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□ ROSTER PAGES: There have been sporadic reports that some copies of #54 arrived with pages missing—middle of the roster, e.g. If your copy was incomplete, write or phone us, and we'll send you a replacement. If you need just the roster, please so indicate, as we have lots more extra rosters than complete #54s.

☐ FINANCIAL MINI-REPORT: We received 39 contributions totaling \$820 since the last issue of *Planners Network*. We're grateful for your support. Slowly, we are recovering from the heavy expenses of Roster production.

## **Passing the Word**

☐ MEMBER UPDATE: From Susan Bain (Caribbean Airports Project, Terminal 2, Grantley Adams International Airport, Barbados, West Indies): As of October, I have been working as project cost controller for Transport Canada in the Caribbean Airports Project. CAP is an \$80 million (Canadian) project to upgrade 22 Caribbean-region airports to international safety standards. Transport Canada is doing project implementation in training and technical assistance of airport personnel. Training and technical assistance are being done for airport management

and operations, financial management and marketing, security, pavement repair and maintenance, crash, fire and rescue, and senior fire officers advance management. An engineering firm from Canada is undertaking all capital improvements. Transport Canada is also supplying fire trucks, rescue boats, and computer software.

My task now is to work with a systems analyst consultant to design and implement a computerized cost management system, and later to run the system.

☐ EMPLOYMENT POLICY: PN Member David Gil (Center for Social Change Practice and Theory, Brandeis Univ., Waltham, MA 02154, 617/647-2927) has completed a 19-page policy paper, "Toward Constitutional Guarantees for Employment and Income," which includes a proposal for a new Bill of Economic Rights to celebrate the Constitution's 200th anniversary.

□ DEVELOPMENT LINKAGE: Downtown Linkages is an 80-page conference publication which explores linkage programs in San Francisco and Boston, and the implications of the programs. Copies are \$24, from: Urban Land Institute, 1090 Vermont Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20005. A current ULI publications list is also available free.

### The Planners Network

The Planners Network is an association of professionals, activists, academics, and students involved in physical, social, economic, and environmental planning in urban and rural areas, who promote fundamental change in our political and economic system.

We believe that planning should be a tool for allocating resources and developing the environment to eliminate the great inequalities of wealth and power in our society, rather than to maintain and justify the status quo. We believe that planning should be used to assure adequate food, clothing, shelter, medical care, jobs, safe working conditions, and a healthful environment. We advocate public responsibility for meeting these needs, because the private market has proven incapable of doing so.

We oppose the economic structure of our society, which values profit and property rights over human rights and needs. This system perpetuates the inequalities of class, race, sex and age which distort human relationships and limit the potential for a decent quality of life. We advocate a shift in current national budgetary priorities to favor human services, social production and environmental protection over military and other nonproductive expenditures.

We seek to be an effective political and social force, working with other progressive organizations to inform public opinion and public policy and to provide assistance to those seeking to understand, control, and change the forces which affect their lives.

The Planners Network Newsletter is published six times a year as the principal means of communication among Network members. Annual financial contributions are voluntary, but we 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.

Members of the Steering Committee: Chester Hartman, DC, Chair; Emily Achtenberg, Boston; Eve Bach, Berkeley; Bob Beauregard, New Brunswick, NJ; Donna Dyer, Durham, NC; William Goldsmith, Ithaca; Charles Hoch, Chicago; Joochul Kim, Tempe; Judy Kossy, Buffalo; Jacqueline Leavitt, LA; Peter Marcuse, NYC; Jackie Pope, NYC; Alan Rabinowitz, Seattle; Tony Schuman, NYC; Andree Tremoulet, Roanoke.

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□ HOUSING TESTIMONY: From Networker John Gilderbloom (Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Houston, Houston, TX 77004): I recently presented testimony at two Congressional hearings concerning housing conditions of Hispanics in the United States and public housing in the United States. The testimony will be published as two separate readers and will be available to the public for free. If interested, please write: Rep. Henry Gonzalez, Chair, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development, 2129 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Wash. DC 20515.

Another paper, "Social Factors Affecting Landlords in the Determination of Rent," has been published in *Urban Life* (Volume 14, Number 2, July 1985, 155-179).

□ ADOBE STRUCTURES: From PN Member Stephen Lafer (Box 73, Benicia, CA 94510): I am working on a research paper on adobe homes, and would appreciate any leads on recent examples, technical advancements, etc.

□ KIDS AS PLANNERS: From Networker Leigh A. Coop: In 1984 and 1985, the Urban Planning for Children Project in Sacramento, surveyed students and parents in three local school districts, on how they would plan Sacramento. The surveys included questions on activities, transportation, childcare, commercial areas, and housing and neighborhood design. This month, the Project is publishing the survey results in *Planning Sacramento: Views of Students and Parents*. The book includes pictures of Sacramento developments which are already implementing the priorities of students and parents, and a resource directory of businesses and organizations which want to be known as supporters of "making Sacramento a better place for working families." Copies are \$10 from Jacquie Swaback, Urban Planning for Children Project, Box 60273, Sacramento, CA 95860, 916/972-1369.

□ HARTFORD LINKAGE PLAN: From PN Member Peter Medoff (CREW, 32 Elm St., Hartford, CT 06106: The newly installed City Council of Hartford ran on a platform of adopting a linkage policy in the city. The Council has pledged to support the findings of a team of consultants (including PN Steering Committee member Emily Achtenberg) which was hired by Hartford's Linkage Task Force. The task force was made up of representatives from business, neighborhood, and city interests, and met for over a year on the issue. The policy would require developers of commercial buildings to pay into a fund for low-income housing and job training. There also would be requirements for hiring local residents for construction and permanent jobs. While Hartford would join a handful of cities with such a policy, we anticipate Hartford's policy having the strongest employment language of any so far.

□ NEIGHBORHOOD AWARDS: Neighborhoods USA is seeking candidates for 1986 Neighborhood-of-the-Year awards. The awards are for neighborhood organizations which have accomplished outstanding self-help projects. Entry deadline is March 1. Applications: Karen D. Ledger, Indian Orchard Citizens Council, 117 Main St., Springfield, MA 01151, 413/543-3172.

□ SOCIAL REFORM: From Networker Paul Niebanck (Univ. of California, Santa Cruz, CA 95064): I am interested in comparing course content with Networkers whose teaching is in the area of urban social reform (especially housing, real estate, growth regulation, etc.). Let me have your name and address. I

will reward you immediately, with a book and a more detailed description of my interests.

☐ GAO REPORTS: The General Accounting Office (Box 6015, Gaithersburg, MD 20877, 202/275-6241) publishes a monthly list of its reports and studies, with a brief summary of key reports. The monthly update is free.

□ TOPICAL SONGS: *Broadside* is a monthly national magazine specializing in topical songs. A recent issue, for example, featured songs about housing and other neighborhood organizing issues, with background notes and illustrations. Subscriptions are \$20, to: Broadside Ltd., 1995 Broadway, New York, NY 10023.

□ HOUSING DISCRIMINATION: The High Cost of Housing Discrimination: Monetary Damages Paid by the Real Estate Industry studied a four-year period in the New York area, and includes information on 157 housing discrimination cases, with awards totaling nearly \$2 million. The report was prepared by Ann L. Nowak of CUNY Law School at Queens College. Copies are \$3, from: Open Housing Center, 150 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10011, 212/989-7346.

□ MILITARY HOUSING: Over the past year, Network Chair Chester Hartman, assisted by Antioch Law School student (and Network member) Robin Drayer, have been studying how the military provides family housing. It is a form of public housing, almost never labeled such, that provides some interesting and useful models for a radically different approach to socially-provided housing. Among the program's fascinating features are its use of direct appropriations (rather than borrowing) to construct and maintain its housing; its status as an entitlement (either directly or through a housing allowance) for military personnel above a certain rank; and its avoidance of racial discrimination.

Chester and Robin would like to complete their work over the next few weeks, and are interested in any studies, reports, articles, clips, information, sources, etc. that could aid them in this largely unstudied area. Please write or phone Chester at Network Central a.s.a.p. with any information or leads.

□ HOMELESS GUIDE: Students at the UCLA Graduate School of Architecture and Urban Planning have completed a report, Housing the Homeless in Los Angeles County: A Guide to Action, in a workshop organized and directed by Networkers Jacqueline Leavitt and Allan Heskin. The students included: Julia Aha, David Berniker, Luz Calvo, John Everts, Victoria Feinberg, Nelson Hernandez, Scott Kutner, Joyce Parker-Bozylinski, Tad Read, Sheri Repp, David Squires, Stephen Svete, and Maggie Valentine. For copies: Ets Otomo, Publications Coordinator, Graduate School of Architecture and Urban Planning, Univ. of California, 405 Hilgard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90024.

□ INDIAN NEWSLETTER: Native Self-Sufficiency is a quarterly newsletter on technical and financial assistance to Indian groups which are working to re-establish tribal sovereignty and to encourage self-reliance in native communities. A recent issue included reports on appropriate technology, economic development, and native women, as well as shorter pieces. Subscriptions are \$6 for individuals, from: Native Self-Sufficiency, Box 10, Forestville, CA 95436.

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## **PN Special Feature**

## Human Settlements and Planning: Networking in Africa

#### by Diana Lee-Smith

A network similar to PN has been growing in Africa for the last four years. It is not primarily a network of planners, but of self-help human settlement workers.

This article describes some of the concerns of its members, particularly in the context of official and donor-funded strategies for planning for the poor.

The crisis of planning in the United States and other developed countries has a parallel in the third world, but on a larger scale.

In Africa in particular, the gaps between professional-technocratic approaches and the realities of rural and urban poverty are especially wide. The gaps are both social and technological.

Plans may be inappropriate culturally, as well as unaffordable by governments and users; and they often cannot be implemented because skilled technicians and infrastructure are lacking. The result is a form of social crisis labelled "squatting," where the majority of people live in conditions that officials and their planners find unacceptable.

A number of responses to the crisis have appeared in the last two decades, including efforts to produce large volumes of housing through site and service and squatter upgrading projects, where low-income people build their own dwellings.

Site and service and squatter upgrading projects are based on observations in the late fifties and sixties of the productive and organizing capacities of slum and squatter area residents. They gained acceptance in the seventies, being incorporated in the official plans of many developing countries and supported by the World Bank, and later USAID.

Both types of projects rely on self-help house construction by plot owners—on new plots in the case of site and service, and within existing settlements in the case of squatter upgrading. They work best where the level of servicing and building standards are low, and where credit is provided.

Site and service projects can rapidly increase the housing stock in a free market situation.

In the absence of a credit system speci-

fically for low-income earners, however, the housing is produced by higher income developers for rental. Wage-earning workers benefit, but the lowest income groups do not, and generally return to the slums. The groups usually contain more self-employed (petty commodity producers and traders) and female-headed households, with larger numbers of dependents.

Squatter upgrading was first pioneered on a large scale in Africa in Zambia in the seventies. There was a comparatively high level of community involvement through the United National Independence Party, with supportive structures in local government, including a large force of community development workers and an effective grass-roots communication program.

This community-based approach lost favor with donors, because credit recovery and payment of service charges were poor.

Community development and participation are currently not popular with big donors, who tend to favor housing finance institutions such as housing banks and building societies.

At the same time, self-help and community mobilization are widely accepted strategies for coping with rural and urban

#### PN Special Feature

In its Special Feature, *Planners Network* presents thoughtful, provocative writing about substantive concerns and issues in the planning professions. Essays typically highlight a single issue, and illuminate it with examples and insights.

The Special Feature editor is Bob Beauregard (Dept. of Urban Planning, Rutgers Univ., New Brunswick, NJ 08903, 201/932-4053; 932-3822).

Networkers wishing to contribute a Special Feature essay should contact him.

We are grateful for Networkers' support of this feature, and encourage continued ideas and suggestions. poverty in many African countries. These strategies are based both on tradition and on political systems set up since independence.

Thus, harambee (self-help) is a national slogan and organizing principle for rural development in Kenya; while the "dynamizing" groups of Mozambique, and the 10-cell or 25-house basic political units of Tanzania and Zambia respectively, are used as an organizational structure for development activities.

A wealth of experience among human settlement workers exists in these and other African countries as to what works. Human settlement workers have been present in some countries through two decades of independence, which many countries began without technical personnel. (Both Kenya and Mozambique, for example, had one planner each at the time of independence.)

Human settlement workers help on community self-help in education, health, nutrition, skills training and employment, as well as on building.

In 1981, a small group of such people met in Lusaka, Zambia, and decided to form a regional network so that "front-line" personnel could share experiences and information.

Settlements Information Network Africa was formed with this intention, and so far has produced nine newsletters, held three regional workshops, and organized one exchange visit. It has over 250 members in 25 African countries.

Like PN, one of the most useful parts of SINA is the "News from Members," where ongoing work is described along with problems and requests for information.

Despite a housing bias at the start, SINA members found that housing schemes alone do not solve the problems of poverty. Through a 1983 workshop on community participation, a 1984 workshop on income generation for women and youth, and a 1985 exchange visit between settlement workers in Ethiopia and Kenya, SINA members thrashed out their joint views on approaches that reach the lowincome majority.

For example, in 1981 one of the very poorest kebeles—a basic unit of urban local government—in Addis Ababa began identifying community priorities and self-help initiatives. A Norwegian non-governmental organization worked with interested women's and youth organizations and the elected leadership to establish a

program of refuse collection, income generation, housing improvements and health care.

The process took time; but community participation bore fruit, because the various programs were locally initiated.

Now similar programs, each with support from different NGOs, exist in several kebeles, along with a coordinating committee in the City Council.

By contrast, in Kisumu, Kenya, upgrading began with a World Bank-financed consultant plan. Community development personnel were hired, but communication between them and technical staff was poor, and the community never understood the project. Standards were so high compared to incomes that even before the project broke ground, almost half the population in one area had left (see Winnie V. Mitullah, "A World Bank Housing Upgrading Project in a Kenyan Town: Winners and Losers," mimeo, May 1985).

In the end, sewerage and roads had to be left out completely in some areas, because of cost overruns and lack of government and municipal funds.

Fortunately, schools and health facilities were built. The communities also benefit from a grass-roots health, nutrition and income-generation program organized by the Housing and Public Health Departments of the Town Council.

These examples portray the issues and the potential for exchange in Africa. They also point up the importance of local plans and initiatives in the context of donor macro-planning.

Constraints are many, and at times seem insurmountable. Innumerable rural and urban grass-roots initiatives never get shared, let alone supported by donors. Communications within and between countries are bad. Economic crisis and drought are compounded by current cutbacks in aid by conservative western governments.

But the small group of African human settlement workers is growing, and so is the knowledge base. Issues are coming to the forefront, and hopefully some of the institutions that deal with them will survive. These include national mass-based institutions, political parties, non-governmental organizations, new and sometimes fragile systems of local government, and transnational interest groups like SINA.

The 1985 women's conference and NGO forum in Nairobi addressed some of the fundamental problems experienced by third world women which are not currently dealt with by planners: subsistence food production, income generation in the home, single-parent families and child care, and protection of subsistence wood energy and traditional building supplies.

Current efforts at networking help in this hostile environment.

Apart from SINA, there are first world initiatives to publicize and support third

world community-based activities. For example, Rooftops Canada Foundation, mentioned in PN #53, has been established for this purpose.

In Britain there is the IYSH Trust of UK, specifically set up to assist third world projects for the UN International Year of Shelter for the Homeless in 1987, and to publicize issues of poverty and homelessness.

On women and planning in particular, there is the Women and Environments newsletter, while MATCH has been supporting women's shelter, income generating, and organizing activities in the third world, and doing exchange and dissemination work in Canada. The Netherlands Women's Council has also been active in this area.

The Netherlands Women's Council, Mazingira Institute in Nairobi, and the Habitat International Council held a workshop at the women's forum in Nairobi on "Women and Habitat" (see SINA 9, October, 1985).

There are plans to continue a global network on women and habitat. This may link the interests of PN, SINA and other networks.

Diana Lee-Smith is editor of SINA's newsletter, working with the Mazingira Institute, Box 14550, Nairobi, Kenya.

### Passing the Word (continued from page 2)

☐ TRIPS TO SWEDEN: The National Association of Swedish Architects (Norrlandsatan 18, S111 43 Stockholm) is sponsoring a series of one-week study tours from August 16 through September 27 for planners, architects, and builders. The tours begin in Malmo and end in Stockholm; they are conducted in English. Shared twin accommodations are 5,900 Swedish kronor per person; single accommodations are SEK 7,740.

☐ HOMELESSNESS BILL: The National Coalition for the Homeless (1620 Eye St. N.W., Wash. DC 20006, 202/659-3310) has drafted proposed federal legislation for a comprehensive attack on homelessness. The bill includes provisions on emergency shelter and human services; crisis intervention to prevent homelessness; and low-income housing. The Coalition has copies and details.

□ ELDERLY HOUSING: PN member Steven Sharp (Bureau of Housing, Dept. of Community Affairs, Tallahassee, FL 32301, 904/488-1536) is working on a project to identify means of producing appropriate and affordable housing for older persons. He would like to hear from PN members having information or experience with successful finance, design, group living, rehabilitation, zoning, or urban revitalization strategies for producing

elderly housing.

☐ MEMBER UPDATE: From Neil Mayer (Office of Economic Development, 2180 Milvia St., Berkeley, CA 415/644-6580): I was appointed Director of Berkeley's new Office of Economic Development in October. With the support of a progressive Mayor and Council, we are taking on a range of projects, including negotiating with developers of office building projects for targeted job opportunities for disadvantaged and minority residents in both construction and permanent employment, for provision of housing (or in-lieu payments) for lower income people, and for mitigation actions or dollars for other impacts of development. We are preparing proposals to set such exactions into place permanently for all future projects. We are working with the residents of Berkeley's lower-income South Berkeley community to foster revitalization without gentrification. And we are building programs of support for alternative forms of enterprise, currently including non-profit corporations in the areas of renewable energy and youth enterprise. Other progressive "technocrats" have joined my staff, including Joe Brooks of the Emergency Land Fund and Kate Squire of the State of California's Economic Adjustment Unit. (See another job opening announced in this issue.)

We look forward to exchanging information on these and related topics with Network members.

☐ YUGOSLAV PLANNER: From Marin Kresic (Centar za planiranje urbanog razvoja, Zahumska 34, 11000 Beograd, Yugoslavia): 1 am interested in development planning for depressed and handicapped areas, a more "gestalt" meaning in urban planning, and all other planning dialogues. 1 am interested in sharing information about decision-making systems in the Yugoslav planning process, urban planning in Yugoslavia, the "moderate city" (a theory developed at the CEP consulting group of which I am a member), and other topics.
☐ YUGOSLAV PLANNING: From Networker John Wengler, Box 2429, Providence, RI 02906): During a recent trip to Yugoslavia, I connected with a wholistic planning consulting group and an engaging architect.  In translation, the group is called the Center for Urban Development Planning (CEP); CEP seems to be rare in its focus on ecological, social, and economic factors in planning. CEP's main fields of planning are development planning, regional planning, master planning, and urban design layouts. The 25-member staff includes architects, planners, economists, geographers, mathematicians, psychologists and sociologists.  The architect, Spasoje Krunic, recently designed a modular structure for low-cost housing. Krunic's design attempted to cut construction cost by 40 percent, ease material transportation, and eliminate 90° angles. Write me for details.
□ NEW DEGREE PROGRAM: Boston College has established a joint degree program in Management and Sociology, leading to an MBA and PhD (or MA), with concentrations in the areas of social economy. Students explore the interplay between theory and practice in several groundbreaking areas, including workplace democracy and self-management, corporate social responsibility, community economic development, employee stock option plans, social investment, and new labor relations. The joint degree arrangement means a reduction in the number of courses taken normally in each separate program. Contact: Joint Degree Program, Dept. of Sociology, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167.
☐ CHICAGO PUBLIC HOUSING: Reclaiming the Inner City: Chicago's Near North Revitalization Confronts Cabrini-Green, by Ed Marciniak, is a 168-page account of a confrontation between urban gentrifiers and defenders of highrise public housing for families. Copies are \$5.95 in paperback.
☐ URBAN BOOKS: The Center for Urban Policy Research (Box 489, Piscataway, NJ 08854) has a new publication list of books on housing, planning, and development, including The Unsheltered Woman: Women and Housing in the 80s, Ethics in Planning, and Rebuilding America's Cities: Roads to Recovery.
□ RENTERS' HANDBOOK: What Every Landlord and Tenant Should Know is a handbook of useful information on tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities. A compact guide, the pamphlet includes a phone directory of relevant government agencies in New York City. Copies are \$2, plus 40¢ for postage and handling, from Citizens Housing and Planning Council, 218 W. 40th St., New York, NY 10018, 212/391-9030.
□ BLACKS' ECONOMIC STATUS: Trends, Prospects, and Strategies for Black Economic Progress, by Andrew F. Brimmer, reviews in the impact on blacks of the 1981 recession, and their participation in the subsequent economic expansion. One conclusion: While the black-white income gap has narrowed, the

income gap within the black community has widened. Recommendations include strengthened affirmative action, a two-tier minimum wage, and continued college student aid. Copies are \$5.95 (paper), from: Joint Center for Political Studies, 1301 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. #400, Wash. DC 20004.

☐ POLICY TITLES: The National Center for Policy Alternatives (2000 Florida Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20009) has a new publication list on public policy ideas for America's states, counties, and cities. Topics include health care, the environment, economic development, and pension fund investment.

☐ THREATS TO PLANNERS: From PN Member Charlie Hoch (School of Urban Planning and Policy, Univ. of Illinois, Box 4348, Chicago, IL 60680): I am chair of a national committee of the American Planning Association that is exploring the incidence, scope, and character of serious political conflicts experienced by planners on the job. Case studies and a survey are planned. Networkers who would lke to participate should let PN Chair Chester Hartman know. As a test, some 60 Chicago planners were asked about serious political conflicts, and more than half reported job-threatening incidents.

□ NICARAGUA TRIP: Architects and Planners in Support of Nicaragua (APSNICA) is planning its fourth trip to Nicaragua for June 5-14, with visits to housing developments, agricultural cooperatives, neighborhood groups, and governmental officials. On the West Coast, contact: Steve Kerpen, APSNICA, Box 1151, Topanga, CA 90290, 213/455-1340; on the East Coast, contact: Jill Hamberg, 57 W. 93rd St., New York, NY 10025, 212/866-0317.

□ DEVELOPMENT GRANTS: The Working Group for Community Development Reform has issued a report, *Promoting Colonialism at Home: The Relationship of Subsidized Economic Development to Ten Low-Income Communities.* It focuses on economic development that is subsidized by community development block grants, and is based on the findings of 10 community organizations that monitored projects in their community. Copies are \$5.00. Call 415/835-1605.

☐ CHICAGO SRO USERS: From Networker Charlie Hoch (School of Urban Planning and Policy, Univ. of Illinois, Box 4348, Chicago, IL 60680): I and two local advocacy groups have completed a 100-page report on occupants of single-room-occupancy hotels in Chicago. In our sample, we found 80 percent male occupants, 10 percent over 65, about 33 percent relying on transfer payments, and 10 percent homeless in the past three years. Copies are \$5, to help cover costs.

□ PRESERVATION IMPACT: The Community Information Exchange (1120 G St. N.W., Wash. DC 20005, 202/628-2981) has published a new technical bulletin, *Historic Preservation for Low-Income Neighborhoods*, which examines the potential of historic preservation for neighborhood revitalization. Copies are \$4.50.

☐ TAX ANALYSIS: A detailed analysis of the House-passed tax bill, *Impact on Community Development Projects of Tax Reform Legislation Approved by the House of Representatives (HR 3838)* has been prepared by James Pickman and Associates, 1503 21st St. N.W., Wash. DC 20036, 202/785-3108.

☐ LEGAL HANDBOOK: A free publication, Legal Handbook

for Community Economic Development Corporations is available from: Local Initiatives Support Corporation, 2100 M St. N.W., #601, Wash. DC 20037, 202/785-2908.

☐ MORTGAGE DISCLOSURE: A Tool for Community Capital: Home Mortgage Disclosure Act 1985 National Survey,

#### **APA Conference Outlook**

From Networker Charlie Hoch, School of Urban Planning and Policy, Univ. of Illinois, Box 4348, Chicago, IL 60680:

The National Conference of the American Planning Association April 5-9 in Los Angeles includes a wide range of sessions relevant to planners interested in housing and human services.

The HHS Division is sponsoring a session on "Special Needs Housing" that will present recent research and programs regarding home-sharing and home-based care. Speakers include Elizabeth Howe from Madison, Wis.; Patricia Pollack from Ithaca, N.Y.; Patrick Hare from Silver Spring, Md.; and Sumner Sharpe from Portland, Ore.

In addition, HHS is also co-sponsoring a session with the Planners Network, focusing on "Low-Income Housing in Los Angeles." Recent innovations in providing community-based affordable housing in the area will be explored by Neal Richman, the director of the Community Development Corporation of Santa Monica; Carol Goldstein from the LA Community Renewal Agency; and Gilda Haas, who works as a planner for a LA City Council member.

Together with Allan Heskin (who will moderate the previously mentioned session), we arranged a mobile workshop that will introduce visitors to two of the projects covered in the "Low-Income Housing" session. That's mobile workshop #40 and it costs \$12 for the bus ride.

Compared to the past five years, this Conference offers a feast of sessions relevant to our division members. I'll just list them here. You can get the specifics in the Conference Program.

- History of Planning and Housing (Weiss, Marcuse).
- Rent Control Today: Panacea or Band Aid? (Appelbaum, Gilderbloom).
- Alternative National Housing Policies (Hartman, Marcuse).
  - Reproducing Inequity: The Role of Planning (Rabin).
- Downtown Development and the Impact of Adjacent Afro-American Communities (Harris).
  - Planning Threatened (Hoch).
  - Special Needs of Children (Ritzdorf).
  - Safe Neighborhoods (Leavitt).
  - Home Occupations.
  - Homelessness in the Modern City.

Dan Lauber describes the upcoming APA convention as "a three-day course in progressive housing," and notes that arrangements have been made with *Shelterforce* to permit subscribers to attend just the housing sessions for \$60, about one-fourth of the regular registration fee. Details in the upcoming issue of *Shelterforce* (439 Main St., Orange, NJ 07050, 201/678-3110).

by Calvin Bradford and Paul Schertsen, is a 31-page working paper on the effectiveness of the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act in accessing private capital for community reinvestment. Copies are \$5, from: Humphrey Institute, 301 19th ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55455, 612/376-9798.

□ REGENERATION UPDATE: From Networker Ron Shegda (The Regeneration Project, 33 E. Minor St., Emmaus, PA 18049, 215/967-5171): We think we've been progressing with our regeneration work. Two recent efforts highlight this work. One is a paper on "The Vision of a Regenerative Society." The other is a preliminary report on a very practical business that regeneration has inspired—something we call the Repair Mall. I can send either one for \$2 each. For a freebie regeneration, please send a SASE for the latest copy of our newsletter.

□ NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING: Nurturing Strong, Unified Voices is available from the Charles S. Mott Foundation, 1200 Mott Foundation Bldg., Flint, MI 48502, 313/238-5651. Signle copies are free.

☐ COMMUNITY SURVEY: *America Can!* is a survey of 164 grassroots community programs published by the American Can Company. Copies are free. Call 203/552-2000.

□ ENDING POVERTY: *The Eighth Step of Charity* is available from Interfaith action for Economic Justice, 110 Maryland Ave., N.E., Wash. DC 20002, 202/543-2800.

□ URBAN REVITALIZATION: Economic Revitalization in the City: A Sourcebook is available from the Institute for Public Policy Studies in Philadelphia. Call 215/787-5156.

□ REDUCING UNEMPLOYMENT: Reducing Urban Unemployment: What Works at the Local Level has been published by the National League of Cities, 1301 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20004. Copies are \$17.

□ SURVIVING AMERICA has been published by the Center for Third World Organizing, 3861 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Oakland, CA 94609, 415/654-9601.

☐ ECONOMIC RISK: Summary copies of Smaller Slices of the Pie: The Growing Economic Vulnerability of Poor and Moderate Income Americans are available from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, 236 Massachusetts Ave. N.E., Wash. DC 20002, 202/544-0591.

☐ FUNDRAISING GUIDE: Fundraising for Social Change by Kim Klein, has been published by the Center for Responsive Governance Press, 1000 16th St. N.W., Wash. DC 20006, 202/223-2400. Copies are \$19.95.

## **Networkers' Reports**

#### **Building Housing in Nicaragua**

by Steve Kerpen Architects and Planners in Support of Nicaragua

The Architects and Planners in Support of Nicaragua (APS-NICA) are now midway into their project to build 50 units of housing in Pancasan, an area in the north central part of the country.

The first of four building brigades, composed of women and men, arrived in Nicaragua in early December. During their sixweek stay they started work on 16 houses.

Two of the houses, which have been completed, are at a production center in Matiguas, set up to supply housing components to new settlements in the area. The houses are presently being used by building brigade members. Ultimately they are for the Nicaraguan workers at the production center.

The remaining houses, of the first group of 25, are being built at a cattle producing cooperative in Venecia, an area midway between Matagalpa and Matiguas. The houses, which have an area of 600 square feet, are being built for about \$1,000 each. They are quite substantial by Nicaraguan standards, having a concrete slab floor, a wainscott of concrete block, wood framing and siding, and a corrugated zinc roof. The concrete block and cement are trucked to the site from the production center, while sand and water for the cement slabs are taken from a nearby river. The wood is milled from trees that are felled on the site.

The origin of the project goes back to June 1984, when a visiting delegation from APSNICA was presented with a request to finance housing in the Pancasan area. Pancasan is an historic area where, in 1967, campesinos for the first time fought alongside the FSLN against Somoza's National Guard.

Fundraising and recruitment plans to send building brigades to construct the housing began a year ago. Fundraising activities have taken place in many communities throughout the country, and many participants in APSNICA delegations have taken part.

Planning for the project moved to Nicaragua this past fall when a small group of architects and planners from APSNICA conducted a design workshop with the campesinos at Venecia. We introduced the concept of cluster planning, discussed the housing design, and together selected a site for the project.

The active participation of campesinos in the design of their housing is new. We feel it may serve as a model within the new national priority of developing housing for cooperatives that have high production potential.

There has also developed a growing mutual respect and cooperative spirit between the members of the cooperative and the building brigade. Brigade members have responded by repairing and adding to the existing hacienda, and by fixing equipment.

As part of our agreement to build housing, we also are training Nicaraguans at the cooperatives and the production center to use the various types of woodworking equipment we brought with us. In addition, they have learned skills necessary to build a house.

The training is extremely important, because one of the main limitations to the continued growth of production cooperatives has been a lack of housing.

We will begin construction at Fila Grande, our second site, in mid-March. Fila Grande is a small coffee cooperative of 14 families, set in beautiful rolling mountains.

Because of Fila Grande's isolation, the mountainous terrain, and difficult roads, the 25 houses will be built of wood from trees felled and milled on the site. No other materials will be used, except for zinc roofing, which will be brought in. To facilitate moving the wood around the site, we plan to buy a tractor, which we will give to the cooperative when we leave.

As in Venecia, the building brigade will live at the cooperative, eating and working with its members, and also training 15 members to build housing.

Our last delegation to Nicaragua, in January, visited the project at Venecia. We expect that our next delegation, scheduled for June, will be able to see the completed projects at both Venecia and Fila Grande.

Aside from these delegations and building brigades, APSNICA will be starting a program offering technical assistance in architecture, planning, and building, to various ministries and agencies in Nicaragua for both short and extended periods of time. We will also continue to collect needed building tools and drawing supplies.

We plan to have a continuing presence in Nicaragua. We plan to build more housing. To do this, we need to continue raising funds. The houses we are building cost about \$1,000 each.

If you want to make a statement against the atrocities our government, in our name, is committing in Nicaragua, if you would like to help build not destroy in Nicaragua, you may send your tax deductible contribution to Architects and Planners in Support of Nicaragua, Box 1151, Topanga, CA 90290, 213/455-1340. Checks should be payable to Peoples Center for Housing Change-Pancasan.

We are also interested in volunteers who would like to participate in any of our activities.

[NB: PN hosted a fundraiser for Pancasan at IPS on Feb. 12, featuring PN member Ed Kirschner and Roberto Chavez, Planning Director for Nicaragua (1983-84); and the NYC PN people did a similar fundraiser a couple of months back. If you would like to organize such an event in your area, contact Steve Kerpen.]

#### **Analyzing APA Director Candidates**

by Daniel Lauber Planning/Communications, Evanston, Ill.

Aggressive and politically astute conservative candidates threaten the new progressive majority on the American Planning Association Board of Directors.

Last year, PN members helped elect Norman Krumholz to succeed another PN member as APA President, plus an array of liberal and progressive candidates who are turning APA from a relatively conservative organization into a more aggressive, progressive vehicle to support sound planning practice and activist planners.

With the terms of three progressives ending, it's essential to elect these candidates to the APA and American Institute of Certified Planners Boards of Directors to preserve the slim majority politically progressive directors hold.

In each race, these are the most politically progressive of the candidates: Earl Finkler, for APA President-Elect; Lewis Lubka (PN) and Robert Marriott, Jr., for APA At-Large; Melvin Levin, for AICP President; Harvey Moskowitz, Linda Hollis (PN), Carole Boom, and David Callies, for APA Regions 1, 2, 5, and 6; Perry Norton, Warren Zitzmann, Sumner Sharpe, and Susan Stoddard, for AICP Regions 1, 2, 5, and 6.

All APA members vote for the President-Elect, APA At-Large, and AICP President. Only residents of a region can vote in that region. For the AICP region seats, only AICP members in a district can vote. Ballots are due back at APA no later than March 7.

Electing progressives to the helm of APA helps APA catch up to the sort of planning PN members have been doing for years. The slim progressive majority on APA's board has made APA more aggressive in its fight against the Reagan administration's efforts to weaken planning tools. (Reagan's Commission on Housing recommended a test case to challenge the constitutionality of all zoning, and federal prohibition of rent and condominium conversion controls; not to mention his abandonment of the poor, civil rights, and environmental protection.)

This battle is led by APA's National Policy Coordinating Committee headed by PNer Frank Popper (NJ) and Melvin Levin (MD), and peopled by other PNers like Alan Rabinowitz (WA), William Peterman (IL), Linda Hollis (DC), Mickey Lauria (IA), Marshia Ritzdorf (KS), and Marc Beyeler (CA)—folks who never would have been appointed to it had you not elected progressives to the APA board.

This year APA established an award in the memory of Paul Davidoff, the first recipient of which is PNer Cushing Dolbeare (DC).

PNer Charles Hoch (IL) heads a committee identifying ways APA can help planners when politics threaten their jobs (a not uncommon occurrence for PN members). APA's Amicus Curiae Committee is getting APA involved in court cases against exclusionary zoning, and in support of discriminated-against minorities. We've gotten APA's research and publications to spread the word on the more progressive planning practices (like the use of low-equity cooperatives and alternative group living arrangements). We've established a Task Force on Women and Minorities that is determining ways to end the wage differential between male and female planners. The presence of so many PNers on APA's board helped lead to last summer's *Planning* article on radical planners.

Participation by PNers in the national conference will be at its highest level ever this spring in Los Angeles. We'll have more sessions on progressives planning topics than ever before, thanks to you electing the most progressive candidates to the APA board.

Help make a difference in APA. Electing Earl Finkler and the others to the APA Board or AICP Commission will help assure a continuing progressive stance by APA during the next two years.

#### Response and Commentary

Addendum from the PN Chair:

Being someone with a long—and possibly vindictive—memory, I feel impelled to add a note about one of the candidates on the slate Dan recommends: Mel Levin. I do this, not with a view to recommending that people not vote for him—in the context of APA/AICP and his opposing candidate, he may very well be progressive and merit your vote—but because I think a fuller picture is warranted, and useful.

In the May 1981 issue of *Planning* magazine, Levin reviewed *Urban and Regional Planning in an Age of Austerity*, the collection, edited by Networkers Pierre Clavel, John Forester and Bill Goldsmith, that came out of the April 1979 conference at Cornell on progressive planning (which was, in essence, a PN conference and led directly to the Network's 1981 founding conference qua organization).

Levin's review was extraordinarily nasty and negative, and produced letters to the editor, published in the September 1981 *Planning*, by me, by Networker Morris Zeitlin, and by Michael Embury of Rhode Island Univ.

Zeitlin described the review as "sarcastic," and "smack[ing] of vulgar redbaiting and cheap playing to a prejudiced gallery." He labelled as "ill mannered, irresponsible, and reprehensible for a planner of his repute" Levin's characterization of the authors of the books' essays as "hot-eyed prophets," "bitter sectarians," and "ideologues one wouldn't trust to run a town dump."

My letter criticized Levin for propounding the "fashion of planning'—[that] planners should write and do according to whatever is 'in' this particular year."

Levin's response to the three critical letters ended: "... finally, the humorless self-righteousness of the extreme left and right does not win many converts. If nothing else, Reagan has shown us that charm can go a long way."

Dan Lauber, having reviewed the draft of my critical addendum, adds the following:

Levin definitely was out of line when he spent most of the review discussing how out of step the book was with the dominant political times. He was absolutely wrong to devote only two paragraphs near the end to the substance of the book, especially since he had mostly praise for the volume's substance.

I can see how one can persuasively argue that "the radical left is simply out of phase," as Levin wrote: That's been part of our problem all along. Our frequent insistence that we speak the incontrovertible truth has hurt us badly. The vast bulk of the public has always been politically moderate. It still tends to reject the doctrinaire far right. And while this majority disagrees with so many of Reagan's policies, it votes for him because he charms them

Until the left fields leaders to whom the public can relate, we're going to remain at a terrible disadvantage. Like it or not, most folks are not terribly logical about their political choices; they fail to adequately research the facts or go beyond pop answers. But Levin's statement about Reagan's charm is very accurate. He should not be skewered for pointing out that the left had better change its approach, if it is to win the public's hearts and minds.

Levin's book review and the responses to it suggest the starting point for a full debate over the nature of the progressive left.

## **Regional Roundup**

□ NETWORK/FORUM: The Network/Forum series received an award for "Exemplary use of media in education" at the National Housing Video and Film Festival in New York on November 21-22. The series, organized by Networkers Bruce Dale and Tony Schuman, was recognized for the use of visual materials (films, videotapes, and slide shows) in presenting over 40 public meetings in six years on urban design and planning issues affecting New York's neighborhoods.

The fall program included a benefit fund-raiser for Architects and Planners in Support of Nicaragua, to support the Pancasan project—the construction of 50 houses in the central mountain area of the country. This project, reported on in earlier newsletters, was initiated after the first architect/planner trip to Nicaragua in 1984, and received added support from members of the second trip in 1985.

The New York fund-raiser grossed \$1,800 for the project which will go toward paying back a loan which enabled us to ship two

large containers of construction equipment and material. The containers have already arrived in the port of Corinto and construction is underway. New York members of Architects and Planners in Support of Nicaragua who planned and implemented the fund-raiser include: Gale Brewer, Bruce Dale, Jill Hamberg, Nancy Kyriacou, Harriet Putterman, Tony Schuman, and Luis Sierra.

With gourmet munchies prepared by Nancy, wine and rum, Nicaraguan music on tape, and a continuous 4-screen slide show, the party provided an animated social setting for a serious purpose. Details: Tony Schuman, 56 W. 22nd St., New York, NY 10010, 212/691-9708.

## **Upcoming Conferences**

- ☐ FULL EMPLOYMENT: The National Committee for Full Employment (815 16th St. N.W. #301, Wash. DC 20006) is sponsoring a one-day symposium March 6 in Washington, D.C., marking the 40th anniversary of the Employment Act of 1946. The theme: "Assessing the Progress, Affirming the Promise." Registration is \$25.
- □ NEIGHBORHOOD POLICY: "The State of the Art" is the topic of an international symposium May 1-2 in Boston, sponsored by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology. Contact: Benjamin Hyman, Laboratory of Architecture and Planning, MIT, Cambridge, MA 02139.
- ☐ LAND TRUSTS: The School of Living will sponsor a conference June 6-8 on money for community land trusts. The format includes workshops, resources, and networking. Registration is \$65-\$85. Contact: Heathcote Community Conference Center, 21300 Heathcote Rd., Freeland, MD 21053, 301/343-0280.
- □ HOUSING MANAGEMENT: A one-day management training seminar for nonprofit housing developers in New York City will be held May 22. The seminar will offer practical advice to organizations managing residential properties. Topics include rehab with tenants in place, repair contracts, energy conservation, and more. Contact Ann Umemoto, Citizens Housing and Planning Council, 218 W. 40th St., New York, NY 10018, 212/391-9030.
- ☐ HOUSING SYNDICATION: The National Housing Law Project (1950 Addison St., Berkeley, CA 94704) is presenting its fourth annual seminar on syndicating affordable housing, with two presentations in April. One is April 21-22 in San Francisco; the other is April 28-29 in Arlington, Va. Registration is \$350 for nonprofits, government, and Legal Services; \$450 for others.
- ☐ PESTICIDES: The National Coalition Against the Misuse of Pesticides (530 7th St. S.E., Wash. DC 20003) is sponsoring the fourth national pesticide forum March 14-17 in Washington, D.C. The format includes plenaries, workshops, and seminars. Registration is \$20. Lodging and meals at the National 4-H Center are \$135.10; commuter fees are \$43.65.
- ☐ HOUSING CONGRESS: Four major organizations are combining to hold a World Planning and Housing Congress September 28-October 3 in Adelaide, South Australia. The

## Columbia Planning Update

From Peter Marcuse, Robb Burlage, Elliott Sclar, Division of Urban Planning, Columbia Univ., New York, NY 10027:

Networkers may remember the conflict that erupted in 1981 when the Dean of the Graduate School of Architecture and Planning at Columbia abruptly terminated the contracts of six junior faculty members in the Planning Division.

Protests and a report of an academic senate committee at Columbia permitted those who wished to stay the following year to do so.

When it was all over, of the six, one had a tenure-track position at Chapel Hill, another at SUNY Buffalo, a third at UCLA. One went to work for Citibank in New York; one continues with a multi-year contract at Columbia; and another teaches in Tennessee. All tenured faculty, of course, remain, and are active.

A new Chair has been appointed, Richard Schaffer, former vice-president of the Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation. He has the confidence both of the remaining faculty and of the Dean, and has made it possible to rebuild the Division.

Three new faculty members have been hired: Chip Downs, from the University of California, Berkeley, who did his dissertation on the role of community organizations during the Portuguese Revolution, has worked as an advisor on local government in Nicaragua under the Sandinistas, and has been active in a variety of Latin American policy and planning issues; Saskia Sassen-Koob, a political economist, who has done extensive research in immigration policy, metropolitan labor markets and economic development, and union organization; and Suzanne O'Keefe, an architect and designer with extensive experience in New York City.

The addition of a program leading to a one-year degree in real estate has put the Division on a sound financial and organizational basis; but the real estate program has been kept entirely separate from the regional planning curriculum, and the symbiosis thus far seems to be healthy.

The centers of strength in the program (housing, community and economic development, health policy and planning, comparative policy—Latin America and Western Europe especially) are continuing, and plans are to strengthen the program in the areas and directions that have always been its hallmarks.

Strengthening the student body is now a high priority, and we welcome applications from students any Networker would recommend.

At least 75 percent of the full-time faculty are Network members.

organizations are the Royal Australian Planning Institute, the International Federation for Housing and Planning, the Eastern Regional Organization for Planning and Housing, and the Federation of Local Government Planners' Association of Australia. Registration fees vary. Contact: The Secretariat, World Planning and Housing Congress 1986, GPO Box 2609, Sydney, N.S.W. 2001, Australia.

## **Calls for Papers**

□ POLICY IMPACT ON MINORITIES: The Working Papers Series, a publication of the Center for Third World Organizing, is soliciting papers on a variety of policy issues including housing and urban dislocation, enterprise zones, toxics and land use, and labor, health, and educational policy issues. Papers should address policy impact on minority groups, and should be no longer than 35 pages, double spaced. Contact: Melia Franklin, Center for Third World Organizing, 3861 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Oakland, CA 94609, 415/654-9601.

☐ HOUSING/PLANNING: The World Planning and Housing Congress (see "Housing Congress," Upcoming Conferences, above) is seeking papers appropriate for a world audience and for the conference theme, "Innovation in Planning and Housing." Abstracts are due by April 30. Contact: The Secretariat, World Planning and Housing Congress 1986, GPO Box 2609, Sydney, N.S.W. 2001, Australia.

## **Jobs**

☐ HOUSING SPECIALIST: The New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development is seeking an experienced Director of Operations for Rehabilitation Programs in the Division of Alternative Management Programs. City residency required; salary in the \$40,000-\$50,000 range. Contact: Steven Kotick, NYC Housing Preservation and Development, DAMP Administration, 75 Maiden Ln. 5th Flr., New York, NY 10038.

☐ RESEARCH ASSOCIATE for the Community Information Exchange. Experience in minority neighborhoods, community economic development, and/or housing development preferred. Send resume and writing sample to Alice Shabecoff, Community Information Exchange, 1120 G St. NW, 9th Flr., Wash. DC 20005.

☐ COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR: The Center for Community Change is seeking a Director of Communications. Tasks include editing the CCC quarterly newsletter, providing technical assistance regarding media to community groups, and organizing press conferences. Salary is \$28,000+. For a copy of the job description, call 202/342-0519. Address inquiries to: Pablo Eisenberg, CCC, 1000 Wisconsin Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20007.

☐ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: The National Economic Development and Law Center is seeking an Executive Director. Requirement: need to be an attorney. Salary is up to \$50,000. Send resume and cover letter to: Brad Caftel, NEDLC, 1950 Addison St., Berkeley, CA 94704, 415/548-2600.

☐ ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES: The University of California, Santa Cruz, has openings for two tenure-track positions. One is in Environmental Studies, Culture, and Resources, concerned with the relations of human societies to their biophysical environments. The other is in Environmental Decisionmaking, dealing with environmental policy formulation and institutional change. Contact: Bryan H. Farrell, Chair, Environmental Studies Board, Univ. of California, Santa Cruz, CA 95064. Application deadline is March 1.

□ BUSINESS ANALYST: Berkeley's new Office of Economic Development, headed by Networker Neil Mayer ("Member Update, Passing the Word"), has an opening for an experienced business analyst, with responsibility for financial analysis of proposed private commercial development, setting standards for developer contributions, and participating in other, upcoming programs. Salary to the mid-thirties. Contact: Veronica Diggs, Office of Economic Development, 2180 Milvia St., 5th Flr., Berkeley, CA 94704.

### **Ex Conferences**

□ WORKER OWNERS: The National Center for Employee Ownership (927 S. Walter Reed Dr. #1, Arlington, VA 22204, 703/979-2375) sponsored a one-day conference February 11 in Washington, D.C., on "Employee Ownership Strategies for State and Local Governments." It was designed for officials from state and local governments, and for community and economic development organizations.

### **Etcetera**

□ APRIL PN DEADLINE: The arrival deadline for copy for the April *Planners Network* is Monday, March 31. This is a bit earlier than normal; the adjustment is to avoid conflict with the April 5-9 meeting of the American Planning Association. As ever, we look forward to hearing from as many of you as possible. Our thanks always to those who take the time to type their notes. It's a great help in production, and it reduces our chances of misreading what you write.

Arrival deadline for #57 copy: Monday, March 31.

☐ TALK UP PN: Please don't be shy about sharing news of the Planners Network with others. Let them know about us. Probably the best outreach we have is when you educate and recruit your friends, co-workers, acquaintances, and others. We have a good, one-page introductory sheet, "The Planners Network—What It Is," which we can send you in any quantity you wish. "What It Is" includes a statement of our principles, a brief organizational history, a list of Steering Committee members (who also double as regional contacts) and the method for calculating contributions. If you wish, you can also send us a list of prospective Networkers, and we will contact them for you.

☐ PERSONAL UPDATES: There are a number of short communications in this issue from Network members, letting us know about new jobs, projects, what's happening in their lives, etc. We encourage this. Sharing this kind of "where-I'm-at" information helps create a sense of community, provide contact, generate support, and generally act like the network we strive to be.

□ 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.

☐ "CALL" STATEMENT: We have a one-page, broadside version of the "Call for Social Responsibility in the Planning and Building Professions," which appeared in PN #49. Copies are available on request. It makes a good addition to "The Planners Network—What It Is" in recruiting members.