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Margery Rubin

Southtown Push Is On As Developer Finds a Tenant

Professional employees of a “major East Side medical institution” will become the residents of the first building at Southtown, if negotiations between the developers and the institution succeed. The disclosure was made by Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation (RIOC) President Robert Ryan last week in a meeting of the RIOC Board’s Capital Planning and Development Committee.

As a result, a push is on to move the developers, Related and Hudson, to “final designation” status as chosen developer. Ryan did not name the medical institution involved, but indicated there is time pressure because “they have to be in the ground by a certain time, or the deal’s off... and all this happened in the last few days.” (On Wednesday night, RIRA President Patrick Stewart told Common Council members that he expects construction to begin “before Christmas.”)

One consequence was a two-week postponement of September’s RIOC Board meeting from Thursday (September 9) to Thursday, September 23. Ryan hopes to have a positive vote by the Capital Planning and Development Committee in a September 14 meeting to pave the way for a formal “final designation” of Hudson/Related by the RIOC Board.

Ryan also told members of the committee that the derelict Nurses Residence will be razed in the first phase of Southtown construction, rather than in a later stage, as earlier envisioned.

Ryan said that final designation of Hudson/Related as Southtown developer is not final acceptance of the site plan or a design of the buildings. He told the committee, however, that “most of the stuff that will be taking place [after final designation] will be hav-

ing to do with engineering, construction schedules, stuff like that, and a lot of it is going to be done with our consultant... It’s going to be more of a technical process.” He added, “The footprints of the buildings – none of that’s going to change.”

Resident members of the Capital Planning and Development Committee raised several questions during the August 28 meeting, saying many details remain to be reduced to writing, but all expressed general support for the plan insofar as its particulars have been made known through presentations by Hudson/Related. Ryan said the developers have agreed to “work with” RIOC on the question of construction traffic, but that no details had been worked out.

At Wednesday night’s Residents Association meeting, Common Council member Jeff Hochman, who is also a member of the Capital Planning Committee, expressed concern that the plan means that the population of the first Southtown building will be essentially transient – interns and others whose Island presence will typically be short-term, and that they are not likely to become invested in the Island community. Other Council members voiced a worry that the pace of events might outstrip the RIRA Common Council’s ability to negotiate with RIOC and the developer regarding design, construction traffic, pace of construction, population mix, “givebacks,” and other matters of concern to the Island’s current residents.

In related developments:

- The Capital Planning and Development Committee heard a report on a joint investigation of the effect, on existing views, of adding a second story to the minischools for the luxury condominiums proposed by developer Diane Wilson. The study, done by RIRA President Patrick Stewart, RIOC engineer Vincent Kopicki, and Wilson, concluded that while “scores” of apartments would be affected, only “five or six” of those visited would be affected to a “moderate or greater” degree. An attorney for Wilson said some form of compensation might be considered for affected residents.

- The Capital Planning and Development Committee agreed to vote on its recommendation to the RIOC Board regarding the minicondo proposal on Tuesday, September 14. This would position the RIOC Board to vote on the matter at its September 23 meeting.
- The RIRA Common Council heard that the Marriott hotel chain has now asked to become an investing partner in the twin-tower hotel proposed for Southpoint, rather than simply manager of the facility.
- The Council’s legal committee reported it is near engaging a law firm to fight Southpoint development. The Council voted to schedule a Town Meeting on Southpoint, and to raise funds for the legal work, for September 29.

Fire Fund Raises \$4,000

Island residents donated nearly \$4,000 and a large quantity of household items to the Fire Victims Relief Fund at a reception Monday, August 30. (Related material in *RIRA President’s Column*, page 3.)

Fay Vass, one of the organizers of the event at the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, said that funds were distributed the following Wednesday and Thursday, half going to the family of Dorothy Wildes, whose apartment was most damaged in the August 17 fire.

Remaining funds will be divided among other parties affected by the fire. There was damage to at least 20 apartments. “A letter will be sent to each family who had damage,” Vass said. “They will have three days to respond. Then, according to how many respond, the money will be evenly distributed.”

Ken Diebner, a member of the RIRA Common Council who worked on the fundraising effort, said Wednesday night that he was impressed by the quantity of donations at all levels.

Labor Day Fire Ravages Octagon

by Debra Mount Cornet
Additional reporting by David Bauer

A fire in the landmark Octagon – possible arson, but still under investigation – brought over 15 pieces of firefighting equipment to Roosevelt Island on Labor Day. Firefighters, who received the first call at 5:57 p.m., rolled onto the Island at 6:15. By 6:20, flames were shooting from the top of the structure, and by 6:45, Fire Department personnel had apparently decided on a strategy of containment over attempts to extinguish the fire. By 7:00, thick black smoke was being blown over Manhattan’s East Side.

It took nearly three hours to bring the blaze fully under control. The building was still being hosed down Tuesday morning.

Wood structures inside the building fed the fire, but it appeared to be made worse by stabilization measures taken after a 1982 fire that destroyed the building’s ornate dome. A metal cap and sealed windows and doors apparently turned the building into a huge chimney much like a steel smelter or trash incinerator. Demolition and excavation debris on the south and west sides of the building also made access difficult for firefighters.

The cause of the blaze is being investigated. A single access door, normally locked, was open when firefighters arrived.

In two centuries, the Octagon has attracted attention as an insane asylum and as a work of architecture by Alexander Jackson Davis. Charles Dickens visited it in 1842 and wrote, in *American Notes*, “I cannot say that I derived much comfort from the inspection of this charity... everything had a lounging, listless, madhouse air, which was very painful.”

In this century, E.L. Doctorow used the setting in his novel, *Waterworks*: “They kept these people not in rooms but in what seemed to be a succession of hall wards with high clerestory windows and vaulted ceilings finished in ochred brick. The great volumes of the space above the inmates mixed their screeches and shouts and cries of despair into a cathedral of prayerful sound.” Speaking of the building, he told a *WIRE* reporter, “It says something in its ruined state that appeals to me. It takes us to our earlier history more than total restoration. It’s the hope of finding the ceremony of our lives with the echoing sorrows of mad people.”

This year, the architectural firm of Becker and Becker has proposed using the Octagon as the centerpiece of a six-story apartment building that would sit on the footprint of the wings that were attached to the Octagon as part of the hospital.

Late Thursday, RIOC President Robert Ryan said decisions would be made about how to deal with the results of the fire after NYFD officials had released the site.



Judy Berdy, Roosevelt Island Historical Society

The Octagon in 1897

Letters

To the Editor:

I am responding to Richard Wade’s letter (August 28). As an elected member of the RIRA Common Council and a member of Maple Tree Group (MTG), I must take exception to some of Dick’s statements and assumptions. MTG was created to investigate solutions for the Island’s difficulties, present and future. That resulted in draft legislation for self-governance. The Group met in well-publicized weekly meetings, and all were welcomed.

MTG considered November’s 92% vote to “replace the present... appointed governance of Roosevelt Island... by a popularly-elected Board... empowered to hire professional management, as proposed in the... Grannis legislation” a mandate from the Community to pursue a viable bill. MTG considered last February’s RIRA Common Council vote of 19-0 (3 abstentions) to “support the Grannis bill and... apply its effort and influence to effect its passage...” a resounding affirmation by the Community through its only elected representatives. While that “application of effort” never coalesced, MTG continued to work only because no other organization offered assistance. Did Dr. Wade think his yes vote in November was merely an approval in principle? A piece of legislation in the New York State Assembly is quite concrete, and it was discussed at length in *The WIRE* and at the Town Meeting October 26.

There were no “stealth politics,” there was no “back door.” There was a group of Island residents learning and doing all the steps necessary to write, negotiate and pass a bill with which few gave us any chance of success. We came again to Common Council on June 14-15 to seek the affirmation of the Community through its elected representatives, and again we were soundly supported, 17-3, 3 abstaining. Only now, after two years of hard work, does Dr. Wade appear to express his opinion.

Wade writes, “Albany is no place for amateurs,” and in that he is correct. Had those with political savvy, legal education or governmental experience presented themselves to MTG *at any stage of the process*, we would have welcomed them with open arms. During the last year’s discussions and labors, Dr. Wade never attended a single Common Council or Maple Tree Group meeting. Even now, he has declined direct invitations to share his views with MTG. Our work would only seem “secret” to someone whose head was stuck in the sand.

Our contention is that the only way to assure the Island’s future is

a RIOC President answerable *only* to a RIOC board with a resident majority, not to the Governor. If Dr. Wade knows how to bring this about without a new governmental structure enfranchising the residents, he has not shared it with the Community. He is quite right that these questions must be addressed “without rancor and bitterness” and with “thoughtfulness, mutual respect and common parlay.” In practical terms, we all know that the real work will be done by a small, committed group of volunteers, as usual. Perhaps Dr. Wade would care to volunteer some of his significant training, experience and wisdom to this effort.

Matthew M. Katz

To the Editor:

Here are a few remarks on the legitimacy of the Maple Tree Group.

The Island has voted for self-governance. RIRA has voted for it consistently. Everyone tells us they are for it – even critics of MTG’s efforts. The key problem is how to get from the popular expression of will to the reality?

Some members of RIRA, plus others, formed MTG to do exactly that. Should it be a committee under RIRA? Could be. Could still be. That wouldn’t change anything – RIRA votes have always been overwhelmingly with MTG, and I expect they will continue to be. Few have the time it takes to get these goals accomplished; they are delighted that a hard-nosed, conscientious group has taken on the task and stuck with it. *The WIRE* keeps everyone fully informed.

The proof of MTG’s legitimacy is that a bill was actually written, actually was gotten into both houses of the State Legislature, actually was revised in the give and take of the process. MTG was wholly responsible for all this progress. MTG managed a miracle, with full and open discussions, and total coverage in the paper. Unexpectedly, we were able to take advantage of an unusual political situation, and we managed it like old pols.

We had vocal opposition from two sides, giving pause to our politicians. There were a few African-Americans who felt they were not represented in our open-to-all forum. There were a smaller few of Island leaders who thought we were naive and did not understand the risks. We failed to change the minds of either group, but every single objection put forth by anyone was investigated thoroughly by MTG. Every concern has been well and fully answered by MTG.

When we did take the advice of those who chose to attend meetings while still nay-saying (“Insist on more! The politicians think you are fools, amateurs!”) we lost the bill we had gained. It is now being revised. It is unlikely to please everyone. Worse, it may not get anywhere. The new bill will need the same unlikely confluence of unusual fortune to get as far as last time.

If the Island is lucky, no bad events will take place. Until we have self-governance, there is no reliable protection. We live on

To the Editor:

In response to Richard Wade’s letter to *The Main Street WIRE*, the following comments:

Representation: MTG has always been a rather fluid group of Roosevelt Island residents. Our mandate can be found in the 92% vote for the ballot question sponsored by the RIRA Common Council in last November’s election. We “operate” from that vote – our mandate has been to *do something*. Six MTG members are also RIRA Common Council members, I being one of them. This should cor-

home than the first Americans were, or Jerry Blue, for that matter. In any case, many of us are ready for independence. We believe we citizens are capable of installing five residents to act on our behalf to find capable management for the Island, with or without Dr. Wade’s endorsement.

We are hearing from people who criticize our efforts – voices more than happy to remind us of their special training and abilities. Why is Dr. Wade just now stepping forward?

His Johnny-come-lately criticisms don’t hold water.

Sherie Helstien

Ville de Quebec, September 1, 1999 — This is a city that treasures its history.

In 1943 and 1944, Winston Spencer Churchill and Franklin Delano Roosevelt came here for talks that would set the course of World War II and post-war history.

England had gotten into it, in the first instance, with a treaty guaranteeing the future of Poland. When, on this date in 1939, Nazi Germany bombed Poland without warning or the formality of a Declaration of War, the British were at war. A little over two years later, as all Americans know, the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor made the United States England’s partner in a cause that would, quite literally, save the world from Hitler’s madness.

When the Prime Minister of Great Britain and the President of the United States came here, our century had not yet reached its midpoint. The war so dominated the lives of their countries that such inventions as television would be shifted to a back burner while every possible resource was dedicated to the cause of victory. The world was at a pivotal moment in modern history, and it was fitting that Roosevelt and Churchill would come to a city where, 200 years before, another great conflict had shaped the future of the western hemisphere and the world.



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So it is that, here in Quebec City, there is a tribute to FDR.

Busts of Churchill and Roosevelt, and words carved in stone, tell the story to all who pause near Porte Saint-Louis, one of the gates to Le Vieux Ville, the old walled City of Quebec.

I am reminded that my home has no statue, no bust, no material remembrance of Roosevelt. It is an Island *named* for him, of course, and it has

a longstanding dream of a Roosevelt monument on that Island’s southern tip, within view of the United Nations – another product of Roosevelt and his times. But no entity – not City, not State, not Nation, not the local operating authority – no entity has done anything material to acknowledge the special nature of this place and its connection to Roosevelt.

Somehow, for these brief moments in another land, I am more connected to my own country’s history than when I am at home, and this is a circumstance that leaves me both warmed and saddened. **DL**

prime property rarely available for developers in the heart of a big city, let alone Manhattan, and, to boot, in the middle of a real-estate boom. The economic pressures are strong to do the wrong things here.

There are a few good signs: There seems to be an affordable lawyer available to help stop hotel towers at Southpoint. The developer for the minischools has approval for one story only. Maybe (a longshot) the eldercare towers by the bridge will have problems blasting close to tunnels. Even Southtown may face a year or more of paperwork. Nothing, however, will protect us like control of all this directly, with professional management we choose ourselves.

If we are unlucky, development will happen before we have self-governance. Then, I fancy, there will be those who may wish they had not been quite so fearful. So let us all work towards encouraging our representatives to work together to get a bill through as fast as possible. MTG spent two years meeting weekly to learn that we have little to fear – the City’s deal with the State gives us vast protection. The State’s deal with its own agency gives us more, even when they don’t appoint everyone, which has given them very little advantage after all.

The Island is on bedrock in every way, a grand investment for anyone, especially those of us lucky enough to live here. No doubt we’ll have a contentious, raucous time running it ourselves. I can’t wait.

Ethel Romm

rect Dr. Wade’s statement about MTG not being made up of elected representatives of the community.

Votes: In the winter of 1998, RIRA voted to support MTG’s long-term study of Roosevelt Island infrastructure, administration and governance, begun in July, 1997. Then MTG initiated the Grannis Bill. MTG, not RIRA, steered its movement with the help of our elected State representatives. On February 11, a Common Council vote was taken to “support the Grannis Bill and apply RIRA’s efforts and influence to effect its passage.” The vote was 19-3 in favor. Since this vote, Common Council has done very little but give lip-service to the effort. At several RIRA meetings, following the one above, through the Government Relations Committee, attempts were made to apprise the Common Council of various issues or problems relating to the legislation. These attempts were consistently shut down by RIRA President Patrick Stewart. Dr. Wade can ask him why. On June 15, another vote was taken at the Common Council special meeting on the proposed legislation. It was made clear that the bill was a work in progress. That vote was 17 yes, 3 no, 3 abstaining – another vote supporting MTG efforts.

Secrecy: Dr. Wade should be ashamed. Surely he could read in *The WIRE*, just as well as anyone, when and where our meetings were held. They have always been open; Dr. Wade was never present at a meeting.

Experience: Finally, we are surely no more inexperienced or unprepared to make decisions about our

To the Editor:

How naive does Dick Wade think Roosevelt Islanders are? His letter accuses the Maple Tree Group of naivete, secrecy, lack of authority, stealth politics, peddling panic, amateurism, unpreparedness and inexperience – quite a list!

Any Islander who reads *The WIRE* or has come to an MTG meeting knows these accusations to be false, or at least misleading, and Professor Wade tarnishes his distinguished reputation by thinking residents will swallow all he dishes out (in several letters to *The WIRE* and to members of MTG).

As RIRA Vice President for Government Relations and an MTG founder, I am in a position to know some facts that Dr. Wade does not, for he has attended no MTG meetings (not at all secret, but announced in *The WIRE*), and I have seen him at only one RIRA meeting in two years – the June session of the Executive Committee in which he erroneously announced that Assembly-member Pete Grannis wanted RIRA to vote down the self-governance legislation. (Grannis disavowed the statement.) After receiving a written invitation to attend MTG meetings, Wade responded that he has “always devoted my civic time to” RIRA. It’s a good thing Common Council members and others can devote more time to it than Dr. Wade does.

Self-governance was a project too intensive and extensive for RIRA, which holds only monthly meetings. MTG held weekly meetings for two years. RIRA did, however, support MTG’s efforts with

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Although we knew the community would respond with warm generosity to the Fire Victims Relief Collection of household goods, none of us expected the spectacular turnout we had that Monday night. By 10:00 p.m., the large Community Room downstairs at Good Shepherd Chapel was filled to shoulder height with clothes, linens, food, small appliances, kitchenware and toys. Fay Vass and her team put in many hours of sorting, packing and distribution, for which we should all be thankful, and Dottie Wildes and her family were literally speechless when they saw the results.

I cannot imagine such a turnout in any other community this size in the City, and it reminded me, and each of the Common Council members who attended, that it is worth any amount of

effort to retain this remarkable community as it is, and to enhance it so that the spirit that makes us a community continues to thrive.

Although the collections are formally over, those of you who still wish to make a contribution may contact Dottie Wildes directly at 536 Main Street, Apartment 105.

With the passing of Labor Day, one can feel the Island subtly changing gears. Kids are back to school except for the toddlers, who still have a week to go. Everyone seems busier (particu-

larly the mothers of those toddlers). The Common Council has met after taking August off, and although I write this before the meeting, I know there's been a lot of committee progress made.

Southtown seems nearer than ever, with construction slated to begin by the end of the year. Pete Grannis has, once again, obtained a grant for the Island, this time in the amount of \$3,000 for the Roosevelt Island Disabled Association's recreation and arts programs. This is over and above last month's grant of \$9,500 for the Roosevelt Island Youth Program. We've a lot to be grateful for in Pete Grannis.

We've had a meeting with both the Regional and District Managers of Gristede's, and we have a commitment that improvements will be made in store cleanliness and housekeeping, stock freshness and selection. You should see damaged goods and out-of-stock conditions eliminated, the "warehousing" area removed from the front of the store, and installation of price strips for all shelves and all products. Finally, lighting will be either fixed or upgraded. We will be following these matters up, and ask that you join us in making your feelings known to the store management.

Everything points to the Octagon fire being arson. As of Tuesday night, when this is being written, the building is still too hot for the Fire Commissioner and the City Building Inspector to enter, so we won't have final details for a while yet. RIOC is planning to put up protective scaffolding, but certainly all parents should take the extra precaution of warning their children to stay far away from the site.

We've had more than enough tragedy for awhile.

I want to close by wishing all our Jewish neighbors a healthy and sweet New Year (it's 5760). That's one way to beat the Y2K problems!



Patrick Stewart

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several overwhelming votes, and half of MTG's core members are on the RIRA Council. That, along with November's 92% vote, gave MTG the "authority" Dr. Wade claims it lacks.

In one letter, he naively suggests that the Legislature should pause, after bargaining the terms of a bill, to ask 8500 residents for permission to proceed. That's not the way the system works, and he knows it.

He labels MTG efforts "stealth politics," then describes a need for lobbyists who practice that very art. MTG knows a lobbyist could be helpful. Is he volunteering to raise the necessary hefty fees?

To label MTG members "amateurs" is to suggest that politics should be left only to the politicians or some special elite class. One would think, to the contrary, that Wade would applaud those who have put in the time he seems not to have for this effort. In any case,

MTG convenor David Bauer has had a distinguished career as a City Manager and consultant, and has dealt with legislators. Other MTG members have varied and relevant experience.

Wade mistakenly labels two years of deliberation, research, and consultation with pertinent officials "unprepared." "Inexperienced," perhaps, but many who have experience, like Dr. Wade, have not stepped forward. And a few, like Dr. Wade, criticize a group that attempted the impossible and reached the edge of accomplishment. Failing to participate, they call those who do "naive." Failing to try, they call those who do "arrogant." Such accusations belie Wade's call for "mutual respect."

I say to all who want democracy for Roosevelt Island but who are not comfortable with the current legislation, "Please, either help or get out of the way!"

Linda Heimer

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COMING UP

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Mon., Sept. 13, 7:30 p.m., Maple Tree Group meeting. Information: **306-1388**. Meetings most Mondays at 7:30.

Tue., Sept. 14, 6:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Primary Election, PS 217.

Wed., Sept. 15, Youth Soccer Registration, Good Shepherd Plaza, 6:00 p.m. Fee, \$60 per child. (See story, page 11.)

Wed., Sept. 15, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Registration for dance, drama, and exercise classes. Main Street Theatre. (Also see Sept. 17.)

Wed., Sept. 15, RIOC's Summer Sounds on the River concert series, **River Brass** (classical), 6:00-7:30 p.m., on the pier (near subway station). Free.

Fri., Sept. 17, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Registration for Dance, Drama, and Exercise classes at **Main Street Theatre**, including a performance by teachers starting at 7:00. For information, **371-4449**.

Fri., Sept. 17, 8:00 p.m., Juanita Fleming, *From the Father of Gospel to the Other Side of Duke*, a reflection on the sacred works of Thomas A. Dorsey and Duke Ellington, Chapel of the Good Shepherd. \$10, seniors \$8.

Sat., Sept. 18, firm deadline for **Youth Soccer Registration**.

Tue., Sept. 21, 6:30 p.m., Book Discussion Group, *Love in the Time of Cholera* by Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Library. Meets third Tuesday of each month; admission free but pre-registration suggested.

Sat., Sept. 25, Exhibition, **Photographs by Margery Rubin**, *Houses of Worship in Great Britain and Ireland*. Opening Reception, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Exhibition (by appointment, **682-2747**) continues through Oct. 29.

Sat., Sept. 25, next scheduled issue of **The Main Street WIRE**.

Deadlines: Advertising in the paper, Fri., Sept. 17; decision on stuffers for *The Bag*, Mon., Sept. 20; bag materials due Sept. 23.

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Thur., Sept. 30, 7:30-9:00 p.m., Roosevelt Island Greens Teach-In, Chapel of the Good Shepherd, lower community room. Q&A on goals, principles and history of the Green Party.

Fri., Oct. 1 (and Sat., Oct. 2), 8:00 p.m., Main Street Theatre Fundraiser, Anita Michael performs her cabaret act, *A Hairdresser Looks at Her Roots*. Suggested donation \$15 or more. Information, **371-4449**.

Tue., Oct. 5, lecture, *Writing Fiction That Sells*, part 2, 6:30 p.m., Library.

Tue., Oct. 19, 6:30 p.m., Book Discussion Group, *Black and Blue* by Anna Quindlen, Library. Meets third Tuesday of each month; admission free but pre-registration suggested.

Tue., Nov. 16, 6:30 p.m., Book Discussion Group, *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway, Library. Meets third Tuesday of each month; admission free but pre-registration suggested.

Tue., Dec. 21, 6:30 p.m., Book Discussion Group, *The Stranger* by Albert Camus, Library. Meets third Tuesday of each month; admission free but pre-registration suggested.

At the Senior Center

Monday

9:00-10:00, **Stay Well** (Exercise)
10:00-11:00, **English as 2nd Language** (beg)
11:00-12:00, **English as 2nd** (intermediate)

Tuesday

1:30, **Bingo**

Wednesday

9:00-10:00, **Stay Well** (Stretch)
9:30, **Computer Class**
10:00-11:00, **English as 2nd Language** (beg)
11:00-12:00, **English as 2nd** (intermediate)
12:30, **Arts & Crafts** (RIDA)

Thursday

10:00-11:00, **Tai Chi**

12:30, **Movie**

Friday

10:00-12:00, **Citizenship Class**
10:00-12:00, **Creative Arts Workshop**
10:30, **Blood Pressure Screening**

Saturday

7:30, **Bingo**

Special Events

Details: **980-1888**

Mon., Sept. 13, 11:00-12:30, **Metrocard Bus**

Wed., Sept. 15, **Atlantic City** (RISA trip)

Fri., Sept. 24, 12:30, **Birthday Party**

Mon., Sept. 27, 11:00-12:30, **Metrocard Bus**

Mon., Sept. 27, 12:30-2:30, **Health Fair**

Mon., Sept. 27, 9:30-2:30, **Free Flu Shots** (also November 3, 11:30-2:30)



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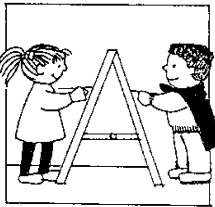
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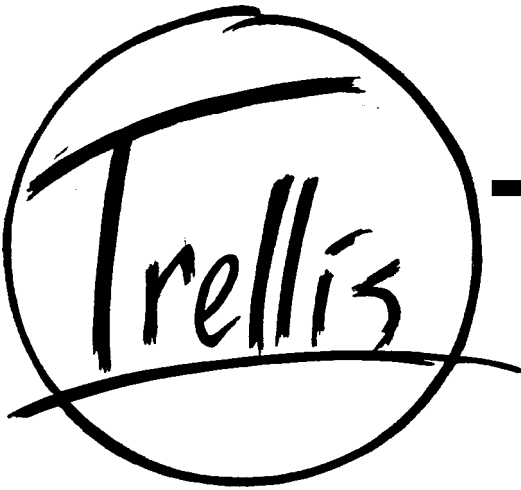
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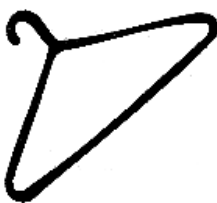
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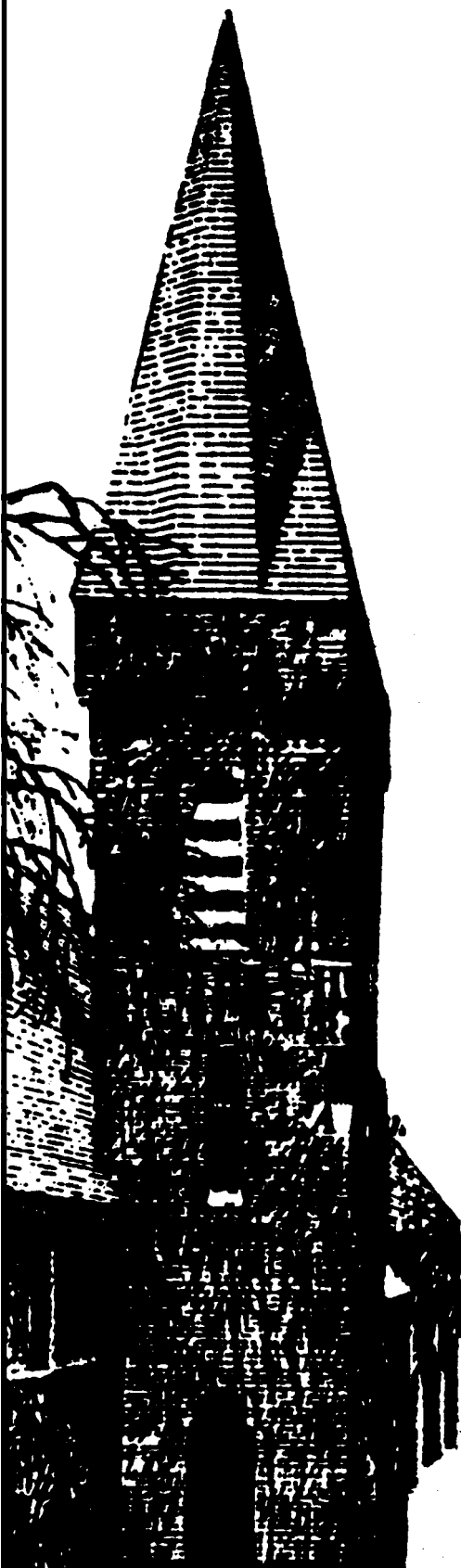
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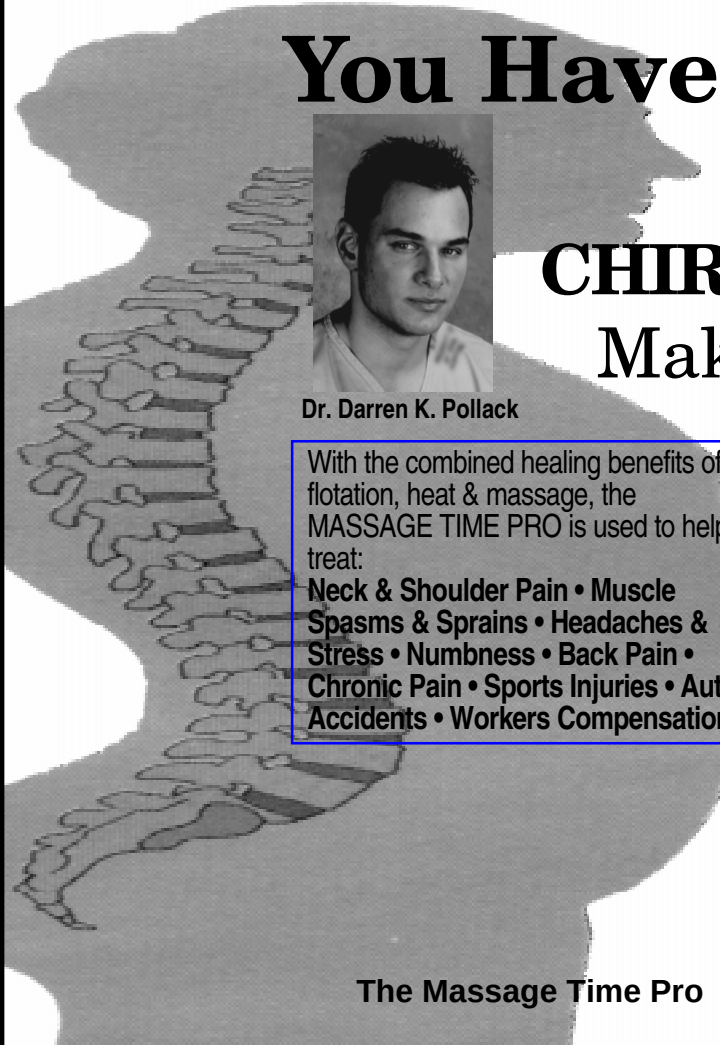
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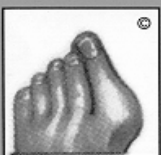
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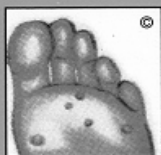
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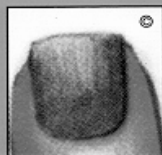
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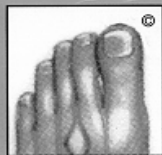
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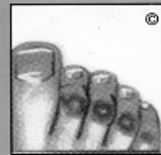
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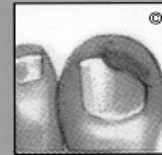
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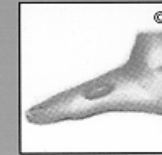
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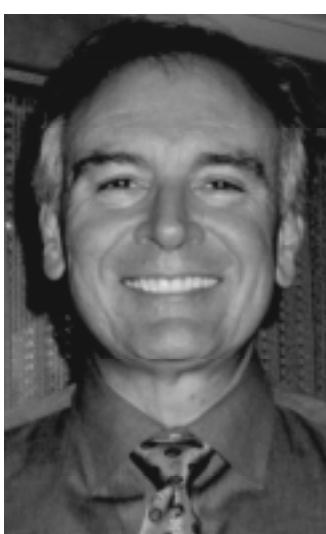
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