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PROVIDING INFORMATION ON RESOURCES AND EVENTS THAT IMPROVE THE LIFESTYLE OF INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY

The 35th Annual National Black Caucus of State Legislators Meet in Chicago



Tony Sculfield from WGCI 107.5 Radio personality and comedian, Representative Will Davis (IL), Chair, Illinois Black Legislative Caucus, Inc, Representative Joe Armstrong (TN), President-Elect, NBCSL, Representative Barbara W. Ballard (KS), President, NBCSL, Dwayne Bryant, Motivational Speaker, Inner Vision International, Inc, Rep. Joe Armstrong, and Dwayne Armstrong hold press conference to kick off National Black Caucus of State Legislators

With four days of conference policy meetings taking place more than 350 members of the Washington, D.C.-based National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBCSL) are meeting in Chicago, Illinois,

December 7-11, 2011, to learn about the nation's best models and practices across an array of policy areas. The theme of this year's 35th Annual Legislative Conference is "Seeing Beyond – State Leadership, National

Progress." Organizers said NBCSL members would leave the conference armed with legislative ideas they can take to their respective Capitols during the upcoming legislative sessions.



State Rep. Art Turner Jr (IL) (9th District) making the rules clear to youth in when it comes to the Bullying ordinance

NBCSL President, Rep. Barbara W. Ballard, said state lawmakers have to be "warriors" on behalf of the people they serve, ensuring that critically important issues for African Americans are a part of the national dialogue. "We are on the frontlines

in the battle to bring jobs and a better quality of life to our constituents, Ballard said. "The issues we deal with are life and death, and this conference will provide a framework for national progress."

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Chris Gardner Advises Youth to "Get Smart Quick"

La Risa Lynch



Chris Gardner speaks to Mason High School students who visited Gardner's downtown office, as his son, Chris Gardner Jr., look on. The elder Gardner told the students if they want to be successful in life then they need to "get smart quick!"

In the hit movie *Pursuit of Happyness*, actor Will Smith immortalized the life story of Chris Gardner who overcame homelessness to become a high-powered stockbroker.

In real life, Gardner advised a group of high school students visiting his downtown office against his career track. He said the money is good but the shrewdness of the business "will break your heart."

"It's a tough business. It ain't for everybody unless you really, really love it and you get smart quick," said Gardner, owner of Gardner Rich, a financial



Chris Gardner shakes hands with Shaun Norwood who caught the stockbroker's attention by saying he plans to enlist in the Navy.

investment firm.

Gardner took time away from brokering high-powered deals to talk with students from Mason High School, 1839 S. Keeler. The students lunched with Gardner who told them that the key to pursuing their own happiness is education.

"You can never be too smart," Gardner told the students. "You can never have too much education, and the people you are competing for jobs with are all around the world."

When he asked the students how many are going to college, he expressed disappointment that not all the students' raised their hands. He encouraged students to

stay in school because knowledge is portable.

"Every opportunity that you get to learn something; to expand your knowledge that is like expanding your bank account," he said. "That's like creating the future you want to have. Get smart quick."

The students were curious as to why Gardner wore two watches: one set to U.S time and the other to time in Africa. The watches are a reminder of a time when Gardner lost "a ton of money" when he was late meeting a potential investor.

"The guy explained to me that if I can't expect you to be on time, I can't expect you to do timely things with my money," he said. "That was

24 years ago. I ain't never late. I'm known to be aggressively early."

While the *Pursuit of Happyness* was a box office hit, Gardner admitted he didn't vision his life story on the silver screen nor Will Smith portraying him.

"I wasn't feeling it at all," Gardner said. "When you think about Will you think about big blockbusters out of space. This story is about inner space, not outer space."

His daughter convinced him otherwise based on Smith's role in the biopic *Muhammad Ali*. Gardner lauded the movie, but he said it didn't reflect the whole story as told in his book of the same name.

The movie, he explained, represented a year in his life, but there were choices and decisions he made throughout his life that got him where he is today.

"The book is more important than the movie," said Gardner who at 28 started his company.

Gardner's son, Chris, also spoke to students. He encouraged the students to become entrepreneurs. The younger Gardner operates a music production company and owns a clothing line, a far cry from his father's occupation. However, he followed his dreams.

"You can spend the rest of your life making somebody else a whole lot of money or you can go out and make your own," said the younger Gardner, who grew up on Madison and Kedzie and attended Michael

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2011 Focus

Health and Education

Ten Years has past since the New Millenium scare of the year 2000, a time of uncertainty. In 1999, we began by thanking God for making the newsletter possible. Much has happened since October of 1999 when we first published the North Lawndale Community News more than eleven years ago. Many have contributed, supported, volunteered, written, taken photos, done research, and/or completed our workshops. We have helped many and many have helped us. Health is essential to a good life. Education is necessary for the pursuit of happiness in an economy driven society.

In 2001, our focus targeted the "Revival of the Family". In 2002, we targeted "Wholistic Wellness". In 2003, we targeted "Education and Training". In 2004, the North Lawndale Community News focused on helping our community acquire a better quality of life through higher levels of reading and responsible wealth creation. In 2005, it was Technology, Business Development, and Employment. In 2006, the primary focus for SHS/ NCLN was Health, Education, and Welfare. In 2007, the primary focus for SHS/ NCLN was People and Education. In 2008, the primary focus for was the Church, Financial Literacy, and Technology. In 2009, the primary focus for SHS/NLCN was HEALTH & THE ECONOMY. In 2010, our primary focus was to live and reflect on our previous years of focus, as we progress to a better quality of life.

So many things remain a high priority in our life. As we struggle to enjoy life, many have neglected the necessary choices that preserve and extend a healthy and abundant, spirit, mind, and body. So along with health, there is education (knowing) and the need to have the resources to act upon the knowledge for a better quality of life.

The North Lawndale newspaper was and is created to help fulfill the mission of Strategic Human Services. That mission is to provide information on resources and events that improved the lifestyle of individuals and families. This is our primary objective that includes all of the sub-objectives that help to reach that primary objective. There is a saying that if your're not sure where your're going, your're liable to end up someplace else- and not even know it.

Even though tough times are among us setting positive objectives and staying committed to them will be the focus of our news for this 2011 year.

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The 35th Annual National Black Caucus of State Legislators

from front page



Anthony Terry receives an Award from the National Black Legislators.



State Rep. Camille Y. Lilly & students from Lincoln Park High School.



Oluwakemi Oshimokun receives an award from the National Black Caucus of State legislators.



NLCN photographer greets Marine Science and Math Academy student during youth luncheon of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators



NLCN CEO Isaac Lewis Jr. & Art Turner Jr. with students from Marine Math & Science Academy located 145 S. Campbell, Darlene, Alvarez and Zini.



Danielle Rupert of Kenwood High School gives her cause and effect of a Longer school day.pdf



Ricardo P. Luis from CVS High School receives Award from the National Black Caucus.



Students in the House discuss which way the Curfew Ordinance should be modified.pdf

A geographic cross section of Chicago Public School students, took part in the 35th Annual Legislative Conference, held in Chicago Dec. 7-11, 2011, at the Renaissance Chicago Downtown Hotel. There was a "MOCK SENATE SESSION" held with topics like A longer School Day- How would it effect

you Personally? There was also a HOUSE SESSION held with the topic of "What can we Legislate to combat the Bullying Problem in Public Schools? You should have been there, the students had plenty TO SAY!!!!!!

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Lawndale Amachi Mentoring Program (LAMP) Has Great Success



"As a result of the creative opportunities and synergism, the Lawndale Amachi Mentoring Program has had a fruitful and fulfilling experience with the mentees this year," Executive Director, Dr. Betty Allen-Green, humbly exclaims. She credits much of the activity to the opportunities afforded by the Neighborhood Recovery Initiative Grant (NRI) received via the Better Boys Foundation. "In addition to the mandatory one-on-one mentoring, some of our youth received 10 hours of mentoring weekly, as a result of the funds from NRI," Dr. Green gratefully acknowledges.

"Thanks to BBF's consideration, our mentees between the ages of 15 and 21 earned \$8.50 an hour for various engagements of civic responsibility in the North Lawndale community," continued Dr. Green. To give our young people additional academic instruction, LAMP collaborated with the Chicago School of Professional Psychology Forensic Department to provide weekly forums in which structured character building, career awareness, and college-bound

workshops were conducted. The Chicago School of Professional Psychology Forensic Department created an environment of interactive discussion on the relationship between education and work, as well as the difference between a job and a career.

The mentees were required to perform outreach activities in which they passed out fliers promoting unity, coupled with communicating the message of nonviolence to their peers. That activity is reinforced by a campaign to attend all of the churches in North Lawndale to give presentations about their mission of promoting nonviolent strategies. Their presentation was enthusiastically received by the First Baptist Church at 18th and Keeler, Pastored by Reverend Brasfield," added Dr. Green.

*The mentees were invited by Gov. Quinn to accompany him in the historic Bud Billikin Parade. It was a great, life-time experience for our mentees, which further reinforced their interest in self-improvement and goal setting.

*LAMP partners with the University of Illinois -Chicago -CAGI Program to provide intensive mentoring to some of the students

within the North Lawndale Area. Students from Chalmers, Crown, Dvorak, Gregory, Herzl, and Kipp Elementary Schools are assigned mentors who spend five hours weekly involving them in enrichment activities designed to develop leadership skills, improve their school attendance, improve their school achievement and develop community pride. Attorney Askia Abdullah volunteers every Wednesday to involve these youths in workshops entitled "Nurture Your Dreams." He introduces twenty-five young men to professionals from all different careers designed to teach them how to develop and nurture their dreams.

The development of community pride is one of our primary planks in LAMP'S platform. LAMP'S youth have aggressively engaged in community service projects designed to address blighted area and beautify the community. They adopted the vacant lot on Homan and Harrison and cleaned up the "dirtiest" spot in North Lawndale at 1559 S. Kedzie Ave. That effort was documented and can be seen on YOUTUBE at SPIKE175 WAR ON FILTH AND FEAR smaller project, but nonetheless equally important,

involved the mentees responding to a request from Alderman Chandler's office to clean up a yard of a senior citizen in the 1300 block of Avers. The second annual WHACK THE BOULEVARD project, which was headed Mr. Dunlap, a board member, resulted in weeds being cut to drastically change the aesthetic appearance of North Lawndale's major thoroughfare. That effort was complimented by Mr. Maurice Gray and his team at SAVE OUR YOUTH LANDSCAPE.

The mentees received some very special personal attention from the Precious Johnson, Beverly Johnson and Sedrick Turner of Pivot Point Academy, who came to the office and spent all day styling the girl's hair and cutting and trimming the boy's hair. Living up to the creed of Pivot Point Academy, the volunteers worked diligently to improve the outward appearance as a means of impacting the inner person.

The plans for next year are underway to equally compliment our students with life enriching activities to keep the mentees on track. Mentors are needed. Become a part of our mission and join the LAMP team.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Photo taken of street pothole around Melody Elementary School located at 412 S. Keeler photo taken on wednesday December 7, 2011



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We need help in the 24th Ward with our potholes. After years of attempts to get new streets laid around the school at 412 S. Keeler we have gotten nothing. Alderman Chandler put a new alley in behind his new office and a new street in on Keeler on the South side of the bridge but we can't get new streets around Melody School.

We have one hole big enough to drop a kid in it and all we got after numerous complaints was a couple of horses and a cone on the 31st of October. I continued to complain and then today, December 6, 2011, I was told that 45 holes were filled on Keeler in front of the school supposedly on November 30, 2011 which was another lie.

Our school has extended hours and when the children are dismissed it is usually dark and they are at risk of breaking a leg or arm in a fall because the streets are so bad or the constituents having to get front end alignments continuously or new tires because the streets are in such bad condition.

We need your help in showing our Alderman that our children safety should be a priority over his new alley or his personal issues without even thinking about it. I have also contacted the Mayors office on several occasions and our Streets and Sanitation Supt. of the 24th Ward about the same issues and hopefully with your help we can get something done, please help us in this fight.

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“LIVING WITH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS”

Nakae Gresham

Nakaé Gresham a 21yr old from the Southside of Chicago. Everyday was the same old thing for me, I would sleep all day until it was time for me to go to work if I had to b at work at 5pm I would wake up at 2pm I would leave out the house and walk less then three blocks to the bus stop.

Once I made it to the bus stop I would be exhausted and ready to go back to sleep, once I got to work I thought most of the time I would be okay since I wasn't working that many hours anymore. Then I found out I was wrong when I got to work I would work for as long as I could then I would take frequent breaks.

The first time I really knew I was sick was when it was almost time for me to get off work and I had went over to the women's department to talk to two of my co-workers and one of my co-worker Kandace said to me "Nikki are you okay"? Then I looked at her and said "yeah, why you ask me that"? Then she said "you're rocking like you're about to pass-out".

As I looked at her my head dropped and I blanked out for a minute, and I started sweating, but I kept saying "I'm okay".

The next thing I knew Kandace had went in my pocket grabbed my phone and was calling my mother to tell her what had happened, about ten minutes later my mom and aunt was at my job asking me "did I want to go to the hospital or wait to the morning"? I told them I didn't want to go until the morning, but I just kept thinking how they got to my job that fast; and they couldn't have been that far.

So I went home and got up at and got dress only to get to Cook County as early as possible I thought but I got there to late because I was there from 9:00am-12:00am

the next day. They finally admitted me in the hospital and I stayed there for a week but once I got admitted the treatment was okay because they made sure I took my entire medical services 3220 and was on time for appointments.

When I was told I had MS the day I was being release from the hospital it was hard and very frustrating because I didn't know what MS was but then my doctor came in and gave me basic information on MS, once I came home and actually read the information I just looked at the papers and got upset because it still wasn't clear to me what MS was.

After, a couple of days I had went into a depressing stage because I was upset that I had to quit my job, and I couldn't really do anything because I was barely walking from my balance being off, so I couldn't really move around like I wanted or like I used to.

The doctor's appointment after doctors appointment I thought it would bother me but when I think about it I have always had a lot of doctors appointment since 2005 but the doctors never knew exactly what was wrong with me, and every time I when to the emergency room the doctors kept telling me that it was a slipped disk and I would have to have surgery.

The next thing I know I was being rushed back to the emergency room because I was dragging my leg, and could barely walk. I was admitted in Cook County Hospital 3 times since August because every time I stop my medicine I have another relapse or flare-up, and the reason I think I have relapse back to back is because the doctors were never able to see the holes and my brain, and spinal cords on the MRI's or CT's that I had took.

It gets harder and harder everyday knowing that I have MS because unfortunately I have a bad case of MS so there is always a new symptom for me sometimes everyday, every week, or every month. A lot of times when I get new symptom I hate going to the County so I just deal with the pain until either it go away or it gets to a point where I can't stand it anymore so I have no choice but to go to the ER.

If I had one wish I know it would be to get better so I could go back to work, even though retail might not be the best job for a person with my medical history I still loved my job at Burlington Coat Factory on 87th Dan Ryan because it was better then being in the house all day, that gets real depressing at times.

Devin T. lives on the Southside of Chicago. When I first found out I had MS I was shock and I just kept thinking how it was going to affect my job performances, I also kept thinking how was I going to tell my children. Knowing that I have Multiple Sclerosis takes the stress off a little because now I know what's wrong with me, and why every time I get hot I start to get sick.

A lot of times I feel pretty normal but there are some days when I don't feel like getting out of bed, or my hands might be

numb. I think that "my life has changed but in some ways I know its changed for the better, and me hearing a lot about the disease I actually feel like I'm one of the lucky ones because I don't have all of the symptoms and plus some people get new symptom almost every month so I feel kind of lucky, but I don't know for how long because I can have a flare up or relapse at anytime and things could get worse".

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NLCN/CEO Isaac Lewis Jr. and State Rep (9th District) Arthur Turner Jr. meet with students from the Marine Math and Science Academy at the 35th Annual Legislative Conference.



Kayron Spraggins, a student from Lincoln Park High School, receives Award from National black Caucus of State legislators.

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up like roaches running across a counter when you turn on the kitchen light. Much of the drama and encounters plays like a game of connect the star to their reconciliation, their resolution, love mates, etc.

While certain situations that occur during the proceedings tend to lack credibility that this movie tries to gloss over. But that is sort of the fantasy element in director Marshall's films to make them work

However even though brief, the film does have its moments such as Berry's character getting all dressed up to sneak off into a private hospital room to click a computer to view her soldier-husband (Common). It's a timely scene and one of a couple of potential teary eyed moments.

For all its faults and efforts, Director Garry Marshall manages to redeem himself through "New Year's Eve" by not being an embarrassment as "Valentine's Day" was. Even though, this movie is too much and not enough of a good time. **PG; 118min. A New Line Cinema Picture Released through Warner Bros. Pictures - Presented at selected theaters**

THE SITTER (*1/2) Some where in between "Knocked Up" and "The Hangover" (not its sequel this year!); when raunchy comedies were at their peak a few years ago. There should have been a movie like "The Sitter".

Clearly, a Jonah Hill vehicle that follows after too many years pass but characterized in the juvenile range of "Superbad". "The Sitter" is a ripe and disposable raunchy action comedy that brings the suburbanites into the urban "gangsta" acting, drug dealing inner city

The film makes its attitude boldly clear from the opening scene that offers Marisa (Ari Gaynor) moaning in ecstasy from Hill's slacker, college expelled character Noah Griffith going down on her with some self described "mouth love" in her "unmentionable area".

But naturally when Noah asks Marisa to exchange places she doesn't feel well. (And the level of humor you're stuck with watching here!)

Noah lives at home with his divorced mother whom he dodges any form of responsibility. The mother is preparing herself for a blind date arranged by her next door neighbor couple who are suddenly in need of a babysitter for their children to attend a social function.

A dedicated couch potato, Noah initially refuses but realizes this would keep his mother home with him. So

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Faraday Elementary School.

He stressed the importance of staying focused. He said many of the kids he grew up with "are dead and in the ground," because they got sidetracked.

"I wasn't in the best of neighborhoods by no means," Chris Gardner Jr. said. "You can see all kinds of stuff that can deter you."

Salvador Guerrero, a public funds marketer with Gardner Rich, agreed. Guerrero, 36, grew up in Pilsen and was exposed to gangs and drugs. Getting an internship with Gardner's company was a game changer.

"It is possible for you to come from nothing and make something of your life," said Guerrero, who started here as a 16-year-old intern getting Gardner's coffee and breakfast.

He told the students not to let negative influences force them to leave school or make bad decisions that could affect their lives forever.

"The next four or five years isn't your entire life. The next four or five years determines who

you are going to be," he said, noting that getting into drugs or getting pregnant "just made your work so much harder."

As part of their visit, students were treated to a tour of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) Group's trading floor. The students got a chance to see real trades in action.

Mason students gleaned a lot from their meeting with Gardner. Toiya Ellis, 16, a second year student at Mason, learned about perseverance in the face of adversity.

"No matter what you're going through or how hard it is in life, you can be whatever you want to be," Ellis said.

Shaun Norwood, 17, a third year Mason student, shared something in common with Gardner. Norwood hopes to join the Navy where Gardner also served.

"It was kind of great meeting somebody who came from nothing and became something and all the obstacles he's been through didn't stop him from getting to where he wanted to be," Norwood said.

own mischief through the proceedings.

When Noah sets out to rip-off an upscale bar mitzvah birthday party where he meets former schoolmate. Roxanne (Kylie Bunbury) who becomes this film's interracial love interest for Noah.

The minivan gets stolen from Noah and the kids from a mean spirited former schoolmate that remembers how Noah ruined her party

Noah tries to get some financial help bail out fro his natural father who refused. So Noah retaliates by stalling his car and breaking into his diamond store stealing some diamonds with some cash that he gets swindled by a pair of crooked cops.

Then Noah gets a chance to show how black he is to regain the stolen and gain some respect from a black gang who comes in handy to save Noel from being killed by Karl.

And in between all this mayhem, Noah has moments to help each kid's personal issue with a life lesson that naturally turns them onto his side. While Noah makes his own self discovery on getting his act together over the advice giving adults that shouldn't speak since they each have their women on the side that included his father who disown him for exposing for what he was/

But there is so much wrong that doesn't come off and justify enough to make this movie right. "The Sitter" breaks a few barriers that isn't witty or cleverly funny, just gross out and stupid. It's a movie like this that makes me long for the days of John Hughes teen movies that had the wit and intelligence this movie could have used. **R; 81min. A 20th Century Fox Picture Release - Presented at selected theaters**

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interloping multi-character mini plays.

The action starts with Hilary Swank portraying the newly appointed vice president of the Times Square Alliance in charge of the crystal ball dropping event occurring without a hitch. Of course, when the ball malfunctions during a test run; Swank's character has to rehire a recently fired maintenance man. Kominsky (Hector Elizondo) who seems to be the only one in the entire state of New York that can find and splice the correct lines together. Seth Meyer and Til Schweiger plays respective husband with their pregnant wives in a ridiculous premise competing against each other to have the first baby born in the New Year to win \$25G's.

Zac Efron plays a courier messenger who gets involved with checking off a resolution "bucket list" from Michelle Pfeiffer, as the secretary to Ahern Records' boss John Lithgow (in a one scene cameo) whose company's top recording rock artist Jensen (Jon Bon Jovi) performing at the Times Square celebration; who also trying to win back after backing out of as marriage proposal to Laura (Katherine Heigl), chef and caterer to the record label's hot ticket after party reception.

Ashton Kutcher plays an illustrator not in the holiday spirit who gets struck in a freight elevator with

a new tenant (Lea Michelle) who happens to be a background singer in Jensen's group hoping to be added to his upcoming concert tour


Josh Duhamel plays the son to the late founder of the record label who wrecks his car on route to the party to make some speech. The auto repair man (Larry Miller) who arranges a relative and his common family in their trailer home to drive in time to N.Y.

But during the course, he reveals a promissory note he kept in his wallet for a year from a woman in a chance meeting during last year's New Year's Eve wanting to meet with him again at the same location

Sarah Jessica Parker plays a costume designer and single parent expecting to ring in the new year at home with her teen daughter, Haley (Abigail Breslin) who sneaks out of the house to hang with her friends and a certain boy that the mother chases after and into Times Square.

While Halle Berry plays a sympathetic hospital nurse to give half her evening to keep a terminal patient (Robert DeNiro) who seems to be alone who wants to live long enough to reconcile with his daughter and to see the new year ball drop from the hospital rooftop.

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