COMMUNITY VOICE

A Newsletter of the
Neighborhood Community Center at SS Peter and Paul
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NEW COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The Neighborhood Community Center at St. Peter and Paul has hired a Community Organizer for your neighborhood. Evelyn Reaves has been working part time since February 1, 1993 for the Community Center. Her job is to build the membership-base of the Center and help residents organize to address the issues that are important to you.

Evelyn can be reached at the Community Center on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. and on Saturday from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. She may be reached at 464-0493. At other times you can leave a message on our answering machine and Evelyn will get back to you.

WHAT IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY CENTER AT SSPP?

The Neighborhood Community Center at SSPP is a partnership between a struggling urban Church and residents who share the same neighborhood. The purpose of the Community Center is to enable residents of the Neighborhood to address their social, cultural, economic and spiritual wellbeing.

WHAT IS OUR VISION?

- 1. To help people become
 LEADERS within their own
 community and organize and deal
 with problems of: drug houses,
 vacant properties, absentee
 landlords, crime and violence.
- 2. To bring concerned neighbors together to build a stronger community.

"WHAT THE COMMUNITY CENTER HAS BEEN DOING FOR YOU"

- Raised the money to hire a Community Organizer to address neighborhood issues.
- Organized residents to secure changes to the 1992-93 Community Development Block Grant Plan.
- Helped organize a Public Meeting in Feb., 1992 on St. Mary's Hospital's plans for Bull's Head. 250 people attended.
- Helped establish the Bull's Head Community Development Corporation for the redevelopment of the Bull's Head area.
- We have plans to rehab 714 Brown Street as a single family home.

- Helped establish a Westside Public Market. The market will open in July, 1993.
- We held a summer program for children and provided transportation to southwest area activities.
- Held a public neighborhood meeting attended by 50 people and City, County and Police officials.

WHAT ARE YOUR CONCERNS?

WHAT CHANGES DO YOU WANT TO SEE?

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

CALL US: 464-0493

NEIGHBORHOOD TIDBITS

Help us to build a safe, stable community, become a member of the Community Center. Stop by at 720 West Main Street, basement office or call 464-0493.

SERVICES:

ATTENTION TENANTS: Are you having problems with your landlord?

ATTENTION LANDLORDS: Are you having problems with your tenants?

Call the Legal Aid Society Owner Tenant Mediation Program at 232-4090 and direct calls to Eric Huppert.

NEED A NEW REFRIGERATOR?

Salvation Army may be able to help!!
This Program can assist up to 95% of cost of a new efficient refrigerator.

Requirements:

- 1. You must be a RG&E customer.
- 2. You must own a home or rent with a written lease.
- 3. Must have written repair estimate on broken refrigerator.

Call 987-9592 for more information.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Please register to vote.

Contact us for a form. We can help you fill it out.

Call: 464-0493

CITYWIDE "SPRING CLEAN-UP"

Attention All Neighbors, now is the time to come together and pitch-in to clean up our blocks and neighborhoods. The City of Rochester is sponsoring a "Spring Clean-up Week" beginning April 26 - April 30, 1993. This week the City refuse crews will haul away bulk refuse (except for hazardous and chemical waste) placed between the sidewalk and curb on your regular refuse collection day.

To the Youth and Young at heart
We need help to deliver this Newsletter.
CAN YOU HELP?

Call Evelyn at 464-0493.