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MEMBERSHIP REPORT: The Network is some 400 members smaller as a result of our most recent annual "purge" (a term one member notified us was slightly on the gross side—but we do mean it tongue-in-cheek). This is a somewhat larger than usual drop of people who didn't indicate they want to remain with us. We're a bit over 1,000 in size now, but solid. People should take seriously the task of letting others know about the Network—colleagues, students, teachers, friends. We'll be happy to send an introduction sheet and sample copy of the Newsletter to anyone whose name and address you send us.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Since #37, we've received 86 contributions totalling \$1,308. This is a bit higher than usual, likely attributable to the rush of people sending us something to avoid being purged. That total, however, represents just a bit more than it costs to get one issue out. Our bank account stands at slightly over \$2,000, not a very comfortable margin of safety. Our *sole* source of funds is members' contributions. Several dozen of you who hadn't responded to the cut-off threat in #36 did scurry back upon receiving, in lieu of #37, a postcard announcing that #37 had been sent out. But in all too many cases no bucks were enclosed. To state the obvious: It takes a good deal of money to typeset, print, and mail the Newsletter, and people shouldn't be free-riders unless they are pretty poverty-stricken. There is still time to mend your ways, using the nearby coupon. To those of you living outside the

U.S.: if it's at all possible to send your contributions in U.S. currency, please do; the "service charges" the banks now impose to collect a draft in foreign currency almost eat up the whole amount of the contribution.

Passing the Word

RESEARCH ON BUREAUCRACY: PN member Howell Baum (UMD School of Social Work & Cmty Plng, 525 W. Redwood St., Baltimore, MD 21201) would like some assistance on his latest research: "I am doing research on structural explanations for bureaucratic behavior. In particular, I am looking for analyses which draw links between, for example, capitalist or industrial structures of the society and the structures or operations of bureaucratic organizations in the society. Any contributions will be gratefully accepted and appreciated."

LATIN AMERICA FILM: Latin America is in the news each day: El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua. What's behind the upheaval in this region? What are the implications for the United States? *Americas in Transition*, an award-winning film by Obie Benz, explores these questions and more. The film is in color, runs 29 minutes, and is for sale on either 16mm

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 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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film (\$495) or video (\$290), or for rent for \$50 on 16mm only. For information, contact Icarus, 200 Park Ave. South, #1319, New York, NY 10003, 212/674-3375.

□ **HEALTH NEWSLETTER:** The Comprehensive Health Planning Council of Southeastern Michigan publishes a weekly newsletter, *Monday Comments*, which reports on health matters: regional, state, and national. News items about health care and health planning are always in order, and subscriptions at no charge are available. For details, write: Norman Mackay, Director, Administrative Services, CHPC-SEM, 1200 Book Building, Detroit, MI 48226.

□ **CD ASSISTANCE:** The National Congress for Community Economic Development (NCCED) and the Council for Community Development (CCD) are undertaking a project to demonstrate how community development organizations and state governments are responding to unemployment, declining investment, deterioration of infrastructure and public services, etc. The two groups will publish a technical assistance manual on devising joint development programs and strategies, and will undertake demonstration projects initially in Ohio, Tennessee, and Michigan. For further information, contact Ms. June Sekera, NCCED, 2025 Eye St. NW, Suite 901, Wash. DC 20006, 202/659-8411.

□ **BAY AREA RESOURCES:** *The Answer Man Newsletter* is a bi-monthly publication concerned with simple living, networking, and resources for the San Francisco Bay Area and beyond. The first issue published in January features Bay Area events, classifieds, questions from subscribers about almost everything, and short profiles of Bay Area resources and hot tips. *The AMN*, sponsored by The Gorilla Grotto, can be contacted at P.O. Box 11263, San Francisco, CA 94101. Subscriptions are \$12 a year.

□ **POLITICAL ALTERNATIVES:** Is it possible to have less government, rather than more, without diluting the political commitment to greater justice and equity? In *Politics Thro' the Looking Glass*, Stan Windass answers yes, but only if there is less government of the "right type," enabling individual citizens to seek fulfillment of their basic rights of freedom, self-determination, and equality of respect. The North American edition of the 188-page book is being published by the Council on International and Public Affairs, price is \$3.75. Available from CIPA, 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10017, 212/972-9877.

□ **COMMUNITY ENERGY PLANNING:** Practitioners who have been working in the area of community energy planning, particularly with the promotion of conservation and renewable resources, could be of some help to Kevin McCarthy of Cornell's DCRP. He's particularly interested in three issues: (1) Estimates made of the energy/dollar savings attributable to a program, and the methodology used to arrive at the estimates; (2) use of quality-of-life concerns as explicit goals (citizen involvement, etc.), and how progress toward them has been determined; and (3) the impact of budget cuts on programs. He can be reached at the Department of City and Regional Planning, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853.

□ **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS:** *The Journal of Community Action* has devoted its latest issue to the policy debate around community partnerships among government,

business, voluntary organizations, and other private entities for fulfilling social needs. Published by the Center for Responsive Governance, the *Journal* includes several policy perspectives, case studies in the areas of housing, neighborhood revitalization, and youth employment; literature reviews, and research reports. Copies of this issue, Vol. 1, No. 4, are available for \$3.00 from *Journal of Community Action*, P.O. Box 42120, Northwest Station, Wash., DC 20015.

□ **LABOR/COMMUNITY SEMINARS:** Networker Nathan Weber (150 W. 21st St., New York, NY 10011) writes: Cornell University's School of Labor and Industrial Relations is presenting a six-seminar series in New York City for "leaders of labor, women's, and community groups" on Fridays from noon to 2 p.m. at Cornell's Conference Center, 3 East 43rd St. The series includes: *Financing Social Security* (2/25); *The Highway and Mass Transit Act* (3/25); and *Controlling Health Costs and Improving Services* (6/24). Price, including lunch, is \$12.50 each. For more information, contact Betty G. Lall, 212/599-4586.

□ **TEXAS STATE BUILDINGS:** Networker Dan Brody (c/o Sen. Lloyd Doggett, Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711), was the author of a state Senate committee report on the effects of state buildings on their surroundings. The report, *State Buildings and Texas Communities*, calls for legislation to improve local participation in the planning of new state buildings. Included in the 139-page report are an extensive list of recommendations; among them: increased energy efficiency, state reimbursement to cities for municipal services to tax-exempt state property, and action to improve the design of the Capitol Complex in Austin.

□ **CUTTING UNEMPLOYMENT:** What can be done to get the unemployed back to work is detailed in the latest publication of the Conference on Alternative State and Local Policies, *Putting America Back to Work*. The 74-page handbook describes innovative programs and legislation in the areas of job creation strategies, access to employment for the disadvantaged, help for the unemployed, and rights of the unemployed. The publication is \$7.95, prepaid, from the Conference, 2000 Florida Ave., N.W., Wash., DC 20009, 202/387-6030.

□ **ABANDONED HOUSING:** Laura Wiener of the Urban and Environmental Policy program at Tufts is interested in local strategies for the re-use of tax-delinquent, abandoned housing. She's interested in contacting other progressive planners throughout the country who may be working on similar issues and problems. Laura can be reached c/o Urban and Environmental Policy, Tufts University, Medford, MA 02155.

□ **PLANNING NEWS:** The Winter '83 issue of *carolina planning*, a magazine published bi-annually by students in the Department of City and Regional Planning at UNC Chapel Hill focuses on public/private ventures, along with articles on land trusts, worker cooperatives, unique human service agencies, and other topics. A detachable resource directory includes agencies and groups interested in public/private ventures. Subscriptions are \$7.00 a year from *carolina planning*, Department of City and Regional Planning, New East 033A, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27514, 919 962-5204.

□ **FILM ON ABBIE HOFFMAN:** *My Name is Abbie, Orphan of America* is a recently released film on the '60s political organizer which provides a "profile of the man and a portrait of an era," says its publicity. The film is 28 minutes, in color, and for sale for \$495/16mm, and \$280/video. A 16mm copy can be rented for \$50. To order: Icarus, 200 Park Ave. South, #1319, New York, NY 10003, 212/674-3375.

□ **COMMUNITY BANKING:** The Woodstock Institute reports on an 18-month research and evaluation project on the Illinois Neighborhood Development Corporation (the holding company for South Shore National Bank of Chicago and its four non-banking affiliates), that "there are sound banking risks and good customers to be found in lower income, predominantly minority, urban neighborhoods; and, a bank can operate profitably . . . without due risk or loss." Copies of *Evaluation of the Illinois Neighborhood Development Corporation* can be obtained from Woodstock Institute, 410 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. Full copies of the 220-page *Background Report* can be obtained from HUD User, P.O. Box 28, Germantown, MD 20874.

□ **SELF-HELP HOUSING:** The Intermediate Technology Development Group of North America, Inc. has published a guide on low-income housing projects, *Community Self-Help Housing Manual: Partnerships in Action*, based on the Habitat for Humanity experience in 16 communities throughout the U.S. The heavily church-based effort claims over 500 homes built or under construction. To order, send \$4.75 plus \$1.50 postage (\$2.50 outside U.S.) to ITDG/NA Publications Office, P.O. Box 337, Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520. Checks payable to ITDG/NA; discounts available for bookstores and bulk orders.

□ **COMPUTERS AND PLANNING:** PN Member Donald Loggins (723 E. 10th St., Brooklyn, NY 11230), writes that he recently came across a book *Computers in Local Government—Urban and Regional Planning* by Auerbach publishers which he says is "a state-of-the-art guide to using various hardware/software configurations in the planning process. The sections on computer modeling and simulating are excellent." The only fault Donald could find was a lack of in-depth coverage of personal computers; so you'll have to research that on your own, he says. He is combining computers and planning in his own work for the Green Guerillas.

□ **GRASSROOTS FUNDRAISING:** *Survival Planning for the 80s: Fundraising Strategies for Grassroots Organizations*, from the Community Careers Resource Center and the National Network of Grantmakers, covers examples of diversified funding strategies, has diagnostic and needs assessment charts, and includes an extensive bibliography, among other features. It is revised from the original series in *Community Jobs*. Copies are \$4.00 each, payable to Community Careers Resource Center, 1520 16th St. NW, Wash. DC 20036.

□ **DESIGN RESEARCH CONTEST:** The Design Arts Program of the National Endowment for the Arts has developed a design research competition for completed projects that contribute to design excellence, and the quality of life, and that can serve as models for future research. Contexts for research include cities, buildings and interiors, industrially produced products, graphics, furniture, clothing, and design for particular groups such as children, the elderly,

the handicapped. Deadline for submissions is February 21; results will be announced April 18. For details, send a SASE to NEA Design Research Recognition Program, c/o BOSTI, 1479 Hertel Ave., Buffalo, NY 14216.

□ **NEIGHBORHOOD AID:** *Neighborhood Assistance Programs: A Link Between Business and Community* is a 70-page publication from the National Economic Development Law Center, 1990 M St. NW, #450, Washington, DC 20036, 202/659-0040. No price is given, but you might make an offer.

□ **PRISON ALTERNATIVES:** The National Moratorium on Prison Construction (NMPC) has a newsletter called *JERICO*, that features in a recent issue articles on alternatives to imprisonment, efforts of the NMPC, and other efforts and projects around the country. Subscriptions are \$5, with checks payable to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, which works toward a halt to all prison and jail expansion until alternatives to incarceration are fully implemented. Mail to NMPC, 324 C St. S.E., Wash., DC 20003. Contributions over \$5.00 are tax deductible and support the work of freeing prisoners.

□ **MANAGEMENT DIRECTORY:** The *4th Annual Directory of Management Resources for Community Based Organizations* catalogues some 400 institutions and agencies, and 700 publications among 1,385 entries arranged in 61 categories. The cost of the 105-page directory, from MLP Enterprises, is \$20. Trade discounts are available for libraries, book dealers, and bulk orders. Send to MLP Enterprises, 236 E. Durham St., Philadelphia, PA 19119.

□ **HOUSING ADVOCATES' NEWS:** The National Clearinghouse for Legal Services, Inc. offers a newsletter, *Clearinghouse Review*, to help with the legal aspects of housing advocacy. In addition to housing, the *Review* also reports other developments in poverty law. The January 1983 issue includes "1982 Developments in Federal Housing Law" and "Recent Developments in Housing Discrimination Law." The Clearinghouse also maintains a 33,000-case pleadings bank, an annual index, and other services. Subscriptions are \$75; for details: NCLS, Inc., 500 N. Michigan Ave., #1940, Chicago, IL 60611.

□ **MIGRANT LABOR:** The National Demonstration Water Project is involved in efforts to upgrade water and sanitary sewer facilities in migrant labor communities. PN member Fred Cooper (8383 Colesville Rd., Silver Spring, MD 20910), writes that the NDWP is trying to assemble current information on water and related health problems of migrants as well as data on the quality of water and sewer facilities of migrant labor camps. They would appreciate knowing of similar research or sources of information, particularly efforts by any state to compile a list of migrant camps and to survey their conditions. Send to NDWP, 1725 DeSales St. N.W., #402, Wash. DC 20036, 202/659-0661.

□ **NEIGHBORHOODS USA** has a newsletter, *Neighborhoods USA*, available for members which carries profiles of innovative neighborhood projects around the country, resources of interest, and organizational news. Memberships are \$20 a year (\$40 a year for agencies), payable to Neighborhoods USA, 885 N. 1400 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84116. (Also see their May annual conference in "Upcoming Conferences, below.")

□ **COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION:** The Greater Southwest Development Corporation of Chicago is trying a number of innovative approaches to improving neighborhood commercial areas. The first is to work with local merchants to establish a Special Service Area, allowing a property tax surcharge on commercial property owners to support GSDC services beyond those provided by the municipality. After a great deal of organizing, GSDC hopes to have the special service area ordinance introduced to the City Council early in 1983. The mandatory tax replaces unsuccessful efforts for voluntary participation. Another strategy GSDC is trying is to become a partner in a profitable development attracting a major grocer to the neighborhood. In return for GSDC help in overcoming stumbling blocks, it will receive a portion of the developer's fees. For further details and updates, contact PN member Lynne Cunningham at GSDC, 6249 S. Western Ave., Chicago, IL 60636, 312/436-1000.

□ **CHEAPER FILMS:** From Networker Nancy Kleniewski (SUNY Sociology Dept., Geneseo, NY 14454): One of the biggest problems I have in teaching at a poor, small, state school is that there is very little money for film rentals. I would love to show movies that are mentioned in the PN newsletter, but many of them go for \$40 to \$80, and that's over my budget. If anyone has access to cheap (up to \$25) films, please let me know. I've found that the Friends in Cambridge have some, but even their prices are going up. I would particularly like to get hold of *What's Good for GM* and *Tighten Your Belt, Bite the Bullet*.

□ **NEW ORLEANS HOUSING:** The poor, elderly, and street people of New Orleans are already bearing the brunt of an anticipated housing crunch in connection with the city's 1984 world's fair. Evictions and displacement are growing as investors prepare to upgrade their units for fairgoers. Some counterforces are in place and need support. ACORN, for example, needs helpful, progressive planners to analyze the fair's potential impact on neighborhood housing. Contact: Joninna Simpson, ACORN, 628 Baronne, New Orleans, LA 70113.

□ **BOSTON RENTS:** PN member Emily Achtenberg (47 Halifax St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130) has completed a report, *The Need for Rent Control in a Revitalized Boston*, which is available (ask about cost) from the Episcopal City Mission, 1 Joy St., Boston, MA 02108.

□ **LABOR ART:** A wide-ranging selection of illustrated books, posters, postcards, and records highlighting the struggles and achievements of working Americans is available from Bread and Roses, a cultural project of District 1199, National Union of Hospital and Health Care Employees RWDSU/AFL-CIO. For a helpful brochure and price list, contact: Bread and Roses, District 1199 Cultural Center Inc., 310 W. 43rd St., New York, NY 10036.

□ **PEOPLE'S LOBBYING:** From Networker Peter Dreier (Tufts Sociology Dept., Medford, MA 02155): Judy Meredith is one of the most experienced and effective "people's lobbyists" in the country. She has written a dynamite book, *Lobbying on a Shoestring* (Judy Meredith and Linda Myer, \$6.95, from the Mass. Poverty Law Center, 2 Park Sq., Boston, MA 02116), which explains her tricks of the trade. The book tells how to win, what to do after winning, and even

how to learn from losing. It is an indispensable guide for grassroots groups and progressive causes.

□ **KNOWING HOME:** *Studies for a Possible Portland* is a special issue of *Rain*, a journal of appropriate technology, which serves as a guide for community self-reliance in Portland. There are chapters on the city's history of self-reliance, its character and climate, and strategies for achieving a socially and ecologically balanced future. *Knowing Home* is \$6; six issues of *Rain* are \$15; as a package, they're still \$15. Contact *Rain*, 2270 NW Irving, Portland, OR 97210.

□ **URBAN MARXISM:** From Networker Bill Tabb (Queens College Economics Dept., Flushing, NY 11367): I have been trying to think out what sort of national urban strategies can be defended in the context of 1984, Reagan, and deindustrialization. Anyone who sends me \$4 "earnest money" for xeroxing and postage, and promises me a helpful comment in return, can get a draft copy of a new concluding chapter for *Marxism and the Metropolis*, second edition.

□ **WORKING ANTHOLOGY:** *Workplace Democracy and Social Change* (Frank Lindenfeld and Joyce Rothschild-Whitt, eds., 456 pp., \$20 cloth, \$12 paper) examines the growth and development of democratic workplaces through a combination of analysis and first-person accounts which stretch over 21 chapters from a variety of authors. It is one of a series of "Extending Horizons Books" from Porter Sargent Publishers Inc., 11 Beacon St., Boston, MA 02108, which has a free price list available.

□ **EUGENE SELF-HELP:** Our friends in HUD have prepared a 20-minute slide-tape program on the neighborhood self-help efforts of the Whiteaker Community Council in Eugene, Ore. The efforts were aimed at cutting fuel bills, preventing common health problems, reducing housing costs, increasing food supplies, recycling refuse, etc. HUD's kit includes 92 slides, a taped narration, and a separate script. Users need a carousel-type slide projector and a cassette player. The program rents for \$25, payable after a reservation is confirmed. Contact: HUD User, Box 280, Germantown, MD 20874, 301/251-5154.

□ **MANAGING NONPROFITS:** The 12 chapters, four appendices, bibliography, and index of *Financial Resource Management for Nonprofit Organizations* promise a non-technical guide for understanding and improving the financial management of a diverse variety of nonprofit organizations. The 191-page book, written by consultant Leon Haller, is \$17.95 in hardcover, \$8.95 in paper, from Prentice-Hall, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632.

□ **GAY DOCUMENTARY:** A filmmaking group has proposed a documentary on the history of America's lesbian and gay community prior to the 1970s, and is looking for research materials and for matching contributions for the production budget. The filmmakers are Greta Schiller, John Scagliotti, Robbie Rosenberg, and Howard Petrick; their working title is *Before Stonewall*; their latest funding includes \$40,000 from the N.Y. Council for the Humanities and \$15,000 from the N.Y. State Council on the Arts. The effort is a project of the Center for the Study of Filmed History. Contact: Before Stonewall, 630 Ninth Ave. #908, New York, NY 10035; or Mass Productions, 110 First St., San Francisco, CA 94105.

A Look Ahead at APA Elections

(Through PN correspondents, we have monitored some of the annual election efforts of the American Planning Association. Here, Networkers Daniel Lauber (200 South Blvd. #1-B, Evanston, IL 60602) and William Toner (2306 McDonald, Flossmoor, IL 60422) look at what may lie ahead, and add some thoughts of their own.)

PN members helped elect two of the four progressives who ran for the American Planning Association and American Institute of Certified Planners boards of directors last year. This year there is a progressive running for each of the six seats, and they all have a good chance to win. Electing all six would give progressive planners a slim majority on the APA board and provide an opportunity to restructure APA to serve the whole planning community and become a voice for advancement in the art of planning, instead of simply advocating the same old techniques whether or not they ever really worked.

For the APA seats:

Robert Leary, planning consultant and author based in Raleigh, NC, is running for president-elect. Bob wrote many of the basic planning and zoning texts and served on the American Society of Planning Officials' board in the early '60s when ASPO exercised some progressive leadership to advance planning and developed a social conscience.

Edith Netter and **Earl Finkler** are running by petition for the two at-large APA seats. Once editor of *Land-Use Law and Zoning Digest*, Netter, a PN member, is currently an attorney in Connecticut trying to advance such sound planning practices as inclusionary zoning, affordable housing, group homes, accessory apartments, and mandatory planning. She's been active in APA's Women and Planning division and co-founded a similar Connecticut group. Finkler, who once served on the ASPO board, now consults in Alaska. Much of his work has involved supporting natives on the North Slope of Alaska in their battles against the oil companies.

For the AICP/ APA seats (all APA members vote on these, not just AICP members):

Dudley Onderdonk, is seeking the at-large AICP/ APA seat. As planner for Park Forest, IL, Onderdonk wrote and implemented a successful plan to preserve racial integration and prevent resegregation. His economic development plan has been widely copied. Today, he heads Advance Planning for Maricopa County (Phoenix), AZ.

Professor **Paul Marr** chairs the Regional Planning Program at the State University of New York at Albany and has been a frequent spokesperson for public interest

organizations. Much of the work of this candidate for the District 1 AICP/ APA seat focuses on environmental and coastal zone management.

Karen Smith, a Colorado planning consultant and former Aspen planning director, tried to bring common sense to the APA board. She's running for the District 5 AICP/ APA seat. (Your ballot will tell you what district you are in.)

Although these six candidates certainly do not agree on everything, they would all bring to the APA board common sense and progressive planning ideas that will lift APA out of the Stone Age and give it the guts to take on the Reagan administration. So far APA's response to the Reagan crew has been timid at best, even though members have sought a stronger effort. To get a more forceful response, we need more progressives on the board.

We must also accept that the real action in planning is at the state and local level. Some of our lobbying and public relations efforts should be shifted to the local level rather than being completely concentrated in Washington.

It's time for APA to put some money and muscle into an effort to support planners who risk their jobs to perform sound and ethical planning, despite political pressures to do otherwise. Progressive planners need this kind of support from their "professional" organization, but we'll need a progressive board of directors to furnish this support.

It's time to end the internal politics of APA that have all but wiped out the presentation of progressive planning ideas at APA's national conference. Let's return the organization to its members!

And it's high time that APA start using some of the planning techniques it advocates for its own management. We're faced with some difficult choices between programs competing for your dollars. Let's use a little sound market research to find out what services the members actually want and curtail those they don't want, instead of instituting huge dues increases to keep everything going. Dues would be climbing even more if progressives had not stymied the effort to close APA's Chicago office and move everything to Washington, D.C., even though the Chicago office rent per square foot was one-fourth that of Washington. Without the progressives, APA would have already become American Institute of Planners (half of APA's predecessor). With more progressives on the board, APA can become a better and more effective organization than either AIP or ASPO (the other half of APA's predecessor).

So when your ballot arrives, don't toss it away. Since only 35 percent of APA's members vote, PN members can decide this election, and help make APA responsive to its membership and a leader in planning once again.

□ **WASH. ENERGY NEWS:** The Washington State Energy Office in Olympia has a bimonthly newsletter, *WSEO Newsletter*, which covers energy developments and news in a state many envy for its cheap hydroelectric power from Columbia River dams. The January newsletter included articles on an underground coal gasification project and community development of renewable resource opportunities, as well as shorter notes on books, meetings, and local projects. It appears to be free, from WSEO, 400 E. Union, Olympia, WA 98504.

□ **HUD RESEARCH:** *Recent Research Results* is a free 16-page guide to HUD reports published under the auspices

of its Office of Policy Development and Research and available from HUD User (PD&R's information service). The December 1982 guide included profiles of the President's National Urban Policy Report and the Report of the President's Commission on Housing, for example. They are summarized, and ordering information is provided. Contact: HUD User, Box 280, Germantown, MD 20874, 301-251-5154.

□ **DEVELOPING A CBO:** CBO stands for community-based organization, and author Paul Mico tells how to apply organization development methods from business and industry to CBOs in a 146-page book, *Developing Your Community-Based Organization*. The book surveys a variety

of CBO structures, highlights components from successful models, tells how to diagnose CBO strengths and weaknesses, and how to help people learn in a community context. Copies are \$10 (a special price) to PN readers, payable to National Congress for Community Economic Development, 2025 Eye St. N.W., #901, Wash. DC 20006.

□ N.J. TENANT GUIDE: The Essex County (NJ) Tenant Services Program has published a 22-page guide, *What To Do If You Don't Have Heat & Hot Water*, which covers everything from notifying the landlord, to organizing a tenants association, to rent strikes and filing a suit against the landlord. There also is a review of state and local heating laws. Contact: Ronald B. Atlas Tenant Resource Center, 358 Bloomfield Ave., Montclair, NJ 07042. No price is given, but you might make an offer.

□ CDBG ACTION MANUAL: The Duluth Community Development Coalition has prepared a 169-page *Community Development Block Grant Action Manual* on steering some of the CD money into low and moderate income neighborhood needs. The manual includes guidelines, ideas, and strategies. Copies are \$5, payable to People's Resource Committee, Community Development Corporation, 206 W. 4th St., Duluth, MN 55806, 218?722-4951.

□ COYOTE ANNIVERSARY: In the June 1982 PN we wrote about *Coyote*, a monthly nonprofit in Tucson, reporting on the cultural and biological heritage of the Southwest desert. Now comes the January 1983 *Coyote* celebrating its first anniversary, with articles on water, appropriate architecture, "de-tooling" society, and lots of short, helpful items. Subscriptions are \$10, payable to *Coyote*, 1145 E. Sixth St., Tucson, AZ 85719.

□ WOMEN & ENVIRONMENTS is a thrice-yearly journal from Canada, which hopes to encourage linkages among professionals, researchers, institutions, and interest groups to share information, stimulate innovative approaches to current issues, and develop new theories which integrate a feminist analysis with theories of the city, planning, and environment. The Fall 1982 issue included articles on remote office work and a women's construction employment program, among other features. Subscriptions are \$8 (\$13 for institutions), payable to *Women and Environments*, Faculty of Environmental Sciences, 4700 Keele St., Downsview, Ontario M3J 2R2.

□ HOMELESS IN AMERICA: *Homelessness in America: A Forced March to Nowhere* is an illustrated, 146-page report from the Community for Creative Nonviolence on the growing awareness of people everywhere that some uncounted number among us has no place to live. They are victims and targets, but they are also people: our sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, perhaps even our fathers and mothers. From around the country, the report gathers perspectives, assembles resources, and proposes ideas. Copies are \$5 (bulk rates vary), payable to Homelessness in America, Community for Creative Nonviolence, 1345 Euclid St. N.W., Wash. DC 20009, 202/332-4332.

□ DEMYSTIFYING ECONOMICS: The National Economic Development and Law Center has taken a stab at demystifying economics with a four-part, slide-tape series, *Your Dollars and Common Sense*, which covers taxes and

investment, interest rates, inflation, and employment and the national economy. The series combines interviews and illustrations, and includes a discussion and resource guide. It's available for rent (\$175) or purchase (\$275) in a variety of slide-tape or video formats. Each part runs 30 minutes. Details: NEDLC, Attn: Economics Education Dept., Box 11578, Oakland, CA 94611.

□ REPORT FROM LONDON: From Nick Jeffrey (Architectural Assn. School of Planning, 34-36 Bedford Sq., London WC1B 3ES): Last year the students did a major project on the Royal Docks area of East London, producing a 90-page report based on a popular planning exercise with local unions, tenants, and community groups. It has been well-used by the democratic action groups and the Greater London Council. Student third-world research and thesis work produced papers on Mexico, Nicaragua, Tanzania, India, and China, among other countries. Staff work has included support for the Combined Heat and Power and Jobs for Warmth campaigns for the new left-wing Labor Greater London Council's popular planning unit, and for the Conference of Socialist Economists.

Finally, we would welcome more USA applicants. We get few. One American was able to gain a year with us as credit towards his Columbia Masters. Our students come from many backgrounds; about a third to a half are women. We really are in a good location: smack in the middle of London's intellectual, political, and cultural scenes. (For academic program details, see the August 1982 PN.)

□ NUKEWATCH: From Networker Clark H. Coan (307 Park Hill Terr., Lawrence, KS 66044): It seems that any place can be declared a nuclear-free zone, making it off-limits for the development, testing, production, deployment, or use of nuclear weapons. The method is as simple as adopting an anti-nuclear resolution. In addition, you give up your "right" to be "defended" by nuclear weapons, let the President and your Congressional delegation know of your action, and register with the Nuclear Free Zone Registry, Box 172, Riverside, CA 92502. Details and an organizer's kit (\$5) from: Nukewatch, 315 W. Gorham St., Madison, WI 53703.

□ SOCIETY & SPACE: We slipped in the last PN (and we apologize) on the name of a new journal put out by Michael Dear of McMaster University. The correct name is *Society and Space*. It is a quarterly, committed to the development of the theory of social process in geographic space, deriving its impetus from the explosion of interest in the relationship between space-time organization and social process. Its aim is to establish an open discourse which will affect the social sciences as a whole. For subscription rates and details: Michael Dear, Dept. of Geography, McMasters Univ., 1280 Main St. W., Hamilton, Ontario L8S 4K1.

□ HUMAN SERVICES DELIVERY: From Networker John Forester (Dept. City/Reg. Planning, Cornell Univ., 106 W. Sibley, Ithaca, NY 14853): I am working with a Citizens' Task Force on Human Services that has been formed in response to local cutbacks in county-level human service funding. If any Networkers have experience with similar efforts, and can suggest how best to protect services and meet needs at the local level, please write.

□ TNW 5TH ANNIVERSARY: *The Neighborhoods Works* is celebrating its fifth anniversary as a monthly information

service on neighborhood organizations, and to mark the event has published a special, 32-page report on "The State of the Neighborhoods," filled with accounts of what neighborhood groups are up to. Copies are \$2.50; yearly subscriptions to *The Neighborhood Works* are \$18, payable to The Center for Neighborhood Technology, 570 W. Randolph St., Chicago, IL 60606.

□ M.A. IN ACTIVISM: Tufts University has a two-year, interdisciplinary graduate program leading to an M.A. in Public Policy and Citizens Participation. The program has a rolling admissions process, and is administered by the Department of Political Science and the graduate Department of Urban and Environmental Policy. The curriculum includes five required courses, seven electives, a summer internship, and a thesis. Some financial aid is available. Contact: Director, Program in Public Policy and Citizen Participation, Dept. of Political Science, Tufts Univ., Medford, MA 02155, 617/381-3465.

□ ZONING GUIDE WANTED: From PN member Rafael I. Torres (Azteca Economic Development & Preservation Corp., 9 Zaragoza St., Laredo, TX 78040): We would like to obtain, if available from the Network, a citizen's guide to zoning. We would also appreciate any other materials dealing with the pro's and con's of zoning and zoning ordinances.

□ TWIN STREAMS, a residential adult education effort in North Carolina modeled after the Highlander Folk School in Tennessee, has a number of publications that have grown out of its work for democratic social change. One is *Making Production, Making Democracy* (20 pp., \$2.50), a 1982 case study of the Worker's Owned Sewing Company in Windsor, N.C.; another is a 16-page *Report on The Second Worker-Ownership Conference in North Carolina* (\$1.50), held July 1982 at Guildford College in Greensboro, N.C. Other materials are available also. Twin Streams memberships begin at \$5. Contact: Twin Streams, 243 Flemington St., Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514.

□ ARCHITECTS FOR PEOPLE: Community architecture has come to describe the British experience of architecture professionals helping grassroots groups create or preserve affordable housing for the community. Examples have turned up in rural areas as well as in the cities, and the British *Architect's Journal* (9 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9BY) began a series exploring the efforts in its June 1982 issue. A September article recounted efforts in Liverpool, and an October piece looked at country efforts. For details, contact Tom Woolley, Redfield, Buckingham Road, Winslow, Bucks, MK18 3LZ.

□ CED IN BRITAIN: From Networker Daniel Marschall (10704 Clifton Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44102): Last summer, I made a three-week trip to England to speak on American alternative community economic development efforts and to investigate British examples. I met with officials, visited groups, and gathered materials. Now I am in the process of editing and compiling a reader, *The Way Out? Innovative Local Economic Development Initiatives in Britain*, which will include a selected bibliography, appendices, and additional resources. It will be completed this spring; and if you will drop me a note, I will let you know when it has been prepared.

□ COMPARATIVE SOCIOLOGY: From Networker Glenn Yago (Dept. of Sociology, SUNY Stony Brook, Stony Brook,

NY 11794): The International Sociological Assn's Research Committee on Urban and Regional Development publishes an interesting newsletter which PN members may wish to receive as a way of participating in this useful international exchange. Contact me directly, if you are interested. The Research Committee also edits an important journal, *The International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, available from Cambridge Univ. Press here in the States.

Also, the Jan. '83 issue of *Democracy*, with a focus on "Urban Prospects," contains articles by Tom Bender on urban policy, Andrew Polsky on welfare policy, and Duane Lockard on local-central government relations, in addition to one by me on urban transportation.

□ CITIZENS' PARTY: The Citizens' Party of Maryland (Box 1885, Annapolis, MD 21404) is launching an effort to gather 10,000 signatures from registered voters as part of a process to acquire official party status and thus gain access to state and local ballots in advancing progressive causes. It is seeking members and volunteers for a wide range of electoral activities. Details: Frank M. Dunbaugh, by mail to the address above, or by phone: 301/974-0555.

□ PARTICIPATORY PLANNING: The Planning Department of the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton has used a formal process of public participation for some 13 years, but was dissatisfied until switching recently to more informal, networking approach. For a helpful paper analyzing the change, and drawing some conclusions from it, contact: Chris Bradshaw, Community Relations Officer, Planning Dept., Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton, 222 Queen St., Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5Z3. The paper was first presented at the 1982 annual conference of the Canadian Institute of Planners.

□ COMMUNITY DESIGN: From Mary Comerio (Dept. of Architecture, Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA 94720): The Community Design Center Program, which began in January of 1979, has just completed its fourth year. We have completed over 100 projects in Berkeley and Oakland as well as several others outside the local area. These projects represent more than \$5 million in construction, and many are well on their way to completion. At this time, funding for community design is particularly difficult. The recession economy and the increased pressure on foundations to make up for federal cuts put us in the awkward position of competing for funding with the grassroots organizations we serve. Yet it is exactly in these times that our services are needed the most. Our clients are building housing and community facilities that would not exist without the technical assistance we provide. We are seeking continued support from the university, the local cities and private industry. If Networkers have any other suggestions, I would appreciate hearing them.

Our most recent annual report documents the breadth of our work. Also available is a publication I wrote for a sister agency in San Francisco, *Inside Chinatown*, which documents one agency's solution to the housing problems in dense urban neighborhoods and describes what community design in the 80's is all about.

□ WASHINGTON SCHOOL: The spring catalogue of the Institute for Policy Studies' Washington School has just appeared, featuring a three-part lecture series by I.F. Stone on "Retrying Socrates: What Plato Doesn't Tell Us." Other offerings, among more than a score, include courses such as

"Rebuilding America: A Progressive Analysis of the American Economy," "The Women's Movement in America," "Health & Politics," "Race & Poverty," "The Right Stuff: The Right in Postwar American Politics," "Health & Safety Regulations," "Investigating the Government," and "The Budget Process." Instructors include Gar Alperovitz, Celia Eckhardt, Anthony Robbins, Roger Wilkins, Robert Borosage, and others. Tuition varies; some courses begin in March; catalogues are free. Details: The Washington School, Institute for Policy Studies, 1901 Que St. N.W., Wash. DC 20009, 202/234-9382.

□ FEMALE OFFENDERS: The January 1983 issue of *Criminal Justice Issues* is concerned exclusively with women in prisons, a largely neglected part of the prison population, and one that suffers disproportionately because of its neglect. No price is listed for the 12-page issue, but offerings probably would be gratefully received. Ask about subscriptions, too. Contact: *Criminal Justice Issues*, Commission for Racial Justice, 105 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016.

□ CD NEWSLETTER: *Friends in Community Development* is a bimonthly newsletter aimed at network formation around community economic development issues. By the time you read this, it may have turned itself into either a publication of the graduate Dept. of Urban and Environmental Policy at Tufts or a worker and/or reader-owned cooperative. In any event, it will continue to convey news and views grounded in the development needs of our evolving world. Subscriptions have been \$3.50, but rates may change. For details (and to offer encouragement): *Friends in Community Development*, Brown House, 38 Professors Row, Medford, MA 02155.

□ BLACK POLS: *Managing Crisis Cities* is a 228-page study of the transfer in major cities of political leadership from aging, ethnic-dominated machines to coalitions led by blacks. The book, by Bette Woody of Wellesley, explores the challenges they face and report on their strategies for responding. Copies are \$27.50, from Greenwood Press, 88 Post Rd. West, Westport, CT 06881.

□ IN OUR DEFENSE is the working title of a planned television fundraising special on the nuclear arms race and efforts to reverse it, to be produced by PN member Gil Friend. He has left his job to undertake the project, and is looking for contributions (which may be tax deductible) and encouragement. Details: Gil Friend, Foundation for the Arts of Peace, 1615 Broadway #670, Oakland, CA 94612, 415/428-0621.

□ THE AMERICAN PROMISE: *Equal Justice and Economic Opportunity* is the 144-page final report of the National Advisory Council on Economic Opportunity. It was suppressed by the Reagan Administration but is available now from Transaction Books. The editor is Arthur I. Blaustein; the price \$9.95, payable to Transaction Books, Rutgers/The State University, New Brunswick, NJ 08903.

□ NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION: The National Neighborhood Coalition is a Washington collection of diverse groups linked together by a common concern for the neighborhood impact of national programs. Group perspectives include crime prevention, the arts, community development, and neighborhood governance, for example. Details: Sandy Solomon, National Neighborhood Coalition, 1725 Eye St., N.W. #200, Wash. DC 20006, 202/293-4680.

□ ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT: *The Entrepreneurial Economy* is a monthly newsletter from the Corporation for Enterprise Development, providing a regular review of enterprise development strategies. Recent issues have explored private sector initiatives, state development finance, employment policy, and financial intermediaries. Subscriptions are \$78, payable to Corporation for Enterprise Development, 1211 Connecticut Ave. N.W. #710A, Wash. DC 20036. Ask about other publications, as well.

□ CO-OP AMERICA is a national marketing service for socially and environmentally committed co-ops, businesses, and nonprofits, and individual consumers comprising their national market segment. Its functions include a brokering service, a marketing business, and a membership organization. For details on specific services and membership fees, contact: Co-op America, 2100 M St. N.W. #316, Wash. DC 20036, 202/872-5307.

□ DISAPPEARING NURSES: A recent issue of the *Health/PAC Bulletin* features a report, "The Case of the Missing Nurse," which explores hospitals' growing use of temporary nurses and the impact the temps have on the quality of nursing. Other articles cover occupational health in Australia and homecare. Subscriptions are \$15 (\$30 for institutions) for six issues, from the Health Policy Advisory Center, 17 Murray St., New York, NY 10007.

□ COMMUNITY-BASED CED: *Resources* is a new monthly reference from the National Congress for Community Economic Development, reporting on government, community-based efforts, private funders, and special development issues for community-based economic development groups. The first issue features a report on the growing state role in community-based economic development. Subscriptions are \$48 from NCCED, 2025 Eye St. N.W. #901, Wash. DC 20006, 202/659-8411.

□ NYC HOMELESS: From PN member Joseph Biber (843 Carroll St., Brooklyn, NY 11215): I've been working at the Community Service Society as director of the "Shelter Development Project," a state-funded technical assistance effort to help nonprofits establish shelter/residences for the homeless in New York City. I would be glad to send literature on the program to any Networkers who are interested, and I would like to hear from others familiar with innovative financing techniques for special needs housing, especially for single adults.

□ TAX OBJECTING: The Conscience & Military Tax Campaign-U.S. is collecting signatures for Congressional consideration of a World Peace Tax Fund bill, which would establish a trust fund for receiving the military percentage of income taxes paid by conscientious military tax objectors. The fund would be used for a National Peace Academy, among other things. First-year receipts for the fund have been estimated at over \$4 billion. For details and other information resources: Conscientious & Military Tax Campaign-U.S., 44 Bellhaven Rd., Bellport, NY 11713, 516/286-8825.

□ JOBLESS RALLY: The National Unemployed Network and the Mon Valley Unemployed Committee are organizing a March 15 rally in Washington for effective jobs legislation, extended unemployment benefits, and protection for the unemployed from foreclosures. They are looking for endorsements, money, and help. Contact: National

Unemployed Network, c/o Mon Valley Unemployed Committee, 600 Walnut St., McKeesport, PA 15132, 412/678-1409.

□ **ORGANIZING PLAY:** "The American Neighborhood Road Show" is a theatrical survey of grassroots community organizing in America for the past 100 years, presented by the Voices Repertory Company of Baltimore. Besides being good theatre (it's been seen twice by PN's reviewer, who pronounced it "really good"), it lends itself to fundraising efforts, for which it has been used around the Baltimore-Washington area. Contact: Repertory Company, 1304 St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD 21202.

□ **CITIZEN ACTION News** is a quarterly publication from Citizen Action (1501 Euclid Ave. #500, Cleveland, OH 44115, 216/861-5200) which reports on grassroots activism from around the country. A recent issue reviewed election developments and included longer reports from Wisconsin and Connecticut. Write for subscription rates and other information.

□ **BANKING TIPS:** The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation publishes a free newsletter, *Consumer News*, which it calls "The Bank Customer's Publication." A recent issue reported on deposit insurance, balancing your checkbook, and Truth-in-Lending changes. Part of the issue was in Spanish; a consumer hotline was noted (800/424-5488). Contact: FDIC, Wash. DC 20429.

□ **BLOCK GRANTS:** The Coalition on Block Grants and Human Needs (1000 Wisconsin Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20007, 202/333-0822) has two efforts underway of interest to Networkers. It has prepared model language for citizens' groups to use in strengthening state policies and procedures in the administration of block grants, including targeting, audits, access to documents, civil rights, and public participation. And it has launched a study on the civil rights implications of block grants enacted in 1981 for submission to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission. Contact the Coalition for details, or to offer help.

□ **BBC DOCUMENTARY:** *To Sing Our Own Song* is a dynamite BBC documentary, banned by the Philippine government, depicting the extremes of poverty and wealth and the quality of life in that country under Ferdinand Marcos. It's available through Charito Planas, a Philippine human rights activist in exile, and formerly a director of the Chamber of Commerce in the Philippines (2821 S. Columbus, Arlington, VA 22006, 703/379-4340).

□ **PARTNERSHIPS EXCHANGE:** First there was the Neighborhood Information Sharing Exchange, which disappeared in the budget cutbacks, now there is a proposal for a national, nonprofit Partnerships Exchange, to provide an interactive information network helping communities exchange workable ideas and practices, and to assist in the building of community partnerships. Co-sponsors are the National Urban Coalition and the International Downtown Executives Assn. Contact: Ramma Edelin, National Urban Coalition, 1201 Connecticut Ave. N.W. #400, Wash. DC 20036, 202/331-2410.

□ **RURAL AMERICA** has a new catalogue of its publications, covering agribusiness, poverty, health, community development, and housing, in addition to its

many general publications and its bimonthly *ruralamerica*. For a copy: Rural America, 1900 M St. N.W., Wash. DC 20036, 202/659-2800. Ask about Rural America memberships, also.

□ **AMUSE, INC.** (Artists and Musicians United for a Safe Environment) is a nonprofit, non-member organization of artists, musicians, and environmentalists bonded by a common love and zest for life, and by a commitment to help preserve the quality of our environment. Writes Amuse VP Bob Eidus (a PN member); We are about to launch a campaign for affiliate chapters in other states. We have requests from Texas, Tenn., and northern VA/DC. We are about to purchase the award-winning film, *8 Minutes to Midnight*, to go on a tour of North Carolina. In addition, we are talking to Greenpeace about a media event to kill the dumping of obsolete nuclear submarines off the NC coast sometime in March or April. Anyone interested in protecting the Outer Banks can write me at Amuse, Inc., 708 McCulloch St., Raleigh, NC 27603. Ask about *amuse news* subscriptions, as well.

□ **DISPLACEMENT DISCOUNTS:** *Displacement: How to Fight It*, the 232-page community guidebook by Chester Hartman, Dennis Keating and Richard LeGates, published by the Natl. Housing Law Project, is available for sale at conferences and meetings at a substantial discount from its \$7.50 list price. If you hear of any upcoming events for which the book would be appropriate, please let Chester Hartman know, c/o Planners Network.

□ **URBAN HISTORY:** The Institute for Urban Studies and the University of Winnipeg have agreed in principle to become the publishers of the *Urban History Review*, taking over responsibility from the National Museum of Man. The *Review* publishes articles, research notes, conference reports, "notes and comments," and book reviews from all disciplines, including history, geography, planning, architecture, economics, sociology, and political science. For further information and rates: *Urban History Review*, Institute of Urban Studies, Univ. of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2E9.

□ **SSNW MONTHLY** is the newsletter of Social Scientists Against Nuclear War, a new anti-nuke group organized in New York (PN #36). Recent issues included background on the group, articles on military spending, and a Congressional exchange on nuclear weapons and nuclear power. For details and membership: SSNW, Graduate School and University Center, 33 W. 42nd St., New York, NY 10036.

□ **ENTERPRISE ZONES:** "If They Work, We're in Trouble" is the title of an article by Networker William Goldsmith (200 W. Sibley Hall, Cornell Univ. Ithaca, NY 14853) in the *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* (Vol. 6, No. 3, 1982) His reasoning: Two sorts of enterprise zones have been proposed: moderate ones, which are unlikely to meet their goals, and radical ones, which would be self-defeating. In his view, their popularity has grown because they have been seized upon by business as a weapon in the struggle with labor over production costs.

□ **HIGHLANDER PROFILE:** The February *Community Jobs* has a memorable series of profiles on Myles Horton and the Highlander Folk School he founded 50 years ago in eastern Tennessee. More than 1,000 people from all over the

country and abroad gathered at a 50th anniversary party last fall to celebrate and remember what Highlander meant to them. To find out what could produce that kind of loyalty and enthusiasm, and to learn about the remarkable man who made it all possible, spend \$2 for the February issue. Or, spend \$12 for a subscription (\$15 for nonprofits; \$24 for institutions), payable to *Community Jobs*, 1520 16th St. N.W., Wash. DC 20036, 202/387-7702.

□ **FARM WOMEN:** "American Farm Women in Historical Perspective" is the theme for next year's first national conference on the history of American farm women at New Mexico State University. Right now, the program committee wants proposals for workshops, papers, and other presentations in family/kinship, land tenure, life-cycle, work, technology, public policy, material culture, oral history, health, child care, and community life. Two deadlines: March 15 and April 15. Details: Susan Armitage, Dept. of History, Washington State Univ., Pullman, WA 99164.

□ **TENANTS' ACTIONS:** The National Tenants Union is planning local activities in May through its member groups as part of National Tenants Month. It will be trying to get Congress to declare the third Friday in May of each year as National Tenants Day. For further information and details: Woody Widrow, *Shelterforce*, 380 Main St., East Orange, NJ 07018, 201/678-6778.

□ **CONFLICT RESOLUTION:** Networker Carla Cohen (1322 Holly St. N.W., Wash. DC 20012) has prepared a short paper on applying conflict resolution techniques to disputes between citizens, local government, and citizen organizations. She would appreciate folks reviewing the paper and making suggestions. Her plans are to use the paper for a pamphlet to be distributed later through national urban organizations.

□ **NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT** is the newsletter of the APA's Neighborhood Development Division, and the winter issue includes articles on abandoned housing, mandating self-help in CDBG projects, affordable housing in historic districts, and other features. For information and copies: Robert Hollister, Dept. of Urban and Environmental Policy, Tufts Univ., Medford, MA 02155, 617/381-3394.

□ **NONVIOLENT GUIDE:** From Networkers Jim and Marjorie Young (1941 Ogden Rd., Wilmington, OH 45177): We would like to suggest to readers who might be interested in nonviolent community action on a theoretical and practical basis that they might be interested in reading Prof. Gene Sharp's *The Politics of Nonviolent Action* (Boston: Porter Sargent, 1973). The hardcover is available in one volume (about 800 pages); and the paperback is divided into three volumes, and sells for about \$15. The hardcover can be found in many college and university libraries, as it was pushed hard initially. Sharp has studied nonviolent action for over 25 years, and is undoubtedly the foremost scholar in the area. The first volume is basically theory, the second gives examples of different types of nonviolent action, including rent withholding, and the third is aimed at political theory of decentralized control and the redistribution of power via nonviolent action. Sharp has been connected with Harvard University's Center for International Affairs for over 10 years.

□ **MOBILE HOME DISPLACEMENT:** Displacement Pressure on Mobile Home Parks is the subject of a conference, scheduled for April 15 in Seattle, right before the APA con-

ference. Contact Bill Bean, Mutual Housing Services, Box 1403, Walla Walla, WA 99362, 509/529-4985 for more details.

Project Update

□ **STUDENT RESEARCH EXCHANGE:** From PN member Nan Laurence (52 Lee St., Cambridge, MA 02139): The following student request for information on manufactured housing was generated by the Student Research Exchange Project:

I am a graduate student in Urban Planning at UCLA, preparing my master's thesis on manufactured housing as an affordable housing alternative. I am interested in comparing the benefits of developing conventional site-built housing with manufactured housing for low- and moderate-income people; legislation and government programs (at the federal, state (CA), and local (Los Angeles) levels) that increase its affordability; and why manufactured housing is currently being pushed (as opposed to, for example, 20 years ago). As part of my project, I am conducting a case study of developing manufactured housing on urban infill lots within the Echo Park/Silverlake area of Los Angeles for low- and moderate-income people. I welcome all inquiries, suggestions, and comments: Gale Trachtenberg, 2031 Manning Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90025, 213/475-6273.

Regional Roundup

□ **RESEARCH TRIANGLE:** From Donna Dyer (3409 Hope Valley Rd., Durham, NC 27707): In December, the Radical Planning Alternatives, a group of progressive planning students at UNC, invited the Triangle Area Planners Network to a potluck brunch at John Haak's house. We had a very interesting time—lots of good conversation and sharing of ideas. It was disappointing, though, to see how few non-students showed up. So we are in the process of assessing PN members' needs and developing ideas to improve our networking.

□ **WASHINGTON, D.C.:** From Judy Kossy (1864 Wyoming Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20009): The Washington, D.C. Planners Network is working with the Citizens Planning Coalition and the Comprehensive Plan Coalition (an association of neighborhood groups) in critiquing the City's proposed Master Plan. The two-inch thick plan has been in the making for 10 years, but does not address economic development (outside support for downtown's "uptown" office boom), or how to meet housing, employment, or service needs for low and even middle income people who are being driven out by gentrification and redevelopment. It includes neither implementation measures nor a land-use plan (D.C. is the only major U.S. city without one). The Mayor has made no provision for public hearings and appears to be rushing the plan to City Council without public input. Needless to say, the business interests support the plan's general thrust, and want to keep it vague so they can continue to operate freely without bothersome government intervention. The Network is going to analyze the economic, social and political costs of continued downtown office construction, suggest measures for controlling it, and for imposing special taxes to create a neighborhood housing and job fund. Please send any good examples of controls, taxes, or models for analyzing costs and revenues of first-class office space.

In addition, Joel Friedman and I are collecting information on the relationship between city governments and industries (e.g. the cereal industry in Battle Creek, Mich.) and specific corporations (e.g. U.S. Steel in Gary, Ind.). We are looking at how industries influence the development and underdevelopment of cities and neighborhoods.

On Our Organization

□ NETWORK NATIONAL CONFERENCE: From Steering Comm. member Tony Schuman (56 W. 22 St., NYC 10010, 212/691-9708): I am offering the following comments on Network issues through the Newsletter pages, rather than through mailing to the Steering Committee members, for three reasons: 1) It saves me time and postage; 2) I've taken to heart Chester's plea in the last Newsletter for more communication from Network readers; and 3) As most SC business is not confidential in nature, discussion of key items in the Newsletter might stimulate response from other readers. As some of you will recall, I succeeded once, some years back, in being provocative, to one reader at least, without hardly trying. My goal here, simply, is to prod. I support the call for a national Network conference devoted to the development of a progressive domestic agenda—a series of concrete policy recommendations in areas such as housing, health, and economic development. I feel that a national conference should precede any local or regional conferences for two linked reasons: First, although there are active Networkers around the country, I am unaware of any sustained, organized activity at a chapter level which could form the basis for organizing local/regional conferences; second, if the national conference is successful in initiating concrete Network positions on issues, the PN would begin to take on a more precise political identity, moving beyond the very general stance contained in our statements of purpose and principle. My own speculation on the low level of Network commitment on the local level is that beyond obvious limitations of time and energy, the Network doesn't yet offer any specific program to rally behind. I still believe that a paramount goal of the PN should be to establish itself as a responsible, coherent left voice on matters of planning policy, and this means moving beyond critiques of the status quo to postulating viable alternatives. I am not advocating any particular political strategy, such as involvement in electoral politics, although I do think this question warrants discussion at the national conference. Nor am I fantasizing that the Network would presume to exercise overnight national leadership among progressive organizations concerned with similar issues. The proposed national conference would serve as a vehicle to clarify and develop our own thinking on the issues, both individually and as an organization. In the process, the Network can renew its sense of self and improve our ability to work in coalition with other groups and to recruit new members.

□ PN AT APA MEETING: The American Planning Assn. is having its annual conference in Seattle April 16-20. The Network usually has a semi-official presence there, to recruit, offer some alternative perspectives on planning, let people know who we are. Anyone planning to be at the APA meetings should let Steering Comm. member Alan Rabinowitz know as soon as possible (Dept. Urban Planning, Univ. Wash. JO/40, Seattle, 98195, 206/543-2343). Let him know when you're ar-

iving in Seattle and how you can be reached. We will be putting on an event, at the convention hotel, probably on Sunday, April 17 or Monday, April 18, which will feature local Seattle activists offering a radical analysis of development trends in that city, a videotape on similar trends in Vancouver, plus introductory material on the Network. Network chair Chester Hartman likely will be there as well. Seattle area Network members should contact Alan as soon as possible to help plan and stage this event. We may or may not make the official program, so look for our signs.

□ DUES PROPOSAL REACTION: In PN #37, Networker John Friedman of the UCLA Graduate School of Architecture and Urban Planning proposed a more formal dues and membership structure for the Planners Network than presently exists; and we asked for your comments. Below is a sampling of the response to date:

From **Nancy Kleniewski** (SUNY Geneseo Sociology Dept., Geneseo, NY 14454): I agree that it makes more sense to have regular dues, assessed and collected at a particular time every year. I had to go back through my old check stubs to see when I had last paid. I think the newsletter is great, and I don't want to see it expire for lack of resources.

From **Jeffrey Stern** (116 Evelyn Ave., Amsterdam, NY 12010): I think the suggestion for a more formal membership system is a good idea, however I think it should still be tied to some sort of sliding scale above the basic fee. For example, a planner employed for more than three years and earning over a set pay scale would pay an additional membership fee over even the \$15 that was suggested. In this way, those earning more could better offset those who are unemployed, underemployed, or students.

From **Michael Lipsky** (MIT Political Science Dept., Room E53-460, Cambridge, MA 02139): I fully support the proposal for a dues structure primarily designed to support the newsletter and the networking functions of PN.

From **Dowell Myers** (Cmty & Regnl Plng Program, Univ. of Texas, Austin, TX 78712): Here is my check for some dues that are overdue. Although I concur with the analysis in the recent PN, I will cough up my dues in accordance with the present "overly progressive" rate structure.

From **Bonnie Jean Unger** (240 Kelton St. #9, Allston, MA 02134): I found the proposal to be an interesting one and rather reasonable. I know from experience the difficulties in providing free copies of newsletters, etc., to people on a steady basis when an organization operates on a shoestring budget (often out of the pockets of more dedicated members). The \$5-\$10-\$15 structure is affordable.

Upcoming Conferences

□ **MARX CENTENNIAL:** A conference commemorating the centennial of Marx's death in 1883 will be held at Cooper Union in New York, April 1-3. The emphasis will be on current research in the tradition of Marx. Urban studies will be among the topics included, as will feminist issues, international problems, and economic trends. (This conference was previously scheduled for last November as a Socialist Scholars' Conference, and had been publicized in PN #36.) For more information: Nancy Kleniewski, Dept. of Sociology, SUNY, Geneseo, NY 14454.

□ **WESTERN PERSPECTIVES:** The second annual regional conference on New Perspectives in Planning in the West will be held May 5-7, with Prof. Peter Marris of the UCLA School of Architecture and Planning as the keynote speaker. Panel papers and workshop sessions may include resource development, new federalism, social justice, economic development, and the political economy of population migration. Suggestions were due Feb. 15, but write anyway, if interested: Prof. Joochul Kim, Dept. of Planning, Arizona State Univ., Tempe, AZ 85287, 602/965-7026.

□ **PUBLIC/PVT BARGAINING:** The UCLA Extension's Public Policy Program will offer a one-day seminar March 11 on "Public-Private Cooperation: How To Make The Bargaining Process Work." Topics include an analytical overview of the negotiating process, the public's and developers' views of the bargain, and examples of successes and pitfalls. The coordinator is LeRoy Graymer, head of the Public Policy Program, UCLA Extension, Box 24901, Los Angeles, CA 90024, 213/825-7886.

□ **MORE WITH LESS:** The Institute on Man and Science (Rensselaerville, NY 12147, 518/797-3783) is sponsoring a series of spring workshops, called "Rebuild Your Organization and Community," to share tools and concepts that will help nonprofits and communities "do more with less." Tuition, room, and board for each workshop is \$225; some travel stipends are available. Topics will include retrenchment as an opportunity, lowering costs and strengthening capacity, and the recoverable investment strategy. For details: Kathy Helmer at the Institute.

□ **NEIGHBORHOODS, USA:** The eighth annual conference of Neighborhoods, USA will be held in Cincinnati, May 25-27. The registration fee of \$115.00 includes all conference materials, workshops, three meals including dinner on a riverboat cruise, and one year's membership to NUSA. For conference information and registration materials: Sherry Kelley Marshall, 415 West Court St., Cincinnati, OH 45203; or to NUSA, 885 North 1400 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84116, 801/535-7407.

□ **SENIOR HOUSING:** Looking at housing alternatives for senior citizens in the face of cutbacks in federal housing subsidies will be the focus of a conference organized by the Committee on Senior Housing Alternatives of Essex County, N.J. Entitled "A Showcase of Senior Housing Alternatives," the conference will be held April 8 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm at Seton Hall University in South Orange, N.J. The fee is \$12.50 before April 1; \$15 at the door. Contact: Housing Initiatives Center, 439 Main St., Orange, NJ 07050, 201/744-4042. Make

checks payable to Committee on Senior Housing Alternatives of Essex County.

□ **COOPERATIVE HOUSING:** "Cooperative Housing: A Dynamic Option for the 80's" is the title of a two-day seminar at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. Feb. 24-25, cosponsored by the Cooperative League, the Institute for Professional and Executive Development (IPED), and *Housing and Development Reporter*. The seminar will feature sessions on blanket mortgage share-purchase; and tax-exempt financing; co-op syndication; cooperatives for the elderly, and local government initiatives. Registration fees start at \$325, with group discount rates available for three or more "team" registrants. For information: Debra Hyde, IPED, 1800 M St. N.W. #780 So., Wash. DC 20036, 202/331-9230.

□ **NAN CONVENTION:** The National Association of Neighborhoods will convene its 11th national meeting, March 25-27, in Birmingham, AL. The convention will include workshops on crime prevention, unemployment, health care, transportation, economic development, and energy, plus regional caucuses, elections, and more. For information: NAN, 1651 Fuller St. N.W., Wash. DC 20009, 202/332-7766.

□ **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** The National Congress for Community Economic Development (NCCED) will hold its 1983 annual meeting and conference March 19-21 in Miami, FL. The theme of the meeting will be "Strengthening and Solidifying Community Economic Development in Uncertain Times." NCCED is planning a series of technical workshops designed for advanced CDC's and a series of general workshops for emerging CDC's. The conference will be held at the Everglades Hotel, with fees ranging from \$35 for one-day registration (no meals) to \$125-\$195 depending on membership status and registration date. For details: NCCED, 2025 Eye St. N.W. #901, Wash. DC 20006, 202/659-8411.

□ **SELF-RELIANCE:** "Tools for Community Self-Reliance" is the title of a six-day seminar June 9-15 in Chicago on community self-financing techniques. The seminar is sponsored by the E.F. Schumacher Society in conjunction with the Center for Neighborhood Technology. Staff includes Shann Turnbull, a World Bank consultant from Australia, author Robert Swann of *Community Land Trusts: A Guide to a New System of Land Tenure*, and George Benello, a specialist on worker-managed businesses. Topics will include community banking, creating local currency for small business financing, and financing community land without grants. Up to 25 participants are sought; fees are on a sliding scale. Details: E.F. Schumacher Society, Box 76A, RD 3, Great Barrington, MA 01230, 413/528-1737.

□ **HOUSING ACTIVISTS:** *Shelterforce*, the national housing publication, will offer a two-day training program for housing activists March 24-25 at the *Shelterforce* office, 380 Main St., East Orange, NJ 07018, 201/678-5353. Topics will include organizing, negotiating, leadership development, networking, and real estate. Fees are \$150 a person. Contact Woody Widrow of *Shelterforce* for details and registration information.

□ **SHARED HOUSING:** The Shared Housing Resource Center is conducting a one-day workshop April 5 in Philadelphia on shared elderly housing. The purposes are to

educate possible shared housing sponsors, to upgrade the operation of present participants, and to promote regional networking and planning. The fee is \$25 a person; registration is limited to residents of Pa., N.J., Md., and Del. For details: The Shared Housing Resource Center, 6344 Greene St., Philadelphia, PA 19144, 215/848-1220.

□ **URBAN THEORY/POLICY:** SUNY Albany and the American Sociological Assn. are sponsoring a conference April 8-9 in Albany on "Urban Theory and National Urban Policy for the 1980s." Details: Gail Gates, SUNY Albany Sociology Dept., Albany, NY 12222.

□ **BUDGET BRIEFING:** The Fair Budget Action Campaign will hold a three-day briefing March 6-8 in Washington, D.C., on the President's fiscal 1984 budget proposals. There will be workshops, discussions, and time for grassroots networking. A special focus will be on the interrelationship of military and social spending, and tax policy. Registration is \$30. For details: Blil Kamela, National Urban Coalition, 1201 Connecticut Ave. N.W. #400, Wash. DC 20006, 202/331-2400.

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□ **PUBLIC HOUSING:** In the 1970's, the Cambridge and Boston Housing Authorities embarked upon a series of pilot modernization programs in troubled housing projects. In a January conference and exhibition entitled "New Lives for Old Projects," the major issues of revitalization, administration, finance, tenant participation, and design and construction were examined for four of these projects. They are now under construction, with over \$80 million in federal and state revitalization funds. The conference was sponsored by the Department of Urban Studies and Planning, the Department of Architecture, and the Laboratory of Architecture and Planning at MIT. For more information, contact the Laboratory of Architecture and Planning, Room 4-209, MIT, 77 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA 02139, 617/253-1350.

□ **SELF-RELIANCE:** From the E.F. Schumacher Society (Box 76, RD 3, Great Barrington, MA 01230): Our Jan. 2-7 Oregon seminar (see PN #37) was very productive, with many attending from the Eugene area, so that very specific planning could go on between the representatives of different organizations concerning local projects. The SHARE (Self-Help Assn. for a Regional Economy) credit fund in Great Barrington seems the easiest tool for groups to grasp and see how to implement immediately—with creation of local currency a more long range goal. But one group attending had already put the self-financing principle into action. A collectively owned natural foods restaurant in Eugene, called Zoo-Zoo's, raised \$10,000 by pre-selling meals. They issued their own currency, backed by meals to be served and redeemable over a year's time, in exchange for cash to finance a move to larger quarters, or for labor to help with the refurbishing of their new space. Wonderfully innovative and a fine example of what the seminar was getting towards.

□ **BLACK ECONOMICS:** The Race Relations Institute (Fisk University, Box 18, Nashville, TN 37203) held a two-day conference Feb. 11-12 in Nashville on "Corporate Power and Black America," exploring the role of U.S. corporations in the struggle for black economic development. Topics included unemployment, plant closings, banking, black consumers, affirmative action for corporations, and the impact of Reaganomics on the black community. For details, contact the Race Relations Institute.

□ **URBAN CONFLICT:** From PN member Glenn Yago (SUNY Stony Brook Sociology Dept., Stony Brook, NY 11794): I have just returned from the 4th Conference on Urban Conflict and Change sponsored by the Research Committee on Urban and Regional Development of the International Sociological Association and the University of Essex in Britain. A number of interesting papers were presented that may be of interest to Network readers on women's unemployment, new technology and regional development, housing expenditures, fiscal problems and local-central governmental relations. Anyone interested in corresponding with the presenters should write to Michael Harloe, Department of Sociology, University of Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester CSQ 34K, United Kingdom.

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□ **APRIL DEADLINE:** PN's next issue is due out in April. Let's make Monday, April 4 the deadline for copy. To all Networkers who take the time to type their notes, we are most grateful; it surely does help the process.

□ **SKILLED HELP:** We've been enormously helped on this issue by the skilled writing assistance of Networker Lucy Gorham of Cambridge, and by the patient and tasteful layout work of Betsy Rosenblum, Chester Hartman's IPS intern. Our gratitude and thanks go to them both.

□ **LOST SOULS:** There is a big drop in Lost Souls for this month, but still a few Networkers managed to elude our efforts. Here is the list, for your usual helpful suggestions on restoring interrupted connections:

Amy Cohen, Brooklyn	Marcie Waterman, Brooklyn
Michael Hanley, Rochester, NY	Elyse Pivnick, Philadelphia
Marge Bennett, Oakland, CA	Helen Dowden, Sacramento
Don McCarthy, San Jose	Chris Dale, Burlington, VT