

# This 'N' That

by Betty Banks



### Sing a happy song ...

The Southside Market was alive with music and song as competitors in the Anna Mae Mitchell Senior Idol competition entertained market goers. There was gospel, blues and opera for all to enjoy. The weather was cloudy but the atmosphere was bright and fun as many came under our tent to join us. Super Producer Gaddi even got into the act, singing some of his favs. The Elimination Round for this competition was held on Saturday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>. The finals will be held this Saturday from 2-4pm at CUNA Mutual training Center Theater, 5810 Mineral Point Road. Stay tuned to see what else this group will be doing after the Finals.

See ad on page 7 for competition details.

### Always together ...

That's Chuck and Candace McDowell in the September/October edition of AARP Magazine where Madison has been named the 3<sup>rd</sup> best city in the US to retire in. Chuck and Candace look like they are enjoying time on the Terrace of the Memorial Union. Check them out!

### Time is money ...

Plans for a TimeBank Store on Allied Drive are underway. Maxine Bryant is leading the charge for this to happen. Many in the neighborhood are on board and the word Voices gets, is that city officials are in agreement that this is a good idea. We'll keep the updates coming.



### Raiders rave ...

Southside Raiders had their weigh-in during the weekend of August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Since the season started they already have an impressive win to loss record! Coaches for the team are excited to be able to once again work with these young fellas as they meet other teams on the football gridiron. They are always in need of donations that will help keep their equipment in good shape and donations will ensure all Raiders have the equipment they need. To donate, call Richard Brown at 327-8000. Go Raiders!

### Diana's love ...

The Madison Apprenticeship Program just recently had another graduation ceremony and has already started a new program on Monday September 29<sup>th</sup>. This dynamic program is all about rebuilding lives so that people can be ensured of a bright future, and is on its way to having 100 graduates! Director Diana Shinall is one great motivator and her program just keeps on reaching out to those who seek her help. Kudos to you Diana!



### Keep on walking ...

Keeping with news about M.A.P. Saturday September 20<sup>th</sup> was the Second Annual M.A.P. Power of One Walk fundraiser. Thank-yous are sent to all those who took part to help raise funds as well the sponsors. If you are interested in this fundraiser or more about Madison Apprenticeship Program, call Diana at 608-274-9419.

### Men of honor ...

It is back to school for our young people. Johnny Ellis and Freddie Clark want to thank all of the Dads who took part in their initiative for Dads and Men to stand at the bus stop or walk a kid to school on the first day of school. "Stand in the gap", is what they are saying. So, to all of you Males out there, support kids as they begin a new school year and throughout the year, Show them that you care!



### Heroes of our day ...

Congratulations to Heart and Soul and Let's Go To Church Radio Programs on their third anniversary of broadcast. The community came

out to celebrate on September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Badger Columbus Club. The highlight of the evening were the 2nd Annual NeighborH.O.O.D. awards – Honoring Others for their Outreach and Dedication.



This year's honorees included: Pastors Lucille Badger and Steve Staffaucher, School Board Member Lucy Mathiak, Deacon Ritchie Sturgeon, Poet Laureate FABU Carter-Brisco; Vera Crawell, Anthony Wade, Rena "Mother Wisdom" Simmons and authors Lilada Gee and Sharron Hubbard. Freddie Clark, guest host and political analyst of Heart and Soul, received special recognition for his long time dedication and commitment. Both programs air on WTDY 1670 The Pulse. Heart and Soul is heard every Saturday night from 6-8pm, with co-hosts Betty Banks and Richard Brown. Get your praise on before you go to your house of worship and listen to gospel music on Let's Go To Church each Sunday morning from 7-9 am, with co-hosts Pastors David Smith and Ernest Winters. Hats off to the entire teams of both programs, under the direction of Super Producer GBD.

### Willy, Willy ...

The annual Willy Street Fair, September 20 -21st, ushered in the final days of summer with its usual flair and celebration! The weekend was filled with fantastic food, street performances and entertainment and its colorful festivalgoers. If you missed it mark your calendars for next year! You don't want to miss it!



### On Thursday September 25th this banner said it all ....



CUNA Mutual Group applauds the Youth Resource Centers in the Madison area. Because the Centers are so critical to the success and well being of middle school kids, we've joined forces with local credit unions and United Way of Dane County to make them a top priority.



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