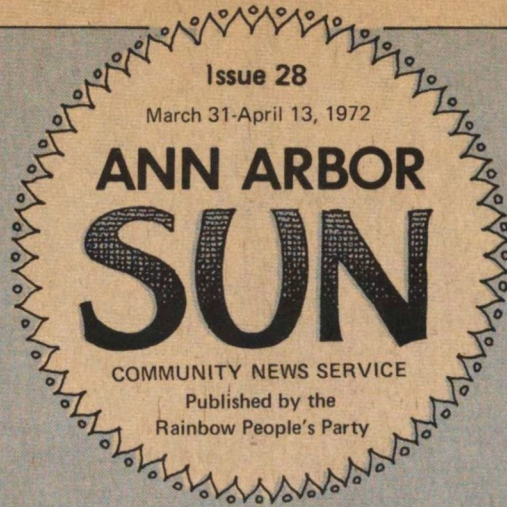
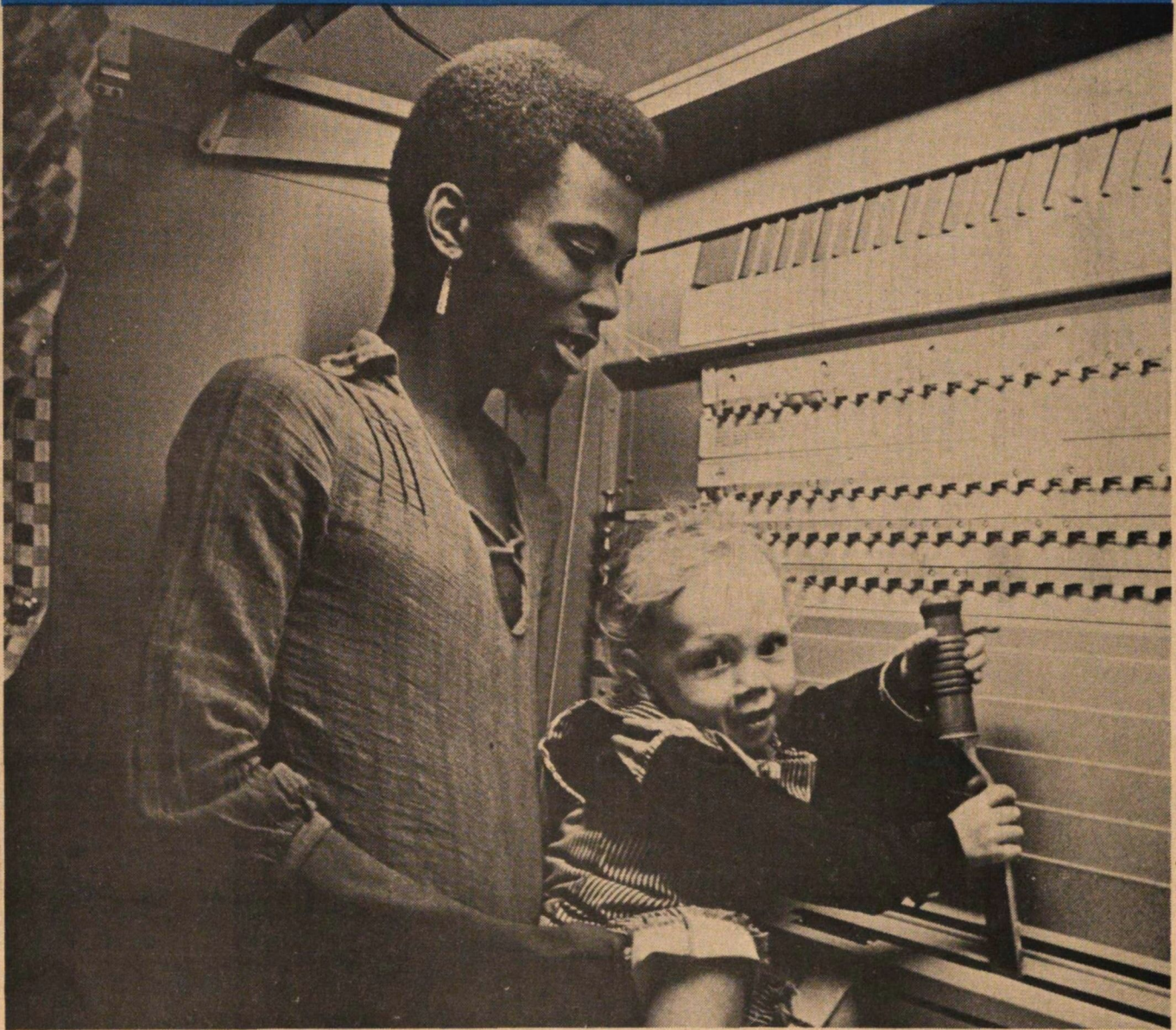


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USE THE POWER!

On Monday, April 3, an historic election will take place in Ann Arbor. With the Human Rights Party on the ballot, the 18 year old vote, and students from U of M being able to vote here in town, it looks like our people have a good chance of gaining some real representation on City Council. Because of the importance of this election the People's Campaign, a non-partisan organization working to get out the vote on election day, is sponsoring a number of events over the weekend of the campaign to get people's spirits ready for the election and to get people out to vote on Monday.

Saturday, April 1, at 8 p.m. there will be a huge People's Campaign Concert at Hill Auditorium with Detroit featuring Mitch Ryder, Spencer Davis, Wilderness Road, (a killer people's band from Chicago) and Guardian Angel. John Sinclair will rap and Bob Rudnick will M.C. Admission is \$2.00 at the door or at the Michigan Union, all proceeds will go to the People's Campaign.

Easter Sunday, April 12, there will be an Easter Human Be-In in Ann Arbor. Bring back the Spirit of '67 as we come together to "be-in" and get high with all our brothers and sisters in Ann Arbor. Bring food, *tokes*, kids, frisbees, and lots of energy. We aren't sure where it will be yet but listen to the radio and check out the streets for the news.

From the Be-In on Sunday afternoon people will head for the rock and roll Election Boogie in the Union Ballroom, featuring Teegarden & VanWinkle with some of the that "good old rock & roll," 8th Day, who recorded the hit single "She's Not Just Another Woman," the mighty Up, and Silverhawk. We'll start gettin down at 8:00 and admission is again \$2.00 at the door, with all proceeds going to the People's Campaign.

With all the energy built up from being together and rockin' and rollin' so many of our brothers and sisters over the weekend, we will be ready for the most important day of the campaign, Election Day April 3. First of all, needless to say, DON'T FORGET TO VOTE. In an effort to get all the people who are registered out to vote, the People's Campaign is providing an Election Day Central phone, 761-6650, that will have all the information you may need about voting; where to vote, how to get there. There will be shuttle service from dormitories to the polls and at least three radio dispatched cars that will pick up people all over the city to take them to the polls to vote. So if you need information about voting, or need a ride to the polls on Election Day, call 761-6650.

After you do get to the polls to vote, all you have to do is fill out a little slip of paper they will give you with your name and address. After that the poll worker will check for your name in their records. When you go into the voting booth, close the curtain behind you. The machine in the booth has dozens of levers, but only a few of them are labelled. At the very top you will see a copy of the Ashley-First (Packard-Beakes) bypass proposal. Under it will be a lever labelled yes and one labelled no. We strongly urge people to vote *no*. (See centerfold of this issue) Below, you will see the three candidates for City Council in your ward. Of course, the SUN urges you to vote for the Human Rights Party Candidates, Jerry DeGriek, 1st Ward, Nancy Wechsler, 2nd Ward, Genie Plamondon, 3rd Ward, David Black, 4th Ward, and

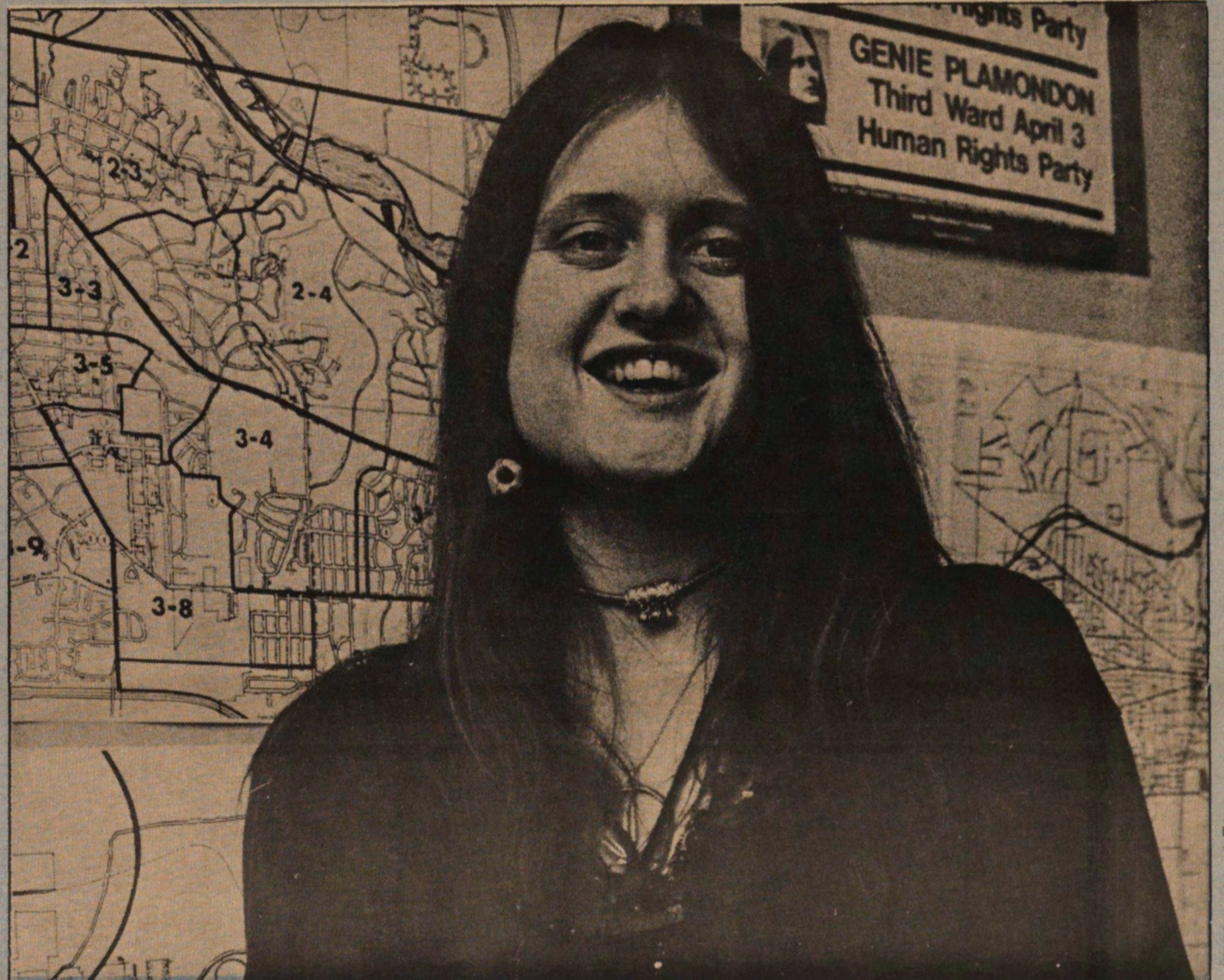


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Genie Plamondon, Human Rights Party Candidate from the Third Ward at campaign headquarters

Nancy Romer Burghardt, 5th Ward. To vote, pull the lever down. If you pull the wrong lever, you can just push it back up and pull down a different one. Your vote is not registered until you open the curtain. So take your time and make sure that you have voted for your choice before you open the curtain and leave.

Election Day is the busiest day of the campaign. The Human Rights Party estimates that it will need at least 200 or 300 people to work that Monday. If you can donate any of your time at all, even if you haven't worked on the campaign thus far, please call the HRP at 761-6621 or the Genie Plamondon Campaign Headquarters at 668-7206, or stop by the HRP office at 304 S. Thayer.

David Black, HRP 4th Ward candidate, won his suit against the city to have his name put on the ballot. He challenged the unfair election law that said you had to be a registered voter in a particular ward for one year before you could run for City Council.

The final voter registration figures have been released and they clearly show the amount of strength and power that we can have in this election. There are now 57,942

registered voters in the city of Ann Arbor. That total is up 35% from last year. Of that total, 7,050 are 18-20 years old. Of all the eligible 18-20 year olds 50% are registered. Of all people who are eligible in this city, 83% are registered. The figures for the individual wards are 1st Ward, 13,224 total registered voters of which 2,231 or 18% are 18-20 year old; 2nd Ward, with 9,722 total, of which 2,590 or 27% are 18-20 year olds; and 3rd Ward, with a total of 14,106 total people registered, while 1,093 or 7% of them are 18-20 year olds.

As Election Day gets closer and it becomes more and more evident that the Human Rights Party can really win two or three seats on City Council, the Democrats and Republicans get more freaked out. At the Monday night, April 27, City Council meeting, Linda Ross, speaking for the SGC requested a permit for a sound truck to go around the city urging people to get out to vote. A similar permit was issued during Voter Registration Week to be used to urge people to register. But this time the permit was denied. The strange part is that the vote was 4 to 3 in favor of granting the permit, but it was denied because you have to have a majority of council to pass anything, and four of the councilmen were not pre-

sent. The vote was strictly along party lines with the three Democratic councilmen and the mayor voting for issuing the permit while the three Republicans voted against. The reason given for denying the permit was that it will cause undo disturbance to residents on Election Day. It seems strange that Voter Registration was not so disturbing. The real reason for the change of heart is the Republicans have seen how strong and organized the Human Rights Party is and they are scared. They know that if the people get out to vote, the Human Rights Party will win. There *will* be a sound truck however, as we challenge the city to deny the people the right.

It's going to be a very close campaign. If enough excitement is generated and everyone gets out to vote, we really can win. The election on Monday is being watched all over the country as people look to see how the youth vote will go. We already know. Remember to go to the People's Campaign Concert at Hill Auditorium Saturday April 1, The Ann Arbor Human Be-In on Easter Sunday April 2, and the rock and roll Election Boogie in the Union Ballroom Sunday night. Also DON'T FORGET TO VOTE. April 3; SEIZE THE TIME! VOTE HRP ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

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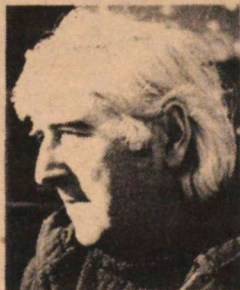
VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

What do you think the chances are for the Human Rights Party to get their candidates elected to city council?

Richard Steinhart student. Well, personally, I'm one of Genie's precinct captains, and I just got back from Jamaica. I'm really confident that we're gonna win control of the city council, from there sort of start a vanguard for different places around the country and take other offices in the fall. We're definitely going to win.



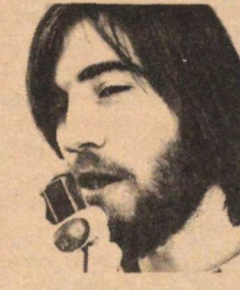
MacIntyre: I do as little as possible. I think if the Human Rights Party makes an immediate statement, backing the war for Freedom in Ireland, they have an excellent chance because the Gods will smile on all their endeavors.



Sheila Wilcox: student. Pretty slim, there are not that many students interested. I've seen some of their platform and some of it isn't gonna go over.



Michael O'Brien: unemployed Disc Jockey. Well, I think if that can happen anyplace, then Ann Arbor would be a good place for that to happen. I think it will be interesting on April 3rd.



Harriet Haasen: speech major. Definitely, definitely do. I voted in the student elections and I really feel the school is getting it together, instead of just being totally radical and bombarding everything. I feel they definitely have an excellent chance.



Ann Arbor SUN Economic Report

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VOTE HUMAN! MONDAY, APRIL 3

FLASH!

Music! People's Concert, April 1 at Hill Auditorium! Detroit featuring Mitch Ryder, Spencer Davis, Wilderness Road, Guardian Angel! Speaker: John Sinclair! Fund Raiser for the Ann Arbor People's Campaign. \$2.00 General Admission. See ya there!

FLASH!

Mark's Coffeehouse is sponsoring a chess tournament April 7, 8, & 9th. The tournament will be held at the First Congregational Church, right across the street from Marks, and all proceeds will go to the Ann Arbor Free People's Clinic. Entry fee is \$12 and there is a guaranteed \$100 first prize. Many of the \$10 Registration fees that new contestants must pay are being paid by local businesses. Also participating in the tournament will be the Carnegie-Mellon chess playing computer. Registration will take place Friday, 6:30-7:30. Alternate registration is Saturday, 9:00-9:30. Your move to help the Free People's Clinic!

FLASH!

BE IN ANN ARBOR APRIL 2! Bring yourself, your sisters & brothers, your dogs, your kids, your jams and your good times! Human Be In Ann Arbor!

FLASH!

Sisters! Come to St. Andrews Church at 306 North Division on Saturday, April 8 starting 8pm. We plan to dance, sing & generally have a good time!

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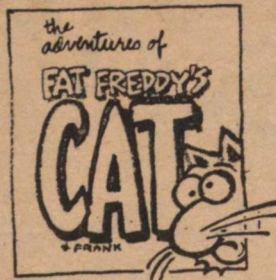
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FLASH!

Brothers and sisters beware! The street variety of the killer drug Qualud is causing many of our people to go into respiratory arrests or OD. It sells for 50¢ to 75¢ a cap. The dosage cannot be determined as the caps are poorly packed. These caps, some are darvon caps, some regular medicine caps contain a white powder which contains PCP, barbs, phenobarbitals with little or no Qualud. Peaking comes 20-25 minutes after you swallow the poison and this is the most critical time. If you see someone ODing on this drug try to keep them awake usually slapping them will do it and have someone call Drug Help at 761-Help! Death to the Death Culture! Life to the Life Culture!

FLASH!

Thanks to the brother in Jackson Prison who donated \$10 to the Artist's Workshop! A2 Tribal Council.

FLASH!

Recycle the Ann Arbor SUN!

Pass it on to your sisters and brothers!

FLASH!

Sunrise Communal Farms needs help! Their newly opened store on Washington St. burnt recently with almost nothing left undamaged! They need materials to rebuild! Any spare high temp. gas burners, cinder blocks, mortar, insulation, lumber, nails, plywood, window screens, saws, light fixtures, copper tubing, ventilation fans, building tools, fire proofing, fire extinguishers, transportation and most of all people, will help. Meanwhile people who can give food, clothes or any basic survival things can also help! Call Ann Hoover at 761-1709 and leave a message.

FLASH!

Election Boogie, April 2, Union Ballroom! Teagarden & Van Winkle, 8th Day, the mighty Up and Silver Yank Rock & Roll Election Boogie and Tribal Stomp Down! \$2.00 admission. Boogie to the polls April 3! Vote Human!

FLASH!

VOTE HUMAN! MONDAY, APRIL 3

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- Rainbow People's Party, Ann Arbor SUN, Up Rock & Roll Company 761-1709
- Ann Arbor Women's Abortion Service 663-2362
- ARM 761-7849
- Canterbury House 665-0606
- Cinema Guild 662-8871
- Conspiracy 761-7849
- Draft Counseling 769-4414
- Drug Help 761-Help
- Ecology Center 761-3168
- Free People's Clinic 761-8952
- Gay Liberation Front 763-4186
- Human Rights Party 761-6621
- Legal Aid 665-6146
- Moon Bail Bonds 439-2530
- Network - POLIS 769-6540
- Newsreel 769-7353
- Ozone House 769-6540
- People's Community Center 663-6746
- People's Food Co-op 761-8173
- Radical Lesbians 763-4186
- Record Offices 764-0106
- Ride Switchboard 769-6540
- Summit Street Dental Clinic 769-4445
- Medical Clinic 769-4445
- Tenant's Union 763-3102

- WCBN 761-3500
- WNRZ 663-0569
- WPAG 662-5517
- Youth Liberation Front 769-1442

YPSILANTI PHONES

- Black Student Union Association 484-1578
- LSD 485-3222
- S.O.S. 485-3222
- Tenant's Union 487-1470
- Ypsilanti Food Co-op .. 484-0758
- Ypsi War Tax Resistance 483-3474

DETROIT PHONES

- Big Rapids Trucking Co. 831-1574
- Center House 399-9090
- Creem 831-0816
- Fifth Estate 831-6800
- Record House 398-3881
- WABX 961-8888
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LANSKY'S JUNKYARD: CITY IGNORES PEOPLE'S INTERESTS

As the Human Rights Party candidate for city council in the Third Ward, I was going to write a statement for the Sun about the city's proposed moving of Lansky's Junkyard from one residential area in the first ward to another in the third ward. The following statement presented to City Council by the president of the Southeast Ann Arbor Council relates the initial information clearly for people to get an idea of the problem. Since the deliverance of this statement much more information has been made available about the city's plans for that entire area. The city's lies about Lansky's are only a very small part of the backwards way they want the whole southeast area to be developed. Indeed, we can't look at Lansky's as an isolated problem separate from the rest of the city's proposed poor planning. There is not enough space here to go into the sordid details planned to ruin that and other areas. But there are two other pieces of information that I would like to make people aware of when reading this statement: first, let it be known that when Mrs. Meiswick finished delivering her statement, Mayor Harris was cold, insulting, and responded with only a few short sentences of narrow-minded misinformation. Secondly, within that response and since then, there have been vicious statements implying that the Southeast Ann Arbor Council would rather see Lansky's stay where it is than move it next to their proposed parkland. These statements are clearly designed to pit community against community when in reality the Southeast Ann Arbor Council clearly has the same interests as the Summit St. community in seeing that Lansky's or any other such business doesn't get moved near any residential area, and they have tried to make that very clear all along.

No matter how far out Democratic or Republican candidates for the coming election may begin to sound during this campaign it is their parties that have made these other plans without very much interest in the people who live in Ann Arbor's neighborhoods. It would be in their interests to sound far out and get elected and then continue with these plans. When the Human Rights Party has seats on Council one of our primary interests will be to expose all their plans and involve communities in coming up with alternatives.

—Genie Plamondon

I'd like to start by telling you a little about the S.E. Ann Arbor Council and the areas of main concern to us at the moment. We are a group of concerned residents who are trying to realize a sane growth and development pattern in this area. The organization was started as an angry reaction to the irresponsible planning, and frantic high density build that is taking place, with obvious neglect of our children's need for schooling and living space. Many people move into low income housing long enough to save the money to move into a better neighborhood. This should not have to be the case. The new attitude toward communal living has brought more people to view it as a fine opportunity to raise families, and live in a cooperative atmosphere. However, there are necessary provisions needed to encourage permanence, one being adequate schooling, another being open space, as the actual living space is quite limited. Like any other community, it must be encouraged to feel that it can take a responsible part in the planning of its own area, thus giving it the sense of pride it deserves. But the S.E. Ann Arbor Council is not just composed of townhouse cooperatives. We also include the active interests of Georgetown, Spruce Knob, Pine Valley, Stoneybrook, Brook, Brookside, and the individual housing. We are working toward a common goal—seeing to it that the neighborhoods provide our families with the necessary aspects of living that we must have.

The Clinton school problem is one of

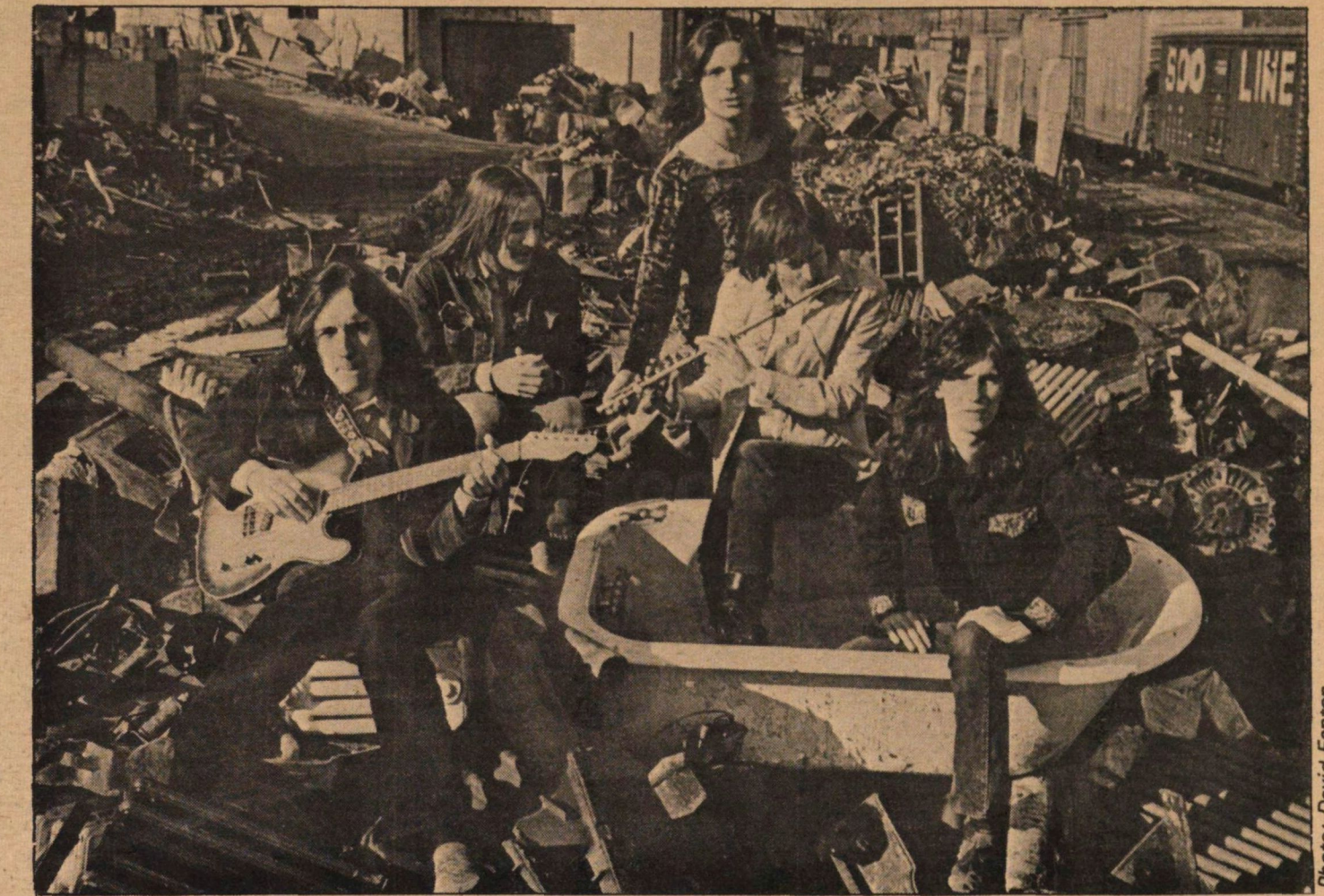


Photo: David Fenton

Guardian Angel on top of Lansky's junk heap

our main concerns at the moment. The predominantly low income units south of 194 have created the problem of unbalance: in the school, and the bussing issue need never have arisen if the city planners had been conscientious about building a well balanced community. The figures show that by the time the new school is built, it will be already overcrowded, as more people move into the units that have been made available. I am afraid that these new school plans are being interpreted as a license to proceed with more buildings. We are strongly opposed to the rezoning of Pheasant Run II from Agricultural to R4, which would allow 220 more units into the already overcrowded area. We desperately need some relief to allow us the opportunity to provide for the overwhelming needs of the present population.

We realize that to survive as an effective, credible organization we cannot be just a negative reaction force, sniping defensively at every individual issue. We want to be able to work together with Planning to develop an all-encompassing solution for the S.E. area, and together realize a fine, progressive community. We are willing to work in good faith with the city as long as we can see that the city is working for us. As I mentioned, we felt the need to become organized because we see that to date, the city has not been working with our best interests in mind. These issues must be resolved. Some of them have progressed so far that obviously a fight must ensue. The one in particular that I would like to bring to you tonight is the relocation of Lansky and Sons to Platt and Ellsworth road. We have been in contact with Mayor Harris and various city officials about this issue, and have not been satisfied with the progress. So we feel that it's time to bring the matter to the Council and the public.

As you know, the city, with HUD, bought land on Platt and Ellsworth road with the understanding that it would be used as parkland. The city has now reneged on its agreement and is about to offer ten acres of the proposed parkland to Lansky as the new location for his junkyard. When HUD was informed of this, it demanded a letter of justification from the city. In this letter, the city was to answer several questions. The first deals with the feasibility analysis of using other private or city-owned land. 1) As to township sites: the city claims that "even when acceptable sites were found, no townships would provide the zoning for a junkyard." In all our

conversations with the city, they have never mentioned a single township site which was eliminated due to lack of zoning. We challenge them to give details. 2) City owned land: It is ironic that the city eliminates seven of the nine potential city-owned sites on the basis that "they were all purchased with HUD grants for park and open space purposes." The same consideration applies to the proposed location on Platt! Shouldn't they eliminate it from consideration for that very reason? The city airport land is unsuitable partially because of "unstable soils"—how could any soil be more unstable than a former landfill? 3) Private owned land within the city: let me say that this part of the report is dreadfully incomplete, as their investigation into the available land was incomplete. A realtor who was given the responsibility by the city of researching available land was told of over 20 acres zoned M2, which we felt could be quite suitable. This was in December. Yet he made no mention of these possibilities to the city or indicated in any way that investigations had been made into them. The letter of justification went to HUD in February, so he certainly had plenty of time.

It seems obvious that the reason is simply money, not "desirability of location," which is eliminating all these other sites. The city is paying Lansky \$45,000 for his 1/2 acre Summit street site. Because that site will be used as a park for Model Cities, 50% of the 45 will come from HUD, 30% from State park funds, and 20% from the City park funds. Lansky then will pay the city \$45,000 for the 6 acres on Platt. (HUD, incidentally is to pay for the moving bill as well.) The city then pockets the entire \$45,000 for its Capital funds, and uses it to prepare the 10 acres for the junkyard. In other words, it has milked HUD of \$22,500, to which we have no particular objection, and has released \$22,500 from the park funds, to which we most strongly object. Money generated for proposed parks, or designated as park funds should be spent for that specific purpose. Although this reflects brilliance on the part of the city, it's a pretty sneaky way to bilk the citizens of Ann Arbor out of money they had designated for park funds. And as for the S.E. area, we are robbed of 10 acres of parkland. The city's only responsibility to HUD is to designate "an equivalent site" anywhere in the city for parkland. I wonder if we will see any of it in our area.

HUD also asked why the city had to give Lansky 6 acres to replace his 1/2 acre

on Summit street. The city argues that the zoning restriction for Lansky is M2 (heavy industry) and requires a 70:30 ratio open space to building. The city indicates he now has 72,992 square feet of building space. So to give him a correct ratio in the new site, a total of 243,230 square feet is needed, which is a little under 6 acres. These figures are totally wrong. The total building area is not 72,992, but roughly 13,000. This would lead us to believe that, using the city's own logic, Lansky would need little in excess of one acre for his new site. We understand that any company is going to want the opportunity to expand as it moves. When Lansky sells his Main street site to the city, he'll get an additional four acres in the landfill. So we are swapping six acres for 1/2 acre, or ten acres for two, depending on how far into the future you look. This does seem a bit too charitable on the part of the city.

The city has to assure HUD that the public will be provided with proper shielding from the junkyard site. The extra four acres is to be used as a natural buffer and beautiful landscaping will be done. Considering Lansky's numerous code violations as he operates in the middle of the city, how can we possibly accept in good faith the city's assurances that it will be any more vigilant with the new site?

We see our area being used as a dumping ground for those unpleasant businesses that a city must have. But this is not an industrial area. It is a high density residential area! How in the world can we expect to have an economic balance in our schools; how can we attract higher income housing in the S.E. area, if all we can offer are crowded schools a dump, and a junkyard? It appears to us that the city has found a way to put \$45,000 into its capital fund, and isn't the least concerned with the resultant effect on our neighborhoods. We realize that it must go somewhere, and as I pointed out, there are areas that the city has refused to even investigate. We suggest that the best way to avoid further deception is to have a public hearing, chaired by someone from HUD, and located in our area. This will allow direct responses and tend to encourage honesty. We appeal to members of the council to help us resolve this problem, and thereby avoid the alternative of legal action.

Respectfully,
— Marge M. Meiswick
President

Southeast Ann Arbor Council

Community Busted For Attending Community Meeting

Believe it or not, Ann Arbor has a Community Hospital (or so we are told). Ideally, community hospitals should be community-worker controlled and responsive to the needs of the community that they are serving. There are a few problems with the community hospital located in Ann Arbor. First of all, it is named St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and it is owned and operated by the Catholic Church. Of the members of the Board of Trustees (the controlling board of St. Joe's and 6 other Catholic hospitals) only two live in Washtenaw County, and all the members are nuns. Internally, the top administrator of St. Joe's is a nun and all the appointed assistant administrators who aren't nuns are white males. For many reasons (one of them perhaps being that they knew it would have to have community support, financially and otherwise--to expand or move its facilities) St. Joe's Hospital decided to create a mechanism whereby "community input" could be gathered by the administrators of the hospital. So, a "Community Advisory Board" was set up by the hospital. The hospital selected nine "representatives" of the Washtenaw County community, and these nine people then selected seven more "community people" to sit on this board whose function is supposedly to advise the administration (of St. Joe's) of the needs of the community and how the hospital can best be responsive to them. Well, it may sound fine on paper as a start in the direction of community/work-er control--except for a few details.

First, here are the people who sit on this "Advisory Board":
Robert P. Laughna--Chief Executive Officer, Highway Transportation Group of American Commercial Lines, Inc., Romulus, Mi.
Howard S. Holmes--President of Chelsea Milling Co. (produces Jiffy Mix), a director of Ann Arbor Trust...a big "local banker".
Nelson Deford--Manager of J.C. Penny's, "very active businessman". Was general chairman several years ago for the campaign that raised \$600,000-700,000 for the expansion of the YMCA facilities. (ed. note:.... wonder why they picked him for the Community Advisory Board??? What's this I hear about St. Joe's trying to raise \$5 million for expansion of St. Joe's facilities???)
Harold Sponberg--President, Eastern Michigan University
Robert Aselson--President of University Microfilm
Ann Edwards--the woman on this board (token??!), calls herself a "homemaker", catholic, her husband is Joseph Edwards, the very conservative Republican now serving on City Council.
Jerry Gooding--Vice-president of Whittaker and Gooding (Trucking Co.), Chairman of the Board of the National Bank of Ypsilanti
John Barfield--the black on this board (token??), President of Barfield Cleaning Co., a subsidiary of ITT (!)
Robben Fleming--President of University of Michigan
Robert Johnson--of C.P.A. firm Icerman, Johnson & Hoffman--"Ann Arbor's number one Accounting firm"
Paul Zimmeriman--President of Concordia



Community members John Collins, R.P.P., Nancy Lessin, and Elson Haas of the Free People's Clinic "rudely" interrupt the "Community Advisory Board" meeting.

Luther:n Collage, Vice-president and director of Huron Valley National Bank
Gage Cooper--(former?) manager of Detroit Edison in Ann Arbor
Peter Forsythe--University of Michigan attorney, "big Republican"
Keeve M. Siegel--founder and chairman of KMS Industries (Keeve M. Siegel)--war research, anyone???...many millions of dollars involved with this man and with this corporation
Arthur Gallagher--resigned from this Advisory Board, Editor of the Ann Arbor News.

It is obvious that these people are not at all representative of the community that uses St. Joe's hospital and would have a difficult time indeed of representing the needs of the medically indigent community of Washtenaw County. One wonders, then, why they are on this "Community Advisory Board"--could it have anything to do with raising \$5 million for St. Joe's???

Anyway, the Ann Arbor chapter of MCHR (that's Medical Committee for Human Rights--a national organization of radical health workers and consumers) became aware of all these discrepancies and contradictions involving St. Joe's Hospital, and decided to send a contingent of Ann Arbor community people and MCHR representatives to the next meeting of this "Community Advisory Board". So, Monday, March 20th at 4 p.m. a group of us went to the "Board Room" in the "Administrative Wing" of the hospital to raise the following issues with the Board:

"In order for St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

to adequately meet the needs of the community it serves we must demand that:

1. The hospital be under the control of a community-worker board selected by and from the total community in an open democratic election.
2. The present Community Advisory Board be disbanded because it is grossly unrepresentative of the community.
3. There be full access to all financial and technical information.
4. There be full dissemination and explanation of patients' rights in all services of the hospital.
5. The hospital institute comprehensive and preventative medical services including planned parenthood, all of which should be readily available to the whole community."

We never got to raise those issues. We were met at the door of the board room by Sister Mary Yvonne (top administrator of St. Joe's) who asked us if we had been invited to the meeting by the President of the Community Advisory Board, and if not we would have to wait in the lobby of the hospital until the President of the Board arrived. We replied that we were under the impression that the meeting to take place was of the Community Advisory Board, and that we were, in fact, the community and we were here to discuss with the members of the "Board" some very vital issues raised by members of the Washtenaw County community that we felt were not receiving adequate attention by St. Joseph Mercy Hospital or the Community Advisory Board.

Sister Mary Yvonne left the room and we took seats at the large table along with a handful of members from the Community Advisory Board. Photographers from the SUN and DAILY began taking pictures, but were told by the administration of St. Joe's that, "This is private property" and that photographs were forbidden. Annie Edwards of the "Board" asked us all for our names, which we gave. Sister Yvonne returned and signaled the members of the Advisory Board to leave the Board room and follow her. As they left, Annie Edwards told us, "I think you all are VERY rude!!!" As soon as they exited, the St. Joe's Security Guards appeared on the scene. Ted Podewill, Chief of Security, told us we would all have to leave the hospital or they would have to call the police. The community comes to a community meeting and the hospital threatens to call the pigs! Dig it? Dig it!

We had a two minute caucus at which we decided our analysis at this point showed we were not ready to go to jail (yet) for this. We wrote up a short statement saying we would, in fact, attend the next Community Advisory Board meeting (held the third Monday of every month) and expected to at that time discuss many of the problems facing the community and also discuss a way of getting an Advisory Board or controlling board that would more nearly reflect the population served by St. Joe's Hospital. We were then ushered out of the hospital via a side exit.
 --Nancy Lessin

Save Scarlett - Mitchell Woods

Nestled in between Platt Rd., Ellsworth Rd., and US 23 is a beautiful piece of land known as Scarlett-Mitchell Woods. For the past two and a half years, the residents of the community nearby the woods have been waging a campaign to convince the Ann Arbor School Board not to build a proposed new high school on the site where the woods presently is.

In the fall of 1969, several teachers and Colonial Square residents noticed that a number of trees had been cut down and that there was a large amount of garbage dumped in the woods. There was also a considerable amount of concern over instances of vandalism. It was soon dis-

covered that the entire future of the woods was in danger as the Ann Arbor School Board had plans to build a new high school on the site. Throughout the winter and spring of 1970, teachers, students, and residents organized to try and figure out how the woods could be saved. It was further discovered that land on both sides containing parts of both the woods and swamp, was planned for construction of housing units, by B Building Corp. on the one side and Glacier Corp. on the other. Numerous speaking dates were set up, a slide show of pictures of the woods was shown, and public support just generally grew for saving the woods. The group and

the drive itself became known as Operation Mitchell-Scarlett Woods. Tours and clean-up campaigns were set up for people to see what the proposed plans would do to the woods.

In May of 1970, the Ann Arbor School Board decided that another site would be sought for the school, and that the woods should be preserved as a nature center. The residents further proposed that 40 acres of the land belonging to Glacier Corp. to the east and part of the land to the west also be purchased and the whole site would be preserved. As of now no final decision has been made about that proposal.

Mitchell-Scarlett Woods is just one more

example, like Packard-Beakes and Lansky's junkyard, of how the present city government and school board are completely unresponsive to the people. When planning the city, they do not even consider the effect their decisions will have on the people living in the community or the ecological effect it will have on the land. Furthermore, they continue to call for more expansion at a time when we need to slow down and really consider the effect our decisions will have. The residents of the neighborhood feel they "can't trust either the city or the school board." The answer to that is to elect people who will represent the real interests of the people. All Power to the People. Vote HRP April 3.

TRIBAL COUNCIL NEWS



TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

This week first of all before we get into the discussion of what went on at the past two Tribal Council meetings we should begin with a few community reminders about upcoming community happenings that people will probably want to check out. This coming weekend, March 31-April 2nd is the weekend before elections here in Ann Arbor and there are going to be a couple of events happening where people can come together and get high and have a good time! Sunday afternoon there will be an Easter Be-In at a park that will be announced later this week—watch the streets and listen to the radio for more complete details!—there will be a lot of freeks getting high and playing frisbee and dogs and kids and all the usual high energy spontaneous events that occur at be-ins! Since winter finally seems to be on the way out and spring is on the way in, it should be a great chance for people to get together and celebrate and get their energy up to vote on Monday—we hope that *everyone* will try to make it, it's going to be great!! Then, on Sunday night there will be an election boogie at the Union Ballroom with lots of good rock & roll and carrying-on, gettin high together! We want to urge everyone to get out and vote for the HRP candidate in your ward and also to vote NO on the Ashley-First alias Packard-Beakes by-pass that will also be on the ballot.

The other event that is coming up in the near future is the Open House on April 9th at the new Community Center. Anyone who has artwork that they would like to donate to be sold to benefit the Artist's Workshop should contact Robin or Walden at 769-6540. We'd like to mention here that brother Dan Enerson, who is a prisoner in Jackson, sent the Artist's Workshop a \$10 donation—a super righteous donation considering prison wages these days. We'd like to thank brother Dan.

The first important news from the Tribal Council is that we are moving the Community Feasts to the first Sunday of every month beginning in May. We felt that we really needed to have four Steering Committee meetings a month instead of three that we had been having because of the

Tribal Feasts. The April Tribal Council Community meeting we'd just like to remind everyone again will informally take place at the Be-In, so we hope to see you all there!

The Radio Workshop has been really working hard and getting a lot of things done. The ½ hour special program produced and directed towards sisters and their problems etc. was aired on WCBN March 26th at midnight. Hope a lot of you caught that show. If you're interested in Radio Workshops, there are meetings Saturdays at 4:00pm at the community center.

As a result of the recent article that appeared in the Sunday edition of the Ann Arbor News concerning brother Dirk Fisher and his death last December, the Tribal Council has decided that the only way to present the news to our people in a realistic manner is to write the articles ourselves. We are now in the process of scheduling meetings with the A2 News concerning a proposal that we make to them about a Tribal Council column to be run once a week in the A2 News. All the people's committees would be able to use this column to make reports to the community and inform people about what was going on in that particular committee

etc. We would stipulate that it would be our column and that anything that we write should not be subject to editing by the A2 News. We feel that this is the only way that people in Ann Arbor are going to be able to really know what is going on among our people and it would help eliminate misrepresentation etc.

A second plan that we developed as a result of the police department's outrageous report of Dirk's death and just a general state of police harrassment that exists in this community for anyone who is Black or a freek (police standard definition is long haired youths), is a community investigation of the police department. If you see anyone being stopped on the street find out what is going on, why the person was stopped, the police officer's badge number, how long the person was detained, whether there was a warrant issued and just anything that you can think of that would help in the investigation. Please make notes of all this and turn the information over to the Tribal Council at the Tuesday evening meetings at the Community Center or bring them to the Rainbow House and leave them for Jeanie Walsh or Genie Plamondon. Once we get enough information together we will be able to form-

ulate a plan of action to deal with the harrassment and totally expose the police department and bring pressure upon them to stop.

We just want to remind people about the bail fund that exists for the community to use. If you get busted for a misdemeanor and need help with bail, call Ozone House.

Tuesday evening at the HRP office we held another Tribal Feast Community meeting. There were about 100 brothers and sisters there and lots of good food! It was a good meeting and most everyone stayed around to see the slide show about the air war in Indo China by Brain Mistrust. We hope that by the time May rolls around we can have the Feasts in the new people's ballroom and since it should be warm weather by then we should start having much larger crowds and involving more people with all the different Tribal Council committees! Right now the ballroom progress is being held up by the contractor's unions who are getting their donations together and trying to figure out how much they want to help us with our ballroom.

There is an important issue coming up though in the community in the area of the Free Clinic and their efforts to put pressure on the hospitals in the city to be more responsive to the true needs of the people. The latest project is to expose the "Community-Advisory Board" that exists at St. Joe Hospital which is a group of rich honkies who sit around and decide what the priorities of the hospital are for them and then enforce those decisions. Now, although this is a 'community' advisory board the meetings are closed to the community and when a group of our people from the Free Clinic tried to attend the meeting to represent some community health problems to this board they were threatened that if they didn't leave the meeting the police would be called!!! So we're going to publicize the next meeting scheduled and urge everyone to attend! Watch the SUN for more details!

LIFE TO THE LIFE CULTURE!
HELP IT GROW!

—Jeanie Walsh—for the Tribal Council Steering Committee



In line for some eats at last week's community dinner

PEOPLE INVESTIGATE POLICE

As police go, the Ann Arbor Police may individually be a notch or two above their county counterparts, the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, but the command leadership of both departments seems to know who they serve and why, as witnessed by the priorities that the departments have established for law enforcement. Parking tickets, car busts, loitering and traffic violations, mostly directed at the young, black and poor, occupy much of their time, while rapes, armed robbery and hero-in dealing go unabated in town every day. It should be realized that the victims of these crimes are usually the young, the poor and the black as well, because in a class structured town like Ann Arbor, the police keep the upper class neighborhoods clean, while leaving the rest of us to suffer. Violent crime continues while the police pick up harmless dogs for not being chained up. (When asked over the phone why the leash law was enforced, while others are not, this writer was told it was because the city council ordered it enforced.) It's clear to see whose needs the police in Ann Arbor serve.

Historically, in Ann Arbor, the police have been in the forefront in the struggle against our emerging community. In 1966 it was the police who hassled the fledging "Love-Ins" at West Park, a role they continued to play, including at one point, the enforcement of the City Council ban on our concerts. The next year, in the early

summer of 1969, the people got to see the Ann Arbor Police, and especially the Washtenaw County Sheriffs display their true colors during the two day police riot along South University, then a place where people gathered. After two days of beatings, arrests, and teargassing, the police continued their policy of harrassing people for hanging out, by enforcing loitering and curfew ordinances for the rest of that summer, a policy that they still pursue. (At this point, I should probably mention that the police have ceased harrassing the summer concert series, and largely through the efforts of Lt. Bob Conn, have assisted with traffic control while staying out of the park itself.)

Another aspect of the police in Ann Arbor is familiar to any of us who have stopped on the diag on a sunny day to grab a toke or two. Lt. Eugene "Clean Gene" Staudemeier is to the naive or unaware, one of the most potent weapons the police use against people trying to enjoy the diag with some righteous tokes. Dressed in flare bottom pants, zip-up ankle boots, and any of an assortment of windbreakers, sportshirts, or heavy wool overshirts (depending on the season) Gene can be seen on the streets engaging sisters and brothers in friendly conversation. At one time he was even known to bring baskets of produce to the Argus Collective. He also busts people for dope, or being a runaway any chance he gets.

"Clean Gene" is joined in the lineup by

none other than our beloved Sheriff Doug Harvey, a man, who allegedly said, during the LS&A building takeover, "I hate those students so bad I could kill them." Whether he said that or not is really of little matter because Harvey has made little secret of where his allegiance lies. Harvey, however, will get to face the people's wrath and power sooner than the rest, as the office of sheriff is elected and 55,000 young votes are enough to elect anyone sheriff.

The list of atrocities and individual pigs is endless. What is necessary for people to understand is that until we as a community do something about it, they will all continue. People need to begin to deal with the police as they affect our daily lives. People must demand community control over the police so that the real crimes can be stopped. There are three ways that we can begin to deal with this problem right now. The first is to learn your rights as a person in any situation that you may be involved with the police in. The second is to check out the Tribal Council People's Investigation of the police. We uncovered a lot about Dirk Fischer's death, and there is more to uncover. Third is to support the Human Rights Party, as all the candidates are pledged to support a platform calling for complete community control of the police. Watch this paper for more articles on this, and on your rights.

—Joe Tiboni
for the Tribal Council

WHAT YOU CAN DO...

If you see the police stop, harrass, or arrest some one you should:

1. Identify yourself as being from the Ann Arbor Tribal Council and that the People's Defense Committee is investigating the Ann Arbor Police Dept.
2. Request that the officer fill out what is known as a Citizen Receipt of Police Contact. He is required to do so.
3. Find out exactly what is going on; why the person is being stopped or arrested, how the police act toward both the person being stopped and towards you.
4. Get the name and address or phone number of the person being stopped, and name and badge number of the officer.
5. Get the names of any witnesses that might have seen what happened.
6. If the person is being arrested, find out who they would like you to get in touch with.
7. It must be stressed that when investigating that we always remain completely calm, polite, and rational. If the officer questions your right to investigate or threatens you in any way, you should calmly inform him that what you are doing is not illegal and that you are acting as a concerned citizen. If the police officer is completely irrational and attempts to arrest you, do not resist. When you get your phone call, call SOS in Ypsilante at 485-3222.
8. After compiling all the information, bring it to the Rainbow People's Party House at 1520 Hill St. or bring it to the Tribal Council meetings.

TUNE IN

WABX 99.5 961-8888

7am-11am - Mon-Fri Jerry Goodwin
 11am-3pm - Mon-Thurs Dave Dixon
 3pm-7pm - Tues-Fri Mark Parenteau
 11am-3pm - Fri Larry Miller
 7pm-11pm - Mon Larry Miller
 7pm-11pm - Mon-Fri Dennis Frawley
 11pm-3am - Mon Larry Monroe
 3am-7am - Thurs, Fri Larry Monroe
 11pm-3am - Tues-Fri Jim Dulzo
 3am-7pm - Mon-Wed Dick Thyne

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

7am-12pm - Sat & Sun Dan Carlisle
 12pm-5pm - Sat Mark Parenteau
 5pm-10pm - Sat Jim Dulzo
 10pm-2am - Sat & Sun Larry Monroe
 2am-7am - Sat & Sun Dick Thyne
 12pm-5pm - Sun Dave Dixon
 5pm-10pm - Sun Rotation
 3/4 - Goodwin
 3/12 - Parenteau
 3/19 - Dulzo
 3/26 - Miller
 4/2 - Frawley

CJOM 88.7 FM (519) 252-7313

MONDAY-FRIDAY

6pm-9am - Mike Linder
 9am-1pm - Greg Frith
 1pm-5pm - Dave Tallington
 5pm-9pm - Larry Himmel
 1am-6am - Joe Moore

SATURDAY-SUNDAY

rotating schedule

SUNDAY

Rainbow Radio - 6pm-11pm with Righteous Rudnick

WNRZ 102.9 FM 663-0569

MONDAY thru SATURDAY
 6am-noon - Doug Stone
 noon-6pm - Sid Clements
 6pm-midnight - Terry Berbstadt

SUNDAY NIGHT

noon-6pm - Mike Green
 6pm-midnight - Ken Benson

WRIF 101 FM 354-WRIF

During the week programmed progressive rock from the files of ABC, N. Y.

SUNDAY

9pm-11pm - SPARE CHANGE with Peter Werbe

MONDAY-SATURDAY

9am-10am Mike Benner

WCBN 105.5 FM 761-3500

MONDAY

11:15pm-3am - John Blattner

TUESDAY

11:15pm-3am - Mike O'Brien

WEDNESDAY

11:15pm-3am - Alvin McClure

THURSDAY

11:15pm-3am - Josh Packter

FRIDAY

11:15pm-3am - Rick Sanok

SATURDAY

11:15pm-3am - Jeff Hirsh

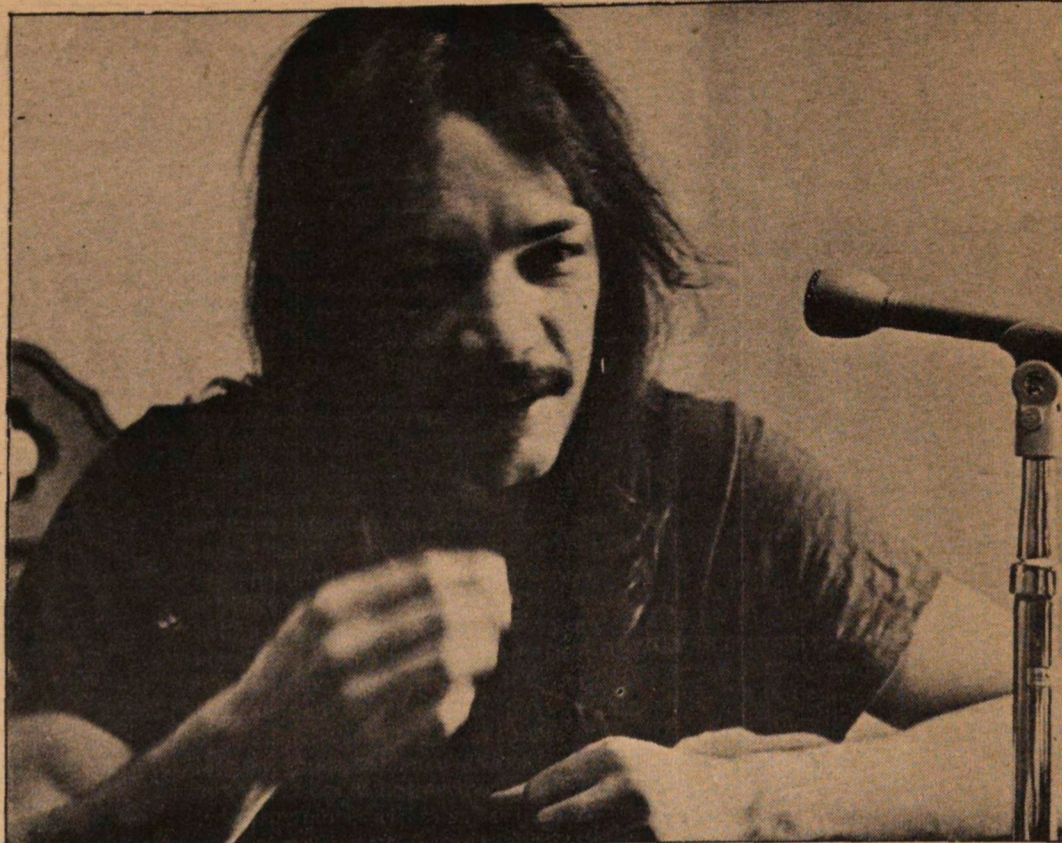
SUNDAY

11:15pm-3am - Randy Brooks

WDET 101.1 FM 577-4147

MONDAYS-9 pm JAZZ TODAY with Bud Spangler

TUESDAYS-10:30 pm DIMENSION with Charles Moore



Mitch Ryder of Detroit records a radio spot in the photo above urging people to go to the polls and vote on April 3rd, come to Sunday's Be-In and the Election Boogie Sunday night. Mitch's spot can be heard on radio stations in Detroit and Ann Arbor all this week up until election day. (Detroit will be appearing Saturday night, April 1, at Hill Auditorium, in a benefit for the People's Campaign to Get Out the Vote.) Mitch's message for the people, along with another election spot made by Mark Farner of Grand Funk, was produced and edited with the help of WABX DJ Larry Monroe (left). Larry lives in Ann Arbor, and also volunteered his help producing spots for Detroit's People's Ballroom and paid advertisements for the Human Rights Party. Catch Larry's show on ABX in the late-night and early morning hours Thursday through Monday. **POWER TO THE PEOPLE'S MUSICIANS AND RADIO WORKERS!**



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"The problem in this business is that you don't own your own product. If you record, it's the record company that owns, if you play at a club, it's the nightclub owners who charge people to listen to you . . ." Ornette Coleman

"I own Grand Funk Railroad." Terry Knight

It wasn't the cleverly ambitious but greedy manager, Terry Knight, who made the music. It wasn't deceptive shylocks or slave traders who drove people nuts, jumping barricades in the rain, outdrawing even the sacred Beatles, and becoming the number one rock and roll band in the world. It was Mark Farner, Mel Schacher and Don Brewer from Flint, Michigan who charged the people with high-energy jams. It was their on-stage excitement that proved how full of shit the pop-propagators of low-energy music were. Like lemmings most rock critics, except for Cream's courageous crusader Dave Marsh, dove into the L.A. sea of maudlin mushiness, trite tenderness, and the introspective isolationsim of the folksy pseudo-sophisticated sentimentality that Taylor-the Sweet-Baby-James gushed forth with first.

The elitist regional chauvinist puds of the music business in their guilded California splendor were always afraid of the power, loudness, and raunchy, liberating body music of Michigan. It wasn't pretty or hip; and besides, Mark, Don and Mel never played the Brithis Blues with any of the Blind Faith, or hummed, harmonized and homogenized with Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young, and they weren't even *friends* of Leon Russell, the aging shindog who seems sure to become the next Frank Sinatra. No, Grand Funk Railroad's only friends were millions of hard-core rock and roll fiends of every hue of the rainbow, who would rather boogie up a storm than wallow in the intellectual droppings of snobish, self-acclaimed pop trend-setters who could see no value, legitimacy or class in the heavy-metal music produced by the three sweaty sons of Midwestern factory workers.

Grand Funk's meteoric 3-year rise to international success was master-minded by Terry Knight, former AM disc-jockey and mediocre leader of The Pack. Fancying himself as the Colonel Tom Parker of the 70's, the frustrated ex-performer made all the business decisions for the group, many times not even consulting them. The group had absolutely no say over packaging, bookings, or sundry items, the latter being stage-mother Knight's crassly commercial venture into GFR Toiletries and jewelry.

Another grossly conceived project by the bogus Barnum of the bandstand involved joining forces with Justin, Twiggy's svengali, to make movies which would be remakes of Polluted Beach Party flicks with the lanky limey lass as Annett and Mark Farner as Frankie Abalon. Once again no consideration given to the feelings of the band. Through Knight's megalomaniacal vision he was Mr. Grand Funk with Mark, Mel and Don in supportive roles under his



Mark Farner, Mel Schacher, Don Brewer of Grand Funk Railroad are trying to get out from under their "owner" Terry Knight.

direction. Totally in charge of the finances and business, Knight was the President and managing director of Grand Funk Railroad Enterprises, Ltd., with an estimated control of anywhere from 50%-70% of the stock.

Terry's sometimes tasteless and garish promotion often hurt the group, leaving a

bad taste of hype that caused many people who had never experienced GFR to be totally turned off in front. He always referred to the band as "the boys." His arrogance only allowed a superficial glimpse of the individual talents, thought and personalities of Mark Farner, Mel

Schacher and Don Brewer, preventing feelings of intimacy, friendship and real character to become developed as the Beatles did so well. Knight ignored the regional idiosyncracies of Grand Funk that made us feel close to the Liverpudlians. The Funk, because of totalitarian Terry's style of promotion and hype, became no more personal than the grand international gladiators playing the arenas of the world.

Realizing that there was financial weirdness, and wanting to develop their potentialities and participate more in the rainbow culture, Mark, Don and Mel hired a lawyer to represent their interests. The condescending Knight even approved (after the fact) their choice of John L. Eastman, brother of Linda and manager of Paul McCartney. Representing the honkier Beatle in his difficult split with Apple, Eastman is not known for his tact. John Lennon has been publicly contemptuous of this attorney's sneaky tactics.

At a surprise press conference in New York on Tuesday, March 24, Terry announced that he was suing lawyer Eastman for \$5 million for inducing Grand Funk to break their contract with Terry. At this point the exploiter of Michigan musicians was seeking to enjoin his bread-winners from further "breach of contract." The Grand Funk wants the bloodsucker off their backs so they can begin directing their own affairs. Their recording contract with Terry Knight Ent., the major stockholder in Grand Funk Railroad Enterprises, expires on June 4, but the malevolent management contract goes till December 31, and then Knight gets a 3 year option.

Trying to out flank Terry Knight, Eastman apparently went to the Chase Manhattan Bank, who handles the official Funk account, telling them that Terry was doused and he, lawyer John L. Eastman, would then have the account. The bank rejected the McCartney-brother-in-laws claim and stuck with their buddy Knight. At a second press conference, called for Tuesday afternoon, March 28, at the New York City office of Capitol records, a nervous and tired Knight announced a \$55 million dollar suit against "his boys" and their council. (More news of this piggish suit next issue.)

Meanwhile, last week Mark recorded a 60 second radio spot urging Ann Arborites to "go down to the polls and vote on Monday, April 3rd." Mark goes on in the spot to urge people to come to the Easter Be-In this Sunday and the rock and roll Election Boogie coming up this Sunday night at the Union ballroom. The spot was recorded at Mark's Hartland, Michigan farm, and can be heard up until election day on WNRZ, WABX, WAAM, WCBN, CJOM, CKLW, WKNR, WCAR, and several other stations. Once again WRIF, terrified of the rising activity of the people's musicians, refused to put this non-commercial public service on the air.

—Bob Rudnick

HRP: TOWARD COMMUNITY CONTROL

An Interview with Jerry DeGriek, Nancy Wechsler, and Genie Plamondon

SUN: Ecology seems to be a big issue in this election, at least people are talking alot about it. What do you think about it?

GENIE: When we think about ecology we see it in terms of planning for the whole city. We don't think just in terms of what kind of soap we use. A lot of people think we would, but we don't, we've expanded. Like I said, we think in terms of the way the whole city is being planned, where roads are being laid, why they are being laid there. The Scarlett-Mitchell Woods is one of the biggest issues of the 3rd Ward, where they want to tear down one of the last remaining really beautiful woods in Ann Arbor and build a school there. We know there's a need for a school, but there is a lot of other land available. Perhaps the land being planned for Lansky's junkyard would be even better used to put up a school. Part of the reason they're having such a problem trying to figure where to put schools is because of the poor, uncoordinated city planning that exists in Ann Arbor. And now they're having problems figuring out where to put this school. We don't feel that tearing down a whole woods to put up a school is the right way to be dealing with it at all. They're also planning on doing that before dealing with problems like pollution, before figuring out ways to have less cars, and therefore less pollution.

SUN: You've been going out meeting people door to door. What have been people's reactions to you and to the Human Rights Party?

GENIE: Well that's bound up with the first question you asked. One of the most important things about this campaign is that we're going door to door, talking to people, and letting them see how serious we are. A lot of people ask whether we're serious enough and whether we're capable of taking over the job. But then when they hear us talking about issues that are so close to them, like Lansky's junkyard and Scarlett-Mitchell Woods, and hear us supporting what their views are, they support us. That's one of the most important things we can do, and have been doing, you know, going around and finding out directly from the people in the communities what are the issues we should be directly addressing ourselves to.

SUN: We would like to know what the Human Rights Party thinks about the whole issue of community control. We know that you talk about that alot, but people don't know exactly what you mean by it.

JERRY: Community control is a system by which the people who use services and the people who work in institutions that provide services make the decisions about how they're to be run. With community control people will be able to take much more of a part in the decisions that affect their lives.

SUN: The Republicans charge that community control is impossible, that it won't

work, that "there will have to be an election everytime you want to purchase envelopes or squad cars."

JERRY: Well that clearly is not what community control is. We don't want it either very centralized so that one board will be deciding policies throughout the city, or so decentralized that each individual thing is brought to a vote. But you do want a system where people who use work in a service will be able to vote for representatives directly who will make policy for that service, instead of the situation now where a very small group of big-money interests really runs things.

SUN: One of the big issues in the election is what used to be called the Packard-Beakes bypass and is currently called the Ashley-First bypass.

JERRY: Well that's very interesting, just the name change, because all along when the city was talking about it and when it was reported in the press, it was known as the Packard-Beakes bypass, which I think most people would vote against. Then they put it on the ballot in the form of a bonding proposal, and it's suddenly the Ashley-First bypass. It seems to me that that was done deliberately to confuse people so they wouldn't vote against it.

Anyway, the Packard-Beakes or Ashley-First bypass is a highway which is going to run through the heart of the black and low-income First Ward community. It is a highway that no one wants, no one except the downtown businessmen that is. It will cause more noise and pollution, go right by parks and playgrounds and people's homes are going to have to be wrecked. The only reason that they are doing this is to make it easier for cars to get downtown so that the downtown businessmen can make more money. That's the city's main concern.

There are many issues involved: First, the issue is clearly racist. Such a highway would never even be attempted in a white neighborhood. There would be too much uproar, so it would never even be proposed. Secondly, is the issue of community control. The people in these neighborhoods who are going to be most affected, are opposed to the bypass, and yet their words were completely ignored by City Council. Thirdly, it's a whole issue of transportation and planning. It seems to me that the answer to our transportation problem is not going to be more roads and automobiles. Already the automobile areas of the city, especially the downtown area, are being choked by pollution and cars. What we need is more planning to move towards a comprehensive mass transportation system which is going to create an alternative means of transportation. As a start, the present bus system should be increased so that it runs on weekends and in the evenings. We should also try to merge the city, University and school bus systems.

SUN: The Transportation problem is not going to be solved with more roads.

GENIE: Running for City Council is just like an extension of the work I've been doing in the community since 1968. The Tribal Council is trying to find entire alternatives to the cultural, political, and economic systems that are available now. We are a viable part of the community, the community of young people. This whole new culture that is growing up is a viable part of the community, and we don't have any kind of representation on City Council now. Just like there are no women on City Council now either. So being on City Council would be a chance for us to have some representation and a say in the way that the city is being planned.

SUN: Nancy, you used to be a member of the Tenants Union. What is happening with the housing situation in town?

NANCY: Well, I was one of the people who began the Ann Arbor Tenants Union, so my ideas on housing are definitely from a tenants point of view. I'd say we need more tenant-controlled low-cost housing and also some form of rent control. There wasn't even any rent control in Ann Arbor during the wage and price freeze! Also, tenants should organize together in the Tenants Union to struggle against landlords, who basically try to get away with as much as they can!

SUN: You've been going door to door alot in the 2nd Ward, which is a heavily student ward. What have you found to be the most important issues to the people in your ward?

NANCY: I think housing and transportation are the two things people start to talk about right away. The fact that they can't find housing that they can afford, it's usually in bad condition, and the fact that if you don't have an automobile in Ann Arbor, there's no way to go shopping. People realize that we need a good transportation system. One of the things that I think is most interesting is that the interests of students and lower income people in Ann Arbor are very similar. Housing and transportation are the most important issues to lower income people and to students.

SUN: What are your views on the Ann Arbor Tribal Council and the whole range of activities involved with it. What kind of relationship would you see between City Council and Tribal Council?

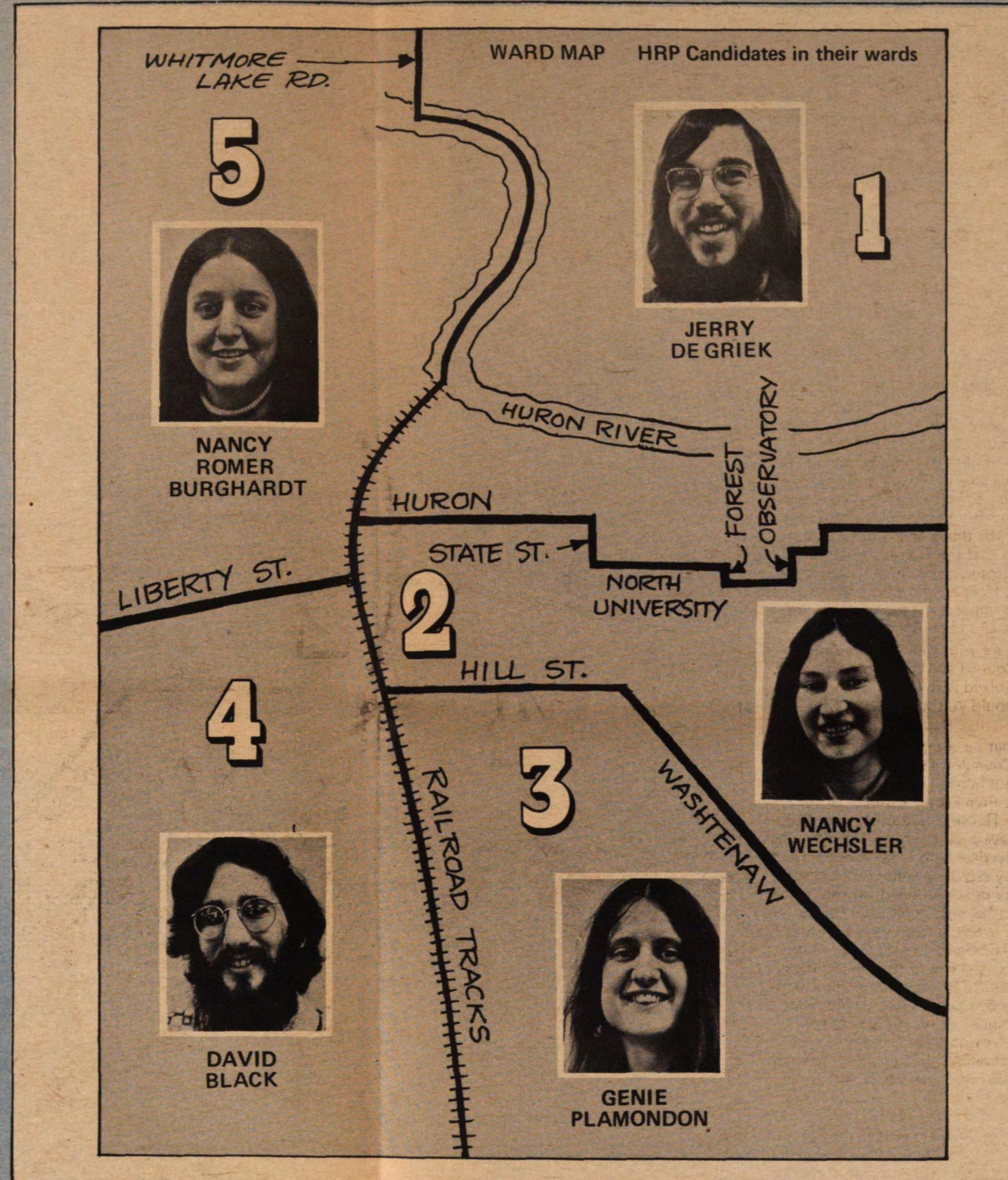
NANCY: That's a complicated question. The Tribal Council tries to serve alot of people's needs immediately with such things as the Free People's Clinic, Drug Help, Ozone House, and those kinds of programs. We have a community of people who need those services, and those needs are not being met by city government. It's good that there are people in town who are actually trying to deal with it, but the Human Rights Party is trying to deal with it on a political basis, because it's up to the City government in the end to provide those services, to subsidize them, and for all services to be under community control. So I see that both groups are really working together. One is providing the services that are not being met and at the same time serving as a model for future programs. And we're going to continue to push city government to provide them in the future.

SUN: Genie, you're part of the Ann Arbor Tribal Council. How do you see your work with Tribal Council fitting in with City Council?

GENIE: Running for City Council is just like an extension of the work I've been doing in the community since 1968. The Tribal Council is trying to find entire alternatives to the cultural, political, and economic systems that are available now. We are a viable part of the community, the community of young people. This whole new culture that is growing up is a viable part of the community, and we don't have any kind of representation on City Council now. Just like there are no women on City Council now either. So being on City Council would be a chance for us to have some representation and a say in the way that the city is being planned.

SUN: Could you talk a little about the contradictions between the Democrats words and their actions? They just came out with a new platform that's seemingly very progressive; it recommends the legalization of marijuana and other things like that. What did you feel like when the platform came out?

JERRY: Well, I felt that the Human Rights Party has already accomplished the traditional goal of third party movements in this country, that is to make one of the two major parties change their position one way or the other. However, I feel if that's



Republican William Colburn, Human Genie Plamondon, Democrat Ulrich Stoll candidates for the City Council from the Third Ward at a recent hot debate.

Photo: Linda Ross

all we do, we will not have attained a full victory at all because what the Democrats say they will do in their platform is a totally different thing than what they end up doing. That's one of the major differences between the Human Rights Party and the Democrats and Republicans. For example, when the Human Rights Party says it will work for the legalization of marijuana, it doesn't mean we will simply support a state-wide effort to legalize marijuana, as do the Democrats, because people would still be getting busted, as they are now. We would change the local ordinance to something like a \$.25 fine for possession, use, or sale; This would accomplish two things. First, it would make it absurd for the police to continue to bust people, which is fine, and secondly, if anyone was busted, they would be prosecuted under 25¢ city ordinance.

The Democrats have come out with a progressive position on marijuana. but it doesn't mean much as long as they continue to leave the ninety-day law on the books. They clearly are not willing to take the necessary steps so that people won't be busted for marijuana in the city. It's all talk and even when the Democrats passed their very limited ordinance last spring,

which did lower the penalties, it took months before Krasny started prosecuting under the city ordinance and not the state law. Not only is there no community control of the police, there isn't even city council control! The police are allowed to do for the most part whatever they want.

SUN: The Human Rights Party is running three women candidates for city council, and right now there, aren't any women on Council. If one or more of you win, what effect do you think it will have on government?

NANCY: I think it will force the city government to deal with sexism and to start hiring more women and minorities. But I don't believe that you should vote for women just because they are women, it depends on what her views are. For example, I would urge all women to vote for David Black, the HRP candidate in the fourth ward, and not for Mona Walz, the Democrat.

It's important that we have women with good politics on the City Council and beyond; it's important for women growing up to know that they can become involved, they don't need to lead a dull, passive life, and they can have good things to say.

SUN: Genie, there's been alot of confusion as to the connection between the Rainbow People's Party and the Human Rights Party. Since you're part of both the RPP and HRP, could you help clear that up?

GENIE: They are two distinct parties. The Rainbow People's Party is not an electoral party. We're a democratic-centralist organization and our main work has been in the community, with the Tribal Council and the Parks Program, putting out the Ann Arbor SUN, you know, community services like that. As we were discussing among ourselves how to relate to electoral politics, we decided that the only honest way that we could do it would be through relating to the Human Rights Party, which is a really open, public, democratic party. The party's policies are set at open meetings. We knew that would be the only way we would relate to an electoral party.

SUN: What do you feel can be accomplished by being on City Council now?

GENIE: That's the major question people ask. We've got a chance of getting two, and possibly three seats on City Council. At first we had to really question whether we should get into electoral politics and try to get into the existing system at all, but we found that we really would be able to do

some concrete things immediately, like re-directing the city budget.

Right now one-third of the city budget goes into the police and fire departments, and yet the police have shown with all that money they have not been able to deal with the rising crime rate. We feel that the major reason is that they haven't analyzed the situation correctly. They don't understand that 50% of crime is directly drug-related. You know, people who are addicted to drugs now, because they are illegal, have to go out and steal from people to support their habits. We feel through our experience with the Summer Concerts and the Psychedelic Rangers, that we have been able to successfully cut down on the drug problem in Ann Arbor. We've probably been one of the most successful cities in the country in doing that. If we were on City Council we would be able to redirect the priorities of the police department, we could cut down on the amount of money that would go into the Police Department by coming up with some progressive programs to deal with the drug problem, and consequently the crime problem. By doing that we would be able to give less money to the police and redirect the city's budget to deal with people's problems and fund the services that people need.

SUN: Nancy, how are the Democrats reacting to your Candidacy?

NANCY: The Democrat says that everything we say is what the Democrats proposed a couple of years ago, and of course we know that just isn't true. Mayor Harris is a Democrat, George Wallace is a Democrat, and Sheriff Harvey is a Democrat. What is the Democratic Party? That's a question we all have to ask ourselves. The Ann Arbor Democratic Party says they're not the same as the Michigan Democratic Party, that they're more liberal. The other

day I heard something about the 3rd Ward Democratic Party not being the same as the Ann Arbor Democratic Party. Well, all I can say is when you vote for the Human Rights Party, you know what you're voting for.

SUN: It's also the stigma of being part of the Democratic Party. Anyone who is tied up with the Democratic machine is tainted by it.

NANCY: Right. Morris is a Democrat. He's very much a Democrat. He's supported their positions down the line. However, we don't attack them personally. We have very great political differences. We feel that people have to vote for people from a party that represents their views. The Democrats try to convince people that they really have to vote for the lesser of two evils, that if they voted for the HRP, they'd be splitting the vote, and the election will go to the Republicans. On the whole most of the people are seeing through that. In fact, in the 2nd Ward, the Democrat will probably come in last.

SUN: You really think you have a chance to win then?

NANCY: Yeah, right. Most of the people who have just registered to vote, registered because there was a third party. People who never have considered voting for a Democrat or a Republican are alienated about politics on the whole, and electoral politics specifically. They've just recently been able to feel that there is a viable alternative, that there is something worth getting involved in, that's the Human Rights Party. That's the way I felt myself a couple of years ago. I wouldn't have registered. People would come to my door and ask me to register to vote and I would just laugh. But now there's a third party and there's real reasons for people to get involved in electoral politics.

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	7	Huron High School	2727 Fuller Rd.
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	3	Angell School	1608 S. University Ave.
	4	Bader School	2775 Bedford Rd.
3	1	Burns Park School	1414 Wells St.
	2	Burns Park School	1414 Wells St.
	3	Tappan School	2551 E. Stadium Blvd.
	4	Allen School	2560 Towner Blvd.
	5	Pattengill School	2100 Crestland Dr.
	6	Pittsfield School	2543 Pittsfield Blvd.
	7	Mary Mitchell School	3550 Pittsview Dr.
	8	Stone School	2800 Stone School Rd.
	9	Stone School	2800 Stone School Rd.
4	1	Eberwhite School	800 Soule Blvd.
	2	Bach School	600 W. Jefferson Ave.
	3	Pioneer High School	601 W. Stadium Blvd.
	4	Dicken School	2135 Runnymede Blvd.
	5	Eberwhite School	800 Soule Blvd.
	6	Lawton School	2250 S. Seventh St.
	7	Yost Field House	1116 S. State St.
	8	Pioneer High School	601 W. Stadium Blvd.
5	1	Wines School	1701 Newport Rd.
	2	West Park Shelter	215 Chapin St.
	3	Slauson School	1019 W. Washington St.
	4	Mack School	920 Miller Ave.
	5	Haisley School	825 Duncan Ave.
	6	Lakewood School	344 Gralake Ave.
	7	Fire Station No. 3	2130 Jackson Ave.

Student Strike At Willow Run

Issue 26 of the SUN ran an article about Willow Run High School and attempts by the Willow Run Board of Education to ban the SUN and other materials from being distributed in the school. That, and numerous other issues, resulted in a sit-in, walk-out, and march to the Board of Education office by almost 400 Willow Run High School students.

After the decision by the Board to ban the SUN from the schools, students continued to distribute it anyway. Bob Ericson, token student on the Board and one of the distributors of the SUN, was attacked and assaulted by six students on March 1.

During all the fervor over the SUN and John Sinclair's speaking at the school, the principal, Dr. Wiley Brownlee, was more or less sympathetic to the rights of the students. Brownlee is the person who was tarred and feathered last year by some Willow Run "citizens."

The Board made the decision to ban the SUN and John Sinclair from the schools on its own, after complaints were made from right wing citizens of Willow Run. Thursday, March 16, the School Board issued a performance sheet to Brownlee with a number of objectives that must be reached for Brownlee's contract to be renewed. The list includes such things as an 87% average daily attendance record, a plan worked out to deal with any disturbances that might occur in the school, and a more effective detention system for students who skip classes. Brownlee must complete 60% of the objectives before the Board will even talk about renewing his contract.

On Wednesday, March 22, almost 400

students (more than half the morning session) held a sit-in in the halls of the school and then a walk-out and march to the School Board office in support of Brownlee. The demonstration was held while Brownlee was out of town so he would not be blamed for it. Asst. Principal Malmberg, in charge in Brownlee's absence, personally asked Bob Erickson to call off the demonstration. He also refused to allow the students equal time on the PA system to urge other students to leave their classes. A memo was sent to teachers advising them to keep everyone under lock & key. Most of the teachers ignored the memo and many of them supported the students. Malmberg also tried to rip off the students megaphone, but returned it when he realized how organized they were. During the demonstration, numerous plain clothes police were recognized and the Supt. of Schools was seen taking pictures.

A meeting is called for March 30 for all the students to come and talk about future plans. A march through the community is also being planned for March 28 to inform the citizens of the students' support of Brownlee.

It's really encouraging to see students, teachers, and the principal uniting to make the school become more responsive to the people it is supposed to serve. Check the SUN for any future developments. * Student Power to Students. All Power to the People.

If you go to Willow Run, you can still get the SUN. The supposed ban is not being enforced. This all shows how much power students can have when they are well organized.

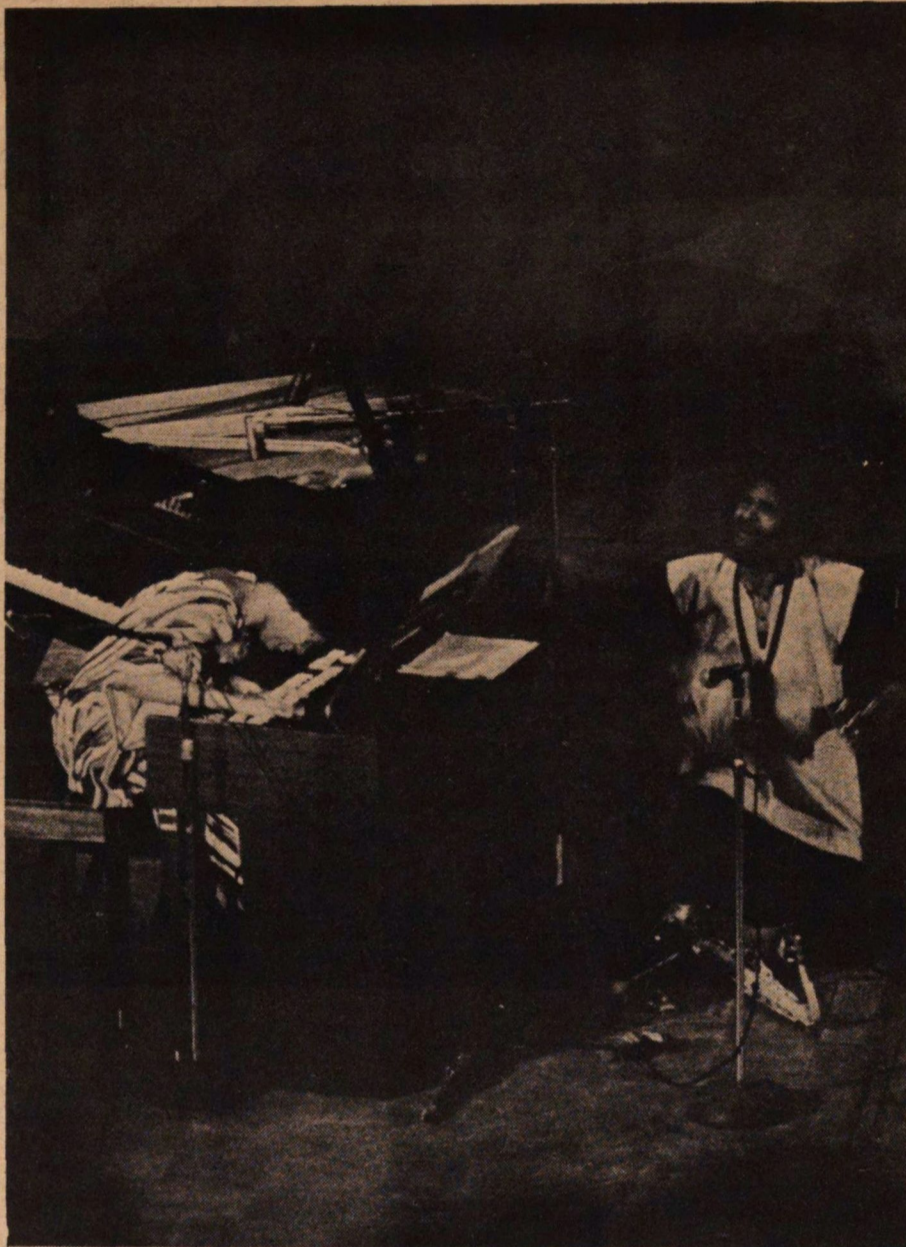


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Alice Coltrane and friends play the music at Hill Auditorium last Friday.

Sun Outlawed in Ann Arbor Schools

As the people organize together and begin to take more and more control over their lives, the reactionary dinosaurs now in power get more freaked out and afraid in their futile efforts to bring the people under control. Such is the case with the Ann Arbor Schools as the administration continually tries to stop the organizing of the student unions and the righteous distribution of the people's press.

At the last meeting of the Ann Arbor School Board, a new policy was adopted concerning the distribution of written materials in the Ann Arbor Schools. The new policy states that any student who wishes to write and/or publish materials and to distribute them in the schools must sign an agreement to follow certain rules before any distribution of material takes place. The rules are: The Editorial Staff of the publication must all be students of the Ann Arbor Public Schools and shall be responsible for the contents of the publication. The names of the Editorial Staff must appear on each issue. Distributed materials must be

written by members of the student body and/or faculty, with each article signed by the author. The signer of the agreement must still bear responsibility for any violation of laws relating to libel, pornography, obscenity, or plagiarism. No material shall contain deliberate misquotations, malicious ridicule, obscenity, or be in violation of any civil or criminal laws. The publication may be distributed only in study halls, in the commons, or in the halls immediately before or after school. Finally, that the prime purpose for publication not be advertising. A committee composed of five students, elected by the student body, and five faculty members, will decide if any of the rules have been violated.

Although not specifically mentioned, the Ann Arbor SUN and Youth Liberation are clearly the targets of this new policy. The School Board is really freaked out at the success of the organizers of the student unions and at the general spirit of freedom that exists among students as they refuse to allow the administration control addicts to

run their lives. They are especially pissed off at brother David Kamowitz, who is suing the principal and ass't. principal at Tappan Junior High School for denying the students their constitutional rights of organizing into unions and for assaulting David in an attempt to stop him from organizing the Tappan Student Union. (See issue 25 of the SUN for details)

This latest decision by the School Board is a blatant violation of Constitutional rights of both the students, who are being denied the right to read whatever literature they choose, and the right of publications like the SUN from freely distributing. The students and the SUN will continue to demand their rights of freedom of the press, taking the School Board to court if necessary. The SUN will continue to be distributed to the people who want to read it. School officials get more freaked as the spirit of freedom spreads even to the elementary schools. Members of Youth Liberation were handing our SUNs to students at Burns Park School during recess. When the

teachers saw this they tried to confiscate the papers from the students. Many of them stuffed the papers in their pants in attempt to smuggle them into the schools. The teachers got so paranoid that they searched the students as they returned to the building.

Both the Ann Arbor School Board and City Council are running scared as they see the success of the Human Rights Party in convincing people that they really do represent their interests. They are afraid about the City Council elections April 3 and the School Board elections in June. Despite their efforts to suppress the tide of freedom, the will of the people will win. The SUN will take further action and will keep people informed of future developments.

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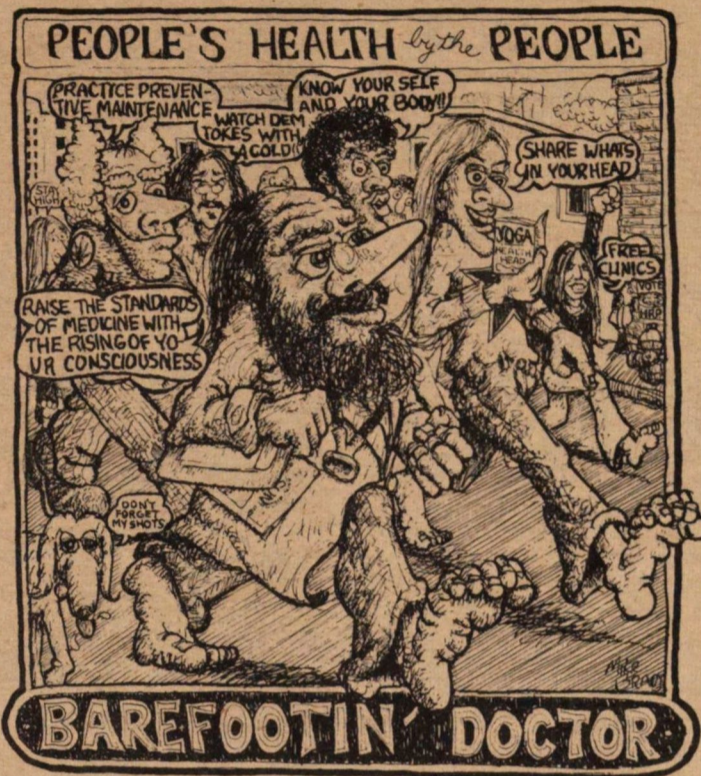


Sisters and Brothers

It is long past time when we should understand and do something about our health care system and the abuse of our bodies. The hospital system, although filled with real human beings, is an inhumane one. Patients are not dealt with the love and respect they deserve, and medical people are put on a pedestal too far to see, too high to relate to. The pedestal needs to be chopped down and we need to get higher. As long as the bourgeoisie capitalist society is running our institutions, the exploitation will continue. We must become a community in relation to our hospitals and private doctors and let them know that our needs are to be met along with theirs. Right now they just aren't responsive. Impress upon your doctors when you see them that you want them to explain to you what they're doing when they're examining you, what the trouble is, and what you can do to prevent your problem. They need pressure to educate. Ask questions! Our own knowledge is vitally important to our life existence. If we are moving toward the socialization of medicine, we must be able to take care of ourselves, and then we can stop the monopoly that we now rely on for health care. If you make all medicine free and don't change the people's knowledge—the system will be abused. When people seek help for every minor problem that they should know how to take care of, the free system will be overstressed and fail. Everyone must know some basics of medicine. It is up to the masses to make sure that changes work. First we must unite, then we can criticize, educate and transform. In this column I want to talk about problems that everyone should know how to recognize and treat—by a doctor or by yourself.

Being the cold season, it is vital the t people understand what a cold is, know differences between viruses and bacteria, when to seek medical help, and how to facilitate recovery. Firstly, clods and respiratory infections are caused by many different viruses that can be present in many different ways, such as the "common cold" with head congestion, runny nose, itchy eyes or as a sore throat and cough, or even as a deep cough in bronchitis. Viruses are often accompanied by fatigue, mild fevers up to 102 degrees and generalized muscle aches and pains. You may get swollen glands in your neck—these are lymph nodes which are composed of cells whose function is to help fight infections. The swelling and soreness is the inflammation—the response to enemy organisms. Aspirin is good in decreasing fever, muscle aches and the soreness due to inflammation. Viruses usually run their course and go away. Infectious mono and hepatitis are also viruses (I hope to discuss these illnesses in the future). There is no specific medicine or treatment that kills viruses. **Antibiotics such as penicillin or tetracycline do nothing to viruses and should not be taken because each drug has its side effects and complications as well as allergic reactions and selections for other infections that are resistant to that antibiotic.**

BAREFOOTIN' DOCTOR



These drugs, however, are helpful in killing bacteria and allowing your body to take over the fight. It is very important for you to know situations and signs to look for when your illness may be more serious than a self resolvable one—most likely a bacterial infection. Bacteria are larger more advanced organisms that often, if they get the best of your body defenses can lead to more serious problems. Some things to look for that increase the likelihood of being bacterial and that means that you should seek help at facilities where there are doctors who can check out your condition, and do tests such as cultures are: (1) extremely sore throats that make it difficult to swallow, (2) very red throat with white patches called *exudates* or little clear white blisters that are especially attracted to tonsils, (3) very tender swollen glands in your neck, (4) a fever higher than 102 degrees, although viruses may cause fevers this high, (5) a history of, or exposure to strep throats or rheumatic fever (all of these people should be checked and cultured for all their sore throats because of the dangers of not being treated for strep throats), (6) coughing up a lot of yellow or green junk, or (7) developing a severe headache, stiff neck or change of mental status—all associated with meningitis). All of these are clues to possible development of more serious problems and you should go to a doctor to be looked at and given antibiotics if thought to be necessary.

You are constantly surrounded by viruses and bacteria with which your body lives in a peaceful co-existence, also which are potential infections. When your body

defenses decrease, when your resistance is lowered—you tend to get more infections. If you stay strong and active, eat a good diet, and get enough rest, it is likely you will stay healthier. The preventive aspects of infections are a very important concept.

If you feel a cold coming on, it is important to start taking care of yourself right away, hopefully to decrease its duration. This means plenty of rest, stopping physical exertion, and keeping warm. Running yourself down and exposing your body to wetness and cold tend to lower your body's resistance and allow your illness to get much worse. It is important to drink plenty of fluids, water and fruit juices especially. This will keep you well hydrated and help wash out your cold. You should decrease your intake of milk, cheese, rice and other foods that increase mucous production and thicken your secretions.

It is probably helpful to take vitamin pills and especially vitamin C. The scientific data is questionable about the effects of vitamin C, but feedback I have gotten from people who use it and my own personal experience—makes me think it is beneficial. Brothers and Sisters who take vitamin C regularly in doses of ½-1 gram (1,000 milligrams) daily claim very few colds—many who take one gram or more a day at the onset of their colds claim a shorter duration than they used to without vitamins. Rose hips and red raspberry herbs are high in vitamin C. All of this may be coincidence—if it's in our heads, well, that's cool—it's really far out to let your head cure your body—sweet old Linus Pauling sounds good, really.



Herbs have been used for medicinal purposes for centuries. The western doctors never heard of 'em. Sisters and Brothers who use herbs regularly and for illnesses really find them beneficial. Herbs have definite effects on your body just as pills doctors give you do. Different herbs have different predominant effects. Making herb teas is probably the most practical and nutritious way to use herbs. Don't boil herbs—boil the water, and brew the tea. Ginseng has a major effect in decreasing secretions and clearing up congestion and also soothes sore throats. A good cold remedy that sisters and brothers in the Rainbow house use is hot date milk (high vitamin D content) with ginseng. (See sister Jeanie Walsh's column, "Eat to Get High" in SUN Issue 23 for date milk and other herb instructions). Another herb that is helpful in congestion, decreasing fever plus a good source of vitamin C is red raspberry—it makes dynamite tea. Lots of hot herb teas with honey, especially ginger and sassafras help to soothe sore throats. Garlic is another cold remedy that has been used for centuries by many groups in both Eastern and Western cultures and also in Transylvania. Chewing parsley is a useful deodorizer.

Everyone knows they shouldn't smoke—cigarettes, of course—and this applies especially to periods of sore throats and coughs. Many smokers think nicotine has good effects on colds—bullshit—at first it opens up your breathing passages, but in reality it irritates your throat and makes colds, sore throats and coughs worse. People who smoke tend to get more colds, and their colds and coughs tend to be worse and last longer. This is also true for people who drink a lot of alcohol, for the drunk state lowers your body's defenses.

A lot of people think they should take a bunch of pills and shit when they get colds. Most decongestants and antihistamines tend to work minimally and usually make things worse when they wear off—especially nose sprays. If the congestion really drags you down, you can get some decongestants in any drug store. These are probably as good as prescription drugs. You don't need to waste time and money at a doctor's to get his favorite cold pills. If you really need any pills, use them sparingly as their effects were off fast. Also, as I stated before, you don't need and should not use antibiotics for colds. They don't help and may hurt.

In reality, the best way to take care of colds is to prevent them. Preventive medicine seems to be the most difficult problem for people to work at, but yet is the most important. If you keep your body strong, eat a good diet, and get plenty of rest, you will stay healthier. Avoid getting cold and wet or overfatigued as these states tend to lower your body's resistance. Most of the skunk foods heaped on the people by the capitalist society are bad for your body and much contains harmful chemicals. **EAT WELL. FREE YOUR BODIES FROM THE DESOLATE REFUGE OF THE SYNTHETIC SOCIETY!** You don't need no doctor.

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The preceding statement is from the summary of "Marijuana: A Signal of Misunderstanding" written by the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse (NCMDA hereafter) as the first year of the commission ended March 22, 1972, with the release of their recommendations on marijuana.

The fossilized 13-member commission has, after its inception due to law on October 27, 1970, released a report that condemns the users of marijuana as social deviates that need to be discouraged, isolated and harassed to slow, and eventually subside, the growing use and sharing of the sacrament—marijuana.

Since the public birth of our rainbow culture way back in 1967 we have grown from isolated phenomena to a wide spread community of rainbow people planning and building a new society in which we can live and grow as true human beings. This is no longer a rhetorical phrase—it's a statement of fact—that from the west coast to the east coast and right back here to Ann Arbor we have learned that we need to build our own lives and start the institutional pattern that we, as a people, feel will best serve our basic needs and those of our brothers and sisters all across the planet. We see that in order to have the rights and materials that are rightfully ours in the first place that we have to unite to create the programs that will deal with our needs as only we know them. Self determination for our very lives.

We started out "doin' our own things" and thinking that we could do it and be left alone, but we were proven wrong by the city, state and federal governments that sent the police down into our communities to harass us, take our sacraments and lock us up in the penitentiaries and county jails for 10 to 20 to 150 years for following our rights as provided in the US Constitution—the rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. They have said to us that we are not *white* enough to have these *privileges* and they mean to keep them from us by any means necessary. They have shown us that. They have shown us that we are no longer white, but Rainbow because we have come to realize that white, as a people, is not defined by color, but rather by culture. Honky, Euro-Ameri-

kan, neon-TV culture. We dropped out of the hypertensive rat race of schizophrenic Amerika and turned on to the holy smoke and tuned in to the life feeling/culture that has been under constant attack since its beginning. The NCMDA says that our people can be predicted before we develop by checking out who has non-white ideas and life styles yearly in age. That's what they are running in their report. Oh, they don't see the *real* extent of it, right—but they do realize that we are *a people*, and *they* got to deal with *that*!

Essentially, what the commission report runs down is that there is nothing wrong with smoking weed! They can't find proof of detrimental effects medically (physically or mentally) and in fact have come to realize, as Michael Aldrich, Ph.D. (on the subject of marijuana) said in his testimony to the commission, 14 June 1971, "As Dr. Seevers (one of the commissioners and Ph.D., M.D. at the U of M) himself has written, in 1950's Defense Department research just released a few weeks ago: 'Preliminary studies suggest that the tetrahydrocannabinols (reefer!!) may have therapeutic value in the treatment of essential hypertension, epilepsy, migraine headache, hyperpyrexia and behavior disorders.'" (Mike is director of Amorphia, the distributors of Acapulco Gold rolling papers whose profits go to efforts to legalize weed.)

And they reported that marijuana isn't responsible for making people commit crimes such as rape, murder, larceny, etc., nor can smoking reefer be a prerequisite for heroin use when we in fact know that heavy social and psychological depression, frustration, the inability to attain the image of the white T.V. ideal, and the on the spot availability of heroin—are what cause heroin use and addiction.

So, they ain't got nothing on smoking the benevolent herb—nothing except the growth of our life culture—and we are who the recommendations presented by the commission are aimed at.

They say we should be able to smoke dope at home with our brothers and sisters, and even give them a little taste for the road without getting busted, but we shouldn't be allowed to pass the sacrament at our Tribal Stomps or free concerts in the parks on Sunday afternoons, not because we would be attacking anybody or anything by . . . well, just because . . . that's their reasoning. What they say is that if you are going to be smoking joints on the diag then they are going to walk up to you and take away your stash, summon you before the court to pay a fine of \$100 and then record any connection whatsoever with the

killer weed in separate files for future harassment of the people. And, dig this, with "disorderly conduct associated with public use of or intoxication by marijuana would be a misdemeanor punishable by up to 60 days in jail, a fine of \$100 or both." What kind of shit is that? If there isn't anything wrong with smoking at home or even passing our joints to your friends then why will spreading the word about the truth still wind you up in the slam? Those brothers and sisters who righteously sell, grow and just generally get everybody high would still be hunted as evil criminals to be jailed or shot.

See, they aren't afraid of physical harm done by marijuana because there isn't any, they are afraid of the cultural changes that reefer has on the psychocycbrenetic society of frozen dinners and control board warfare. That's the difference between private use of the weed and public sharing of the sacrament. Their plan is that hopefully, somehow, by isolating the marijuana smoker, setting us up as social misfits—when in fact, *they* are the social misfits—and keeping the grass confined on the other side of the U.S. borders—they will control and eventually eliminate the righteous cannabis use. The commission is so blind as to ludicrously attempt to snake their way out of the tight political scene they are now in due to Nixon saying that he just isn't going to listen to any recommendation they make in favor of legalization on the one hand, while on the other there isn't any reason scientifically not to legalize it. They are caught between fact and fascism.

Marijuana is a political and social phenomena that hasn't been able to be crushed for centuries, and has grown to such proportion that between 20-35 million people in this country have smoked it during complete (?) prohibition! That means that one out of every 10 people you see on the streets pass the smoke while at the same time one half the college population in Amerika are criminals just because they share the sacrament with their brothers and sisters. These are just the people who have been able to get their hands on some reefer or know someone who will take on the risky task of turning someone new on. Back in the 1300's hemp eaters in India were threatened with imprisonment and even with having their teeth actually pulled out for illegally chewing dope and even with this type of prohibition, the practice of chewing increased! Today, they lock people up for 10 years for 2 joints or even 30 years for one joint and more and more people *still* are smoking more and more everyday! Even this couple with incorrect

drug information that has resulted in "81% of the U.S. population thinking it is addictive, 59% think it is very damaging to physical health, 44% think it is more dangerous than heroin." WHAT?!! This is what Fraudulent brainwashing by 40 years of falsified information and an interweaving network of counter-espionage on the part of government to rid itself of the ever threatening presence of dope can do to even people who have a higher degree of literacy, and use of information than most of the aborigines that have used marijuana for medicinal purposes throughout the centuries.

Since the mid-19th century there has been extensive use of marijuana and hashish in all large centers of population in Amerika. Our Black and Chicano brothers and sisters early in the 1900's were turning on all the time, gettin' high and building their new culture here in a new land. They began developing a whole new music to fit their newly emerging culture—jazz, and as Aldrich said, "Prohibition came about because of the northward mobility of Southern Blacks and jazz musicians—a history of marijuana is a history of jazz—and was a blatant attempt to suppress the flowering of the first truly great Black Culture in Amerika." This came about as a result of the young white high school students hanging out, learning about the Black culture and smoking dope and checking out this weird music that these backyard artists were kicking out. These young white people got turned on and dug it, spreading the happiness to their brothers and sisters on the set—and all the while their parents were *freaking out!* The Southern states had immense power over these communities that were getting high and learning to be self-determinate and they passed anti-marijuana legislation to halt the use by their sons and daughters. An intensive anti-marijuana & propaganda campaign that created the incorrect associations by the people between marijuana and ghetto crime, insanity and death began. Dope was first introduced as the *killer weed* that caused people to freak out and run around stabbing little children and raping mothers and destroying the people's property. How ironic, in Vietnam it has turned the American GI from an implement of this same destruction into brothers that would rather be courtmartialled than kill their Vietnamese comrades.

Strict enforcement of the new law ensued that resulted in little weed to toke, and any attempt by the Black community to get together at tribal stomps and toke

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FREE MARIJUANA!



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downs were viciously attacked by vigilante groups and the people involved were maimed, and most often, hung. It were these actions that paved the way for heroin into the ghetto communities.

These people had just come out of slavery after being kidnapped and brought thousands of miles from their homes, families, and they began developing a culture to fit the changes that they had gone through, ya know, when these greed creeps come along and rip it right off them. Can you imagine the emotional impact of that—legally not being a slave but practically have a ball and chain around your necks? These people had *nothing* in the way of health care or medical aid, their living conditions were horrendous with little clothing, food or shelter. The education in the massa's schools had nothing to do with either their culture, needs as a people, or any of their own history, and when they wouldn't relate to it they were classified as being dull-witted or just plain anthropoidal. The utopian nod of the jones was a most welcome relief to the ghetto and fit right into the white, death cultures scheme—crime, insanity, death. MARIJUANA LEADS TO HEROIN ADDICTION!!! ASSASSIN OF YOUTH!!! This slogan has been pushed and pushed on us, it's very important to understand, that due to this type of continual reinforcement of drug misinformation the credibility of any information that come from the government has become questionable and any concerning drugs have become blatant lies. They keep running this stuff about how marijuana and heroin are synonymous, and all the while we *know* reefer ain't bad—so what about the smack & reds & speed & cocaine? Just what *are* the people supposed to believe? You know what

I mean?

These venomous vermin have no interest in seeing that righteous drug information centers are opened, and proper treatment for those with any drug problem is a right, not a possibility. Every time marijuana has appeared on the scene. Smoking dope leads to heroin use only because everytime a joint is lit the man be there trying to stick a fix in our arms, trying to choke off our breath all the time saying they don't know what to do about the drug problem and we got to investigate it some more, and shit like that, you know.

There won't be any real solutions to the drug problem until we understand that in order to deal with the plague we got to isolate the carrier of the disease, define how it acts indetriment to the community and then set up the proper institutions to resolve those contradictions.

Decriminalization of marijuana is a ruse that will afford the police the opportunity to continuously harass us, impose petty fines on our people day after day and lock us up for 20, 30, or 60 days at a time. How many times can you afford to pay \$100 or spend some time in the slam? Only when we use our energy together to supply ourselves with complete, truthful drug information to force the legalization of marijuana and total decriminalization in use of any drug and begin to demand that the institutions that are supposed to serve our needs become responsible to the community, will there be a sane drug program that follows the ideological principle that is the right of the people—self-determination. "What we want is FREE, LEGAL, BACK-YARD MARIJUANA!" (M.R.A.) LET IT GROW!

—John Collins, R.P.P.



Fleeta Drumgo



John Clutchette

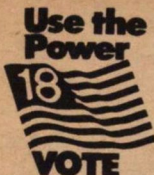
Soledad Brothers Acquitted

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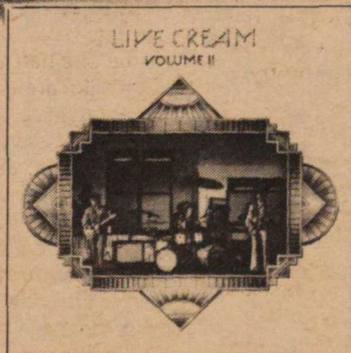
The jury, which at one point on Dunday reported it was "Hopelessly deadlocked," announced on Monday that it reached a unanimous "not guilty" verdict on all charges. Clutchette and Drumgo had been accused, along with the

late George Jackson, of killing a guard at Soledad Prison two years ago.

As a result of the innocent verdict in the three-month trial, Clutchette will now be eligible for parole; Drumgo, however, must still face other murder charges since he has been accused, along with five other inmates, of being involved in last August's bloody uprising at San Quentin::Earth News



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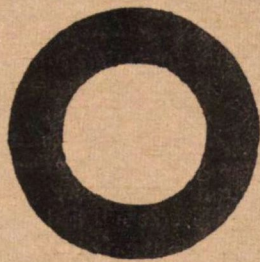
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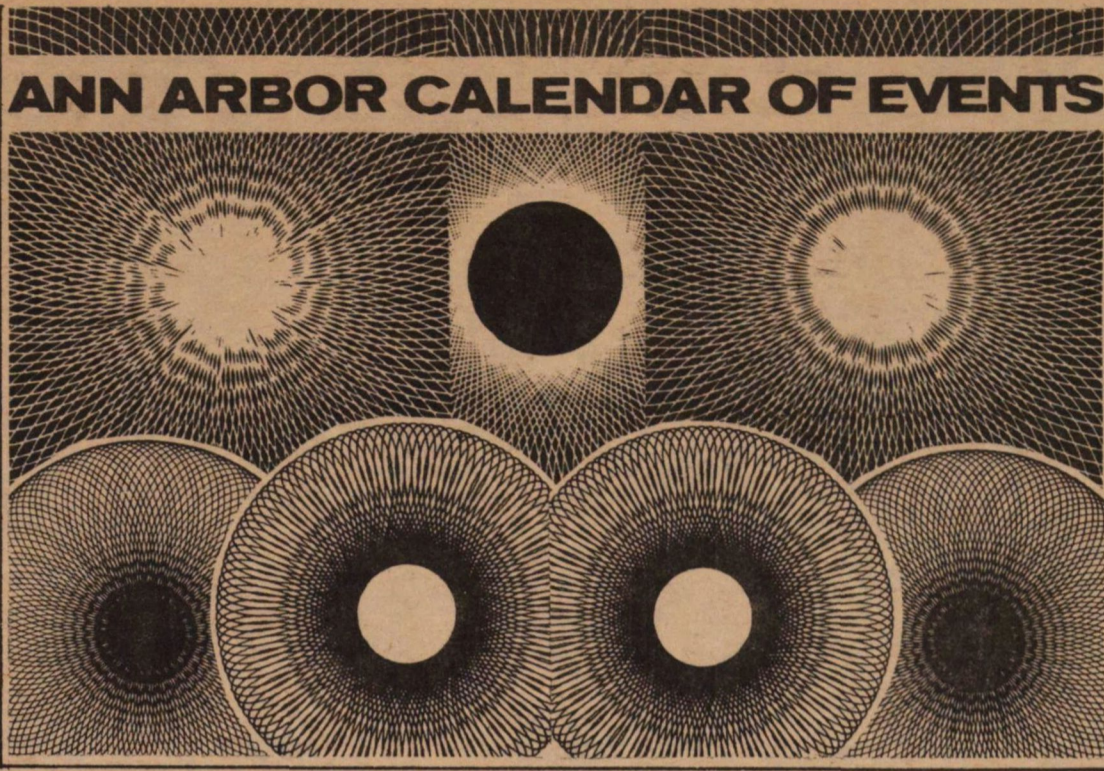
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 "Anne of the Thousand Days," Conspiracy, 7:00 & 9:30, \$1.00
 "Le Million," Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:00, \$.75 (Cinema Guild)

TV
 "Vibrations," WTVS - Channel 56, 10:00

EVENTS
 Poetry Reading, Marks Coffee-house

SATURDAY APRIL 1

FILMS
 CONSPIRACY - same as Friday
 "Room Service," Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:00, \$.75 (Cinema Guild)

EVENTS
 Radio Workshop, Community Center, 2:00

MUSIC
 People's Campaign Rally, Hill Aud. 8 p.m. : DETROIT featuring Mitch Ryder, Spencer Davis, Wilderness Road, Guardian Angel, speaker John Sinclair, M.C. Bob Rudnick - general adm. \$2.00

SUNDAY APRIL 2

FILMS
 Cinema Guild - same as Saturday

MUSIC
 Campaign Boogie, Union Ballroom 8 p.m. Teagarden & VanWinkle, 8th Day, Up, Silverhawk, M.C. Anne Lavoisier adm. \$2.00

EVENTS
 Easter Human Be-in ARB Free.Clinic Community Discussion Meeting, Newman Center, 9:30

**MONDAY APRIL 3
ELECTION DAY**

EVENTS
 Election Day - Don't forget to vote - Party at the polls Poetry Workshop, Community Center, 7:00

TUESDAY APRIL 4

FILMS
 "Diary of a Mad Housewife," Conspiracy, 7:00 & 9:30, \$1.00

"The War Film: WWI - trench warfare," Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:30, \$.75 (Ann Arbor Film Cooperative)
 Free Community Film Series - African Liberation Struggles - "End of Dialogue," "Viva Frelimo," UGLI multi-purpose room, 7:00 (Newsreel)

TV
 "A Woman's Place," WTVS - Channel 56, 7:00
 "The American Land," WTVS - Channel 56, 6:00
 "We Have Stocks in South America" An examination of American corporate involvement in South America.

EVENTS
 Jewelry & Enameling Workshop, Community Center, 12:00
 Community Center Project Meeting, Community Center, 3:00
 Tribal Council Steering Committee, Community Center, 7:30
 Photography Workshop, Community Center, 7:00

WEDNESDAY APRIL 5

FILMS
 CONSPIRACY - same as Tuesday
 "The War Film: WWI - the aerial war," Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:00, \$.75 (Cinema Guild)

TV
 "Vibrations," w/Benny Goodman, WTVS - Channel 56, 9:00
 "Soul," - a film about a young heroin addict, WTVS - Channel 56, 10:00

EVENTS
 Drug Help Meeting, Community Center, 8:00
 Drawing & Painting Workshop, Community Center, 7:00

THURSDAY APRIL 6

FILMS
 "The Women," Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:30, \$.75
 "Midnight Cowboy," Aud.A, Angell Hall, 7:00 & 9:30, \$.75 (Ann Arbor Film Cooperative)

TV
 "Yoga & You," WTVS- Channel 56, 2:30

"A Woman's Place," WTVS - Channel 56, 7:30

EVENTS
 Ozone House Meeting, Community Center, 8:00
 Leather Workshop, Community Center, 12:00
 Yarn & Material Crafts Workshop, Community Center, 3:00
 Writers Workshop, Community Center, 7:00

FRIDAY APRIL 7

FILMS
 "Maidstone," Conspiracy, 7:00 & 9:30, \$1.00
 "The Lady Eye," Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:00, \$.75 (Cinema Guild)

SATURDAY APRIL 8

FILMS
 "Zabriskie Point," Architecture A Aud., 7:00 & 9:00, \$.75 (Cinema Guild)
 CONSPIRACY - same as Friday

SUNDAY APRIL 9

FILMS

Cinema Guild & CONSPIRACY - same as Saturday

EVENTS
 Community Center Open House

MONDAY APRIL 10

EVENTS
 Poetry Workshop, Community Center, 7:00
 Shirley Chisholm & Jane Hart Hill Aud. 8:30 adm. \$1.50

TUESDAY APRIL 11

FILMS
 "Louisiana Story," Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:00, \$.75 (Cinema Guild)
 "The Blue Angel," Aud.A, Angell Hall, 7:00 & 9:30, \$.75 (Ann Arbor Film Coop)

EVENTS
 Jewelry & Copper Enameling Workshop, Community Center, 12:00
 Photography Workshop, Community Center, 7:00
 Tribal Council Steering Committee, Community Center, 7:30
 Community Center Project Meeting, 3:00

WEDNESDAY APRIL 12

FILMS
 "Law and Order," Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:00, \$.75 (Cinema Guild)

EVENTS
 Drug Help Meeting, Community Center, 8:00
 Drawing & Painting Workshop, Community Center, 7:00

THURSDAY APRIL 13

FILMS
 "Private Life of Henry VIII," Arch Architecture Aud., 7:00 & 9:00, \$.75 (Cinema Guild)
 "The Magnificent Seven," Aud.A, Angell Hall, 7:00 & 9:30, \$.75 (Ann Arbor Film Coop)

EVENTS
 Leather Workshop, Community Center, 12:00
 Yarn & Material Crafts Workshop, Community Center, 3:00
 Writer's Workshop, Community Center, 7:00

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