

# Model Neighborhood Weekly Machine

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AVERY SHIELDS BOARD MEMBER  
MODEL NEIGHBORHOOD, INC., PASSES

Mr. Avery Shields long time resident of Pittsburgh, passed last week at his home. Funeral is to be arranged by Seller's Brothers, McDaniel Street.

Mr. Shields was a devoted member of Model Neighborhood, Inc. He was secretary-Treasurer of Model Neighborhood Manufacturing Co. He was a Chartered member of Model Neighborhood, Inc., and Model Neighborhood Manufacturing Co. He will be sorely missed by all of us, who knew and loved him.

There is need for other citizens like him to be as active in Community self-help organizations as Mr. Shields was.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to his bereaved family.

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## MECHANICSVILLE CENTER?

What kind of Community Center do the people have in Mechanicsville? If you want information, you are told to see the Board. Now who is the Board?

Community meetings can be held in the Center. Can they?

Community gatherings can be held in the Center. Can they?

When information is asked about the aforementioned, you are told to ask the Board.

Let the residents know now, who the Board is and who elected the Board.

More than three people should have a voice as to what is supposedly a Community Center. And it is anticipated that a program of variety be conducted in the Center, not just a girl and boy meeting place.

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MASS CONVENTION MODEL CITIES  
D. H. STANTON SCHOOL 910 MARTIN ST. SE  
SUNDAY JANUARY 26, 1969 3:00 P. M.

The residents who attend the Mass Conventions' appear to be more interested in the organization, than in the Model Cities Plan. The attendants are short on information and the residents are deprived. Out of eleven (11) operating Committees, in each Community, it appears that one (1) of them could be informative. But how can they be? They do not know a thing about the plans.

The community needs citizens that will inform and work with the residents for the good of the community. Residents are being urged to go to the Convention, Sunday January 26, at 3:00 P. M., and elect responsibility.

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## "COMMUNITY MADE GOODS TO BE SOLD IN THE COMMUNITY"

Speaking of quality, Model Neighborhood Manufacturing Corp., workers are proud of the finished garments they have produced. Beautiful knee slacks made in different sizes for girls and women, and in assorted colors. The apparels can be compared with similar ones in Department stores, and the quality is non-questionable.

Part of the proceeds from the sales will be for purchasing Baseball uniforms for Little Leaguers teams that will be sponsored by Model Neighborhood, Inc. These goods are factory run and are not to sold in Variety of Dept., stores. They will be on sale, Friday and Saturday at the Mechanicsville Community Center, 389 Bass Street, South West.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MET

"WHOSE MODEL CITIES?"

The NAACP Executive Committee met in Suite 516 of Paschal Motel. Lonnie King President, presided. The meeting was well attended. The members were of the "High echelon". All in a class of their own.

The NAACP, should do more than speak for the people, it should include the people. The organization should and must become the legal resource for all it's members, not for just a chosen few.

How many members from the \$2.00 membership are living across S. E., I-20 are executive members? It will not be ethical for the organization to speak for people that are not a part of, or that are not represented on the discussion level.

Attempts in the past to get grass-root representation on the decision level was successful last year. There were three. Two of these were eventually weeded out. In the last election there are none. What plans do the officers have for the slum dwelling member?

It is important that the end comes for all of the "Speaking for The Black People" organizations, cease, and let the people speak for themselves.

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LITTLE BIRD LIGHTS ON MACHINE AND SAYS

" I got some good, darn good information to tell you"



Machine: "Tell me bird, tell me"  
Bird: There is a move to get some action getting residents to be elected officers of the Steering committee, and the Mass Convention Chairman, of Model Cities. We need them, don't you think?"

FLIES OFF.....SEE YOU NEXT WEEK.....

The residents of the Model Cities Areas, have all been classed as being "qualified" to live in poverty and slums. This is not true. How many of these "qualified", well paying jobs that are held at the Model Cities Office, are held by Area Residents?

Why should a group of "outsiders" be the ones to dictate to us what is best for us, as far as Model Cities plans are concerned? Why should we..... residents of long standing and future years be told by "infinitesimally minded" people that; "this is for you, whether you want it or not."

If area residents are contacted in regard to Model Cities, it is always in an unimportant and a menial way. We are always told; "you must organize and form block clubs." What for???? We need recognition as human beings, each person by his own merits. We do not need, nor do we intend to be all classed together as "undesirable slum dwellers." We need individuality. We need to be represented in the Model Cities Office, in some of those "DESK" jobs that some of the "outsiders" are holding. How much easier it would be for our neighbors to understand the plans of Model Cities if one of their "OWN" represented them in the M. C., office.

How many of you Model Cities people had any inclination that there are any other people living in the M. C., area, other than the illiterate, degenerated, slum dwellers that you encounter in your business within the M. C., area?

Well, there are some of us left. We may be few in number, but we are here, and we identify ourselves with this area.

We are trained, educated qualified leaders, living within the M. C., area. Yet no one took the initiative to screen area residents for potential employment in their own neighborhood.

YES MODEL CITIES AND AREA RESIDENTS;  
"WHOSE MODEL CITIES?"

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