New Attitude - New Attitude - New Attitude

You may have noticed that CD-CAAR has not been holding regular monthly meetings in the library anymore. This decision was made after assessing our work, our resources, our goals and the general state of affairs in the organization. Many of us felt that, while for twelve years CD-CAAR has been a successful and consistently active organization in the Capital District, it has become absolutely necessary to reach out to a broader and larger sector of the community. We also wanted to assess the goals of our political work, internationally and domestically, in these changing and volatile times.

We have begun this review in an active way by focusing our energies on holding community centered educational events throughout the year and involving more people in the planning and staging of these events. This process has been dynamic and exciting. We have many new members in the organization who have worked hard on these events and have been instrumental in the ongoing process of reshaping and assessing the programatic goals of the organization. This process does not happen overnight. And it requires commitment and a positive outlook. We cannot afford the luxury of becoming paralyzed because the injustices in the world, and down the street, seem to increase.

So we keep going. On the next page you will find a listing of some of the events we have held in the last year...

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 1993 (details inside)
The third annual Capital District Conference on Crime and Criminal Justice
"The Effect of Prisons on Communities: Issues and Alternatives"
New Attitude (continued)

a public forum on Haiti: Haiti - Deny it No More, featuring the video, "Haiti Under the Gun." a slide show and discussion: "The Effects of Apartheid on Southern Africa.

a forum entitled "South Africa: Stop the Violence; Mozambique: Promote the Peace" with Bernard Magubane of the African National Congress (ANC) and Prexy Nesbitt Senior Consultant to the Mozambique Government

with the Center for Law and Justice, "Racism, Law Enforcement and Violence" with Donald Jackson and Tyra Farrell Jackson.

in March we had scheduled an event (cancelled because of the blizzard of '93) with New York State Assemblyman Roger Green and Dumisani Kumalo of the American Committee on Africa. That event, "Promote the Peace: Stop the Violence" was to address the issues of peace in U.S. communities, especially with youth, and peace in South Africa. We have rescheduled a special event for April 1st - Going the Last Miles: From Apartheid to Freedom with Miungisi (Lulu) Johnson, Deputy President of the ANC Youth League.

We have emphasized the same theme throughout - the need for an end to violence if there is to be enduring peace, both in the U.S. and in Southern Africa.

As we continue to try to figure out new CD-CAAR strategies we need your support. We encourage you to call us at 432-4623 to get involved. The struggle for peace and justice is long and protracted and we aren't even close. But the struggle continues!

And THANKS... On the back page of this newsletter is a form for those of you who haven't sent in your membership yet and a thank you to those who have. We would like to make special mention to some "special contributors" - both local and far away. You have really given us something to remember.

Gloria DeSole, Prexy Nesbitt, Sue McDermott and Torin Spellman, E.J. Josey, Tony Young, Alice Green and Charles Touhey, Arlena Adams, Joe Levinger, Bob Cohen and Ruth Foster, Sara and Brian McGraw, Renee Hariton and Mark Mishler, Maud and David Easter, Art Kamell, Carl and Theresa Swidorski, Barbara Allen, Susan J. DuBois, Vijay and Arlene Macwan, Dick Melita, Christine Connell, Larry Peters, Margaret and James Cunningham, Carol Hausen.
The Center for Law and Justice, Inc. presents
The Third Annual Capital District Conference on Crime and Criminal Justice
The Effect of Prisons on Communities:
Issues and Alternatives

Schedule:
8:30-9:45 a.m.
Registration, Refreshments and
"Prisoners Speak" on video

Session I
10:00-12:30
-Keynote Address: Eddie Ellis*,
Warren Harry and George Prendes,
Activist Prisoners and Former Prisoners
-Community Speakout **
12:30-1:30
Lunch, Information Booths, Entertainment

Session II
1:30-2:00
-Awards Ceremony - Presentation of the
"Frederick Douglass Struggle for Justice
Award"
2:00-3:30
3 Roundtables** - One each focused on Albany,
Rensselaer, and Schenectady counties.
4:00
-Coalition Against Racism and Violence (CAARV)
-Reports and Summary
-Development of a Community Action Agenda
-Closing

*Eddie Ellis, keynote speaker, is a former Black Panther, Activist prisoner and community worker for the Harlem Neighborhood Defender Services.
**Community Speakout and Roundtable Discussions on Racism, Law Enforcement and Drugs, Prisons and Alternatives, and more.

Registration: Capital District Community Conference on Crime and Criminal Justice
"Effects of Prisons on Communities: Issues and Alternatives"

Name ____________________________
Address ____________________________ Zip __________
Organization ____________________________ Phone __________

(There is no charge for this conference. However, a donation of $5.00 would be appreciated. All donations are tax deductible.)

Please return this form to: Center for Law and Justice, Inc. Pine West Plaza, Building 2 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205. Phone (518)427-8361.
the next step

By NELSON R. MANDELA
JOHANNESBURG (IPS)

By early next year at the latest — more likely by the end of 1993 — South Africa's first truly democratic elections will be held.

A constituent assembly will be elected, which will draw up the basis for the first democratic government.

The chapter of White minority rule will finally come to a close. In the context of South Africa today, this is a phenomenal achievement.

Despite the deadlocks and numerous difficulties of the last year, progress has been made: bans on progressive organizations have been lifted, political prisoners released, and exiles have returned.

Repressive legislation has been either amended or repealed, while freedom of political activity has been introduced to most of South Africa. In addition, we have a declaration of intention from the government. This will take some time.

The newly-elected democratic government will have to gain control of the civil service, defence force, justice and business as well as the support of business. This will take some time.

We will also have to guard against potential destabilization and counter-revolutionary backlash. The best way of preventing such a problem will be to present a united front by forming a voluntary government of national unity.

The newly-elected democratic government will have to invite other political parties with significant followings to join the government. The problems facing our country are so grave that I think such a step will be difficult to avoid.

We must assure peace and stability in South Africa. Only when that is done can we begin the crucial task of rebuilding its shattered economy.

I know that I was the subject of such expectations when I came out of jail. Many people, both at home and abroad, seemed to forget that I was coming back to a South Africa which had been ruled by the National Party for 40 years. Yet not only did I not have magic powers, my fellow prisoners and I do not think that a single individual is responsible for solving problems.

We are products of a tradition of belief in collective effort.

There is not one of us who is above others in position or ability. If anyone is made the focus around which our efforts revolve, this is the result of a team decision; and without the support of that team, I or any other individual would be useless.

Fortunately, the myths have largely dissipated, and we are seen today as ordinary human beings, subject to all the usual frailties. This is just as well, because there are very harsh realities to confront, and there are no easy solutions.

We must now adapt to the situation in which we find ourselves and overcome the handicap of our background as members of a resistance movement.

Previously we opposed on principle anything coming from the government. This was a correct strategy for its time, but new conditions require new responses. We should not leave the initiative for problem solving to the government.

Because of our history, we are the custodians of justice and fair play in South Africa, and we should continue to lead the government.

Whether we like it or not, the ANC and the National Party government are the major political players in the present transition, and cooperation is essential. Without the involvement of the National and the government, there can be no effective change in our country. Similarly, without the involvement of the ANC, there can be no forward movement.

The ANC on one side and the government and National Party on the other side must meet to discuss each national issue and come to an agreement which both must honor in practice. We have no less than 10 allies in the multilateral forum, and we have given the assurance that we will be able to carry them with us in any decision we take.

If the government is unable to carry its allies — and it seems they are in disarray — we will do what we can to help them. The process must not become bogged down.

Though I am optimistic that the process will continue and that the ANC will win the future democratic election, winning political power will be more difficult. To win political power, we will have to gain control of the civil service, defence force, police and judiciary as well as the support of business.

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Africa's women endorsed the creation of a democratic South Africa in this context.

Here in the first year, the South Africa Fund Project was launched by the National Coalition of South Africa's women, endorsed by the National Coalition of Democratic South Africans and just societies.

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We salute the leaders who are interested in the South Africa Fund Project, pl
In September, 1991 the Women's League of the African National Congress invited national organizations to discuss a campaign for equal rights of men and women in the new South African constitution. Out of this meeting, the Women's National Coalition (WNC) was formed, as a non-party political body open to all organizations interested in furthering the agenda of women's rights. Following the formation, a National Workshop was held in April 1992, attended by over 509 national organizations, ranging from the ANC, the Nationalist Party, the Inkatha Freedom Party, the Democratic Party, the Rural Women's Movement, the CODESA Gender Committee, to a wide range of service groups and church organizations. As a result of the workshop and a national survey to determine what are the priorities of South African women in regard to the new dispensation, a campaign has begun to incorporate a South African Women's Charter in the "new" South African constitution.

Here in the U.S., the Africa Fund of the American Committee on Africa, in February, announced the creation of a Women's Project. The project will support the women of South Africa in this campaign for inclusion of a Women's Charter. The Africa Fund is looking for endorsers of the Women's Project from U.S. Women's and Anti-Apartheid organizations: the Project was launched on March 8, in conjunction with International Women's History Month.

CD-CAAR has joined the Project in "...applauding current attempts by South Africa's women to ensure their rights and equality will be protected in a democratic South Africa. In order to secure the birth of a truly representative and just society in South Africa, women will need to mobilize on their own behalf. Therefore, we support the grassroots organizing undertaken by South African women on all issues which determine the quality of their lives, from political organizing and economic policy to health care, education and violence. We salute the efforts of rural and trade union women, whose struggles have encompassed all the harsh realities of apartheid South Africa. We pledge to educate our constituencies about the position of South African women, and to stand in solidarity with their struggle."

If your organization is interested in endorsing the Project, contact Rachael Kagan at the Africa Fund, 198 Broadway, New York, New York 10038, phone (212) 962-1210. For those who are interested in working with CD-CAAR on setting up a committee to work with the Africa Fund Project, please call Iris Berger at 439-0297 or Eileen Kawola at 438-0309.
Angola In Crisis
by Debbie Maxwell

As intense fighting continues in Angola, it is clear the peace process has suffered a severe setback. In elections last fall, the ruling Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) won a decisive victory in the vote for parliament and President Eduardo Dos Santos barely missed the needed 50% to win the presidency. But Jonas Savimbi, leader of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA), has renewed fighting rather than accept the electoral loss and face a runoff election for president, an election he was expected to lose.

The fighting is described as more intense than at any time during the 16 year civil war that ended in May, 1991. Bombings of public buildings and assassinations inside UNITA-held territory are among the terrorist acts being reported. More than 16,000 people have been killed. Thousands have fled UNITA-held areas, and more than 1.4 million people currently face starvation. Most recently, UNITA has seized much of Angola’s northern diamond and oil rich areas, putting a stranglehold on the economy as oil accounts for 90% of Angola’s revenue. Currently, UNITA controls about 75% of the country.

Explanations of the failure of the peace process include several factors. First, in their haste to get the election process moving, the United Nations and other international monitors chose to ignore warning signs that Savimbi would not abide by the election process should his party, UNITA, fail to win. Also ignored was evidence discovered as early as July that large numbers of weapons were being cached by UNITA. The failure to disarm both UNITA and government troops before the actual elections has been heavily criticized. Another reason for the failure of the peace process was that military monitors of the UN Angolan Verification Mission II were far to few for a country as large as Angola.

It is widely accepted that UNITA’s current military offensive is being heavily assisted by South Africans and Zairians as well as white mercenaries. The frontline States called an emergency meeting in December to protest South African destabilization tactics, and Namibian authorities seized three South African planes attempting to ferry supplies to UNITA from the northern town of Rundu. Meanwhile, a UN ban on military aid to Angola is still in effect. Without immediate help defending its people and territory, the Angolan government may have no alternative to breaking this ban in order to survive.
The UN, which most observers feel has been notably weak in performing any monitoring function, has called for a cease fire and has been trying to arrange meetings between MPLA and UNITA, so far unsuccessfully. UN observers, systematically attacked by UNITA, have been driven out of most of their outstations. UN Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali has recommended that the UN scale back its monitoring mission from 700 to 64 personnel and withdraw completely by the end of April if renewed peace talks are not underway by then. The most recent deadline for resumed talks, March 1, passed with UNITA failing to show up. Clearly, with the rebels having seized 75% of the country, a UN withdrawal would leave Angolans at the mercy of UNITA, its forces poised to take military control.

Recently, Angolan President Eduardo Dos Santos, in a letter to President Clinton, has personally appealed to the United States to recognize his government. Last October, Herman Cohen, then U.S. Assistant of State for Africa, told Congress that once the United Nations certified the Angolan elections the U.S. government would recognize the government of Angola. The UN accepted the elections as "free and fair," but the United States remains, with South Africa, the only country in the world not recognizing Angola. President Dos Santos explained in his letter to Clinton that the Bush administration's silence over recognition had encouraged Savimbi to pursue a military solution. "To maintain a position which does not recognize Angola means to favor UNITA," Dos Santos said. Certainly, after 16 years of backing UNITA, U.S. influence and responsibility cannot be understated.

Many observers were concerned when Warren Christopher, U.S. Secretary of State, in his confirmation hearings, suggested taking a cautious "wait and see" attitude towards recognition. President Dos Santos has clearly stated that he needs the help of the international community and that diplomatic recognition for the Luanda government would signal a resounding setback for Savimbi and his rebels and hasten their international isolation. After UNITA's failure to show for renewed peace talks March 1st, diplomats said that the U.S., Russia and Portugal were "weighing" tougher action against UNITA. Even a Washington Post editorial (February 10, 1993) concluded that it was "Time at Last to Recognize Angola".

What can you do?

(Main Sources: Washington Office on Africa; Boabab Notes, Dec./Jan.; The Guardian, Jan. 21; Christian Science Monitor, Jan. 25, March 2).
ANGOLANS CAN'T WAIT, they are dying. What can you do?
The Washington Office on Africa recently sent a letter asking people to respond to the current crisis in Angola.

We urge you to take the following actions:

Write: Warren Christopher, Secretary of State, U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street N.W.
Washington, D.C., 20520.

Call the Department of State comment line. Register your concern and recommendations. The phone number is (202) 647-6575.

Request that the Clinton administration:

*Immediately recognize the recently elected Angolan government and establish full diplomatic relations.

*Isolate Savimbi and UNITA until there is a definitive renunciation of violence and a commitment to peaceful political competition.

*Support funding for a continued and expanded U.N. presence in Angola, adequate to facilitate full implementation of the peace process and run off elections.

*Investigate South African and Zairean intervention.

*Appropriate aid to the Angolan government for economic reconstruction.

TIMES UNION

Activism

BY PATRICK KURP
Staff writer

TROY — Malcolm X was a martyr, subject of T-shirts and movies — remains elusive to many.

"I think Spike Lee could have written a film about my life," Merton Simpson, co-coordinator of the Capital District Committee Against Apartheid and Racism, said Saturday during a workshop on Malcolm X.

On Saturday, Simpson kicked off the third annual "Black Dreams" conference on African American activism. Held in Ricketts Street Park between Congress and Second streets, the event was sponsored by the Capital District Committee Against Apartheid and Racism, United Ministries, Citizenship Education at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute College, and the Sage College of Albany.

"There's so much misinformation and disinformation about Malcolm X. I'd like to give a better understanding of his basic ideas," Simpson said.

"There are models today, and more than ever. I am concerned we've filled the vacuum since Malcolm X was killed," Simpson said.

TROY HOUSING

article about racism

Although some issues remain, especially true for African Americans, the Troy Daily Times Union, ran a series of articles about racism, nepotism, racism, and corruption in Troy.

"I'm concerned about the HUD Inspector General's office. They need to take advantage of the money that is coming in to Troy," Jennifer Murray, a Troy resident, said.

Write: Mr. Lee Isaacson, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278.
Activist to lead workshop

By Patrick Kurp
Staff writer

TROY — Malcolm X — demonized and beatified, commodity and martyr, subject of T-shirts and films — remains elusive even to his admirers.

"I think Spike Lee did the best he could with his movie. But for me, in terms of learning who Malcolm actually was, the movie was a great disappointment. It lingered too long on the hustler routine, and it wasn't as political as it needs to be," said Merton Simpson, co-chairman of the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism.

On Saturday, Simpson will lead a workshop on Malcolm X as part of the third annual "Realizing the Dream" conference on race and racism. Held in Ricketts Hall on Congress Street, between First and Second streets, the conference is sponsored by the Troy Human Rights Commission, Troy Area United Ministries, Council for Citizenship Education at Russell Sage College, and the Sage Colleges.

There's so much misinformation and disinformation about Malcolm. I'd like to give a better appreciation of his basic ideas. Young people need models today, and nobody's really filled the vacuum since Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm were killed," Simpson said.

He will seek to portray Malcolm as a complex, always-changing personality, not an inflexible ideologue.

"The conventional picture of Malcolm, especially in the media, is a radical hate-monger. That's not true to the reality. Only when he belonged to the Nation of Islam did he believe that white people were universally demonic. He changed," Simpson said.

Despite his dissatisfaction with Lee's portrayal, Simpson said he was pleased that Americans have resumed their study of Malcolm's life and ideas.

"The fact is, the movie's out, and it's catapulted Malcolm back into people's consciousness. The net result is positive," he said.

Another workshop, titled "New Anti-Semitism: Fourth Reich to Jewish Students Under Siege," will be conducted by Harvey Strum, chairman of the social science division at Sage Junior College of Albany.

On one hand, Strum will examine the emergence of ethnic nationalism, especially in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, since the collapse of communism, and its relation to increased anti-Semitism.

On the other, Strum will discuss a recent study published by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith which reported an overall drop in anti-Semitic incidents in the United States, but an increase in such incidents on college campuses. Strum relates the upsurge to the increased emphasis on multiculturalism and cultural diversity.

"Often, it hides a hidden agenda. Jews are perceived as part of Eurocentrism," Strum said, citing the pseudo-scholarship of Leonard Jeffries.

"It has become more socially acceptable to express anti-Semitic ideas, but to use other words for it. Sometimes they're hiding behind anti-Zionism," he said, citing the revival of the "Shylock image that all Jews are rich. Jews control the banks. Jews control the media."

The keynote address of Saturday's conference, "State-of-the-art Racism in the U.S.", will be delivered by Vivian Gordon, professor with the Africana studies department at the State University at Albany.

Malcolm X

TROY HOUSING AUTHORITY (THA) UPDATE... (Last month we ran an article about racism in the THA by housing advocate Brian O'Shaughnessy)

Although snow still covers much of the ground, it is beginning to look like spring. This is especially true for tenants who live under the rule of the THA. That is because the Troy paper, The Record, ran a four-day, front page expose in March of the THA which brings to surface the nepotism, racism, patronage and favoritism that tightly controls the Authority. Now is the time to take advantage of these revelations by calling for a thorough investigation. Please write to the HUD Inspector General requesting an investigation of the Troy Housing Authority. (Whether you live in Troy or not this appeal applies to you because the THA is supported by your Federal tax dollars.)

Write: Mr. Lee Isdell, Office of the Inspector General
Department of HUD, Room 3430
26 Federal Plaza New York, N.Y. 10278-0068
What has happened around here...

Barry Walston, Tyra Ferrell Jackson, Alice Green, Don Jackson and Vera Michelson

In town...Don Jackson and Tyra Ferrell Jackson on Feb. 19th, to speak on "Racism, Law Enforcement and Violence" sponsored by the Center for Law and Justice, Inc. (CD-CAAR and the Graduate School of Criminal Justice of the Rockefeller College co-sponsored). Don's visit to Albany was long awaited and over 100 people turned out to hear him speak. Getting his wife, Tyra Ferrell Jackson, to come with him was a bonus for the Capital District.

Back from out of town...Welcome back to our friends Elombe Brath, Paula Bower, Cleve Robinson, Nesbitt Crutchfield and all the others who attended the international Solidarity Conference in Johannesburg, South Africa in February. CD-CAAR was not able to send a representative but we know there'll be good information coming from the conference.

At Siena College...CD-CAAR members Vera Michelson and Eileen Kawola presented a slide show "The Effect of Apartheid on the Southern Africa Region" at Siena College on Wednesday, Mar. 3rd. The program was arranged through Siena Professor, CD-CAAR member Nii Nartey who hosted the event. It was sponsored by Siena's Women and Minorities Committee, President's Office for Diversity, History Club and Phi Alpha Theta.

At Junior College of Albany and Doane Stuart School...In January CD-CAAR member Eileen Kawola presented a slide show at both of these schools on Southern Africa as part of the Mocatini, Mozambique School Material Aid Project. CD-CAAR has now raised almost $1,000 for the "school without walls" in Mozambique - money which will be used to buy critically needed materials such as portable blackboards, paper, pencils and books. If you would like to contribute to this project, send a check (CD-CAAR, Mocatini Project) to CD-CAAR, Box 3002 Pine Hills Station, Albany, New York 12203.

Merton Simpton on Malcolm X...see article in this newsletter.

What's Happening in Amsterdam

Promotions present "Racism and Education" at the Parc Club, 59 Milton Ave. on March 10 at 7 p.m. for more information, call 431-8000.

Every other Thursday, at 11 p.m. at the Parc for more info.

Wednesday, April 28th, "Malcolm and Martin" at 105 at 7 p.m. No Charge.

24 Hour Peace World" will be held at the Center on April 30th at the Center. This is a community wide event that begins at midnight. "Readings" are an all night reading event.

Pinksterfest III...Community Council Community Coffeehouse will be held at the Center. The Center is located at 105 at 7 p.m. No Charge.

Peace Offering...The Center is a non-profit venture designed to provide services to the community. The Center is located at 105 at 7 p.m. No Charge.

Oral History...Luther King, Jr. Community Council oral history of New Yorker contributor Bill Hodges, executive editor of The New Yorker contributed. The Center is located at 105 at 7 p.m. No Charge.

National Alliance Against the Jeopardy of Students and the General Public...May 2, 1993 in Delmar. "Stopping Police C...
What's Happening?

in Amsterdam...Sat. April 10 - 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Paradise Productions and Moverlo Promotions presents Juan Merengue y su Orquesta Giencia Latina at the Spanish American Club, 59 Milton Avenue in Amsterdam. Tickets are $10 in advance and $12 at the door. For more information, call (518) 842-8142.

Every other Thursday...Watch for Latin night at Parc V in Albany. It runs from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m and there is no charge. DJ's are spinning lots of Salsas and Merengues. Call Parc V for more information. (518) 869-9976.

Wednesday, April 21, 1993...Film showing: "The Meeting" - Discussion "Malcolm and Martin - the Debate Continues" at SUNYA Campus Center, Conference Room 105 at 7 p.m. No Charge. For information call Office of Minority Services (518) 454-5128.

24 Hour Peace Performance...The tenth annual "Readings Against the End of the World" will be held on Saturday, April 24 at The 8th Step (upstairs) at 14 Willett St. in Albany. This is a community cultural project of the Albany Peace and Energy Council. The performance begins at midnight Friday (4/23) and continues until midnight Saturday. This year's "Readings" are an area Earth Day/Week event. For more information, call (518) 438-6314.

Pinksterfest Weekend, May 8-9... The Capital District Gay and Lesbian Community Council will hold an Open House the weekend of Albany's Pinksterfest. A Coffeehouse will be staffed during the weekend and an art show will be held on the third floor. The Center is located at 332 Hudson Avenue, Albany. For information call (518) 462-6138.

Peace Offerings...Peace Offerings, "the store with a social conscience," is a not-for profit venture designed to support the activities of the Social Justice Center. Products sold at the Center are purchased from collectives, cooperatives, local craftspersons and wholesalers committed to non-exploitation. The store is located at the Center, 33 Central Avenue, Albany.

Oral History on the Civil Rights Movement...The New York State Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission and Institute for NonViolence has begun a project to create an oral history of New Yorkers in the Civil Rights Movement. "Hundreds, if not thousands, of New Yorker contributed significantly to the American civil rights movement, said Virgil H. Hodges, executive director of the King organization. Many of their experiences have never been recorded. Tapes of conversations with people who were involved in the movement will be stored in the Institute's archives where they will be available to researchers, educators, students and the general public. If you were active in the Civil Rights, contact the Institute.

National Alliance Against Racist & Political Oppression...April 30 to May 2, 1993 in Detroit, Michigan, the NAARP will hold a national strategy session on "Stopping Police Crimes." For more information about the conference, call (212) 406-3330.
A very sincere thank you to all who responded to our annual fund raising letter which was sent in January - and mentioned again in our last newsletter. The response has been great and will allow us to continue printing and sending this newsletter. CD-CAAR has no paid staff and all our work depends on donated time and money from our members. Your generosity helps us to keep going. So one last time (for now!) we ask that those of you who haven't yet answered our fund raising appeal, take the time to do so. In case you lost your original request letter, we are reprinting, for your convenience, a handy fill-in-the-blank membership form. You will receive a great looking membership card, and continued newsletters, upon receipt of your dues.

Suggested annual dues are $10 Circle amount $5 $10 $25 $____

Name ____________________________________________

Address _________________________________________

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Make checks payable to CD-CAAR. Mail to CD-CAAR, P.O. Box 3002 Pine Hills Station, Albany, New York 12203.

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