SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: We've gotten back lots of good responses on our proposed campaign for social responsibility, and we expect many more are possible. Our inability to predict how long third-class bulk mail takes for delivery meant that many of you received the last issue after the Sept. 7 date we arbitrarily had set for responses. Because of this, we are extending the deadline for members' responses. Please get your comments and action proposals back to us immediately.

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FINANCIAL MINI-REPORT: We forgot to include this in the last issue, so here's the score of contributions since #46: 74 of you sent in a total of $1,452. Remember that our per-issue typesetting/printing/mailing cost (and that's basically all we lay out money for—office space and lots of the labor are donated) is about $700, so that level of contributions just about keeps our head above water.

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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY IDEAS: Only two responses have come in so far with ideas for PN's golden anniversary 50th issue in February.

One was from Linda Hollis (6413 Maplewood Dr., Falls Church, VA 22041). Her ideas: A short history of the Planners Network, especially when and how it got started; short bios on distinguished, long-time members; listing of books, articles, pieces of legislation, and other significant accomplishments by members.

The other was from Bob Beauregard (Dept. of Urban Planning, Rutgers Univ., New Brunswick, NJ 08903): I think it is a good idea to celebrate the anniversary. It has a symbolic function, and also serves to focus attention on the organization. Moreover, it could be an excuse for addressing some

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Passing the Word

DIAGRAM: PLANNERS FROM PN Member Alice Turak (600 E. Geneva, Lafayette, CO 80026): Are there any health planners out there?

LOW-COST HOUSING: From Netwokr Ira Salatian (88 F St., Suite 305, Davis, CA 95616): I began work in August as the Executive Director of Davis Community Housing, a new nonprofit focused on community development block grants funds to maintain and develop lower-cost housing in the community. I would like to hear from people with experience or interest in nonprofit housing development.

HEALTH CARE DELIVERY: From Netwokr Shawn V. LaFrance (112 Berkeley, #201, Berkeley, CA 94704): I am interested in any information on health institutions or hospitals, and their role or influence on community development. Either current or potential information is of interest. I would welcome descriptive information, people to contact, or references.


CHICAGO PLANNING: Chicago Works Together: Chicago Development Plan 1984, a 61-page comprehensive economic development policy and program plan, integrates the efforts of six city agencies and development corporations on the job and neighborhood development goals of Mayor Harold Washington. It is available free from the Development Department, City of Chicago, 20 North Clark, 26th Floor, Chicago, IL 60602.

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**URBAN PUBLICATIONS:** The Institute of Urban Studies at the University of Chicago (1127 E. 53rd St., Chicago, IL 60615) has issued a 12-page publication list of reports, research and working papers, and occasional papers on native studies, housing, and conservation issues.

**NETWORK UPDATES:** From PN Member Diane Lee Smith (104 N. Waveland Ave., Chicago, IL 60614) and selected the site of the second cluster and development in the 1981, a group of us in eastern and southern Africa decided to form a network, modeled on the Planners Network, of which three of us were members. We began a newsletter, Settlements Information Network Africa, and we are up to our sixth issue. Our focus is on self-help at the community level. We have about 100 subscribers (all over Africa (except South Africa). In addition to the newsletter, we also hold occasional workshops; a recent one was on community participation, and an extension to the idea is for communal activity for women and youth. Newsletter subscriptions are $20.

**TRANSITIONAL SHELTER:** From Networker Priscilla White (Jessie's House, 82 Bridge St., Northampton, MA 01060, 413/586-3221) A group of us who work in transitional shelter are interested in developing some housing programs. Our first program will be housing with some competitive elements in it, and we are interested in any information that might be available.

**FRAIL ELDERLY:** Project LINC (Living Independently through Neighborhood Cooperation) was an effort to form neighborhood-based, intergenerational helping networks in which the frail elderly both served as volunteers and received certain services. The effort was described in a Gerontologist (Vol. 24, No. 3, 1984) article, "Intergenerational Neighborhood- Based Aiding the Frail Elderly." For information and for Further inquiries: Jon Pynnous, Androscoggin Center, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA 90089.

**BOSTON HOUSING:** From PN Member Emily P. Achtenberg (47 Halifax St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130) have completed a study for the City of Boston entitled "Perverse Affordable Housing in Boston: An Analysis of Recent Market Trends and Regulatory Policies." It includes recommendations for an appropriate system of affordable housing controls, and is available from Peter Dreier, Mayor's Housing Advisor, Boston City Hall, Boston, MA 02201.

**COMMUNITY-BASED PAC:** A political action committee to support Congressional candidates committed to meeting the needs of low-income and minority neighborhoods...
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- NEIGHBORHOOD ENDOWMENT: The National Neigh-
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hood Endowment, 20 5 F St. N.W., 2nd Flr., Washington, DC 20001, 202-629-9600.

- RELOCATION AMENDMENTS: Chester Hartman and Florence Rainman have a short article in the July/August Journal of Housing on the defects of proposed Uniform Relocation Act amendments. A SASE to Chester at PN will get you a copy. For up-to-date information on how the amendments are progressing: Roberta Yousman, Rainman, 936 F St. N.W., Washington, DC 20001, 202-543-4900.

- BUDGET EDUCATION: From Networker Brenda Lero (366 Allen Rd., Belchertown, MA 01007): For the last year and a half I've been working with an alliance of labor, human service, women's groups in Massachusetts' First Congressional District on the effects of Reaganesque policies on the local economy. The shift of manufacturing out of the state has resulted in a loss of over $100 million in health, education, energy, infrastructure, defense, human service, and other federal support programs in the First District, while local payments to the Department of Defense have increased 35 percent. With this budget crunch comes a resulting travel exhibit of photos, texts, and charts (and an "interactive light-board" quiz), which we are calling "In Defense of the District," to help people understand more fully the local impact of the shifts, and to remind people what they can do about it. We'd appreciate 5 contributions, and would love to hear about other "budget education" national/ regional projects.

- ANN ARBOR REPORT: From Networker Lowell G. Peterson (100 N. 5th Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48107): The Ann Arbor Community Development Corporation incorporated as a non-profit 39 months ago. We have a budget of $50,000 in seed money from the city. It is a very exciting project. The board is large — over 25 members — and includes co-op people, community activist. We're the executive committee of the Ann Arbor Neighborhood 7. Seven of these seven will handle most of the day-to-day operations, and we will hire a part-time administrator.

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- ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN PEACE: From PN Member Robin Drayer (1620 Argonne Pl., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009): Washington Area Jews for an Israeli-Palestinian Peace is a group of Jewish Americans and Israeli-Americans who support a "two-state solution" peace settlement between Israelis and Palestinians. We welcome input from like-minded groups and individuals. A quarterly newsletter, Israeli-Palestinian Peace, is available; subscriptions are $6 for students and the unemployed, $12 for other individuals, and $25 for insti-
tutions. Contact: WAJPP, Box 4991, Washington, D.C. 20008.

- RENT CONTROL: From David Desiderato, Conscientious Citizen Action Group, 51 Van Dyke Ave, Hartford, CT 06106, 203/527-7191: For use in organizing a statewide tenants' organization, and in passing a state law enabling towns to establish rent control boards, we would greatly appreciate information about studies analyzing the relationship between rent control and condominium conversion; rent control and abandonment; local tax bases; and any other similar studies.

- WORK RIGHTS: The National Commission on Work-
ning Women (2000 P St. N.W., #508, Washington, DC 20036, 202/872-
1782) has completed a 48-page report surveying women's employment needs and work attitudes. "The Commission Takes a Hard Look to Be Hazardous to Your Health." Occupations include clerical workers, service workers, sales and retail workers, and plant and factory workers. Under the program, qualifying neighborhood-based nonprofits can receive up to $20,000 to match local contri-
butions for neighborhood development activities. Details: Connie Southard, HUC Community Services Division, 451 7th St. SW #2525, Washington, DC 20041, 202/755-5662.

- HOMELESSNESS: The Urban & Social Change Review (Boston College, McGuin #109, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167) has prepared a special issue on homelessness (Vol. 17, No. 1 & 2) on solutions and maintenance. The format includes articles and comments and explores policy as well as advocacy perspectives. The two volumes are $8, prepaid.

- ORGANIZING ROOTS: A Manuscript for Grassroots Organizing by Lee H. Staples (Staples tells how to work with other people to solve problems). The 256-page book reviews philosophy, presents a model, and provides nuts-and-
bolts guidelines. The price is $12.95, from Prager Publishers, 521 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017.

- PLANT CLOSINGS: Work Ethics is a newsletter of the Plant Closures Project (433 Jefferson Street, Oakland, CA 94607, 415/834-5656). It provides updates on business news, legis-
latives developments, and a calendar of events.

- NEGLECTED NEIGHBORHOODS: The October issue of The Neighborhood News (Center for Neighborhood Technology, 75 West Randolph, Chicago, IL 60607) has a feature article on "Chicago neighborhood which has no sewers, paved roads, gas lines, or city water hookup. Recent tests showed area wells were contaminated with bacteria. The city refused to pay for basic services because the neighborhood is down at the curb." Instead of costly hookups to existing infrastructure, a FW editorial suggests looking at cheaper, low-tech alternatives. The article is one of several in recent issues to focus on problems of Chicago's Southeast Side, which is rapidly being recognized as the heart of the "dumping ground of the Midwest.\" Single copies of the October issue are $2; 12-month subscription, $18; from: Center for Neighborhood Technology, 570 West Randolph, Chicago, IL 60607.

- CHANGING ERAS: Action Lineage (Box 2290, Wicken-
burg, AZ 85393, 602-684-7861) aims to report on important change in the transition from the industrial era to the communications era. It includes publications and monthly mailings. Subscriptions are $30.

- WORKPLACE DEMOCRACY: PN Member Mary Vogel (254 W. 19th, Eugene, OR 97405) has prepared an article for Catalyst: Investing in Social Change on Workers Trust, a national nonprofit association of democratic businesses. Work-
ners Trust is best known for its progressive health insurance plans, it also publishes a monthly newsletter, Democracy at Work, Box 1161, Eugene, OR 97403, 503/683-8176.

- RECLAIMING HOUSING: From PN Member Pam Kramer (Dept. of Planning and Development, 409 City Hall, Duluth, MN 55802, 218-723-3328): We are currently looking into the purchase of an abandoned housing complex that has fallen into a state of disrepair. This abandoned property includes both single-family and multifamily units of whose in the "urban blight" area. We would appreciate creative suggestions on dealing with housing abandonment in low-income areas with high vacancy rates. It is also an opportunity for land acquisition — demolition, "urban renewal" activities can be avoided.

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- STUDY SELECTANCE: From Networker Richard Schutz (c/o 3452 Portland, Seattle, WA 98104): I would appreciate sugges-
tions or recommendations for graduate study programs in my area of interest: I'm generally concerned with the quality of life of residents of central city and near-metropolitan housing developments. I would like to learn how to evaluate developments from a variety of perspectives — human growth and development, economic self-sufficiency, social service delivery, resident participation and control, and ecological stability. In addition, I want to learn how to design and coordinate an comprehensive program which broadens the resident participation to enhance the quality of life in such developments.

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