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Remember when summer-time was a part of the year that all youngsters were looking forward to; that time of the year when Little League Baseball, summer basketball and trips to the amusement park were commonplace throughout Chicagoland.

But in the last few years, it's been a long, hot summer, especially in the Chicago Housing Authority. With residents living in developments that are being torn down and wondering about what the future holds, gang crime and drug dealing getting completely out of hand, the youth of CHA are at a loss.

But it seems as though CHA - with the help of other corporations throughout the nation - is trying to bring summer back to the people of public housing with a program called Safe Summer '97. The program was created to entertain and educate the people in public housing. Safe Summer '97 will help all residents from ages 1 to 100; nobody will be left out, CHA officials emphasized.

Donations are pouring in, in particular from the CHA employees who are taking payroll deductions to help improve playgrounds and recreation areas in both family and senior housing. CHA employees' contributions will total more than \$100,000 this year.

Safe Summer includes the Inner City Games, held in Washington Park on July 17, and McGuane Park July 21, the Mayor's Cup, held July 19-20, and the popular Midnight Basketball League held throughout CHA. There's also Biddy Basketball and Biddy Baseball for the pre-teens to enjoy.

Safe Summer '97

by Andre Robinson

Another Safe Summer '97 program that CHA is high on is Reach for Tomorrow, in which 25 selected students from Chicago High Schools and one supervisor are working during the summer break for five four-hour periods each week. The ages of these counselors will be between 17 and 21. RFT selected 250 students who were divided into 25 separate teams of 10 along with an adult chaperone from the local community. From Aug. 12-16, students and chaperones will attend a program at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado. From Aug. 26-30, another group of 90 students will be at the U.S. Naval Academy. Students had to complete a minimum of 10 hours of community service before they qualified for any of the RFT summer trips. RFT coordinated with local Naval Academy personnel to provide training space at the Naval ROTC facilities at the Illinois Institute

of Technology (IIT) or at a local high school. Monthly training on mentoring, college opportunities and careers were conducted at this facility.

Other Safe Summer '97 opportunities for residents included 1,000 summer jobs offered through the Mayor's Office along with 1,000 jobs offered to residents by residents who own businesses.

The Adopt a Senior program devotes funds from different companies to sponsor various programs in senior buildings throughout CHA. In the family developments, money will be spent on improving playgrounds in various area throughout housing. Already there have been donations from basketball stars Juwaan Howard (Lowden Homes) and Dennis Rodman (Cabrini-Green). Their donations will help create better playing areas for our youths. If there are any developments that are in des-

perate need of better playground facilities, contact the organizers of Safe Summer and let them know your needs.

This focus on better playground facilities probably would not have happened if it hadn't been for a poem sent to the president by a young girl named Natalie Howard, a resident of Cabrini Green Homes.

With all the crime and poverty that our young people are going through, Natalie's poem reminded America that worrying about a place to play should be the last thing on a young girl's mind. That is why I am recommending that the next playground built in Cabrini should be named Natalie's Playground.

Safe Summer '97 will peak with a three-day extravaganza that will begin Aug. 22 with a black tie affair at the Chicago Hilton and Towers, where there will be a presentation reflecting back on Safe Summer '97 and what it has brought to the residents. On Aug. 23 in the morning, there will be free basketball clinics throughout CHA held by professional ballplayers in which they will not only talk about basketball but the importance of education in the community.

Later that day will be a playground dedication at Cabrini Green followed by Safe Summer Jam 3, which will be an outdoor concert. On Aug. 24, there will be a concert at the House of Blues located in Marina City which will feature another major artist.

CHA has given us the tools to make the most of summer '97. Let's grab on to this opportunity and ride it as far as it will take us. Enjoy and have a great Safe Summer.

The Poem That Started It All

In a national-award-winning essay on playground safety, 9-year-old Cabrini-Green resident Natalie Howard made an appeal for a safe place to play in her neighborhood. Her poem inspired the Safe Summer '97 initiative. Months after her poem generated such enthusiasm, we at RJ commissioned Natalie to reflect on the Safe Summer program. Below is Natalie's Safe Summer Essay, as well as the original poem that started it all.

by Natalie Howard

I like Safe Summers for everyone, but what I don't like about Summer is mosquitoes! They bite, make bumps and can really itch! I told my mother that I think I like spring better until she told me mosquitoes start to hatch in the Spring!

Winter can be too cold, so I guess Fall is better for me. I really do like the leaves when they change colors; the colors are so pretty.

It is still Summer, I have cream on my bites and take medi-



The girl who inspired Safe Summer '97, stands at the June 6 City Hall press conference that kicked off Safe Summer. (Photo by Cynthia Morris)

cine to stop the itching, but I'm still going to have fun!

The Playground

The playground should be for children to play and have fun in, not for teenagers or adults to leave beer bottles and cans in. Those things can hurt and cut us. I wish our playgrounds were like the one in Oz Park, because if you fall you won't hurt yourself because the ground is soft. I think we should not fight or litter at the playground or anywhere else. This summer I would like to

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Front page photo: Each year, Chicago Housing Authority Residents represent the largest entry in the Bud Billiken Parade, an annual event sponsored by the Chicago Defender. This year, CHA residents sported color-coded T-shirts with Safe Summer '97 logos

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Editor's Box

by Ethan Michaeli

helped to deliver the paper to residents.

CHA chartered *RJ* with an explicit, written commitment to the independence of the publication.



Conceptually, the paper had to be an independent voice from the start in order to attract enough support - from both residents and the public - to sustain itself once the CHA subsidy is eliminated in 2002.

RJ has been very successful in attracting that support. Our mailing list now includes dozens of paid subscribers - both sponsors and personal subscribers - as well as fellow journalists, residents in other cities and participants in the Section 8 subsidized housing program. Advertisers too have found *RJ* to be an effective means of communicating with an influential city-wide population. We have received interns from colleges and universities around the

A Year of Success

sons of disabilities as well as reports of positive things going on in a public housing community on the edge of the city.

We have continued to grow and expand as a publication, adding new writers and photographers, people with a wide range of experiences and perspectives. We most recently added a reporter who writes in Spanish and a photographer whose work has been published nationally.

Each and every reporter invests more of his or her time and energy than any freelancers for any publication I know about. Each reporter feels an obligation and a joy in presenting the important, the educational and the moving to their neighbors as well as the thousands of residents in other developments. Each reporter has developed his and her own contacts and relationships, using the access they have in their own communities to gather information unavailable to other reporters.

We have chronicled the successes and travails of CHA residents, mothers and daughters, fathers and sons, children and adults, leaders, followers and individuals. Recently, we published the last interview with Mrs. Artensa Randolph, the longtime president of the Central Advisory Council and a champion of public housing residents nationwide. The *RJ* staff joins the rest of the public housing community in mourning the passage of this real American hero. Though we have maintained our objectivity in every article throughout this past year, we cannot deny that we have been moved by the individuals about whom we have written.

The writers and photographers' work would be lost, of course, without the help of dozens of residents across the city who help distribute the publication. Boy and Girl Scouts, Local Advisory Councils and groups of friends have become an instrumental distribution network CHA employees and private managers have likewise

state, providing them with a valuable educational experience even as we use their knowledge of the latest journalistic techniques.

But the most satisfying form of support that we have received has been from residents themselves. Each *RJ* staff member continues to innovate and develop his or her knowledge of their community and of other public housing neighborhoods. As a team, we continue to find and focus on the common concerns of all public housing residents. These issues, moreover, are proving important to all low-income Americans.

That cohesive, expansive quality of *RJ* has brought our first award, from the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials. The award encourages us that we are on the right path and motivates us as we continue to develop.

But let me conclude by making a personal statement:

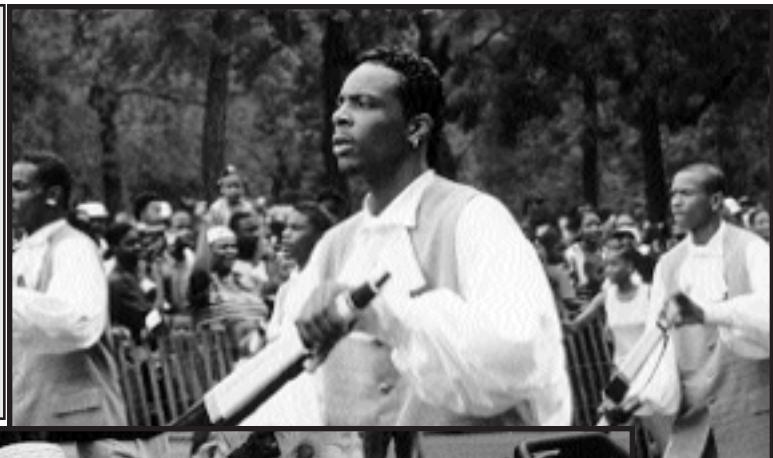
I was hired as Editor-in-Chief because of my years of experience covering public housing for the *Chicago Defender* and because of my skills as a teacher and researcher.

But time and again, the *RJ* staff has demonstrated to me how little I really know about the lives of public housing residents. I have contributed much to the publication in this past year, working hard to recruit, train and develop the *RJ* staff. But I have received the better part of the bargain. No day passes when I do not gain a revelation about human nature, about goodness under fire or the resilience of the human soul.

And thus, as I am thanking all of those who have made *RJ* a success, let me issue my deepest appreciation on a personal level, to the residents who have taught me so much in this past year.



Billiken Scenes
Scenes from the crowd and performers at the 1997 Bud Billiken Parade Aug. 9, an annual event sponsored by the Chicago Defender. (Photo at lower right by John Brooks)



A Tribute to Mrs. Artensa Randolph

Mrs. Artensa Randolph, longtime president of the Central Advisory Council, died Tuesday, Aug. 19 at the age of 81. A tireless fighter for the rights of residents, Mrs. Randolph dedicated 60 years of her life to the cause of public housing. A native of Arkansas, Mrs. Randolph first moved into the Washington Park Homes development in 1962. The entire staff of RJ remembers Mrs. Randolph and wishes her family, friends and supporters our sincere condolences. As a tribute to Mrs. Randolph, we have provided selections of the last interview with Mrs. Randolph, which originally appeared in the July 15 edition of RJ. RJ Correspondent Anita Baker wrote the story and conducted the interview.

I recently interviewed Artensa Randolph, who has been the chairperson of the Central Advisory Council for two decades. I talked to Randolph, 81, about H.R. 2, a new congressional bill that would require residents to volunteer 8 hours every month and would make other changes in residents' lives.

Randolph said her staff had examined H.R. 2 and also did not like it. Randolph said that we residents have been volunteers all of our life.

"I don't know what they mean about volunteering," Randolph said. "They will not take me back into slavery. We couldn't do anything, but do what - I hate to say it - the white folks told us to do but that day is

out.

"I'm not going backwards and to volunteer to live in public housing, and we don't have the luxury or anything that we need or want. Then they have people working in public housing."

Randolph also was worried about what will happen to CHA employees. "Then what will we do, knock them out of their jobs. Then everyone will be homeless and I'm not going to do it. If the residents

"Affordable housing is our right. Some people think we live here and don't pay any rent. We're paying our just dues."



Mrs. Artensa Randolph (File Photo)

want to follow me, we are not going to volunteer because I don't have to stay here. That's nothing more than a sophisticated depression and I'm not going for it."

Randolph said there are many role models in public housing, including Henry Horner Local Advisory Council President Mamie Bone, former Ida B. Wells LAC President Helen Finner and ABLA LAC President Devera Beverly. Randolph said these role models and many other residents already volunteer much of their time but it would be wrong to force them to volunteer.

"They can't make me get up and volunteer doing the people's jobs that they have hired. I'm not going over there taking people's jobs.

"So I'll volunteer on my own time. Whatever I

want to do, but they can't make me do anything."

"About the jobs for this program, no one has come out and said this is what we want you to volunteer for."

Randolph said she's very happy with the confidence residents demonstrated in her and the CAC. But Randolph said she was upset with the current heads of CHA, who took over the agency in 1995.

"Under this new regime, these are the worst times that we have ever had. We have no one that really listens to our complaints."

I asked Randolph whether there was any affordable housing available for residents displaced by demolition.

"About the affordable housing, today they say one thing and tomorrow it's another. (Former CHA Executive Director) Vince Lane said that some of the developments have got to come down. But the only thing I hate is there won't be any replacement housing and this is what I'm fighting for. But it seems like some of the members of the Central Advisory Council have forgotten what he (Vince Lane) said to the council.

"Sometimes, they (CHA and the residents) just let the buildings run down. They had a foresight; they didn't try to do anything to fix them up. So they had to get in bad condition and then they tell me so much money...was needed to do the units. But I don't know if it's true or not. No one has come to me to say this is how much money it takes to do a unit. So now they're tearing down but not rebuilding."

"Mr. Lane said that there is land all around where you could build these homes and then let the people move in, then demolish where you were living, because everyone wants to remain in their own neighborhood. No one wants to go out in the suburbs where the water is destroying everything."

"They think that we don't have sense enough to see all of this but they want to put us out there. No one wants us out there so I don't feel comfortable going where I'm not wanted."

"Affordable housing is our right. Some people think we live here and don't pay any rent. We're paying our just dues. While living in public housing, it should be decent and sanitary and a safe place to live. It was when they were just built in 1937 but now it's different. It's not safe, it's not decent, It's just a place to live."

by Mary C. Johns

Safe Summer '97 is almost at an end. But not yet! And one of the major groups that was involved was the CHA Alumni Association (CHAAA).

To further the residents' entertainment and to give back to the community, CHA - in collaboration with the CHAAA - held an "Extravaganza" Aug. 19 at the Skyline Theater at Navy Pier featuring Jackie Taylor and the Black Ensemble Theater.

Who are the CHAAA?

Few residents have heard about the CHAAA and what they're about so I went hunting to find out more about them and their involvement in this event. According to their information, the CHA Alumni Association is "a group of professional men and women who once lived in public housing who have joined forces to expand educational opportunities for CHA residents seeking higher education." With the CHA as a partner, the CHAAA (through fund-raisers and other events) raised enough money to award scholarships to 25 CHA residents at the Extravaganza.

CHAAA's Role in Safe Summer '97

There are 4 components to Safe Summer '97: youth programs, services

to seniors, facilities improvements and educational scholarships. Since one of the initiatives of Safe Summer '97 happens to be educational scholarships, the CHAAA members feel that the young residents of CHA need positive role models, mentors and educational opportunities. Since part of CHAAA's mission is to provide opportunities to assist CHA residents in achieving their edu-

ships every year to 5 CHA youths who are in the most need of financial assistance and who are planning to go to a four-year college or university. All monies raised from the "You Can Make It" benefit will go to the CHAAA's Scholarship Fund.

A Word from the CHAAA & CHA

"It was a joint effort between Grants Administration and Public Affairs in bringing about this event,"

the CHAAA reach and give," said Art Sims, a CHA consultant who worked on the Aug. 19 event.

A Heart-Felt Word from Jackie Taylor

I also spoke with Jackie Taylor, the founder and director of the Black Ensemble Theater and a former CHA resident of Cabrini-Green, to ask her why she wanted to participate in this event.

Genuine

tional pursuits by awarding scholarships, the group used the Aug. 19 performance as their first "You Can Make It" Scholarship Benefit for CHA youth.

Who Qualifies for the CHAAA Scholarships

CHAAA's goal is to give scholar-

said Denise Eligan, CHA's director of Grants Administration and a CHA alumnus of the Cabrini-Green development. "It was a wonderful opportunity to support welfare to work efforts and to do some innovative things. We're here to help you. Let's work together."

"It is most important that we as African Americans give back and that

"People need to realize that a lot of good people live in CHA," Taylor told me.

"I felt that it is very important and vital for people to be aware of the successes of the residents and that it be spread and told."

A Final Word

Those who participated in the fun at the Aug. 19 event saw Herb "the Kool-Gent" Kent of V103 act as the Master of Ceremonies.

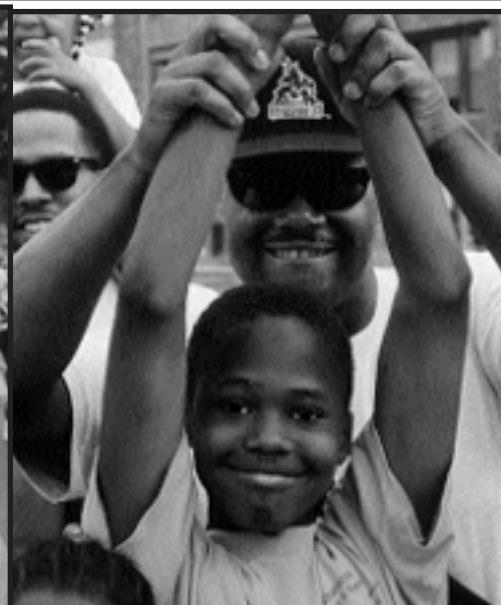
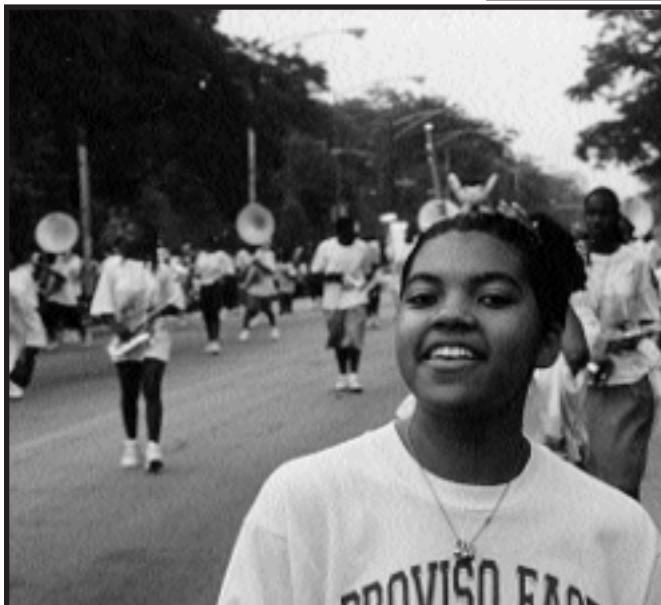
After all, the CHA Alumni Association could have held this event to help themselves like many other alumni groups do but chose rather to focus on the CHA residents.

I commend you all of the CHAAA and Taylor and thank you for your GENUINE CONCERN.

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- Black Ensemble Theater Founder and former Cabrini-Green resident Jackie



More Billiken Scenes
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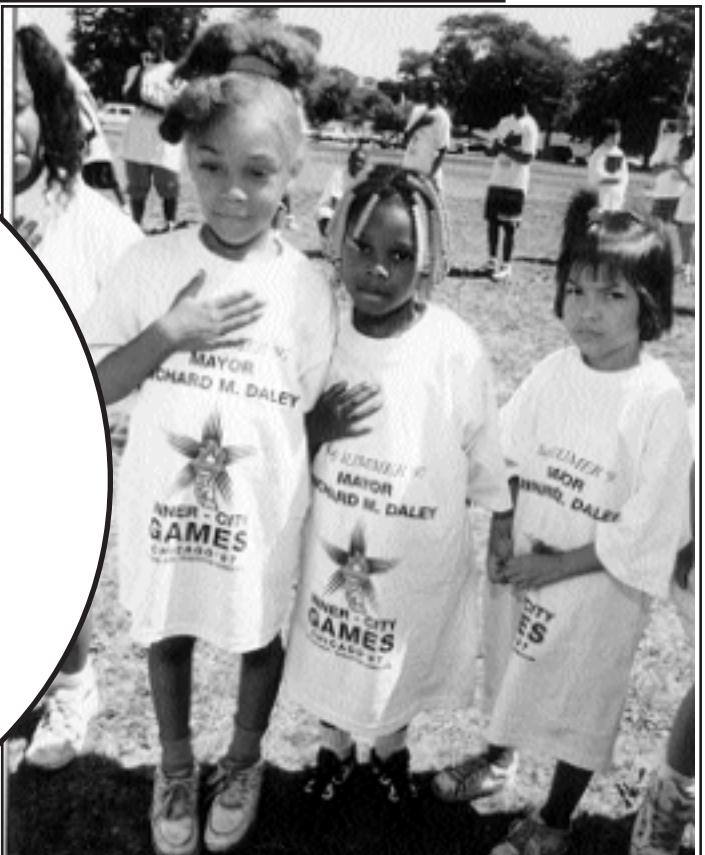
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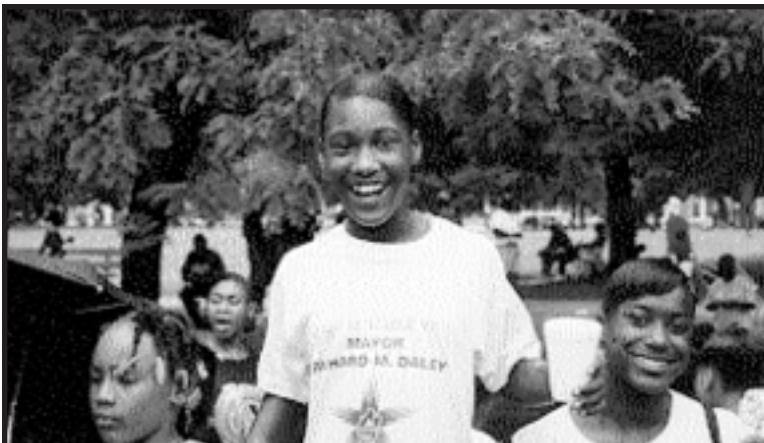
Under Executive Director Gil Walker, the Inner-City Games have become a hugely popular Chicago institution. But this year, Walker, also CHA's director of Resident Programs, decided to team up the Inner-City Games with the Safe Summer '97 initiative. On this page are photos of the Inner-City Games (far left, above and below) and the Midnight Basketball League (left center) as well as the Midnight Basketball All Star Game (above).



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Hundreds of young people who flocked to this year's Bud Billiken Parade Aug. 9 sported these Inner-City Games/Safe Summer T-shirts. **Bottom Photo by John Brooks.**



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MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Chicago Inner-City Games Foundation is a not-for-profit organization that offers youth an opportunity to be involved in academic and athletic Olympic-style competitions and sports clinics while giving recognitions and honors for accomplishments and

WHEREAS, the Inner-City Games program goals are to provide an opportunity for positive interaction of youth, a positive alternative to crime, drugs and gang activity, and to emphasize the importance of education, fitness and fair competition; and

WHEREAS, from April through October 1997, the Chicago Inner-City Games Foundation will involve corporate, public, church, and youth-serving agencies in the pursuit of the success and growth of the Inner-City Games; and

WHEREAS, during the 1997 Chicago Inner-City Games, the theme "Safe Summer '97" will be the basic operating principle to give Chicago youth an opportunity to say "yes" to sports and education and "no" to drugs and gang activities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD M. DALEY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, do hereby proclaim Summer, 1997, to be CHICAGO INNER-CITY GAMES "SAFE SUMMER '97" IN CHICAGO, and salute all youth and volunteers who participate in its events.

Dated this 19th day in May, 1997.

Richard M. Daley
Mayor



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Dear Friends:

As the summer is coming to an end, CHA is wrapping up Safe Summer '97 with a bang!

Safe Summer '97 is a citywide initiative that CHA took the lead on with Gil Walker and Inner-City Games. This multifaceted effort is to restore safe and supportive recreational environments for kids and seniors. Since June 5th, we have made contact with more than 50,000 youth, generated over 1,000 summer jobs and encouraged kids of all ethnic backgrounds and neighborhoods to compete in citywide Olympic-style sporting events.

Safe Summer is about giving children a safe place to play. One playground was completed at Bridgeport Homes and two more are scheduled for completion before the summer is over – including one donated by Washington Wizards' Juwan Howard, a CHA Alum.

Safe Summer is also about academics – including college scholarships, an essay contest, a poster contest and graduation festival for thousands of eighth grade, high school and college graduates from the class of 1997.

Safe Summer is also about giving back and it began at home for CHA employees who contributed more than \$100,000 through the payroll deduction drive to support Safe Summer.

Among the highlights of Safe Summer '97 were: The CHA Alumni Association "You Can Make It" event featured Jackie Taylor and the Black Ensemble Theater. This scholarship benefit at the Navy Pier Sky Line Stage awarded five college bound CHA youth \$1,000 scholarships for college this fall; Safe Summer Foods provided over 38,000 youth an estimated 10 million meals; The Robert Taylor Homes Learning Center went on-line with a \$50,000 donation of services and equipment; ICG's Junior Broadcast Competition which gave CHA youth the opportunity to experience the world of broadcasting up close; Essay Contest with over 20,000 entries from the Chicago Public Schools and our own Arrianne Redmond (Altgeld Gardens) won in the 9th and 10th grade category; Poster Contest (Museum of Contemporary Art) August 27th; Safe Summer Jam I; Safe Summer Jam II which featured Art Dub; Senior Wellness Expo (South Shore Cultural Center) where 5,000 seniors were served by celebrity waiters; Safe Summer Basketball Clinic (James Jordan Family Life Center) August 23rd; Safe Summer House of Blues VIP Reception starting at 8pm on August 24th; Inner City Games Golf Classic August 25th.

We embrace Safe Summer '97 in the spirit of our commitment to making public housing a viable housing alternative.

Sincerely,

Joseph Shuldiner
Executive Director



CHA Executive Director Joseph Shuldiner (at microphone, left) speaks during the recent groundbreaking ceremony for the Family Investment Center, 4859 S. Wabash Ave.

Robert Taylor Homes "A" Local Advisory Council President Mattie McCoy (front row, from left), the Rev. Addie Wyatt, FIC Executive Director Zenobia Johnson Black and Stateway Gardens President Charles "Cosmo" Reynolds (second row, second from right) look on.

Safe Summer for Seniors

by Thomas Merriweather

On Tuesday, Aug. 12, 1997, I interviewed Donna Dixon, director of the Gladys L. Reed Senior Programs Division of CHA, which manages programs for residents of CHA senior housing developments, including social, information and referral services.

Her department serves as an advocate for senior residents and includes such duties as writing letters or making telephone calls on their behalf, assisting with the completion of applications, other forms, etc. when elderly residents are often unable to handle these tasks owing to difficulty in reading or interpreting certain documents. Her division provides recreational activities to remedy such problems as isolation and loneliness when residents may be lacking in family or other contacts.

The Senior Programs Division has three counselors who work in the field to assist residents who are victims or witnesses of violent criminal activity. These counselors take residents to court and perform other duties, as needed. As of this writing, victim/witness counselors will be available in the housing developments to provide more closer contacts with the residents.

Donna Dixon came to the Gladys L. Reed Senior Programs Division in August 1996 as assistant director and became director in January 1997. She succeeded Gladys L. Reed, a longtime senior advocate who passed away in late 1996 and for whom the division is named.

The Safe Summer '97 Program is very significant because of the importance of providing danger-free recre-

ational activities for children who reside in CHA developments. Safe Summer '97 was motivated by a poem by Natalie Howard, a child who resides in Cabrini-Green and who had requested in her poem that a safe playground for C.H.A. youngsters be provided.

The very touching nature of Natalie's poem led to an initiative to raise funds for the building of such playgrounds and safe havens for children to be able to play.

To avoid the neglect of our CHA senior residents, certain of these funds were allocated for the special concerns of this group, including outdoor recreational activities with good health care - extremely important in providing a holistic concept for a safe summer.

A major component of Safe Summer '97 is the Wellness Expo, an event that is now in its eleventh year. This year's Wellness Expo was held in Thursday, Aug. 21, 1997 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The Expo took place at the South Shore Cultural Center, 7059 South Shore Drive.

The Wellness Expo featured from 50 to 70 health care providers who disseminated important health care information for senior residents and screened seniors for high blood pressure, stroke, glaucoma, etc.

For the first time, the Chicago Board of Health was on hand to provide injections for pneumonia, which can be a serious problem among our older residents. In order to make the Expo more appealing to senior residents, a picnic with box lunches and entertainment throughout the day was provided.

A Safe Summer Photo Gallery



Scoutreach

More than 300 young CHA residents traveled to the Scouting Camp at Owasippee Reservation in Michigan for an August week filled with fun, skills training and adventure.

Above photo: Young women smile through the raindrops.

Bottom photo: Young men learn fire-making in a self-built tepee

More Billiken Fun

In these three photos, we take a last look at the 1997 Bud Billiken Day Parade (Photo at right by John Brooks).

Chicago Housing Authority Residents are major participants in the parade each year, with hundreds of young people marching (bottom photo) under the banners of various developments.



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A Final Look at a Spectacular Safe Summer

A Midnight Basketball All Star makes a shot (clockwise from left); Ron Carter, CHA's Economic Development director and Safe Summer '97's creator, leads CHA staff and residents in a dance step at the post-Bud Billiken Parade picnic; three young people wave goodbye to a glorious Safe Summer; Tenant Patrol members dance their way down Martin Luther King Drive and a young parade-goer struts her stuff. (All photos except for top left by Eric Payne)

