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## DOMINO EFFECT EFFECT!

### DOMINO EFFECT--ANOTHER HOMESTEAD BUILDING BITES THE DUST ON EAST 8TH STREET:

At 8:30 AM on Saturday morning, April 1, demolition crews accompanied by police personnel came to 316 East 8th St. and began evicting the tenants of a homesteading group, there since 1984. Breaking through the rear of the building was a SWAT TEAM fully equipped with guns, tools, stun guns, and tranquilizer darts which they used to shoot two dogs that were calm, posing no threat to them. After removing some of the tenants, other people from nearby homesteading groups briefly occupied the building in an effort to prevent demolition before being arrested for trespassing, among other things. After emptying the building, some of the tenant's possessions were removed by police and placed in the vacant lot next door to the building. In the next few hours, many people amassed in front of the building to confront the crews and police.

By 12:30, I arrived at the site and saw the stand off in progress. I was met by a guy who told me the drug dealers on the block were upset about the demolition demonstration because it's hurting their business. He told me "I'm more scared of the dealers than the cops." I heard that 5 people were arrested when they ran into the building to prevent demolition. I saw cops in windows of a squat building on East 7th St., and on the roofs of surrounding squats on 7th and 8th Sts. Inspector Gelfand was there walking with P.O. Miriam Rivera, of Community Relations. Someone told me that the only thing saving the building from demolition was the number of people there demonstrating.

Martha Danziger, the District Manager of Community Board 3, told me "from CB3 standpoint, we were not notified about this. The Buildings Department says it's in an emergency condition. The only way you can counter that is to get an architect and money and say "okay, I'm going to fix the building". She mentioned an East 2nd Street homesteading group whose building was facing demolition that got architects who said it could be fixed, and saved it. When asked if proper procedure was being followed, she said: "Tya certainly knew nothing about it, but normally they (The Buildings Department) would contact myself, they would contact the council member's office, who would figure out something if a building really could not be saved, but we'd make every effort to save it, and we'd help who was working the building." I asked her if someone could stop this today and she said "the police department is checking on whether the whole process is legal, so that's the only way you could stop it."

I then interviewed Tya Scott's son, Robert, who told me that Tya had gone to 60 Centre St. trying to get paperwork to stop the demolition. He said they received no notice at all. A girl nearby said that police attorneys were going to look at the papers to see if they are legally valid. Robert said that even though it's not completely legal, their property is being removed from the building and placed in the lot next door. He also told me that his wife had been arrested just for being in the building trying to get paperwork and property. She was handcuffed and taken away, and others were arrested, too, for the same thing. He explained the circumstances leading to today's demolition: An HPD crew came to demolish a building that was next door to this building and a bulldozer purposely damaged the side of this building.

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# the shadow EDITORIAL

## YUPPIE GO HOME!

Think about this-- every store you spend your money in is that much more able to stay in business due to your patronage. So why help businesses that cater to the yuppie element in our neighborhood that are taking the place of small shops and businesses that have been serving the neighborhood for many years and generations stay in business? The next time you go shopping for food, think about where you are spending your money. Is it at smaller, less expensive neighborhood store/ market/ food co-op/ health store? Or is it one of those over-priced green grocers or yuppie gourmet delis? Think about where you are buying your newspaper, your clothes, and where you go to eat out. Are these stores there to serve you and your needs? Or are they there to serve the yuppie element that has intruded into our neighborhood?

Other things to consider when deciding where you are spending your money is the way you are treated and what you get for your money. Are you paying fancy prices for poor quality just to help the yups pay their outrageously high rents? Well, there's a simple yet effective solution: "IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE SERVICE, BOYCOTT! IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE QUALITY, BOYCOTT! DON'T LIKE THEIR ATTITUDE, BOYCOTT! DON'T LIKE THE HIGH PRICE? BOYCOTT! DON'T LIKE THE YUPPIE FASCISTS? BOYCOTT!"

You should realize that boycotting is a very powerful and effective weapon against the businesses and people that are trying (and to a large degree, succeeding) in taking over our neighborhood. Not only does your money benefit yuppies who don't mind paying \$5,000/mo for a store and \$1,000/mo for a studio apartment, it also benefits greedy landlords who are charging those high rents in the first place. Since they're using their money to fuck us (higher rents, higher prices, etc.), we can use our money to fuck them back!! Just look at how the South African Government freaks out when blacks boycott the stores - the act of boycotting can eliminate yup biz that kicks out other businesses.

Do you remember when the Orchidia Restaurant on the corner of 9th and 2nd Ave. was forced out after 25 years in 1987? It was replaced by Steve's Ice Cream (home of the \$2.00 cone!!) which went belly-up in just one year due to lack of customers. That was just one example of successful boycotting campaign. Now it sits vacant, along with other stores along 9th St., formerly occupied for years by the same shops, with the landlord now waiting for new higher rent paying tenants. Across the street, the old 5&10¢ Discount Store recently got forced out of business and it too sits empty. If we all agree to boycott any new stores that come to take their places, and the place of other long time restaurants and shops, maybe yuppies and greedy landlords will think twice about jacking up rents, squeezing out neighborhood stores, and charging higher prices. Maybe they won't, but a good wide spread boycott will fuck up their cash-flow, and a few months of no customers will put any yuppie business out of business!! A good place to start would be "The Crap", I mean "The Gap" on St. Marks and 2nd Ave, and the Kim's Video upstairs where they knocked out the beautiful old St. Marks theatre and other stores to yuppify and uglify the space there to maximize the rents. Maybe once the yups see they can't make any money here, they'll leave here - in any case, the more unwelcome we make them feel, the better. Stay tuned for more info about the upcoming East Village boycotting campaign.



## "NEW YORK PRESS BUSTERS"

The Lower East Side is a big place, and diverse enough to handle many points of view. That is one reason why there are so many different publications, especially newspapers. Unfortunately, the yuppie swine that puts out the NY PRESS don't believe there is enough room in this city for any paper beside their own. This has been demonstrated by their unique method of distribution-- whenever they deliver their papers to stores and restaurants, they just throw away every other newspaper already there!!

The people from Downtown and the East Villager have long suspected the NY PRESS of doing this, and they are pretty angry, but they also feel helpless because they can't prove it. So when I got a call from a friend who works at a place near St. Mark's Place and Second Ave telling me that someone delivering the NY PRESS there had thrown out all the other papers, including a stack of THE SHADOW I had just left a half hour earlier, I called Ted Ryan, the circulation manager of the NY PRESS (his phone number is: 941-1130). When I confronted him with what I heard, he got flustered and swore up and down that he knew nothing about his delivery people doing this. He even claimed that his paper has been getting trashed!! Finally, he blamed it all on his salesman, saying that "he must have gotten carried away". He then promised me that he would make sure this wouldn't happen again, probably because I told him that a lot of people are pissed off, and they are ready to go out and trash all of his papers.

Well, apparently Teddy is not a man of his word, because after I left another stack of THE SHADOW at the same place on Second Ave a few days later, I got a call from my friend telling me that the man from the NY PRESS was at it again. Sure enough, when I returned there, I saw that all of my papers, along with issues of Downtown and the East Villager were replaced by a large stack of the NY PRESS!! At that point, I realized what the perfect solution was to this blatant intrusion of yuppie trash into our neighborhood-- RECYCLE!! So that's just what I did. I took the whole stack to the recycling bin at Sixth and Ave. B. Not only is this an appropriate response to their disrespect of other publications, but it also makes one feel good to do their part in the recycling effort. (After all, no one really reads that rag, and since it's such garbage anyway, why not recycle it right away?)

As of this writing, there many people out there who are going to join this recycling effort. Whenever and wherever they see the NY PRESS in our area, they will take them to the nearest recycling pick-up points. (See the list along the article on the Village Green Recycling Team

with the article on the Village Green Recycling Team in this issue). If you want to contact the NY PRESS to tell them how you feel about their method of distribution, their address is: 530 Broadway, NY, NY, 10012.

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## TOMPKINS SQUARE PARK RIOT....

# THE COVER-UP

On February 21st, the Tompkins Square Park Task Force held a public meeting at PS 15 at 333 East 4th St. The Task Force, empowered by Borough President David Dinkins to investigate the August 6th and 7th police riot, has been meeting monthly since September. It includes representatives from Dinkin's office, Councilmember Miriam Friedlander, members of Community Board 3 and Lower East Side residents. One member is video artist Clayton Patterson, whose tapes of the riot played a key part in identifying officers who were later indicted.

Although the Task Force has no subpoena power, it has been able to arrange testimony from Manhattan Parks Commissioner Pat Pomposello and Inspector Elson Gelfand formerly Commander of the 6th precinct in the West Village. Gelfand was responsible for instituting a successful midnight curfew beginning in 1986 at Washington Square Park.

When Captain Gerald MacNamara, who commanded the Lower East Side's 9th precinct, was relieved by Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward after the riot, he was replaced by Gelfand. Inspector Gelfand in turn was replaced in March by Deputy Inspector Michael Julian, a 40 year old Lower East Side resident. Since then, Gelfand has replaced Inspector Robert Baumert as Commanding Officer of the 2nd Division, the Police Dept's Manhattan South riot squad.

The Task Force has also heard from Assistant District Attorney John Fried, who is prosecuting officers indicted for assault and misconduct stemming from the riot. Fried has come under criticism for his handling of the prosecution of transit police accused of killing graffiti artist Michael Stewart in 1983. All the officers charged were acquitted even though numerous eyewitnesses to Stewart's death testified to the brutal beating he suffered at the hands of the officers.

A Human Resources Administration (HRA) official informed the Task Force of a proposal to bring HRA's Operation Help into Tompkins Square Park to remove some of the 100 or so homeless people who live there. Operation Help gained prominence as the city agency responsible for picking up Joyce Brown ("Billie Boggs"), a homeless woman living on the streets of Manhattan's Upper East Side, in a controversial program initiated by Mayor Koch. Brown was released from Bellevue Hospital after court action was brought by the New York Civil Liberties Union.

Each Operation Help team includes health workers who, with the aid of police if necessary, remove people from the streets who are deemed a possible danger to themselves. The Task Force succeeded in pressuring HRA to drop the Operation Help plan for Tompkins Square Park.

During the Task Force hearings, Community Board 3 (CB3) member Margarita Lopez asked Commissioner Pomposello about a Parks Dept. proposal to install high intensity "security lights" throughout the park. Under questioning from Lopez, Pomposello admitted that the lighting proposal had actually been made to CB3 in response to a request by police officials to the Parks Dept. Task Force members say they wonder how many proposals made by various city agencies have originated with the police.

The Parks Dept. also planned to install special dividers to prevent people from sleeping on park benches. However, the Task Force strongly opposed this measure, and the Parks Dept. agreed to drop the proposal. However, the Task Force has no binding veto power over any city agency, and the Parks Dept. could implement its plan at any time.

The Task Force also heard from the Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB). In the aftermath of the riot, 120 complaints of police misconduct were filed with the CCRB. As of this writing, 6 police officers have been indicted for Assault in the 3rd Degree and 4th Degree, Official Misconduct, and Criminal Mischief. None of the officers face more than one year in jail on the charges.

According to Norman Seigel, head of the New York Civil Liberties Union, 34 private lawsuits have been filed against the city in response to the police action.

The city has offered a \$15,000. out of court settlement in one suit. A \$50 million lawsuit is pending, filed by Kenneth Fish. Fish needed 40 stitches after being struck by police as he left a bar on Avenue A during the riot.

Despite these hearings, one persistent issue remains unexplained. How did a request by Avenue A residents (which CB3 voted to support) for added police patrols in the park become a curfew and then a police riot?

When confronted with this question at the Feb. 21st meeting, Commissioner Pomposello refused to answer.

Pomposello did acknowledge that he had attended a meeting called by Inspector Robert Baumert, then Commanding Officer of the 2nd Division, based at the Patrol Borough Manhattan South on 21st St. The August 2nd meeting had the aim of marshalling community support for police enforcement of the curfew the following weekend.

### AUGUST 2nd PLAN MEETING HIT

In the moments before police closed Tompkins Square Park on the night of August 6th, strange events were taking place at the police command post near the bandshell in the park. A member of CB3, Phil LaLumia, was sitting in a camper used as a headquarters by police brass. LaLumia, a long time resident, is also a member of the 9th precinct Community Council which acts as liaison between CB3 and police.


Outside the camper, Captain MacNamara was confronting the media. When pressed on the reason for the presence of almost 100 police officers, he became visibly agitated., briefly ducking into the camper to retrieve a hand-lettered and unsigned printout threatening to "destroy" the homes of landlords and curfew supporters "...as you try to destroy ours". "This is the reason!", MacNamara stammered. The leaflet would surface months later to buttress charges CBS reporter Mike Taibbi of a "satanic cult of rage" among Lower East Side residents.

Next, MacNamara was asked why a meeting was called at Manhattan South police headquarters August 2nd, a few days before the riot. Bristling with rage, MacNamara spat back to the reporter, "that meeting was no secret!" Several days later, one of the 24 people who attended the August 2nd meeting was buttonholing sympathetic reporters with an account of the meeting.

Betsy Newman is a video producer who volunteers her time as an organizer for the Friends of Tompkins Square Park. Newman says she called CB3 on August 2nd to discuss a problem with some park trees. She spoke with CB3 District Manager Martha Danziger who informed

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, was present during the riot at and in the vicinity of Tompkins Square Park during the early morning hours of Sunday, August 7, 1988. The riot erupted when a group of anarchists, drunks, junkies, drug dealers, skinheads, and other rebellious malcontents refused to comply with repeated lawful orders by the police to leave the park by 1:00 a.m.

It is my opinion that the police officers on hand used CONSIDERABLE RESTRAINT when exposed to the rioters who had continuously taunted, cursed, and insulted the officers and who threw bottles, bricks, rocks, boards, M-80's, and other perilous debris at the officers.

Under the most difficult of circumstances the police officers did an outstanding job in attempting to restore peace to a residential neighborhood which consists mainly of hard-working, peace-loving people.

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If any questions contact: RICHIE O'NEILL, PBA, 212-233-5531.

THIS SHIT IS HAPPENING NOW!





DEMOLITION IN PROGRESS



At the scene of the crime Edgar Kulkin of the HPD

## DOMINO EFFECT

Three cops and city reps immediately came to declare the building unsafe, and we immediately had an architect and structural engineer verify that only part of the facade was unsound. There is now an emergency evacuation and demolition order for the building." He said the next best thing they could hope for was to stop the demolition, but if it is done, they can sue the city. When calling the city and HPD earlier, a Mr. Weiner had implied that they would be tearing down the building in an hour, if ready. A friend then came up to us with an article appearing in Friday's NY Post, which said that the building at 316 was about to collapse. The article was accompanied by a photo of a young Hispanic boy standing under the loose facade of the front of the building. (When you consider that the NY POST is owned by one of the city's biggest and worst landlords, Peter S. Kalikow, it's not surprising that such an article would appear against the efforts of homesteaders.)

Soon, Deputy Inspector Michael Julian arrived and said that he would find out what was going on and he would return to speak with the people in the crowd. I asked him why there were cops on the roofs, and he said that he didn't know. (Later he told me it was due to the M80's thrown from the roofs at cops.) As the demolition crew continued setting up a small barricade in front of the building, a black man in the crowd shouted at them, "Look who you're working for. Who controls you? You don't need this job, look around you, look who you're working for. Who are you building that wall against? Put your hammer down..." Julian spoke with Inspector Gelfand, the construction crew, and cops, all pointing at the building.

Robert Scott's wife Jennifer was interviewed by Newsday. She said that Tya moved back into the building about two weeks ago, and they found that their tools had been stolen from the building since they were last there. When I asked what luck she thought Tya would have downtown, she said she didn't believe in luck, only fortune. When Newsday asked her about the arrest, she said that Tya was in the building all alone and as they got the paperwork together, she was handcuffed, got a summons and was released. She said they never received a summons or paperwork telling them to evacuate the building, they've never been in court, and they have letters of support from Community Board 3 and other city agencies, including the HPD. She said that when a man they were dealing with (at HPD) died, they lost their "in" with HPD.

Julian talking with people gathered said "I'm not playing lawyer; they have to make a decision." Father Kuhn of Saint Brigid's church was with Julian, and told him that his performance would be judged. He and others asked Julian to delay the demolition until the emergency hearing scheduled for that afternoon. Julian said he would, but later told them it was out of his hands. (I had heard that Julian had gone downtown to check on the legal papers, but I couldn't confirm this.)

Craig Pederson, from the Red Cross was there. He told me that he had been called by HPD that morning to come down to the site. He was walking around the crowd for a while before approaching Tya to tell her that arrangements had been made for her and her homesteading group to stay in a hotel. He also told her "if you need transportation, we'll transport your material possessions - unfortunately, we don't have any place to put them". Tya told him "most of them are in the building". (His presence there showed this was obviously well planned for public relations purposes.) Jennifer said that she's concerned about Tya living in a hotel for \$600 a week and said that if they were given that much money they could make their building look fantastic, "and that's the hypocrisy," she told the Newsday reporter. "Obviously, a developer's interested in this land, so the city wants us out of here." She vowed they would fight it to the end.

Julian went to the front of the building to see the damaged facade for himself, and then spoke to Gelfand on the side.



TYA SCOTT WEEPS OVER THE LOSS OF HER BUILDING. WHILE INSPECTOR GELFAND ADMIRES HIS HANDIWORK.



DEATH OF A DREAM--BUILDING REDUCED TO RUBBLE

THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

DATE: February 21, 1989

DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

TO: Fred Pocci - Assistant Commissioner - Operations

FROM: George C. Sakona, P.E., - Borough Superintendent, Manhattan

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY DEMOLITIONS

Premises: 316 East 8th St. U.B.: 13/89

Borough: Manhattan Block: 190 Lot: 15 Survey: n/a

Owner: City of New York Precept: n/a

HPD - 75 Maiden Lane To Demolition: n/a

New York, NY 10038

The above structure was a 6 story, class III building occupied as Vacant Multiple Dwelling and has the following conditions requiring IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY Demolition:

Front exterior masonry wall is in imminent danger of collapsing onto sidewalk and street.

\*\* Note \*\* Barricade and police at site.

A. Perciballi - Suprv. Insp. has inspected the building in accordance with the provisions of Section C26-84.0 of the Administrative Code, and I hereby request that this building be demolished without delay.

*George C. Sakona*  
BOROUGH SUPERINTENDENT  
MANHATTAN

cc: F. Juliano - H.P.D.  
J. McLoughlin  
Chief Inspector

U.B. ✓  
CB #13  
File

669-8500

DEMOLITION ORDER DATED FEB. 21, 1989



## DOMINO EFFECT

A lady standing nearby told me that Edgar Kulkin (special assistant to HPD Commissioner Abraham Biderman) who was overseeing the demolition set up crew, told Inspector Gelfand and D.I. Julian that police can't intervene in the demolition of the building. She said that the police wanted to stop the demolition and were waiting for the police department lawyer, but Kulkin told them that they can't arrest the crew if they go ahead with the demolition. (Kulkin wore a gold police badge on his hat and coat.) Julian and Gelfand spoke and decided they would have to go talk with a city lawyer who would come and decide what to do. A lawyer friend of Tya's then arrived and said that he had spoken with a representative of Judge Bruce Wright seeking injunctive relief, and Judge Wright agreed to have an emergency hearing for an order to show cause - this would have forced all parties in front of the judge. Tya returned to 8th Street and told this to the police and was told that they couldn't wait.

Frank M. told the city lawyer there that people have been living there for 5 years with a legal Con Ed account and the building's not vacant; people begged to be allowed to fix the building. He also told them it was a loose facade, not a structural problem. He angrily demanded that the crews there make the repairs to the building instead of tearing it down. He told the assembled officials "you wouldn't be standing next to the building if it was unsafe". He also told them to "use due process for evictions, use courts, not the SWAT Team". Things started getting tense and I could see that we were on the verge of a turning point. Julian requested bolt cutters to go inside the building, and one of the tenants there said that he had the key, and gave it to him. The crowd was shouting comments and demands as key officers along with Julian and Father Kuhn stood at the end of the barrier in front of the building. Cops kept crowd at bay as they pushed closer to the people in charge, demanding answers.

At that point, I thought there would be no problem since Julian would see that the building is safe. Suddenly, without any warning, at 1:30 PM, the crane was activated and the row of cops began pushing people away from the barrier in front of the building, as the rear fire escape was torn away from the building by the crane's teeth. Some tenants demanded to get their belongings from the building, but they couldn't get past the police line. I asked Julian if they were going to tear down the building, and he told me, "It looks like they're starting the process there, yeah". As the crane's teeth bit into the rear roof, slowly devouring the bricks and walls, spitting out the debris onto the lot next door, there were shouts of anger. The cops lined up, behind one police barrier and pushed a bunch of bystanders and demonstrators west down 8th Street, with Inspector Gelfand himself joining in the shoving.

Julian told me that his attorneys wanted "to make sure that the papers were in order, and they say they are. They have papers that suffice under the law and I can't stop them. Their papers say that it's an immediate urgency. This decision is outside of us, it's HPD, a separate agency, and I'm not over that agency at all". He added that if an eviction has already started, and a restraining order comes, the eviction can't be stopped. The order must come right before the evict- "they're using that same theory here - they don't have to wait. I delayed them 3 hours..but I can't legally stop them. Everything looks like the papers are in order and there's nothing to indicate otherwise". He was reminded that the language was incorrect, that the building was not vacant, having been occupied for 5 years. And he was told that they had legal electricity, water, and received mail there. Julian responded with: "under the law, they have the right to order immediate eviction." And Julian said, "they're vacant". Clayton P. insisted that it wasn't vacant and told him that even Gelfand knew there were squatters there. Julian replied: "so what do you want me to do?". Tya then told him they had permits to do everything in this building, and crying, she told him the permits were left in the building and the cops wouldn't let her get them. "They're only making me homeless - they've taken my worldly possessions." Frank M. told Julian they were told people would have time to get their things. Julian said he was told it was too dangerous to let anyone inside. Tya told him that she had a structural engineer say the building was safe, "otherwise I wouldn't have been in there. Everyone knows it was just the facade." She added: "They're doing this on a Saturday so that the courts wouldn't be open."

Tya said that she had been dealing with a Mr. Schramko of HPD and he was behind them. He had a heart attack 6 weeks ago "and that's when they went after me. He would never allowed this to happen. The building is solid, man. The city's paying all this money to tear the building down when it would have cost only a few pennies to fix the facade".

Edgar Kulkin was shouted at as he strolled away from the scene of the crime. Kulkin has been seen at other demolitions and evictions in the area. Some people chanted "an eye for an eye, a building for a building, a brick for a brick". Others got into the spirit of the thing and joined in with "Gentrify is genocide", "police are robots", and "ROBOCOPS". (David Peel said they're not slaves because they are paid well.)

At about 2:20, the call went out for a friendly visit to the Christadora. Some cops didn't even know what the Christadora is, let alone, where it is!!! As more cops began running toward the Christadora, I went there and saw a man being pushed, shoved, handcuffed, and finally, carted away, his shirt torn off his back. I heard that Julian had gotten



BIRDS OF A FEATHER--MARTHA DANZIGER (DIST.MGR.CB3) INSPECTOR GELFAND, AND DEPT.INSPECTOR JULIAN

beaten up trying to arrest the guy- Julian was wearing civilian clothes and did not identify himself. There was a very quick and massive police response - plainclothes and uniformed cops in marked and unmarked cars, on foot, and in scooters. Several Emergency Medical Service vehicles were standing by also. I thought the cops must have some special response unit now to mobilize quickly in cases of such protests. I wondered if they planned to beat people since the EMS vehicles were there. The Christadora was literally trashed with garbage dumped in the front doorway and a few broken windows. Tenants looked out their windows as shouts of "tear down the Christadora" were heard- it was declared unsafe, and it was demanded that it too, be demolished.

I returned to 8th Street, where the demolition continued and ran into Phil Wachtel of CB3 and he told me he didn't know anything about this - he just happened to be walking by. For some strange reason, I found it hard to believe him. Soon, the Christadora marchers approached the police line in front of 316 East 8th Street as the police smiled, chanting: "No housing, no peace", and "This means war". Later, I saw Wachtel and Gelfand talking just like old friends.

Homeboys and drug dealers were cheering as the walls fell, and one said "no more squatters on the street". Interviewed by WBAI, Frank M. said: "People here don't understand what's going on, they see squatters evicted, and don't see it could be them tomorrow. We've got to unify."

At 3:00, the loose bricks of the facade that created the problem in the first place were knocked off, and of course, the building was solid - no other bricks fell and the rest of the facade was stable, but by then it was too late since the top three floors in the rear of the building were already destroyed. Gelfand stood across the street admiring his handiwork. One of the cops at the police line said sarcastically, "it's murder" and I told him it's the death of a neighborhood and they don't care since they don't live here, but I do. As I stood watching the final steps of demolition, I saw Betsey Herzog of the Villager behind police lines- the only press person there- and she stood next to Gelfand laughing and joking with him. She was taking photos of demonstrators, not of the demolition. As the walls crumbled, tenants' belongings fell out of the building, including papers that flew around. I wondered if these were the legal papers that Tya spoke of earlier. I heard that Tya was supposed to meet an HPD man on Tuesday for a hearing on the building, but now there was no building to meet about.

Someone pointed out Richard Heitler and William E. Spiller from HPD, both of the Office of Property Management. Heitler

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ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE CHRISTADORA



# PISS TEST!

...AND OTHER CHEMICAL FANTASIES...

or  
Knowing Your Rights and Their Wrongs

by Rev R Joseph Sinclair

I do not smoke cigarettes. I do not use any drugs except caffeine (coffee) and occasionally aspirin or Tylenol. This is by personal choice. I believe this choice is up to each individual and should not be made for anyone by their government. In this vein the following information is presented to counteract the propaganda and hysteria campaign being conducted as a war on drugs. I will talk about the types of tests, how they are done, and some of the ways that people use to try to beat them. Some of these work and some definitely do not.

The legality of urine testing is a moot point when the testing is being done by an employer under the guise of "volunteer for this test or face firing or just not being hired." When someone is asleep at a railroad switch (drunk maybe?) and the engineer can't stop the train in time to prevent an accident, we dutifully march back to the rear of the train and make the ticket collector piss in a bottle. If the poor guy took cough syrup yesterday, he could lose his job.

These tests are also capable of telling your employer if you are pregnant, if you are taking legal medication for a condition that is none of their business such as epilepsy medication, blood pressure medication, psychiatric medication, if you have recently had sex or had an abortion or any one of a number of non-job related things that you may not want them to know about, and that they have no need nor legal right to know without your express consent.

There are several types of urine tests. They vary in accuracy from 5% to 65%. This is under ideal conditions, which very seldom is the case. Also, all manufacturers recommend follow up confirmation testing in the event of a positive reading. Preferably one capable or greater discrimination.

There are three main types of testing on the market for the purpose of drug screening. EMIT (enzyme multiplied immunoassay technique), RIA (radioimmunoassay) and TLC (thin layer chromatography). Note: if they refrigerate your sample they're using RIA. The gas chromatography/mass spectrometry test is expensive and therefore rarely used.

These tests do not measure the amount of drugs present in a sample, only the presence or lack of any traces of metabolites. These are the byproducts of the body's reaction to the presence of drugs or chemicals.

It is reported that in excess of 250 over the counter drugs and prescription drugs can cause false positive results. By the way the same companies make the drugs that make the tests. Talk about getting you coming and going. The chart shows which drugs can be mistaken as which illegal substances!

In practice both immunoassays are prepared by taking the controlled substance and bonding it to a protein. For EMIT, the resulting molecules are then injected into animals who then produce antibodies to counteract the effects of the controlled substance. According to Abbie Hoffmans book "Steal This Urine Test" the Syva corporation raises sheep exclusively for this purpose, for marijuana testing. Of course after a couple of years as chemical factories the sheep die. He also states that Roche uses rabbits (LSD), goats (amphetamines) and donkeys (morphine, marijuana, and methaqualone). These animals are bled regularly to remove these useful chemicals from their bodies.

TEST POSITIVE	MEDICATION
*****	*****
AMPHETAMINE	VICKS NASAL SPRAY, NYQUIL, NEOSYNEPHRIN, SUDAFED EPHEDRINE (SOME ASTHMA MEDICATIONS) IBUPROFEN (ADVIL, NUPRIN, MIDOL) AMOXICILLIN, AMPICILLIN
MARIJUANA	CODEINE, POPPY SEEDS, HYDROMORPHONE
COCAINE	DIAZEPAM (VALIUM)
MORPHINE	
PCP	

### CROSS REACTIVE SUBSTANCES

The refined chemical is then added to your urine sample and if there is any of the chemical metabolite in the sample (or what it thinks might be) it will bind to it. The sample is then compared to a known calibration sample to see how much light it absorbs. The amount is judged to be more or less responsive than the calibration sample and is thereby deemed to be positive or negative for the substance, confirming presence or lack of presence. No quantitative analysis is ever made, making false readings less likely to be detected.

This approach gives no quantitative measurement, just a yea or nay presence indicator based on a sample of known quantity judged to be the borderline of presence indicator by the manufacturer. This is not based on a scientific study

by an independent agency, nor a legal requirement based in law, but an arbitrary standard set by the people selling you the test.

RIA is a similar test, but in this one the bonding agent used is radioactive iodine. This means that the technicians must be trained and licensed to handle radioactive substances and means higher costs. This test is deemed to be slightly more accurate than EMIT, but screens for a smaller number of substances.

TLC is the third test. This one uses the technique of spreading the sample on a piece of filter paper that has a layer of silica gel on it. The sample sits for a specified time and is then sprayed with chemicals to bring out color. The sample is then visually compared to a reference. There does not at present seem to be any way to calibrate the technicians eyeballs to ensure consistent results.

The laboratories are a further source of potential error as samples are not always labeled or handled in such a manner that the real source can be identified sufficiently to withstand questioning in a court of law. Also, in independent tests many laboratories not only fail to detect quantities of substances in known contaminated samples, but many report finding substances in known clean samples.

The approximate times that metabolites are retained in sufficient quantities to test positive are:

Marijuana	5-20 Days
Cocaine	2-3 Days
Opiates	4-10 Days
Amphetamines	10-20 Days
Barbituates	5-7 Days
Phenobarbital	10-20 Days
Quaaludes	8-20 Days
PCP "Angel Dust"	10-14 Days
LSD, XTC	No Test
Psychedelics	No Test
Alcohol	Not Tested in Urine

These numbers may vary depending on body metabolism rates, weight, quantity or the substance used and several other factors. Always err on the conservative side.

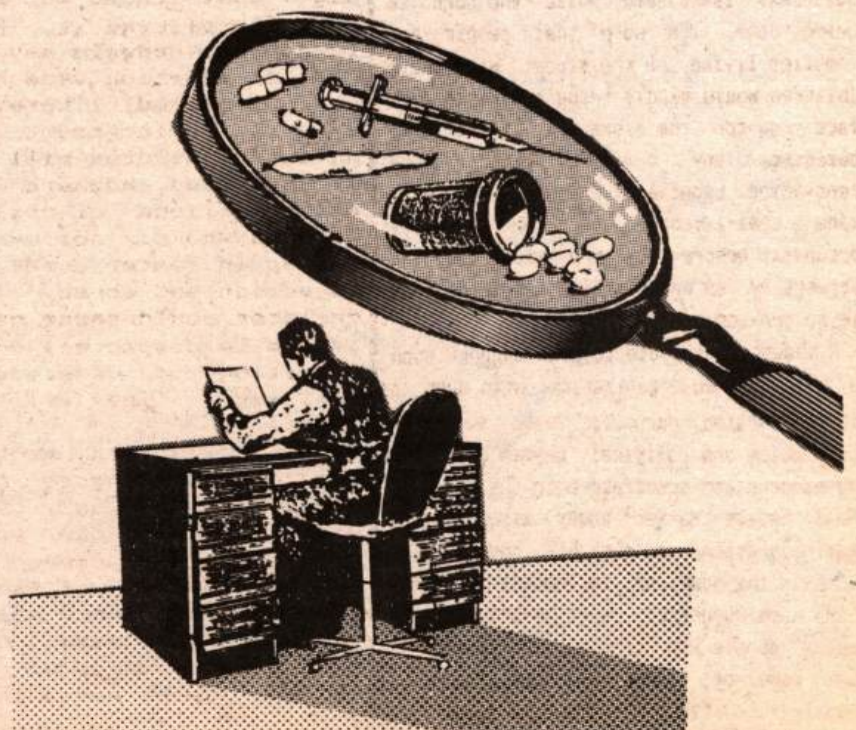
What is in your urine depends on what is in your body. Drinking things like vinegar or cranberry juice will do little to beat the tests except run fluids through your body just like drinking large quantities of coffee will not help you sober up from a major drunk any more than just sleeping it off.

If you have reason to believe that you might fail, there are some things you should remember. Never give your first urine of the day as it will contain the most concentration of your bodily contents. If you know you're going to be tested, drink as much fluid as you can manage to try and flush as much as you can out of your system. If you know the day before a test get up early and drink lots of fluid to dilute the concentrations of substances in your body as much as possible.

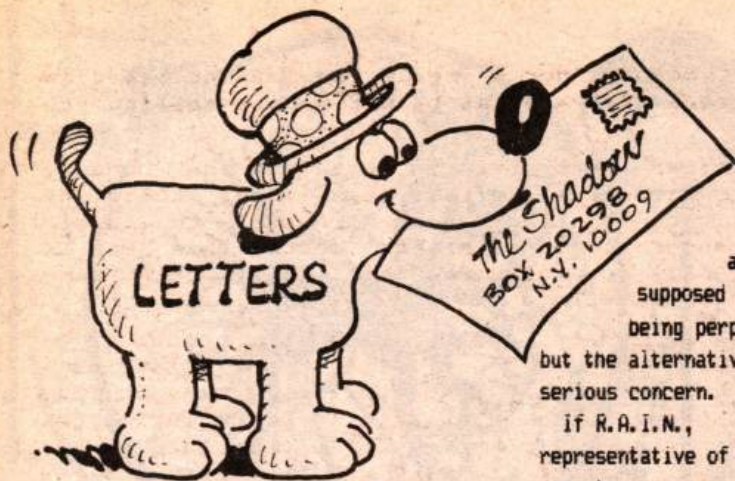
Consult the chart of cross reactive substances and list those which are likely to react like whatever you are worried about the test showing in your system. List as many as you can without seeming ridiculous, but try to list only one for each category you are worried about and include a handwritten statement to the effect that these are all the substances that you can recall "TO THE BEST OF YOUR RECOLLECTION" and sign it. If the person administering the test tries to dissuade you from doing this saying "it doesn't matter" simply inform them that you don't mind and since it doesn't matter to them you'd just as soon go ahead and list them. Also if the consent form provides space for this and says something about medication taken in the last week, cross out the word week and write in "month". If they say anything tell them your doctor told you that medication taken for the flu can show up three weeks later.

Ask as many questions as you can remember. What kind of test is being used. What provisions are made for

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**RAIN DROPS**

For the past several months there has been an ongoing controversy involving R.A.I.N. and questioning, among other things, their effectiveness in accomplishing their stated purpose, and their motivations. I would like to take this opportunity to offer them a chance to answer some question that I am sure I'm not the only one would like to have answered.

1. R.A.I.N. describes itself as an organization that exists to provide low income families with housing. How many families have they placed to date in the almost two years since their incorporation?

2. How many of the people involved in day to day policy decisions and the setting of long term goals at R.A.I.N. are actually homesteaders and how many are "administrators" who don't have to live with the urgency of not having a place to go home to every night?

3. How much of R.A.I.N.'s budget is spent on directly related housing expenses, and how much goes toward administration?

4. How many of the people involved with R.A.I.N.'s "Administration" people are directly connected or indirectly involved with Community Board #3? (They are the people who make recommendations on R.A.I.N.'s requests to take control of buildings. They also have the power to recommend against other groups of homesteaders with similar requests, and people who may want funds for buildings that they already occupy, that R.A.I.N. has its sights on. Especially if these groups do not want to join the R.A.I.N. club and turn control of their home over to R.A.I.N.).

5. Many homesteaders on the lower East Side live in buildings as they work on them. A fact that a walk around the area any time will show. Why does R.A.I.N. have to kick people out of the buildings and lock them up if their purpose is to provide housing? If they feel being in the buildings isn't safe while the work is being done, I'm sure that people and families living on the street with their children would gladly trade the risks they face now for the risks of living in a building, any building, that needs renovation. Especially buildings that were made semi-liveable by the previous occupants before they were thrown into the streets by an organization whose purpose is to provide housing.

Although I hesitate to even suggest such a thing of an organization with such a lofty stated purpose, with so much corruption and political mayhem involving developers and speculators in the New York Real Estate Market under Mayor Koch's administration, who sent his boys in blue to help the homeless in Thompkin's Square Park last August, I can't help but wonder about people who create homelessness in the name of fighting homelessness. I hesitate to think that they are stupid, or that they control so much but are severely

misinformed about the neighborhood and the people they are supposed to help and the things being perpetrated in their name, but the alternative is cause for even more serious concern.

If R.A.I.N., or an authorized representative of their organization would care to answer any of these questions with facts that can be substantiated through documentation, rather than opinions and/or unsigned letters this publication and many residents of the Lower East Side would be very interested in the response.

by Rev. R Joseph Sincclair



SAVE THOSE COAT HANGERS!!

George Bush is in control of our country and will be for the next four years. It seems, however, control of the United States is not enough; he has now declared war in our own country and the target is women's freedom of choice regarding abortion. "I favor adoption," he has said. What gives him the right to force his archaic views upon us?

It seems the rights of unborn fetuses are taking precedence over a woman's right to make a decision regarding her own body. This is supposed to be a free country, right? How free is it really if we are forced to be reduced to mere childbearing machines? If we are not allowed to make decisions for our bodies, then how can we consider this the "sweet land of liberty"? Making abortion illegal takes a personal and private option away from a woman and gives it to the government. It will insure that a woman's ability to reproduce will not be under her own control, but rather, the states.

I don't think Bush has seriously considered the consequences that will arise once abortion is made a crime. Making it forbidden will not stop women from terminating unwanted pregnancies. However, instead of obtaining a safe abortion at a hospital or clinic, we will be forced to seek out dangerous back alley butcher jobs at the hands of sadistic, unqualified abortionists. This could result in many unwanted or unknown sterilizations, perforated uteruses, or worse yet, deaths. The price could become so high, that those who really need an abortion would not be able to afford it. For the women that do not have the funds, coathangers may be their other alternative.

If abortion were not available or affordable, what else would there be? There's adoption (Bush's personal choice). But, it is incorrect to assume that most women who bear unwanted children will put them up for adoption - 97 percent of unmarried mothers will try to raise them alone. That means millions of children will be raised in poverty, by parents who do not want them. Many of these children will end up in foster homes, where they may still be subjected to rejection and abuse. The cost to support all these unwanted children could cause our already overburdened social welfare system to completely collapse. What we will be left with is a nation of undereducated, poverty stricken and abused children. (They will undoubtedly be useful for upcoming wars.)

I think Bush has his priorities totally backwards. He should be working on improving the quality of life, not the quantity. Why not take care of the already living than worrying about the unborn? If he is really so fucking concerned about the quantity of life, why is he pro-death penalty and pro-war? Isn't that considered murder? I think Bush doesn't give a shit about quantity. In fact, this whole antiabortion movement has nothing to do with preserving life - it's for control of our bodies. And for me (and women in general), that would be death itself.

**Pets in Danger**

While working at Rockefeller University four weeks ago, one of our correspondents saw an empty truck leaving the grounds bearing the name of "RYE COUNTRY KENNELS". Fearing the worst, he looked up their phone number and called them, posing as a potential customer, asking if they take good care of their animals. The lady answering his call assured him that they do, and she assured him that they never put animals to sleep or sell them for research if the owner fails to pick them up. He then called Rockefeller University and posing as an employee of the kennel, asked if the delivery of dogs they just sent had gotten there alright. The lady on the line checked and said that they did.

If you would like to pursue this further, you can contact these parties at:

RYE COUNTRY BOARDING KENNELS  
Rye Pet Mall  
Nursery Lane, Rye, NY  
914-967-4577

ROCKEFELLER UNIVERSITY  
Larc Hall  
1230 York Ave, New York, NY  
10022  
212-570-8000

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**The Shadow**  
**SHIT LIST**

- David Duke-(Ku Klux Klan)-- 504-831-6986
- General John Singlaub-- 303-887-3225
- Maj. Leader Peter Vallone- (now tying up the vote on anti-apartment warehousing bill "Intro 369A")-- 22-19 77th St. Jackson Heights, Queens 718-626-2821
- Parks Commissioner Henry Stern (enacted new parks regulations that discriminate against poor and homeless) 510 East 84th St.
- Liz Shollenberger-(Mayor Koch political crony, member of Village Reformed Democrats) 60 East 9th St. 212-288-0750 212-473-2787
- City Council Member Carol Greitzer-- 59 West 12th St. 212-255-4979
- Gerald MacNamara-(former Capt. of the 9th precinct + Tompkins Sq. Park riot leader)-- 212-477-7806
- NY Red Squad-(keeps tabs on political activists and demonstrators by photos, wiretapping, break-ins, and other illegal means)-- 212-741-8464
- Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward-- 25-25 Butler St. Elmhurst, Queens 718-565-7101
- Curtis Sliwa-(founder and leader of paramilitary nazi-like gang of vigilantes known as the "Guardian Angels")-- 131 Avenue A 212-420-1324 718-649-2607
- Edgar A. Kulkin (Dept. of HPD - authorized demolition of 316 E. 8 St.) 1095 Park Ave. (Home) 212-876-2188 100 Gold St. (Work) 566-4440



\*\*NOTE: All information is subject to change without notice.

IF YOU HAVE ANY ADDRESSES OR TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF ANYONE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ADDED TO OUR GROWING ADDRESS BOOK, PLEASE SEND ALL INFO TO: SHADOW PRESS P.O. BOX 20298, N.Y. 10009

By Tanya



# RESISTANCE

FORWARD EVER →

← BACKWARDS NEVER. BREAK FREE!

## A GLOBAL WAKE-UP CALL



A Week of Direct Action and

Communication to Break the Silence

**New York City**  **April 24 - May 1 '89**

**Protests Music Forums Films Theater Workshops Food**

SEPERATE FLYERS WILL BE ISSUED EXPLAINING EACH EVENT IN DETAIL.

### APRIL

THIS IS A CALENDAR OF EVENTS ORGANIZED BY VARIOUS GROUPS WHO ARE NOT NECESSARILY OTHERWISE RELATED TO EACH OTHER.



**24 Monday** 5 pm  
PRESS CONFERENCE  
FOR ALL EVENTS

6 pm Film--  
**COVER-UP:**  
BEHIND THE IRAN-CONTRA  
AFFAIR

Cover-Up exposes the hidden government of the CIA, NSA, FEMA and the Pentagon, which conducts foreign policy in secrecy, deals in drugs and arms, and is usurping constitutional government.

Millenium,  
66 East Fourth St

**25 Tuesday**

3 pm. **open mike** Food  
Open Press Conference  
in Tompkins Square Park

**SPEAK-OUT against  
the SHELTERS!**

PARK REGULATIONS = POLICE REPRESSION

Proposed changes in the Park regulations are aimed directly at the community that uses this park; especially homeless people.

7 pm Public Debate - IS THE COLD WAR OVER?  
Loeb Student Center (Washington Square South)  
N.Y.U.

Sponsored by No Business As Usual



MAKE THE POINT.



**26 Wednesday**

4-6 pm

### SHUT DOWN FEMA

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
Federal Building, 26 Federal Plaza

FEMA funds the homeless shelters  
and makes plans for martial law in  
case of a U.S. invasion of Central America.

7 pm Films-

**SECRET GOVERNMENT** and

FOOTAGE FROM TOMPKINS SQUARE PARK RIOT

Hunter College High School

71 East 94th St. (Park Ave.)

Think Globally--Act Locally

**27 Thursday**

3 pm at

### LA PLAZA CULTURAL

MUSIC and FOOD  
Sign-Making and Planning  
for Weekend Events  
This beautiful park is threatened  
with demolition by the city!

La Plaza Cultural 9th St. and Ave. C

**28 Friday**

2 pm Protest-

NO COPS, NO CRACK

NO WAR ON DRUGS

555 West 57th Street (10th & 11th Ave.)

### US OUT OF CENTRAL AMERICA

5 pm Protest

Army Recruiting Office

Times Square at 43rd Street

...the CIA imports cocaine into  
the U.S. to fund the murderous  
Contra army.

While the government fights  
a phony War-On-Drugs  
(a war on our rights...)

BRING A JOINT!

**29 Saturday**

1-5 pm

**DAY OF FREE SPEECH**

IN WASHINGTON SQUARE PARK-

-MUSIC, FOOD, SPEAKERS,  
TABLES, THEATER, FUN

6-10 pm ANIMAL LIBERATION BENEFIT

Pyramid Club, 101 Ave. A

11 pm

### BREAK CURFEW

WASHINGTON SQUARE PARK

**Sunday 30**

2 pm Public Forum-

St. Brigid's Church Hall, 7th St.

(bet. Ave. B & C)

MUSIC and FOOD

5-7 pm

Join With the Campaign to Free All Political Prisoners

PEOPLE'S RALLY AT MANH. CORRECTIONAL CENTER (JAIL)

At: 150 Park Row (across from 1 Police Pl.) Subway: City Hall

Sponsored by MLN, N.Y. 8, Dec. 12 Coalition. PRCAR, & Campaign

NO JUSTICE NO PEACE

### SQUATTING

AS A RESPONSE TO  
HOMELESSNESS AND  
GENTRIFICATION

**FREE the LAND**



NO CRACK!  
NO POLICE!

# MAYDAY '89

MAKE NYC UNGOVERNABLE!

Smash Racism

**7AM**  
**STOP THE CITY**  
**NO WORK**  
**NO SCHOOL**

BLOCKADE  
WALL STREET

IN FRONT OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE,  
WALL STREET AND BROAD STREET

DON'T FORGET MAY 3RD PROTEST--GEORGE BUSH AT  
STATEN ISLAND NUKEPORT--LOOK FOR MORE DETAILS  
MAY 6TH MARIJUANA SMOKE-IN AT WASHINGTON SQ.PK.--11:00AM

SHOW YOUR POWER



BANDS!  
PUBLIC NUISANCE  
DA WILLYS  
CHILDREN OF GOD  
(CREAGAN YOUTH)  
Reggae-Jazz  
Salsa-Folk-Rap

-MUSIC, FOOD, SPEAKERS,  
THEATER, FUN

### SQUAT TOMPKINS SQUARE PARK



ANY AND ALL POLITICAL AND COMMUNITY GROUPS  
ARE WELCOME TO GIVE OUT LITERATURE AND INFO noon - night



# ACTIVIST CALENDAR!

• APRIL 1989 •

- 4/09: March on Washington, DC for abortion rights. Contact National Organization for Women (NOW) for bus info and logistics, at 15 W.18th St. Call 929-2334 or 807-0721.
- 4/13: (4:00 PM) MTA hearing on First Amendment activities and artistic performances in subways, at 347 Madison Ave-5th floor board room. (You can register from 4:00 to 7:30 PM to speak for 5 minutes. Written testimony for the official record accepted up to 5 days before 4/13)
- 4/14: (10:00 AM) City Council hearing on anti-apartment warehousing bill (Intro 369A), at City Hall, Broadway and Park Place.
- 4/16: (11:00 AM-6:00 PM) Earth Day Rally at Columbia University, 116th St. and Broadway, inside courtyard. Music and various speakers, including Barry Commoner.
- 4/17: (8:30 AM) Demonstration at offices of Majority Leader Peter Vallone against his tying up anti-apartment warehousing bill (Intro 369A) in committee, at 22-45 31st Street, Astoria. (Take the "N" train to Ditmar's Blvd)
- 4/17: (NOON) Homeless demonstration at home of Parks Comm. Henry J. Stern at 510 East 84th St.
- 4/20-22: Three days of open panel discussions, speakers, music, demonstrations, all in conjunction with other Earth Day events taking place worldwide:
- 4/20: At NYU Law School Auditorium-(Washington Square South, between Laguardia Place and MacDougal Street)--
  - (9:00 AM) - "Air pollution and transportation"
  - (11:00 AM) - "The future of energy"
  - (1:00 PM) - "The Greenhouse Effect"
- 4/21: (9:00 AM) - "Urban conservation and open space"  
 (11:00 AM) - "Ocean dumping"  
 (1:00 PM) - "The garbage crisis, incinerating and recycling"  
 (4:00 PM) - "Radioactive waste campaign"  
 (6:00 PM) - "Coalition for nuclear freeze"
- 4/22: \*\*EARTH DAY\*\*  
 (11:30 AM) "Ride for a livable city"-Transportation Alternatives bicycle riding group meets at Central Park Boathouse (use 72nd St. entrance) for ride downtown to protest at the General Motors Building at 767 Fifth Ave, then a ride to Washington Sq. Park for Earth Day Rally. All bicycle and non-polluting vehicle riders are welcome and encouraged to join the convoy.  
 (NOON-4:00 PM) Earth Day Rally in Washington Sq. Park-environmental activists, musicians, speakers, etc.  
 (1:00 PM) Global Greenhouse Network March-meeting outside the EXXON Building at 1251 Sixth Ave (50-51st Sts) for demonstration, then continuing at the General Motors Building at 767 Fifth Ave (58-59th Sts), then a march to the United Nations at 45th St. and First Ave.  
 \*\*For more Earth Day info, call Jon at: 718-442-0355, or Transportation Alternatives at: 334-9343.
- 4/23: (NOON) Punk Picnic in Central Park-(look for posters).
- 4/24: (5:30-8:30 PM) Parks Dept. hearing concerning new parks regulations throughout NYC against homeless and re-imposing curfews, at the Carmine Street Recreational Center at 83 Clarkson St. (at 7th Ave. South). Written complaints can be received at the Parks Dept. until 4/24 at: Commissioner Henry J. Stern, Parks Dept., The Arsenal, Central Park, New York, N.Y. 10021.
- 4/26: (10:00 AM- 4:00 PM) Court monitoring session at District Attorney's Office, 1 Hogan Place. They show you how the court system is supposed to work, the arrest and charging procedure, etc. For info, call Carmen Irazzary of the Community Affairs Division at: 553-9082.
- 4/29: "Squat or Rot" Show at the Pyramid Club on Avenue A, between 6th and 7th Streets.

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## COMMUNITY BOARD 3 MEETINGS FOR APRIL 89

- 4/04: (5:30 PM) Youth Planning Services Committee- Emergency Shelter, 69 St. Marks Place.
- 4/04: (6:00 PM) Transportation Committee- Pueblo Nuevo, 125 Pitt Street.
- 4/05: (6:15 PM) Human Resources Committee- Arts for Living Center, 466 Grand Street.
- 4/10: (6:30 PM) Disposition Task Force Committee- Pueblo Nuevo, 125 Pitt Street.
- 4/10: (7:00 PM) Sanitation Committee- Village View Houses, 175 East 4th Street.  
\*Agenda includes status report by Police and Peddler Task Force and review of Greitzer bill on peddlers.
- 4/11: (6:30 PM) Tompkins Square Park Task Force- Pueblo Nuevo, 125 Pitt Street.
- 4/11: (6:30 PM) Parks Committee- Village View Houses, 175 East 4th St.
- 4/12: (1:00 PM) Disability and Aging Subcommittee- Educational Alliance, 197 East Broadway.

Members of the public who sign up to speak are given 3 minutes each. If you have something on your mind, you should make your voice be heard!! For more information, call CB#3 at 533-5300, or go to their office at 59 East 4th Street. (This schedule is subject to change without notice).

- 4/12: (6:00 PM) Public Safety Committee- Educational Alliance, 197 East Broadway  
\*Agenda includes padlock proceedings against illegal businesses, proposed legislation for cabarets.
- 4/12: (6:30 PM) Ethics Committee- Grand Street Settlement, 80 Pitt Street.
- 4/13: (6:30 PM) Housing Committee- University Settlement, 184 Eldridge Street.
- 4/17: (6:00 PM) Zoning Study Group- City Planning Commission, 2 Lafayette Street.
- 4/18: (7:00 PM) Economic Development Committee- JASA/Green Residence, 200 East 5th St.
- 4/24: (6:30 PM) Executive Committee- Village View Houses, 175 East 4th St.
- 4/24: (7:30 PM) Personnel Committee- Village View Houses, 175 East 4th St.

BE THERE! FOR THIS ONE

4/25: (6:30 PM) \*\*\*\*COMMUNITY BOARD 3 MEETING\*\*\*\*  
Educational Alliance, 197 East Broadway

## VILLAGE GREEN RECYCLING TEAM

The Village Green Recycling Team is a group of volunteers committed to recycling as a means of solving the problem of Earth's pollution by waste.

FOR INFORMATION, CALL  
777-1422, or 677-1601  
473-4227, 420-0621,

### HOURS:

Saturday--10:00- 3:00PM  
Monday---- 5:00- 7:00PM  
Wednesday-11:00- 2:00PM  
Friday---- 8:00-11:00AM

24 HOUR & 7 DAY PICK-UPS;  
E.6th St.+ Ave.B  
E.13th St.+ Ave.B

### 11:00AM SATURDAY PICK-UPS;

- E.7th St, between 1st+2nd Aves. (in front of Middle Collegiate Church)
- Rivington St, between Norfolk+Suffolk Sts (in front of church)
- E.7th St, off Ave.D, south side of St. (near the corner)
- E.15th St and Third Ave, (near the northwest corner)
- E.16th St. and Union Sq. Park (west side of park where Greenmarket ends at 16th St.- not clearly marked) Newspapers Only.

1. Clean glass bottles- caps and labels okay.
2. Clean aluminum foil and cans.
3. Newspapers tied tight in bundles.
4. Clean plastic jugs-(translucent-water, cider, milk) (colored-detergent, salad oil)

\*\*PLEASE DO NOT MIX ITEMS IN SAME BAGS\*\*

## WBAI SPECIALS!

99.5 FM

APRIL 18-(Tuesday 10:00PM)-  
"International drug trade and the war on drugs": investigating links between international drug smuggling, money laundering, and destruction of lives on the streets of NYC.  
APRIL 24-(Monday 10:00PM)-  
"Parks are for the people": politics of homelessness in the parks of NYC, review of Tompkins Square Park and new parks regulations.



IF YOU KNOW OF ANY EVENTS THAT WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS, OR IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT OR DEMO TO PROMOTE, PLEASE SEND US AS MANY DETAILS AS POSSIBLE ALONG WITH ANY POSTERS AND ARTWORK THAT WE MAY WANT TO REPRINT. OUR DEADLINE IS

AROUND THE END OF THE MONTH, SO THE SOONER YOU LET US KNOW, THE BETTER. WE HOPE TO HAVE A "PEOPLE'S SWITCHBOARD" HOOKED UP SOON, SO WE'LL BE ABLE TO GIVE OUT INFO ON A MUCH LARGER SCALE. SEND ALL INFO TO: SHADOW PRESS, PO BOX 20298, NYC, 10009



# PISS TEST!

confirmation testing in the event of positive readings are in place. Which lab does the testing. What safeguards are used to prevent inadvertent sample switching.

It may not work but two tablespoons of table salt have caused tests to read negative. Also taking vitamin B to cause your urine to be dark yellow and diluting it in half with rubbing alcohol has been said to work. Ammonia and bleach also are said to work. These are not recommended as some laboratories test samples for pH and this would show that the samples had been tampered with and the smell may give away the bleach or ammonia. By the way battery acid should foul up the test equipment if a small amount is added to the sample.

As much as it galls me to even suggest that some drugs that are more harmful and dangerous be taken in lieu of some less harmful or less dangerous ones the bodily retention chart speaks for itself.

Never use the very last of your prescription medications, they could be great evidence for failing the tests, if needed. Always ask your doctor to prescribe something with codeine for cough and cold medicine, and save some just in case.

The best method is to switch clean urine for yours. This can be done several ways depending on how closely you are watched while producing the sample. Balloons or condoms have been used. Bags taped to the stomach are the hardest to detect. The Bard Diapoz-a-Bag is recommended by Abbie Hoffman's book, it has a short tube and cap. Colostomy or Urostomy bags are more expensive but work as well. Worn taped to the stomach they will keep the sample warm and it is easy to dispense the sample. Do not dip into the bowl as the water is cold enough to be easily detected.

Clean urine can be from anyone you are sure is clean. Or if you have abstained for more than 8 weeks fill some baggies and freeze them for future use. If you can't get it any other way Byrd Laboratories at 225 Congress, Box 340, Austin, Texas 78701 will sell you some. They can be reached at 1-800-333-2152. If you order in large quantities a bulk discount is given. Note do not use animal urine or water with yellow food coloring or jello as these are easily detected.

Last of all let it be known far and wide that should your test erroneously come back positive and you suffer any adverse consequences you will sue any and everybody you can for the maximum allowed under the law. It won't change the results of your test but it may make them a little hesitant to take any action unless they are really sure they have damn good cause. If they're not sure you were positive for something they may at least run confirmation tests and take care that the chain of evidence is documented, and make sure that the lab or technicians that they use, will know that they may have to defend their results in a court of law. The bottom line is that if it is done properly and you are tested positive you will get fired or not get the job but you will have forced them to conduct and document the test properly and may save someone else or make them rethink giving the tests at all.

# COVER-UP!

Newman that a meeting was being held that evening at Manhattan South police headquarters.

It was an urgent meeting to discuss the unrest which occurred at the park on the night of July 30, 1988. On that night, an attempt by dozens of police to break up a protest against the 1AM curfew escalated into a wild battle as hundreds of people spilled out of bars along Avenue A.

Newman says she felt intimidated from the start. When she arrived at Patrol Borough Manhattan South on 21st St, it seemed she was the only one there against the curfew and that her presence at the meeting was "tacit approval". According to Newman, at one point the chair of the meeting, 2nd Division Commander Baumert, asked "does everyone here agree?" to enforcing the curfew. There were no objections.

According to Newman, the meeting was marked by "collusion between the Parks Dept. and police and infighting among them...concerning who would get the blame in case there was trouble".

Newman believes that she was "duped" by police, along with members of the Avenue A Block Association, a group which had complained of late night noises near the park. Newman asserts that police are working with what she calls "the right wing", reactionary element of the Community Board...Phil Wachtel, Phil LaLumia, Krystyna Piorkowska... to bring about the curfew.

Piorkowska distinguished herself at one Task Force meeting by accusing curfew opponents of being "under the shadow of the hammer and sickle." In the days after the riot, she led Mayor Koch on a tour of the park after helping author a statement released in

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## Police Curb Complaint Board's Power

By DAVID E. PITT

Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward has stripped the Civilian Complaint Review Board of its power to recommend departmental trials or punishment for officers found guilty of misconduct. This power, the Commissioner contends, violated New York City's Charter.

Mr. Ward's action, taken in January, was never officially disclosed to the 12-member board. Its members said they found out about it a few weeks ago, when they arrived for a board meeting and learned that the standard forms they used to make their recommendations had been redesigned. In the new forms, a box for writing in disciplinary recommendations has been eliminated.



The Commissioner's decision comes when outside critics of the review board have been arguing that it is too much under the sway of police authorities. The decision seemed certain to raise new questions about the panel's independence and advisory powers, especially as it moves to complete a final report on allegations of police misconduct last summer during a civilian protest over a curfew at Tompkins Square Park.

### Hearing Officer Empowered

"I saw no need for them to recommend charges and certainly no need for them to recommend command discipline," Mr. Ward said yesterday when asked about the new policy. "I think an impartial department hearing officer is better to determine that."

"I think that the board understands that now," he said, adding that when future disciplinary actions are decided, "I'll send back the results to them, and they can see the charges before they go through. If they don't like them, they can make other recommendations."

At least two board members have expressed concern over the Commissioner's action, arguing that it reduces the panel's influence and could lead to unjustifiably lenient disciplining of officers. At the very least, they argue, it sends the wrong message to the public.

However, the review board's chairwoman, Mary Burke Nicholas, said she doubted that the decision would make much difference in the long run, "because in the end, whatever discipline we've recommended had to be reviewed by the Commissioner anyway."

"There's no real problem about it on the board, except among one or two members," she said, adding that the answer to their objections might be an amendment to the Charter.

Until now, the review board could review cases of officers accused of mis-

use of force, abuse of authority, ethnic slurs or discourtesy. It could recommend to the Commissioner either that "charges and specifications" be filed against an officer at a departmental trial or that a precinct commander be authorized to mete out "command discipline," from an oral reprimand to loss of up to five days' pay.

The Commissioner revoked the board's advisory power, officials said, after he and the Police Department's legal counsel decided that the power violated a section of the Charter that forbade anyone other than ranking officers or top civilian employees of the department from punishing members of the uniformed force.

Police officials explained that while the board's power had been strictly advisory on paper, in practice its recommendations were almost invariably accepted by the Commissioner. This, they said, meant that its suggestions were really tantamount to the imposition of punishment by non-police personnel.

### Opinion Sought by Member

Board members said that Dan Johnston, a mayoral appointee to the review board, had asked the Commissioner for his opinion on the issue earlier in January. Instead of replying, Ms. Nicholas said, Mr. Ward ordered the review board's executive director to redesign the recommendation forms.

On a related subject, Mr. Ward confirmed yesterday that of 115 civilian complaints of police abuse at Tompkins Square Park on the night of Aug. 6 and 7, a total of 11 have been substantiated and the officers identified by the review board's investigators.

The department has already disclosed the names of six of the officers, and the five others are expected to be announced sometime next month. Six more officers have been indicted on criminal charges.

the name of CB3 defending the police role in the riot. The full Board later met and voted to disown the statement because it represented the views of a minority of CB3 members.

Besides the testimony of Betsey Newman, the August 2nd meeting is documented by a copy of the meeting's sign-in sheet. The first signature on the list belongs to Phillip Wachtel, a member of CB3 and advocate of the park curfew. He was joined by CB3 members Piorkowska, LaLumia and William Sicklick. Sicklick also identified himself as the auxiliary police captain of the 7th precinct.

Manhattan Borough President David Dinkins was represented by two of his staff workers, who were joined by representatives from the offices of Council member Miriam Friedlander and State Senators Manfred Ohrenstein and Martin Cooper.

Manhattan Parks Commissioner Pat Pomposello attended, as did a police attorney, 9th precinct Capt. Gerald MacNamara, Inspector Robert Baumert, Deputy Chief Thomas Darcy who was the highest ranking officer in Tompkins Square Park on August 6th, and two police sergeants. Sgt. Michael Burns listed himself as representing Chief of Department Robert Johnston. Johnston, the highest ranking uniformed officer in the city, said after the riot that he had no knowledge of events as they unfolded in Tompkins Square Park on August 6+7th.

Also on the list is Charles Sturken, who lives on Avenue A across from the park. Sturken, an appointee of Mayor Koch, is Assistant General Counsel for the Dept. of Buildings.

In June 1988, Sturken attended a CB3 Parks Committee meeting where he supported a proposal for a park

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## If Police Can't Take Action, the Streets Will Be Even More Unsafe

To the Editor:

"Tompkins Square and Larry Davis" (editorial, Dec. 31) simply ignored some rather disturbing elements in the Tompkins Square Park episode of last Aug. 7.

If you are convinced that all of the people allegedly abused by the police were innocent bystanders or naturalists out to commune with nature, we certainly do not share that view. Sufficient evidence has been elicited to establish that a group of self-avowed anarchists conspired not only to incite riot and mayhem at the scene, but also to provoke, attack and then falsely to accuse police officers of misconduct.

Indeed, the deleterious element that descended on the park on the night in question eventually took the shape of a violence-prone mob comprising druggies, drunks, skinheads and anarchists, who went on to attack and injure police officers assigned to enforce a park curfew.

Have you ever concerned yourself with the injuries that are sustained by police officers? In your frenzied rush to punish the police for alleged misconduct, have you, on balance, called for swift punishment for those

found guilty of resorting to mob rule and assaulting police officers?

Frankly, your priorities are confused. Should the police have retreated and allowed the savage horde to burn, pillage and otherwise engage in the kind of deviant behavior that made a shambles of the right of the decent residents to enjoy security and tranquility in their own neighborhood? If the police are made to retreat in the face of mob violence, the rule of law is summarily destroyed.

But if the police are to uphold the law — as they were charged to do on

the night of Aug. 7 — they must use force when confronted with life-threatening violence. The extent of force used by the police at Tompkins Square has been subjectively observed by some as excessive and by others as too restrained. It is regrettable that a few innocents were victimized in the wild, chaotic melee that ensued.

However, what is even more regrettable is that some officers at the scene found it necessary to remove their shields out of fear that they would ultimately have to explain their use of necessary force before the Civilian Complaint Review Board, Federal and local grand juries and a department tribunal.

And it is that paradoxical element of fear on the part of police officers that should be of major concern to you and all other responsible parties. For if the police are so psychologically atrophied that they cannot take appropriate action when necessary, then the streets of New York City will become even more unsafe than they are now.

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told me that he was not aware of the court hearing on Tuesday. Then he said: "The only thing justifying tearing the building down is that it was judged unsafe, immediate hazard, impossible to reconstruct- that's the call made by the Department of Buildings". When asked why this demolition was so urgent, Spiller answered: "We were afraid that kids were gonna die from the front of the building falling off. If someone gets killed..I have to answer to it." I asked: "If her (Tya) engineer says the building is safe and you say it's not, who's right?" Spiller replied: "We are, because we're the city, we own the building; she is the squatter, the trespasser..." When I asked if the damage could have been fixed, he said: "It's cheaper to knock it down." He continued; "The Buildings Department determines safe and unsafe buildings- they give demolition orders. Occasionally, we can give an order too, in this case, we did it." I asked if the Buildings Dept. gave the order for this demolition and Spiller replied; "Correct." This contradicted what he said seconds before--who gave the order, HPD or the Buildings Dept.?

By 4:00 PM, the once solid and beautiful building was reduced to a pile of smoldering rubble. As I left, I overheard some cops chuckle: "now it's Miller time". On my way through the park, I saw pigs outside the Christadora and homeless people on food line in the park. Some things never change. Even if they keep creating new housing for the ultra-rich where homesteads once stood, they can't ignore the real problems of people that will only grow as the situation gets worse.

In the meantime, the following questions need to be asked and answered:

1. If there was an "immediate emergency demolition" request made on 2/21/89 due to imminent danger, then why did it take 5 weeks for demolition to begin on 4/1?
2. Why was there such a rush for the demolition to take place on a Saturday morning when courts and all legal avenues of approach would be closed?
3. Why weren't the tenants of 316 granted their right to due process under the "30 day law" since they occupied the premises for almost 5 years?
4. If a gut-rehab was needed, as Richard Heitler said, then why wasn't it done? (Buildings in worse condition have been repaired to look like new.)
5. If it's "cheaper to knock it down" as Spiller said, then won't it cost a lot more to create a whole new building? Isn't it better to have a building than a vacant lot?
6. When facades on the building on East 13th Street and the Mays Store on 14th Street broke off, those buildings were repaired, not demolished. Why couldn't the city do the same with 316 East 8th St.?

So, why was a perfectly good and habitable building destroyed even though the homesteaders were working there for 5 years and working with city agencies and going through legal channels in order to keep their building through the

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## Arrests for Free Food

Police in riot gear arrested 29 people yesterday as they tried to give food to the homeless in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco, prompting jeers and taunts from supporters.

The arrests were made after about 100 members of the group called "Food Not Bombs" marched through the Haight-Ashbury district to the park and set up tables with plates of beans and melons just before noon.

The city had warned the group its members would be arrested if they attempted to give away food in the park, something they had done for several months. The group said the police crackdown was the result of complaints from local businesses.



# Shadow Research

### INFORMATION SOUGHT:

Names and addresses of owners of businesses operating in NYC.

### INFORMATION SOURCES:

Office of the City Register  
31 Chambers Street (Corner of Centre St.)  
New York, N.Y. 10007  
Hours: 9:00AM-4:00PM

City Collector's Office  
1 Centre Street--(North mezzanine)  
Hours: 9:00AM-5:00PM

Supreme Court Building  
60 Centre Street--  
Hours: 9:00AM-5:00PM (Room 117B in basement)



**Braun: Is his conscience AWOL?**

While researching a building at 320 East 3rd Street, which is being warehoused by Emil Braun, the infamous slumlord of the Lower East Side, I found that the building is owned by RISA Third Street Realty, and is being managed by the Braun Organization of 509 East 81st St. I got this information by going to the Office of the City Register, to Room 202, where I looked up the address in the "Sanborn Manhattan Land Book". Of course, I recorded the Block and Lot numbers (372+33) since they would come in handy later on. In order to find the names of the owners of RISA Third Street Realty, I then went to Room 205 in the same building where there are two computer terminals and a printer. After playing with the computer terminal (it's not too hard to figure out), I got the Reel number and the Page number for the deed that was recorded for 320 East 3rd St. on 1/15/87. First, I entered the desired function letter--(there is a choice from A-C), then the borough code (Manhattan is code #1), then the Block and Lot numbers. When the screen displays all transactions on the property for the past few years, you can see where the most recent deed appears. Since that will show the owner's names, that is the line you should get the Reel and Page numbers for. (Each line has a different set of Reel and Page numbers since each transaction recorded on each line has occurred on a different date). With a little help from one of the clerks there, I made a printout of those transactions (going back to 1982), and then in order to see the actual deed, I requested the microfiche copy of the deed by filling out a request form using the Reel and Page numbers. On the projector in the next room, I saw that the deed is in the name of RISA Third Street Realty, but once again, the names of the owners of the company were not given. I then made a xerox copy from the projector after playing with the exposure dial a few times, so it cost me 3 quarters instead of just one.

My next stop was the City Collector's Office at 1 Centre St. These are the nice folks who send out bills for real estate taxes, water +sewer rent and assessments. I wanted to see who those bills are being sent to, so I went to the mezzanine level where the bills can be paid in person. To my surprise, there was a "public use computer" there, complete with instructions on how to use it. After pressing the "TAP RESET" and "CURSR SEL" buttons, I followed the instructions and entered the information as follows: "BIL5/1/372/33//N/I/" ("1" is the borough code for Manhattan, "372" is the Block#, and "33" is the Lot#). The readout on the screen told me that these bills are being sent to the Dime Savings Bank of NY. This probably means that the mortgage is being held by them since they are receiving these bills for RISA. (It was interesting to find that RISA still owes the City \$217.89 for emergency repairs done by the City in July and September of 1987). I also got a printout of this bill to add to my ever expanding file.

My last stop was the Supreme Court Building at 60 Centre St. in Room 117B in the basement. After looking up RISA Third Street Realty in the blue bound "Business Name Index" books, (they are arranged alphabetically), I got the file number (09970-868) and filled out a request form for their file. Instead of a file, there was only a single sheet of paper which was a "Business Certificate for Partners", but it had all of the information I was looking for. RISA's address is given as 509 East 81st St., which is the same as the Braun Organization, and both partner's names and home addresses are given as well--(Emil Braun lives at 401 East 80th St., NYC, 10028. His partner in RISA is Steven B. Sperber who lives at 401 East 81st St., NYC 10028. Sperber is an attorney with the law firm of Lindenbaum and Young located at 16 Court Street in Brooklyn. The date of the corporation they formed is dated Dec. 22, 1986).

If you want to find out similar information on any landlord or business operating in NYC, you can follow my steps and check out these sources. All of this is public information, and it is available to anyone who wants it. As always, you can get a lot of assistance from the clerks in these places as well as extra information you were expecting. Just remember--a little politeness will go a long way.

(Any questions or requests for further info? Send a note to: Shadow Research, P.O. Box 20298, New York, N.Y. 10009)

## COVER-UP

curfew that was rejected. According to a former CB3 member, when Sturken was asked at the June meeting about the fate of homeless people in the park under a curfew, he replied, "I don't care what you do with them". Curfew supporters have remained active since the riot. Writer Betsy Herzog struck out in one article (The Villager, March 2, 1989) against a number of Lower East Side residents who attended the February 21st public hearing organized by the Task Force, labeling them "insulting malcontent--" who "repeatedly turned the Task Force hearing into a (sic) inquisition-like proceeding".

According to Herzog, many who spoke on Feb. 21 seemed to believe there was a "conspiracy" to start the riot by people who attended the August 2nd Manhattan South meeting, a view she maintains is part of a "hidden-agenda" she believes the anti-curfew forces are hatching.

Herzog summarized the pro-curfew sentiments at the August 2nd meeting. She says that the 9th precinct had "quickly called for a meeting on August 2 asking representatives from CB3, elected officials, Avenue A Block Association, and Friends of Tompkins Square Park for renewed support of their policy to enforce the park curfew. No one at that meeting objected, including two who are TSP Task Force members, and who have since walked away from the decision they agreed to."

Lower East Side squatter activist and former Task Force member Frank Morales disagrees with Herzog's analysis. Says Morales; "It's unfortunate that members of the Tompkins Square Task Force attending the August 2nd meeting have not come clean regarding the implications of this gathering occurring just a few days before the police assault. It's equally unfortunate that all 24 meeting participants have not been brought to task for their role and knowledge regarding this meeting.

"Finally, it's a disgrace that members of CB3 can act illegally behind the backs of the people, in the name of the Community Board, and collaborate with the police against the people of the Lower East Side.

"Chair Ann Johnson, members Piorkowska, Wachtel, Antonio Pagan, staffer Ann Hayes and District Manager Martha Danziger should be removed from positions of public trust immediately. Politicians Dinkins and Friedlander should explain to the people of the Lower East Side their role in this meeting and subsequent riot."

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## Tompkins Square and Larry Davis

The New York City Police Department's Civilian Complaint Review Board, charged with investigating police violence in August in Tompkins Square Park; accuses virtually all police on the scene of obstructing the inquiry. The implications of that are deeply troubling for the whole city.

After attempts to enforce a curfew in the park led to bloodshed at the hands of club-swinging police, Commissioner Benjamin Ward forced the retirement and transfer of some high-ranking commanders. But what of the patrol officers immediately responsible for the brutality?

It fell to the review board to pursue their cases. The agency, a unit of the department, had long been criticized as too sympathetic to the officers it was supposed to investigate. But after Tompkins Square, there was some reason for hope: the board had recently been expanded to include more civilians. Now hopes are fading, though not because the board wants a whitewash. It complains of stonewalling by 400 officers it has interviewed. As a result, it may have to dismiss more than two-thirds of the 115 complaints arising from the incident.

The board deserves much credit for going public, but the non-cooperation leaves the department, and the city, with a serious problem. Those who misbehaved, or failed to prevent misbehavior, need to be held accountable. Dan Johnston, one of the board's new civilian members, points out that the violence occurred in the presence of sergeants and higher-ranking officers: "A sergeant who is present and sees this kind of misconduct going on over several hours has an obligation to stop it, report it and participate in the investigation."

The officers who prefer the "blue wall of silence" need to realize that the cover-up involves more than their colleagues' careers. The police were furious last month when a jury acquitted Larry Davis, a drug suspect, of shooting six police officers trying to arrest him. The jury found that Mr. Davis shot in self-defense. That was outrageous, the police said: how can there be any law enforcement if the public finds reason to fear police officers in uniform, doing their job?

How indeed? Yet the Tompkins Square cover-up makes such fears all too reasonable.



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homesteading process? During that time, Tya was able to get the city to run water lines and Con Edison to provide electrical power (the city and Con Ed would never do this for just any squat building that requests it). Tya's group presence in the building was well known by CB3 and the HPD as well as other city agencies who corresponded with Tya's group by mail and in person for several years. This acknowledged her occupancy under the "adverse possession" law which says that if you are squatting and the owner knows you are but doesn't evict you, the squatter has a claim to stay on the property. The squatter must be able to prove that the landlord knows he is there - such as providing a letter to the landlord telling them he is squatting. Tya can prove this since she had communication with the CB3, HPD and Buildings Dept. and other agencies, and has letters from them to prove it. Tya's group also received a letter of support from CB3, paving the way for eventual ownership of the building through the homesteading process. In spite of all of this, Tya's building was pulled out from under her because her building stood in the way of HPD's plans to sell the land it occupied along with the vacant lots next door, making one large parcel of vacant land to sell to a major developer at high market rate.

Apparently, Tya had been speaking with the previous owner of the building and they were working together on a deal to reclaim the building from the city. They had a meeting scheduled with the HPD for Tuesday, April 4 in order to get the building back from the city, but the HPD probably got nervous about losing the building since they were ready to leverage it to a private developer.

It is interesting to note that Peter S. Kalikow, the president and owner of the NY Post, which has been consistently hostile toward homesteaders, owns several properties near Tompkins Square Park and on 10th St. (could it be that Mr. Kalikow has his eyes on that choice piece of vacant land just half a block east of Tompkins Square Park?) It seems that the HPD wants a large vacant lot for use in the 50/50 "cross subsidy" plan. In theory, they sell land to developers at the market rate in exchange for the false promise of renovating low income housing. If that "plan" is to succeed, the developers should be forced to build or create low income housing first before they are allowed to build on their newly acquired land in order to insure that they'll keep their part of the agreement.

There is definitely something going on behind the scenes involving 316 East 8th St. and the other buildings on the South Side of 8th St. between Ave. B and C. In doing research for this article, I found that all records pertaining to 316 have mysteriously disappeared- at the Dept. of Buildings at 60 Hudson, I was told that the file on that building was missing and there was no record of who took it out. (Every building in Manhattan has a file folder that details it's history.) Luckily, with the help of a sympathetic employee there, I obtained copies of a title search, notice of unsafe building and structure, and the demolition order dated February 21, 1989. (A copy of this order was sent to CB3, yet Danziger and Wachtel, who were both on the scene both denied getting any notice of this demolition!!!) At the City Register's Office, I was told that the microfiche copy of the transactions pertaining to 316 was taken out by a Steven Wishnia on April 4th, but he never returned it. He gave his address as 162 Ave. B (his telephone number is 254-0385). The record date he was seeking was 5/25/78, which was the date of the last transaction when the city took the building away from the owner. The city now owns all of the lots on the South Side of 8th St. except for St. Brigid's Church and a yuppie co-op at 324 1/2 East 8th St. What happens next to the property remains to be seen - and we'll be watching.



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- \* 100,000 people in families doubled up or tripled up in apartments illegally. 15,000 in the hellish welfare hotels. 100,000 at "imminent risk" of eviction.

Most of the homeless became homeless recently as a result of the housing "crisis." But it is clear from the amount of warehoused housing that the crisis is an artificial one. Vast amounts of housing are being kept off the market by the landlords and their ever-obedient City government in order to justify New York's obscene rents and drive out the poor. The City has made no moves to get the buildings it owns, many of which are in need of minimal rehabilitation, back into use. HPD just bricks up the windows and doors and tears out the stairs. The City has done nothing about warehousing, and has actively assisted the conversion of housing to co-ops and condos with massive tax abatements. For the homeless, the City wants to build shelters.

Shelters are low-intensity detention centers. They are usually in armories and are administered by the State Department of Military and Naval Affairs and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)--both military units. Shelters are inhuman and deadly environments, with high rates of TB and AIDS, beatings, rapes and crack dealing. They kill the spirit.

There can be no solution to homelessness that does not involve permanent housing. More than enough permanent housing already exists, but is being kept empty, and allowed to rot.

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RIGHT NOW in New York, people who would otherwise be homeless are building homes with their own hands. Despite harassment from the Police and City bureaucracy, despite the cold, despite material obstacles, squatters are moving into the abandoned buildings, surviving without rent, and successfully rehabilitating buildings that would otherwise still be empty. This self-help housing movement is the only real solution to homelessness so far proposed, because it is the only one that deals with the real issue--empty buildings. Why is it still illegal? Why are the squatters harrassed instead of helped?

# Squatters Try to Halt Demolition

By Frances Robles and Sheryl McCarthy

A city demolition crew that showed up to tear down a building on the Lower East Side was met by a group of angry squatters from the building, who held up demolition work for hours before being arrested by police.

The demolition crew appeared at 9 a.m. at 316 E. Eighth St., near Avenue C, to carry out a court order obtained by the city's Housing Preservation Department to tear down the building, which had been declared unsafe. However, a group of squatters refused to leave the building. One of them, Jennifer Scott, 27, said she and her family had lived in the building for

five years and were not about to leave. "We'll fight to the end and won't give up!" she shouted at the demolition crew and more than two dozen police officers who had surrounded the building.

According to Scott, who works as a secretary, eight people live in the building, including herself, her husband, mother-in-law, her two children and her brother-in-law and his child. She said they have been renovating the building and that her family alone has spent about \$10,000 on the building.

"We are not people who are on crack," said Scott. "We are real people trying to develop property and build homes."

At one point about 50 people from the neighborhood were on the street, shouting epithets at the police and the demolition crew.

After several hours, while waiting for city attorneys to verify the court's demolition order, the police forcibly removed the squatters from the building. Six people were charged with obstructing governmental administration, trespassing and resisting arrest. A seventh person was issued a summons for trespassing, police said.

Finally, at 1:45 p.m. the demolition work be-



Newsday / Jon Naso  
 Squatter Tia Scott weeps as building comes down.

gan. "Five years down the drain!" Scott said as she watched her home begin to come down. As the demolition work began, the crowd's anger grew. Several people started throwing rocks, narrowly missing a policeman. A scuffle broke out between protesters and police; two more people were arrested.

The building is only a block from Tompkins Square Park, where police had a violent confrontation with demonstrators last summer.

Neighbors and squatters said the building was declared unsafe a month ago after a wrecking crew working on a burned-out building next door damaged the front of the building. The squatters were ordered to move a month ago, they said. They left temporarily, but moved back within the past two weeks.

Scott said all her belongings were destroyed by the wreckers, and that she plans to sue the city.

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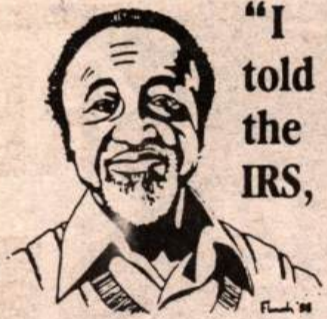


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## Israelis Kill 4-Year-Old Palestinian Boy

Jerusalem — A 4-year-old Palestinian boy was shot and killed outside his home in the occupied West Bank by an Israeli soldier.

# SAVOR IT

THE NEW YORK TIMES

### Children Hurt in Raid

Israeli warplanes struck Palestinian bases in the Chouf Mountains southeast of Beirut yesterday, killing two guerrillas and wounding 34 people, including 26 children at a nearby elementary school, police said. Panicked children aged 4 to 10, some with blood streaming down their faces, ran from the school, a child was hurt.



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SEE THE COLORFUL EXPLOSIONS AS THE ISRAELI ARMY DEMOLISHES THE HOMES OF PALESTINIAN FAMILIES...

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# WHERE TO GO FOR FOOD AND HELP

## 1. Grace & Hope Mission

114 Third Avenue & 13th Street

**Brown Bag**—Tuesday to Sunday. Doors open at 7:00 P.M. Gospel service at 7:30, then brown bag of food is given out. Doors close at 8:00 P.M.

**Pantry**—Tuesday to Friday at 5:00 P.M. They prefer families. You must phone first to use this pantry.

**Help**—Counseling is available from the missionaries on staff.

## 2. The Village Temple

33 East 12th Street

**Lunch**—Saturday from 1:00-2:00. Hot lunch given out on a first-come, first-serve basis. No tickets, just line up.

**Help**—Saturday 1:00-2:00. Lawyers and professionals from the Temple take turns to help with entitlements, disability, food stamps, welfare problems and housing.

You may request pastoral counselling.

## 3. The Catholic Center at N.Y.U.

Washington Square South & Thompson Street

**Lunch**—Monday from 12:00-2:00. Tickets at 10:00. Entrance is around corner on Thompson Street.

## 4. Hebrew Union College

1 West 4th Street at Broadway

**Supper**—Monday at 5:30. Tickets given out at 4:30. Served in basement of building.

## 5. Stuyvesant Polyclinic

137 Second Avenue & 9th Street

There are many medical and mental health services here, including a clinic for infectious diseases. If you are homeless and have been hospitalized for an infectious disease and then discharged to the street, you can come here for on-going care.

There is a very good alcoholism program, including acupuncture detox for withdrawal and relapse. They offer therapy and counselling, and help with referrals and entitlements. There is an AIDS clinic, which will help any person with AIDS.

Medicaid or Medicare or sliding scale. They will help you get Medicaid.

Clinics: Monday to Friday 9:00-8:00. Infectious Disease Clinic: Monday and Thursday.

## 6. Trinity Lutheran Church

602 East 9th Street

**Lunch**—Tuesday to Friday at 11:00 A.M. No tickets, just line up. The Friday lunch is sandwiches only.

**Help**—Pastoral counselling and referrals are available during the soup kitchen if the Pastor is on hand.

## 7. St. Brigid's Church

Avenue B & 7th Street

Rev. Linn's God's Love Ministry at St. Brigid's

**Lunch**—On the last Saturday of each month at 1:30. Tickets given out as you enter. Clothes available for those eating at the soup kitchen.

**Pantry**—On the next to last Saturday of each month at 11:00. Given out on a first-come, first-serve basis.

## 8. Graffiti Baptist Ministry

184 East 7th Street

**Lunch**—12:00 on Saturday in Tompkins Square Park near the corner of 7th Street and Avenue B. Soup, sandwiches and fruit are given out. Just line up.

**Supper**—Wednesday at 6:00 at the Baptist Ministry. A hot, sit-down meal is served. Tickets at 5:30. First come-first serve.

**Clothes**—Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1:00-3:00 and Wednesday from 8:00-8:30 P.M.

**Help**—Pastoral counselling is available and referrals for other services. Make appointment for this when at the meals.

## 9. SPROUT

Tompkins Square Park

**Clothes**—On the last Saturday of each month at 12:00, this group gives out clothes in the park in front of the amphitheater.

## 10. Middle Collegiate Church

50 East 7th Street

**Clothes**—Monday and Wednesday from 9:00-1:00.

**Pantry**—Monday and Wednesday from 9:00-1:00.

**Help**—Pastoral counselling, entitlements and referrals Monday and Wednesday from 9:00-1:00 and Thursday from 1:00-5:00.

**Celebrate Life meal** for those with AIDS.

**Meal**—Monday at 6:00. Must have AIDS, ARC or HIV Positive identification card. No tickets. just line up.

## 11. The Catholic Worker/Mary House

55 East 3rd Street

**Lunch**—Every day from 12:00-1:00 except Monday. No tickets, just line up.

**Shelter**—There is a residence here for women. Beds are usually given, when available, to women known to the Catholic Worker Community.

## 12. Holy Name Center

18 Bleecker Street

This place is for Men only.

**Drop-In**—Men can come here to shower and shave Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00.

**Mail Room**—You can register between 1:00-3:00 Monday to Friday to have your mail sent here, except for welfare checks. Bring an I.D.

**Help**—There is staff on hand during the week to help you with your entitlements and give referrals for other services and for detox.

On Thursday, from 9:00-11:30 A.M. the **Manhattan Bowery Project Medical Team** has a clinic here to give help with medical problems.

Free GED and Adult Literacy classes Monday to Thursday. Also English As A Second Language. Ask at desk.

**Shelter**—19 beds available. Given out on a first-come, first-serve basis.

## 13. University Community Soup Kitchen/Nativity

44 Second Avenue

**Lunch**—Saturday at 1:30. No tickets. Served in the Social Hall. Enter through the courtyard gates on Second Avenue and Second Street.

**Clothes**—During the soup kitchen when available.

## 14. The Catholic Worker/Joseph House

36 East 1st Street

**Breakfast**—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30-11:30. No tickets, just line up.

**Clothes**—Sunday through Thursday at 2:00 when available.

## 15. The Bowery Mission

227 Bowery

**Breakfast**—Monday to Friday at 7:00 A.M. Sunday at 8:30 A.M. Not on Saturday.

**Lunch**—Monday to Friday at 12:00. Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 P.M.

**Supper**—Monday to Friday at 7:00 P.M. Saturday and Sunday at 6:00 P.M.

There are no tickets for any of these meals, just line up. There is a service first.

**Drop-In**—Men can drop in for showers and shaves Tuesday and Friday at 12:00.

**Pantry**—Monday to Friday from 2:30-3:30 when available.

**Clothes**—Monday and Friday at 12:00 when available.

**Shelter**—Each day after supper, there is a lottery for the 15 beds they have available. Tickets for the lottery are given out at supper to those who have attended the service before the meal.

## 16. University Settlement House

184 Eldridge Street

There are mental health services here, both single and in group. You may walk in from 9:00-5:00 Monday to Friday to make an appointment. They take Medicaid,

Medicare, or sliding scale. In some cases it is free.

In the Social Services Department you can get help with entitlements and referrals. They have crisis help and will see homeless people. Monday to Friday from 9:00-5:00. Evening help by appointment.

## 17. Our Lady of Sorrows

213 Stanton Street

**Pantry**—If you live below East 4th Street between Essex St. and the East River, you can go to this church Monday to Friday during the day and ask for help. Volunteers from the St. Vincent de Paul Society can also visit you at your home to bring pantry food and assess your needs. Go to the Rectory of the church. Bring proof of need.

## 18. MFY Legal Services

223 Grand Street

If you live south of Houston Street and east of 5th Avenue, you can walk in here for free legal services for housing, immigration, benefits and general legal problems.

2:00-5:00 on Tuesday.

## 19. East Side SRO Legal Services Project

223 Grand Street

If you live on the east side of Manhattan, in an SRO or rooming house, and you are being hassled where you live, you can get free help at this office. There are lawyers and tenant organizers to help you.

1:30-4:30 on Thursday.

## 20. Betances Health Unit

281 East Broadway and 34 Gouverneur Street

This Health Unit has two clinics. They each have general medical services, and help with social services. They can refer you to a dental clinic. There is a nutrition program, podiatry, on-going care for TB, and acupuncture detox. They refer for mental health services. Payments by Medicaid, Medicare or sliding-scale. They have special rates for medicines.

Monday to Friday from 9:00-5:00; Wednesday until 7:00 P.M.

## 21. St. James Church

23 Oliver Street

**Pantry**—If you live between the Brooklyn and Manhattan Bridges from East Broadway to the East River, you can use this pantry. They prefer families. Bring proof of residence. Open Monday-Friday from 9:00-5:00.

## 22. McCauley Water Street Mission

90 Lafayette Street

**Breakfast**—5:30-6:00 A.M. every day.

**Supper**—7:15 P.M. every day. There is a service first.

Both meals are for men and women.

**Clothes**—Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 1:00-1:30.

Clothes for men only.

**Shelter**—Bed tickets are handed out each day at 2:30. Come back for intake at 5:30 P.M.

**Help**—On Monday and Wednesday from 9:00-4:00 the **Betances Health Unit** has a social work team set up here to help you. On Wednesday from 9:00-4:00 the **Healthcare for the Homeless** team has a clinic for medical and mental health services. You must sign up for this clinic on Tuesday.

## 23. Coalition for the Homeless

Broadway and Park Place at the City Hall Encampment

**Brown Bag**—Every night at 8:00 a brown bag of food is given out at City Hall where homeless people are camping out.

## 24. St Paul's Chapel of Trinity Church

Broadway and Fulton Street

**Brown Bag**—A brown bag lunch is given out Monday to Friday at 11:00 A.M. First-come, first-serve.

## USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS.

• S.H.A.R.E.

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If you have a place to cook, you can buy food cheaply through S.H.A.R.E. For \$12.00 and two hours of community service each month, you get a food package—meat, fruit, vegetables and grains worth \$30.00-35.00. Call them for information on how to join.

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