed grants of as much as \$50,000 for local two-year efforts. Preferred applications will include matching support from local foundations or corporations. For details, contact: The Eisenhower Foundation, 1990 M St. N.W. #200, Wash. D.C. 20036, 202/429-0440.

□ SOCIETY AND PEACE is a new quarterly journal committed to the development of the theory of social process in geographic space. It derives its impetus from the explosion of interest in the relationship between space-time organization and social process, and will seek to establish an open discourse which will affect the social sciences as a whole. For subscription rates and other details, contact Editor M.J. Dear, Dept. of Geography, McMaster Univ., 1280 Main St. W., Hamilton, Ontario L8S 4K1.

□ ENERGY CO-OPS: *Community Energy Cooperatives: How To Organize, Manage, and Finance Them* is a 230-page manual from the Conference on Alternative State and Local Policies which provides case studies of an array of energy-related co-ops in both urban and rural settings. Approaches range from weatherization to gasahol production. The price is \$9.95 (\$19.95 for institutions), plus 10% postage and handling, from the Conference, 2000 Florida Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20009.

□ HOUSING ALERT: The National Low Income Housing Information Service is interested in learning about local situations where there has been or is a threat to any public housing or other publicly assisted housing units. Let them know about the loss of these units in your jurisdiction and give them a contact. They will follow up. They hope to document local stories, provide media with information, and work with local groups to counter the loss of these units. Contact Mary Brooks, 310 W. 106 St., NYC 10025, 212/866-5213.

□ DEVELOPER GIVEBACKS is the subject of an article by Networker Bill Allen (Box 5865, Santa Monica, CA 90405) in the November *Shelterforce*, appearing as part of the PN series (PN #36). The article cites examples with Santa Monica developers in which agreements with the developers, who wanted to build office space or luxury housing, for instance, provided the city with low-income housing, day care, or open space. The article also provides background on the idea of "givebacks," and describes the working of such a program. For *Shelterforce* subscriptions (six times yearly), contact: *Shelterforce*, 380 Main St., East Orange, N.J. 07018. Individual rates are \$8 yearly; libraries, institutions, etc. pay \$12.

□ HOUSING DENSITY STUDY: From Networker Tom Gihring (School of Urban and Public Affairs, Portland State University, P.O. Box 751, Portland, OR 97207): I am proposing to conduct research on the social-psychological barriers to affordable higher density housing types in Portland. Neighborhood opposition to multi-family housing types has become a hinderance to the achievement of city and state housing goals. I would appreciate receiving material and references on the subjects of perceived density, trade-off gaming in residential settings, documented evidence of similar instances of public antipathy, and possible funding sources.

□ HUNTER ORGANIZERS: Educational Center for Community Organizing is a new networking group among community organizers, faculty, and students at Hunter College School of Social Work. The group plans occasional suppers, film showings, seminars, etc. to promote community organiz-

ing strategies, provide networking opportunities, and offer support. For details, contact Terry Mizrahi, Hunter School of Social Work, 129 E. 79th St., New York, N.Y. 10021, 212/570-5064.

HONORING CUSHING DOLBEARE: The Democratic Socialists of America will honor Cushing Dolbeare, President of the National Low Income Housing Coalition, at a dinner Jan. 25 at the Hotel Washington in Washington, D.C. Tickets are \$40 each, payable to the DC/Md Democratic Socialists of America, 1346 Connecticut Ave. NW, #810A, Wash. D.C. 20036, 202/296-7693.

TUFTS SUMMER PROGRAM: Tufts University Dept. of Urban and Environmental Policy announces a new Progressive Planning Program for summer 1983, designed to provide students, community activists, and professionals opportunity to explore policies and programs that advance democratic control and economic justice. Courses will include Social Justice, Civil Rights, and Legal Institutions; Marxism for Planners; Local Economic Development; Grassroots Organizing; Progressive Views for the 1980s; Progressive Housing Analysis and Options; Worker Ownership and Collective Self-Management; Emerging Issues in Health Policy; Media Access for Community Empowerment; and Writing for Planners and Policy Analysts. For more information, including dates and fees, contact Rob Hollister, Dept. of Urban and Environmental Policy, Tufts U., Medford, MA 02155, 617/381-3394.

RESEARCH CONSULTANTS: The Community Action Research Group is a 5-year-old Ames, IA, consulting group which provides legal, legislative, and technical research to citizens organizations. Areas of interest include taxes, economic development, transportation, zoning, water resources, and utility rates. Contact: CARG, Box 1232, Ames, IA 50010, 515/292-4758.

SELF-MANAGED DEVELOPMENT: Eight groups from four continents have formed a consortium to begin planning and collecting resources on people taking direct action to build, improve, and maintain their own homes and neighborhoods, and on sympathetic institutions supporting people in such efforts. The resulting collection of materials will be available to users through an exchange network through which users can also contribute their experiences and also contact other users. The consortium's secretariat is located in London. Contact: AHAS, 5 Dryden St., London WC2E 9NW.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANUAL: The Golden Empire Health Systems Agency has prepared a 150-page handbook on California's hazardous materials disclosure ordinances to help local communities determine their need for information on hazardous materials used and handled in their areas. Called *Hazardous Materials Disclosure Information Systems: A Handbook for California Communities and Their Officials*, the report is available for \$8.50 from Golden Health Systems Agency, 827 7th St. #431, Sacramento, CA 95814, 916/447-3201.

Regional Roundup

FLICKS AT SIX: The New York Planners Network is continuing its ever-popular Flicks at Six film series (cosponsored with the Forum on Architecture, Planning and Society; and the Center for Human Environments, City University Graduate School) with a schedule of monthly films, refreshments, and speakers. Upcoming topics and films: Dec. 17, 5th Anniversary Party. *The Wobblies* (plus a sing-along); Jan. 21, Jobs v. Housing. *What's Good for General Motors*; Feb. 25, Subsidies. *Paying the Poor's Rent*; Mar. 18, Displacement. *Right to Fight*; Apr. 15, Public Housing. *Down the Project*. Showings begin at 6 p.m. sharp at City University Graduate School, 33 W. 42nd St., 3rd Floor Studio. Admission is free; the inevitable hat is always passed.

TWO FROM BOSTON: The Boston Planners Network sponsored two events in the fall: a film and panel on public housing in Boston; and a panel on progressive strategies for public control of reinvestment, using Detroit and Boston as examples. The public housing program featured the film *Down the Project*, and a panel which included John Grady, co-producer of the film and assistant professor of sociology, Wheaton College; Leslie Newman, lead counsel, "Perez v. BHA"; and Robert Whittlesey, former court-appointed master, BHA. The reinvestment panel included Dan Luria, research economist, UAW, Detroit; Tee Taggart, regional director, National Consumer Cooperative Bank; and Robert Goodman, author and visiting faculty, Columbia University.

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Please check here if this is a new membership.

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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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On Our Organization

FINANCING THE PLANNERS NETWORK: A MEMBER'S PROPOSED PLAN

Lots of you heeded our warning in #36 to let us hear from you to avoid being dropped, but far too many of those communications were not backed by a show of financial support. We'll keep to our policy of not requiring dues or subscription fees as long as we're able, but there does seem to be a discrepancy between the wonderful praise we get from employed people, confirming their desire to stay in the Network and the lack of money backing that sentiment. Typesetters, printers, mailers and post offices all require regular feeding.

John Friedmann of the UCLA Grad. School of Architecture and Urban Planning, feels strongly that our present financial system is faulty. He sent in the following proposal, to which we'd like to hear responses:

The present system is somewhat haphazard. From time to time, we are exhorted to pay our "dues," but if we don't that apparently is O.K. Nothing happens; the roof doesn't cave in. There is a suggested scale for payment, which goes up rather steeply with income, but if you choose to ignore this advice, everybody will look the other way. The result of this procedure is (1) repeated appeals for money from the office, (2) uncertainty about one's obligations as a member, and (3) a lot of free riders.

In the olden days, when the Network was smaller, participation was pleasantly informal. You kept insisting, and rightly so, that to stay on the mailing list, we had to send in items for the Newsletter. Occasionally, there were appeals for small sums of money. It was great; the Network was a voluntary organization.

But now we are formal. And I think that should make a difference. Rather than suggest some abstract criteria that might govern our membership rules, let me propose a few concrete ideas on how we might structure them. My conviction is that the office should be funded only to the extent necessary for the Newsletter and similar efforts to communicate with the membership of the PN. The real payoff comes from the work of the local chapters. If chapters need money, they will have to collect it. They should expect sympathy but no money from the Center. As much as possible, we should remain a voluntary organization.

Having said this, here is a proposed dues and membership structure: students and unemployed planners, \$5 per year (the price of a movie ticket); planners employed for less than 3 years, \$10 (two movie tickets); planners employed for 3 or more years, \$15 (three movie tickets).

Membership entitles you to a free copy of the PN Newsletter. If you lapse for more than 3 months (or 6, if you like), you get cut from the mailing list).

In addition, to these fees which should cover national expenses, we might want to use the "moral incentives" of titles to reward people in various ways. For instance: Contributing Member, anybody who makes a monetary gift to the PN in excess of annual dues; Corresponding Member, anybody who

sends two or more items per year for publication in the PN Newsletter and is paid up; Ordinary Member, all the rest who are paid up.

Local chapters may want to have their own reward list.

I hope this proposal will prompt others to react. At our next national gathering, we might want to have a discussion of what it means to belong to the PN, specifically, what responsibilities we assume as a member. I don't claim to have the whole answer, but I do think that the present system is far from optimal.

Ex-Conferences

□ A Trans-Atlantic Exchange on Problems and Solutions in the Automated Office was held Oct. 28-29 in Boston, sponsored by the Working Women Education Fund (related to 9 to 5, Natl. Assn. of Working Women). The conference dealt with issues of job design and work organization, occupational health, employment impacts, office homework, new trends in technology, etc. Further information about the conference, a new journal—*Office: Technology and People*—the *9 to 5 Newsletter*, etc. from Working Women Educ. Fund, 1224 Huron Rd., Cleveland, OH 44115, 216/566-1699.

□ NEWARK'S FUTURE: Networkers Stanley Winters of New Jersey Institute of Technology (323 High St., Newark, N.J. 07102), and Martin Bierbaum of Rutgers (Dept. Urban Studies, Newark, N.J. 07102) were the key speakers at a one-day symposium Dec. 1 on "Newark Looking Ahead." Winters examined Newark's redevelopment and planning in the 20th century, and Bierbaum presented alternative scenarios for the city in the year 2000. The symposium, held at the Newark Public Library, was presented in connection with a library exhibit on planning and development in Newark, which continues through Jan. 26. For details, contact: Newark Public Library, 5 Washington St., Newark, N.J. 07101, 201/733-7771.

□ TENANTS UNION: Gaining political power and fighting displacement were the two key issues to emerge from the third annual conference of the National Tenants Union, held July 22-25 in Santa Monica. At a concluding plenary session, the conference voted to hold a National Tenants Day in May in selected cities around the country at which displacement will be the main focus. The NTU is currently organizing volunteers to help coordinate local observances of National Tenants Day. If you are interested, contact: Woody Widrow, c/o Shelterforce, 380 Main St., East Orange, N.J. 07018, 201/678-6778. NTU memberships are \$5; "I'm-a-Tenant-and-I-Vote" buttons are 50 cents each (cheaper in bulk).

Jobs

□ CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: The Campaign for Human Development of the U.S. Catholic Conference has two openings in support of its funding for

self-help efforts in poverty communities. The deadline for the positions is Jan. 7; salary is in the mid-\$20s with benefits; education is at least an A.B. One position is for a program officer, responsible for analyzing proposals and working with funded groups; the other position is for a loan program coordinator to manage the Campaign's economic development loan program and minority bank/credit union deposit program. For details and job descriptions, contact: Kathy Desmond, Campaign for Human Development, 1312 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20005, 202/659-6650.

Upcoming Conferences

□ ENVIRONMENTAL DISPUTES: The Conservation Foundation is sponsoring a one-day conference Jan. 25 on environmental dispute resolution, featuring keynote speakers, panels, and workshops. The conference is designed to explore alternative methods to litigation for settling environmental disputes among public interest, corporate, and government antagonists. Registration is \$95 before Jan. 5, \$125 thereafter; the conference will be at the Capital Hilton, 16th and K Sts. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036, 202/393-1000; limited accommodations are available. For registration form and details, contact: The Conservation Foundation, 1717 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036, 202/797-4300.

□ EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP: The National Center for Employee Ownership and the Assn. for Workplace Democracy will sponsor their second annual conference April 8-9 at the University of Colorado in Denver. The focus will be on working examples of employee ownership and participation programs. Fees range from \$50 to \$110. For registration and details, contact: National Center for Employee Ownership, 1611 S. Walter Reed Dr. #109, Arlington, VA 22204, 703/979-2375.

□ PUERTO RICAN IMAGES: The interrelationships between Puerto Rican literature and the life and culture which the literature both reflects and creates will be explored in a three-day conference April 7-9 in Newark. The conference is titled "Images and Identities: The Puerto Rican in Literature," and will be held at Rutgers University in Newark, the Newark Museum, and the Newark Public Library. For details, contact: Dr. Asela Rodriguez de Laguna, Dept. of Foreign Languages, Rutgers U., Newark, N.J. 07102, 201/648-5594.

□ SCHUMACHER SOCIETY: "Tools for Community Economic Transformation," is the title of a five-day seminar on community self-financing techniques sponsored by the E.F. Schumacher Society, Jan. 2-7, near Eugene, OR. Staff includes Shann Turnbull, Australian businessman and consultant to the World Bank; Robert Swann, author of *Community Land Trust: A Guide to a New System of Land Tenure*; and George Benello, an expert on worker-managed

businesses, and founding member of Arrow Design, a worker-managed industry, producing a small efficient vehicle. Topics will include community banking, financing appropriate technology and small business through issuing of local currency, and financing community land acquisition without grants. Subjects are relevant to third world, rural, and city neighborhood planning. A total of 25 participants is being sought, representing community organization or small businesses who can bring case studies for discussion. The \$500-\$800 seminar fee includes tuition, room and board. Some scholarship aid is available. Write or call: E.F. Schumacher Society, Box 76A, RD 3, Great Barrington, MA 01230, 413, 528-1737, or 503, 741-1845.

Etcetera

□ NEXT PN DEADLINE: Look for the next issue of the Planners Network in February. The deadline for copy will be Monday, February 7. It sure does help with production when your notes and comments are typed.

□ TOO MANY PNs? Are you getting more than one PN newsletter? Please let us know if you are (and which address you want us to drop), so we can avoid unnecessary printing and mailing costs.

□ HEARTFELT THANKS to Betsy Rosenblum, Chester Hartman's intern at IPS, for her layout and paste-up work on the last issue of the PN newsletter.

□ LOST SOULS: The time so many of you take to look over the list of lost souls each issue and help us in re-establishing contact is really gratefully appreciated. We are a mobile lot, and this seems one of the best ways of keeping in touch. Herewith are the newest of the lost, from #36, October 18, 1982.

Susie Coliver, San Francisco
Lynnwood Brown, Albuquerque
James Peters, Chicago
James Gonyier, Iowa City
Chip Logan, New York
Steven Boss, New York
Susan Stuebing, Roxbury, MA
Nancy Rockett, Cambridge
Betsy Dietel, Ithaca
Drayton Bryant, Philadelphia
Simon Ruderman, Miami
Patrick Costigan, Cincinnati
Arlene Zarenbka, St. Louis
David Wald, Oakland
Ken Carlson, Glendale, CA
Mike Lado, Manhattan, KS
N.E. Neighborhood Assn.,
Greenbay
Barbara Davis, Asheville
Peggy Gallagher, New York

Betsy Bassan, New York
Pam Fleetman, Cambridge
Ernie Sternberg, Elizabethtown,
NY
Robert Sachs, Ithaca
Paul Levy, Philadelphia
Elizabeth Byron, Grand Rapids, MI
Janet Raffel, Cincinnati
Janis Heine, Dallas
Marcia Kaplan, Portland, OR
Kurt Richwerger, Detroit
Michael Freedman, Alexandria,
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Holly Daly, Somers, NY
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Luis Persico, Philadelphia
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