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## Capital District



"An injury to one is an injury to all"

Box 3002 Pine Hills Station Albany, New York 12203

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humanity." United Nations

## Who We Are

The Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism (CD-CAAR) is a grass roots organization made up of people from labor, student, religious, civil rights and community groups. We work to bring justice to Southern Africa and the United States by being part of the struggle against

"Apartheid is a crime against

- apartheid in South Africa the chaos and destruction created by the apartheid regime throughout Southern Africa racism in the United States

and by opposing U.S. policies which perpetuate and strenghten domenstic and international racism

#### **Brief History**

Apartheid came to Albany, New York in 1981 when the South African apartheid rugby team, the Springboks, played at Bleeker Stadium on September 22nd. CD-CAAR was formed when more than forty Capital District community groups and hundreds of concerned individuals came together to oppose the appearance of this team in Albany. Albany.

"...our country will never be prosperous or free until all our people live in brotherhood, enjoying equal rights and opportunities." Freedom Charter of South Africa





## After the Springboks the Struggle Continues

#### CD-CAAR...

\*organized boycotts of South African products being sold in the Capital District.

\*provided leadership in the New York State divestment campaign.

\*participated in the Free South Africa civil disobedience campaign.

\*worked with SWAPO for Namibian independence.

\*campaigned for Nelson Mandela's

\*holds public forums addressing the problems facing the people of South Africa in their struggle for a non-racial, democratic,

\*actively supports the resolutions of the United Nations which call for the total isolation of South Africa from the world community in sports, culture, economics and

(CD-CAAR obtained statements from the Temptations and from Chick Corea that they would never return to entertain in apartheid South Africa. We have staged actions against South African tennis players who participate in the annual OTB tours.)

\*participates in conferences and hearings held by the United Nations.



We stand in solidarity with the African National Congress and the people of South Africa as they enter the final stages of the liberation struggle.

We support the governments of Namibia, Mozambique and Angola in their continuing struggle against South African destabilization of the region.

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#### CD-CAAR...

\*publishes a monthly newsletter which contains articles about Southern Africa, domestic racism and other related issues not covered in the mainstream press.

\*works with the American Committee on Africa's "Vote Sanctions" campaign.

\*organizes petitioning, letter writing and lobbying campaigns directed to the U.S. Congress and the New York State Legislature.

We continue to campaign for U.S. sanctions against South Africa as long as they are needed.

"If there is no struggle, there is no progress." Frederick



#### CD-CAAR also...

\*collected damages from a major lawsuit brought against federal, state and local officials arising from police harassment.

\*at the time of the death of Jesse Davis, campaigned for a community police relations board. We actively participated on a compromise community police relations board, but resigned when the board was not given adequate power to investigate instances of police abuse.

\*produced a pamphlet, "Police Abuse: What to Do,' distributed throughout the community and available upon request.

\*conducts forums on the issues of police abuse and racist violence.

\*organizes demonstrations against police abuse, the Klan and other forms of racist activity.

We continue the call for an independent civilian review board of the Albany police.

The Steering Committee
Vera Michelson, Co-Chair; Merton
Simpson, Co-Chair; Eileen Kawola,
Newsletter Editor; Roli Varma, Treasurer;
Anita Thayer; Mark Mishler; Pat TrowersJohnson; James Bouldin; Mabel Leon;
Mike Riddick; Deborah Maxwell.

Our Affiliations
CD-CAAR is a member of the Social Justice
Center of Albany, the Center for Law and
Justice, Inc. and the Reinhold Niebuhr
Lecture Series at Siena College. We are a
member of the Northeast Southern Africa
Solidarity Network and of the National
Alliance Against Racist and Political
Repression.

"During my lifetime, I have this myself dedicated African the struggle have fought against people. have domination, and black against fought domination. the ideal of a democratic and in which free society together live persons with equal harmony It is an ideal opportunities. which I hope to live for and to achieve. But if needs be, it is an ideal for which I am prepared to die." Nelson Mandela, Rivonia Trial Speech

THE CAPITAL DISTRICT COALITION AGAINST APARTHEID AND RACISM with THE STUDENT COALITION AGAINST APARTHEID AND RACISM

Present



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- **5** Years after the Springbok Rugby Tour!
- 5th Anniversary of the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid & Racism!
- 5 Years of Solidarity with the Southern African Liberation Movement!

Sumday, September



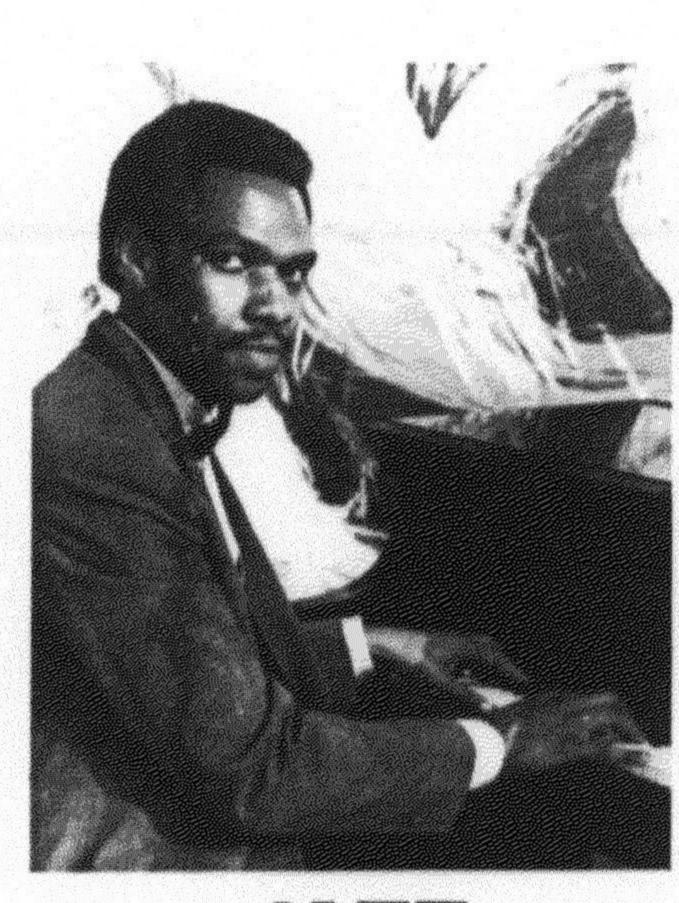
SECHABA — Musical group of the African National Congress (ANC), composed of South African exiles.

## Page Hall

(SUNY Downtown Campus)

7:00p.m.

(doors open at 6:00p.m.)



JAZZ
with Azzaam Hameed and

Carnivalle

(\$6.00 at door)

TICKETS:

Students with I.D.:

\$3.50

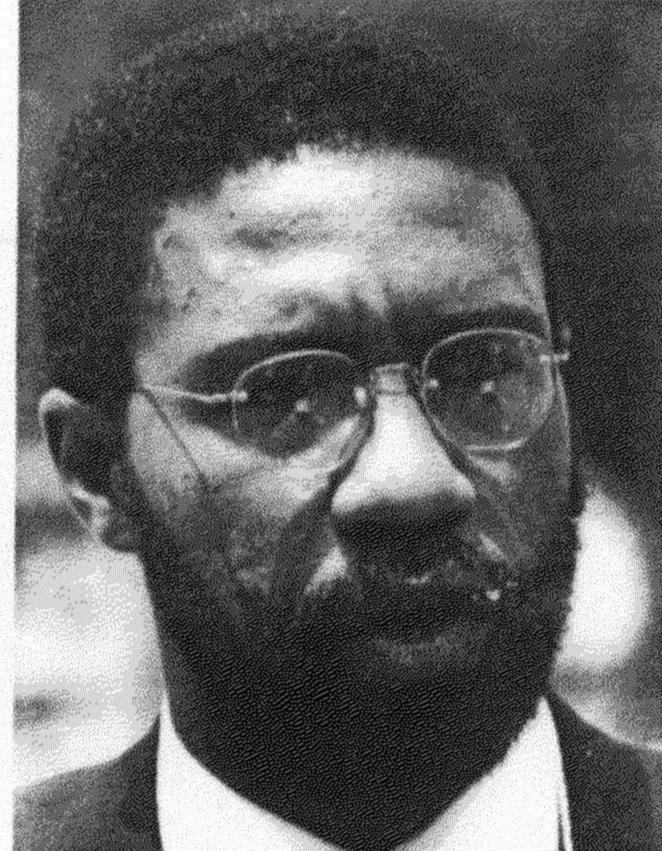
General Public:

\$4.50

## TICKET OUTLETS:

Social Action Center
221 Central Ave., Albany
Music Shack
61 Central Ave., Albany
Boulevard Bookstore
12 Northern Blvd., Albany
Harder's Beauty &
Barber Supply
66 Grand St., Albany

780 Albany St., Schenectady



DAMU SMITH —
Director of the Washington Office on Africa, Founder of the Free South Africa Movement

Proceeds to the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism and the African National Congress, Labor Donated.

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Page Hall Albany, N.Y. Sunday, September 21st

Proceeds to the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism and the African National Congress

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Against

of the Capital District Coalition

Anniversary

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OPENING NUMBER	- "Winnie Mandela" by Rupert Blaize
	(1986), Calypso led by Pat Trowers,
	Ethel David and Tlaks Seepe
GREETINGS	Introduction of the program by
	Vera Michelson and Ethel David
DAMU SMHH	Dirctor of the Washington Office on
	Africa with main address - "The
	United States and Courth Africall
FISIWE ZWANA	A presentation of African Inter-
	orotativo danos
	pretative dance
and Azzaam Hameed, p	"Original Music with a Positive Message" Featuring Ron Mayfield, lead guitarist Hambright, saxophonist; Maurice Rucker, vocals; ianist and vocalist
ZENZILE	A presentation of original African
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	Poerry
SECHABA	Introduction by Pat Trowers - the
	ANC cultural group, made up of
	South African exiles, who will pre-
	sent freedom songs and music
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Everyone is invited to a reception at Van's Night Cap, 177 Northern Blvd, Albany - immediately following the show.

A special dedication to Ethel Brown Loved by many, remembered by all....

## Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism

In the fall of 1981, the South African Springbok rugby team came to Albany. Prior to their arrival, a coalition of many groups and individuals came together to protest their appearance in what was a violation of the international cultural/sports boycott called by the United Nations against apartheid South Africa. The Coalition continues and has been active in the work against racism and apartheid since that time.

#### A CHRONOLOGY OF MAJOR COALITION EVENTS - 1981 TO THE PRESENT

1981 ·September 22 - Major demonstration against the Springbok rugby team in Albany

·Vera Michelson arrested along with out of town anti-<u>apartheid</u> activists John Spearman, Mike Young and Aaron Estes
·Gil Scott Heron gives benefit concerts in Albany to raise

noney for defense funds

December 21 - Charges dropped against Michelson and Estes

County court jury acquitted John Spearman and John Young of

felony weapons charge

•Protest at Watervliet Arsenal where weapons were being manufactured for sale to South Africa in violation of United

Nations' and United States' embargoes •Coalition participated in anti-klan demonstrations in Southern

Vermont

•Anti-klan program held in Albany featuring Renee DuBois

•First cultural boycott demonstration - against Chick Corea at

Troy Music Hall

·Fundraiser at Gibbey's ·"One Year Later" anniversary program held at Mt. Calvary

\*Coalition organized buses to participate in anti-klan demonstration in Washington, D.C.

·Lawsuit filed on behalf of the Coalition, Michelson and Estes against the Albany City Police and the F,B.I. challenging the raid and arrests

1983 Picket line at Caldors protesting the sale of South African

baby bonnets

•Fundraiser - showing of movie "The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith"

•Numerous cultural boycott demonstrations including a major walk
out at the Saratoga Kool Jazz Festival against Ray Charles

•Co-sponsored New Paltz Conference on New York State divestment

al Policy" · Fundraiser at Otis ·Coalition lawyers defeat motion to dismiss lawsuit 1984 · Jesse Davis murdered - Coalition joined protest and joined in demands for an Albany Police Review Board ·David Ndaba of the African National Congress in Albany speaking at a public forum at Wilborn Temple ·Numerous cultural boycott events. Statement obtained by the Coalition and Unity in Action from the Temptations vowing that they will not return to South Africa until apartheid is ended ·Testimony given to the Banking Committee of the New York State Assembly on the need for divestment ·Testimony given at the United Nations to the Special Political Committe of the General Assembly ·Artis Lee of the Friends in Albany speaking at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church ·Coaliton participated in a conference on nuclear arms entitled "Reducing the Risk" sponsored by the Capital District Peace Power Network 1985 ·Murphy Morobe, leading spokesperson of the United Democratic Front, in Albany to speak - at a clergy breakfast, labor reception and an open forum at Wilborn Temple ·SUNY students force SUNY divestment ·Picket line against Ray Charles at the Palace Theater in Albany ·Major walkback against Chick Corea at the Kool Jazz Festival in Saratoga. Statement by Corea that he will not return to South Africa until there is an end to apartheid obtained by the Coalition ·Film on Malcolm X co-sponsored with the Malcolm X Study Network ·Neo Mnumzana, chief representative of the ANC Observor Mission to the United Nations, and Hinyangerwa Asheekee of SWAPO to Albany to speak at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church ·Free South Africa demonstration in Albany - 10 community leaders arrested at the protest which was co-sponsored by the NAACP 1986 · January conference in Albany to establish a network of anti-

apartheid forces to work in the N. Y. State divestment campaign

Picket line against New Regan, state comptroller, opposed to

·State-wide lobby day for divestment and demonstration in front of

·Student Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism established at SUNYA

·Overnight shantytown set up on Capitol grounds to demand N.Y.

divestment, in front of the Alfred E. Smith building

the Legislative Office Building in Albany

state divestment

·Testimony given at United Nations to the Special Political

Committee of the General Assembly
•Co-sponsored with the NAACP a conference - 'Racism: A Nation-

Action at the Metropolitan New Testament Baptist Church ·Sharpeville commemoration entitled 'From Sharpeville, South Africa to Albany, U.S.A. held at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church ·Community Police Relations Board established as a result of demands made in the Jesse Davis case. Coalition holds seat on this board ·Coalition participated, and will continue to do so, in the Niebuhr Institute at Siena College ·Coalition sponored bus trip to Philadelphia Demonstration Against Racism ·Coalition sponsored buses to June 14 Anti-Apartheid March in New York City ·Two different federal court judges ruled that Coalition lawyers would not be given information about the identity and activities of a secret police informant who provided the F.B.I. with information during the 1981 anti-apartheid organizing. Federal rules prevent an appeal of this ruling prior to the trial ."Victory is Certain" program to commemorate the fifth anniversary of the Coalition yet to come ... Fall of 1986 The Coalition, as a co-sponsor of the following events, urges your attendance: ·September 26 at Page Hall - Maishe Maponya, a South African poet, will read from his works and hold a question and answer period. This evening is being sponsored by the Writer's Institute of ·October 11 - The Pledge of Resistance - organized demonstration against U.S. government policy in Nicaragua, South Africa and Namibia. Make links, boycott South Africa not Nicaragua. Protest policy positions of N.Y. Sen. D'Amato This Fall also is the time when we will intensify our demands for State divestment. Join with anti-apartheid activists from around the state to demand that New York State divest all South African and Namibian related investments and to convice the Legislature to end all state buying of goods or services from any company doing business in South Africa or Namibia ongoing work of the Coalition ... ·a speaker's bureau which is available to speak at churches, forums, schools and community events, and on t.v. and radio shows ·a monthly newsletter ·tabling at community events and affairs ·regular monthly meetings for more information, write: Box 3002, Pine Hills Station

or call: (518) 436-0562 12203

·Movie on Nelson and Winnie Mandela co-sponsored with Unity in

The Steering Committee

Vera Michelson (Co-Chairperson) Merton Simpson (Co-Chairperson) Fred Kakumba Eileen Kawola Mark Mishler Sipho Seepe Anita Thayer Roli Varma Joe Walker (honorary member) Japhet Zwana Jacqui Ambrosini (student representative)

#### The Member Groups

NAACP Capital District Association of Black Social Workers Capital District Labor Religion Coalition Student Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism, SUNYA Student Association of the State University Student Assocation of SUNY, Albany National Lawyers Guild Universal Being Malcolm X Study Network Blacks in Government Albany County Central Federation of Labor Mount Calvary Baptist Church Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Democratic Socialists of America NYPIRG Socialist Workers Party Black Woman's Association Central America Solidarity Alliance (CASA) Urban League A. Philip Randolph Institute Y.W.C.A.

FREE SOUTH AFRICA - FREE NAMIBIA

VICTORY TO THE A.N.C. - VICTORY TO SWAPO



AFRICA



A Journal of Quotes from Community Leaders September, 1986

compiled by Japhet M. Zwana and Eileen C. Kawola

for the

Fifth Anniversary of the Springbok Rugby Demonstration in Albany and the Formation of the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism

"The historic demonstration's significance is that is opened many people's eyes about the continued struggle in South Africa. Indeed, victory is certain - I wish it would come sooner." Pat Trowers

"The South African regime received the clear message that the American people were not prepared to entertain the adventures of the socalled cultural ambassadors whose real objective was to be representatives of apartheid and racism."

Anita Thayer

"The demonstration provided the opportunity for individuals to take a firm stand on the issue of apartheid in South Africa. It generated a spirit of good feeling among those involved towards the struggling masses in South Africa and reinforced the desire for peace and good will towards all humankind throughout the world."

Donna Perry

"The Springbok rugby demonstration in the Capital District gave birth to one of the major anti-apartheid centers in this country. The work of this community has been recognized in-

Merton Simpson

"The event demonstrated that it was possible to develop a viable and ongoing multi-national political base in the city of Albany in opposition to the apartheid regime in South Africa and its apologists here in the United States."

Bill Ritchie

"The formation of the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism exerted pressure upon the American government to take some action, however limited and weak. The activities of the Coalition brought awareness among the South African people that Americans in the Capital District area stood ready to strike a blow against apartheid."

Margaret Kirwin

"The demonstration revealed the fact that the people of the Capital District area were concerned about international politics. They understood and reaffirmed the age old concept that the struggle is the same in the United States, in Albany, as in South Africa. The demonstration helped to bring the South African issue closer to the general public."

Odell Winfield

"The demonstration was the catalyst for the timely formation of the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism and the American South African People's Friendship Association. Organizational activities included informational and educational series throughout the area. The divestment movement was given tremendous impetus and inspiration during and after the demonstration."

Henry Elonge

"The demonstration provided a forum from which to send a message of displeasure with the South African regime's ambassadors of oppression. It was a dramatic articulation to call attention of the world to the daily public atrocities committed by the South African perpetrators of apartheid. The demonstration was not directed

as such, rather it provided the opportunity to address the concern. The activity acted as an attention getter for the local and nation public about the situation within Southern Africa. The United States Congress and Administration felt the pressure to address the issue raised by U.S. and South Africa business connections."

Nathanial Quattlebaum

"Few communities were aware of or cared about the going ons within South Africa. The demonstration changed all that. It inspired involvement among grassroots organizations. It spawned a number of educational and information programs in the area. It signified a victory for the participants in that it mirrored Albany as the resistance capital of the United States."

Rev. Robert Dixon

"The demonstration was worth the efforts and preparation. It brought into sharp focus the horrors of the system of apartheid to the average person. It was an educational exercise for the State of New York and the nation. It is likely that the demonstration forestalled more plans that were in place to further the cause of apartheid in South Africa in the Capital District or elsewhere in the nation."

Frank G. Pogue

"The demonstration had a tremendous impact on the people. It brought people of both races together against a common enemy. The event and its magnitude was a first for Albany. The city was put on the world map in a positive light. Progressive forces prevailed over official intransigence and the Capital District area has never been the same since then."

Nebraska Brace

(over)

"The Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism has succeeded to lubricate the conscience and concern of local residents about the cause of the liberation struggle in Southern Africa. It has continued to supply first hand information about significant development in South Africa otherwise not made readily available by mass media and other carefully crafted policy pronouncements. It has become a vehicle for active involvement and participation by people with positive contributions to the welfare of humankind and peace."

Clarence Parker

"The demonstration forced city authorities to make hard decisions. The event was a very important message of protest against an injustice that was long overdue. It raised the level of awareness about the variety of issues implicit in apartheid. The participants demonstrated a mature and high level of self respect, restraint and discipline in spite of rumors and expectations to the contrary. The magnitude and tone of the event were a clear evidence of organizational genius."

Brian O'Shaughnessy

"The significance of the commemoration can be summed up as follows:

Victory for the liberation forces in South Africa and Namibia is inevitable. In spite of this hope, the forces that will effect this result cannot relax at this point - pressure needs to be maintained. The actions of the U.S. Congress and the Administration on sanctions do not go far enough. Dependence on South Africa or Westerngoodwill and connivance should be stopped. This event should provide fuel for the next mile's race in the Capital District."

Japhet M. Zwana

We extend sincere thanks to the following patrons who have generously contributed to "Victory is Certain."

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#### ORGANIZATIONAL PATRONS

Solidarity Committee of the Capital District, AFL-CIO Capital District Builders of Education Achievement Mount Calvary Baptist Church of Albany Guilderland Teacher Association Quarterback Club of Albany Albany Public School Teachers Association Hamilton Hill Arts Center of Schenectady and a special thanks to The Albany Central Federation of Labor

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#### INDIVIDUAL PATRONS

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We appreciate the help that was given to us in organizing this program by the Public Employees Federation (PEF) and the Albany Urban League.

We take this opportunity to recognize Georgia Urban, area jazz columnist, for her outstanding contribution to the anti-apartheid movement and the struggle against racism.

#### Program Credits

James Mosely, stage manager
Bill Ritchie, assistant stage manager
Allan Barker, sound technican
Lindalisa Norville, head usher
Eileen Kawola, program
Jabari Penda, flyer distribution
Mark Mishler, ticket chairman
and the

State University of Albany Performing Arts Center for technical assistance

- Labor Donated -

CAPITAL DISTRICT COALITION AGAINST APARTHEID AND RACISM A PROJECT OF THE SOCIAL JUSTICE CENTER BOX 3002 - Pine Hills Station Albany, New York 12203

Next monthly meeting: February 15, 1983 - 7:30 p.m. - Wednesday - Neighborhood Resource Center 340 First Street, Albany, N.Y.

## ALL INTERESTED IN WORKING AGAINST APARTHEID AND RACISM - WELCOME!

NEW YORK STATE CONFERENCE ON APARTHEID

DIVESTMENT GOOD NEWS

On Saturday, Feb.25th and Sunday, Feb. 26 the Coalition against Apartheid and Racism in New Paltz, New York will hold a statewide conference at the SUNY campus in New Paltz. This important conference is designed to strengthen campus-community-labor links in the areas of divestment and boycott strategies.

Transportation from Albany can be arranged. Call 482-3478 with your transportation plans or needs. Or call someone from the Coalition will get back to you 434-4037, the Social Action Center, and

The Political Action Committee of the Civil Service Employees Assoc. has voted to endorse the campaign to divest N.Y. State pension funds from any business doing business in South Africa.

NO BUSINESS AS USUAL" WITH SOUTH AFRICA

#### TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY MEETING

1. Elections for steering committee and chair. If you would like to nominate anyone (including yourself), please call Eileen Kawola (438-0309). Nominations will also be taken the night of the meeting.

2. Report from two committees -As a response to the conference on racism held by the Coalition in November, 1983 and follow-up discussions at Coalition meetings, two committees have been formed to work against local institutional racism.

One committee will deal with the question of what happens to a person when arrested and information for the family of someone arrested (bail, jail, court information). An informational flyer for the public is in the planning stages.

The second committee will do research on gentrification, urban renewal and affirmative action in Arbor Hill and offer support for other local groups dealing with these problems.

3. Report from fund raising committee. Plans have been made to hold a fundraiser at Otis' on March 17th - food, music and a fashion show will be part of this fundraiser. It is very important that all Coalition members give this their full support - funds are needed to

continue our work. 4. The divestment campaign is beginning to gear up in New York State. Report from Gary Pavlic on New York State divestment hearings. Report on Northeast Regional Anti-Apartheid Conference held at Yale, New Haven, Conn.

Update on upcoming conference at New Paltz - attendance vital to all involved in this work.

Report on testimony given by Vera Michelson before the New York State Assembly Standing Committee on Banks.

A special thank you to Roli Varma. Her hard work made it possible for the Coalition to make available a copy of the Coalition conference (Nov. 19th) to all who were in attendance at the conference.

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Apartheid & Racism is circulating this questionnaire to assess the resources at our organization and help us to plan our program for 1984. We look forward to responses from our active members, inactive members, friends, and supporters. Your prompt return of this questionnaire will help us all build a stronger movement against apartheid and all the forces of racism. Name:\_\_\_\_\_Phone: Address: Why are you a supporter of the Coalition?\_\_\_ When did you first become involved with the Coalition? Prior to the September 22, 1981 S. African Rugby game?\_\_\_\_\_ During 1982? During 1983? How many regular monthly Coalition meetings have you attended in the past year? (approximately)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Do you have any suggestions about any aspect of these meetings that could be changed and thereby attract your attendance?\_\_\_\_ Any other comments about Coalition activities:\_\_ HOW CAN I HELP TO BUILD THE COALITION? I can telephone Coalition supporters days evenings weekends I have access to a typewriter and can type Coalition correspondence, Tpress releases, etc. I have no typewriter but I can type. I can write thank you notes. I can contribute occasional refreshments for a fundraiser or special event. (over)

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I have a car and can assist in providing transportation events.	n for special
I can organize and schedule others to sit at a literati	ure table.
-I will bring two (2) new people to a Coalition meeting ( $-$ 1984.	or event during
I will sell tickets for the next Coalition fundraiser.	
I am available to speak about the following:	
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## What's the story behind Namibia? A short history - Part 1 of 2

Namibia is a vast territory in the south-western part of the continent of Africa, bordered by the Atlantic Ocean on the west, by Angola on the north, by Zambia on the northeast, by Botswana on the east and by South Africa on the south. The population is approximately 1.5 million and in land area it measures

318,261 square miles. Namibia has a long history of colonial occupation and oppression. Before the First World War, the Territory of South West Africa, as it was then called, was occupied by Germany. South West Africa was Germany's only colony regarded as suitable of white immigration. German policy encouraged white settlement

in the lands previously owned by the African inhabitants. The takeover of the resource rich lands in the south and center of the country met with fierce resistance on the part of the African people and led to rebellions from 1904 to 1907. These rebellions were savagely crushed by the German colonial army.

In 1920, following Germany's defeat in the First World War, South West Africa became a League of Nations Mandate under South African administration. Although the Mandate called for South Africa to promote to the utmost the material and moral well-being of the inhabitants of South West Airica What actually happened made the survival of the native African inhabitants even more difficult. New farms were allocated to white settlers, Africans were Forcibly restricted to reservations, mostly in the poor agricultural land in the north, the sandvelds of the Kalahari desert or to "urban locations" near centers of industry where they were permitted to stay only for purposes of employment.

After the establishment of the United Nations in 1945, the General Assembl called on States administering mandated territories to place them under the Trusteeship System set up by the United Nations Charter. South Africa refused to give up its Mandate of South West Africa. South Africa applied racist apartheid and "homelands" policies to the Territory of South West Africa and contended that it was not accountable to the United Nations.

In 1950 the International Court of Justice handed down a decision which stated that South Africa continued to have international obligations under the League of Nations Covenant and Mandate. The General Assembly was to have supervision over South Africa's administration of South West Africa. South Africa refused to accept this opinion and opposed any form of United Nations supervision over the territory's affairs. For 15 years the General Assembly sought to negotiate agreement with South Africa. South Africa refused to cooperate or negotiate in good faith.

In 1966 the General Assembly of the United Nations declared that South Africa had failed to fulfil its obligations to South West Africa and had, in fact, worked against the moral and material well-being of the people. The Assembly declared that henceforth South West Africa was under the direct responsibility of the United Nations.

In 1967, the General Assembly established an Il-member Council for South West Africa to administer the territory until independence. In 1968, the q General Assembly proclaimed that, in accordance with the wished of the people, the territory would be known as Namibia. The Council was renamed the Council for Namibia, Namibia became a "unique responsibility" of the United Nations, the only nen-self-governing territory for which the United Nations assumed responsibility.

In 1971; the International Court of Justice declared that "the continued presence of South Africa being illegal, South Africa is under obligation to withdraw its administration from Namibia immediately." Instead, South Africa continued its "banutstanization" of the territory following the pattern of the "homelands" it was concurrently establishing in South Africa under its policy of apartheid, its systematic explaitation of the labour and resources or the terestory, and its ruthless repression of the struggle of the people

for self determination. (next month - SWAPO, the liberation struggle)

## What's the story behind Namibia? A short history - Part 2 of 2

Today, Namibia's population, settlement patterns and economic development reflect the decades of colonial exploitation and the later, more brutal enforcement of the South African apartheid system. A recent study for the United Nations Institute for Namibia places the population at about 1,250,000 comprised of at least 1,035,000 Africans, 115,000 Coloured (people of mixed descent) and 100,000 whites of European descent. In addition, there are approximately 70,000 personnel of South Africa's illegally occupying armed forces. The whites make up less than 10 percent of the population but occupy the most productive 43 percent of Namibia's land for agriculture and grazing. The African majority has been confined to "homeland" or "bantustans" on the most impoverished 40 percent of the land. On the remaining 17 percent of the land are the vast mineral reserves, copper, uranium and diamonds. The uranium and diamonds are under the control of the South African government. Many black Namibians who cannot eke out a living in the homelands are forced to migrate to the so-called white areas in order to seek gainful employment. a situation like that which exists in South Africa. The white and foreign owned economic enterprises are thereby provided with a plentiful and cheap labor supply.

On April 19, 1960, SWAPO (South West Africa People's Organization) was formed. SWAPO's constitution, adopted in 1976, defines SWAPO. "SWAPO is a national liberation movement rallying together, on the basis of free and voluntary association, all freedom-inspired sons and daughters of the Namibian people. It is the organized political vanguard of the oppressed and exploited people of Namibia. In fulfilling its vanguard role, SWAPO organizes, unites, inspires, orients and leads the broad masses of the working Namibian people in the struggle for national and social liberation. It is thus the expression and embodiment of national unity, of a whole people united and organized in the struggle for total independence and social

liberation."

Throughout the 1960's, SWAPO struggled to liberate Namibia from South Africa's illegal occupation of their country, its fragmentation of their land into "bantustans," and its depletion of their natural resources and exploitation of their labor. South Africa responded with ruthless measures of repression beginning with the illegal arrest, deportation and trial in Pretoria of 37 South West Africans in 1967 and the imprisonment in 1968 of Herman Tolvo, the founder of SWAPO. In addition, South Africa extended its apartheid legislation to Namibia, proclaimed three "homelands" as security districts, which, in effect, placed 50 percent of Namibia's population under martial law. South Africa also built up its military presence in the area. Through these, and other repressive measures, South Africa has been able to maintain its illegal hold over Namibia.

In 1973, the General Assembly of the United Nations recognized the national liberation movement of Namibia, SWAPO, as the authentic representative of the Namibian people, and supported the efforts of the movement to strengthen national unity. SWAPO is also recognized as the legitimate representative of the Namibian people by the Organization of African Unity (OAU).

In the face of the South African repression, a military wing of SWAPO was formed - the People's Liberation Army of Namibia (PLAN). Because of South Africa's tightening of the grip on economic and political internal activities of SWAPO, armed liberation struggle has become a major form of SWAPO's campaign to bring about total and genuine independence to the people of Namibia.

E. Kawola

Adapted from the following sources: Plunder of Namibian Uranium, U.N. publication, 1982, Constitution of the South West Africa People's Organization publication of the SWAPO Department for Publicity and Information, Namibia: A Unique U.N. Responsibility, U.N. Publication, April, 1983.

Special Note: The Social Action Center, of which the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism is a member, is sponsoring a Walk-athon on April 28, 1984. Several members of the Coalition have signed up. If you can join this worthwhile benefit, call SAC 434-4037 for firther details.

CAPITAL DISTRICT COALITION AGAINST APARTHEID AND RACISM A PROJECT OF THE SOCIAL JUSTICE CENTER

BOX 3002 - Pine Hills Station Albany, New York 12203

MARCH, 1/1, 1983 Wed., 7:30 p.m. NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE CENTER 3/10 First St., Albany, N.Y.

NEXT

MEETING:

#### MEETINGS ARE HELD THE SECOND WED. OF EVERY MONTH

APARTHEID NO TO RACISM

ALL INTERESTED IN WORKING AGAINST APARTHEID AND RACISM

ANTI-APARTHEID WORK GEARS UP

Successful conference held in New Paltz on February 25th and 26th. Plans and strategies to directly work against apartheid - here in New York State -

were presented. Reports from Anita Thayer and Masani

Davis of the Capital Pistrict Coalition will be given at our March meeting. Anita will report on the divestment issue and Masani will report on the cultural boycott.

The cultural boycott has been one of our major strengths in anti-apartheid work and we are preparing to increase our work in the area of divestment - so both of these conference reports should be of vital interest.

Congratulations to New Paltz for a conference which helped coordinate and strengthen the movement.

COALITION FUNDRAISER &

On March 17th, the Coalition will hold a fundraiser. An evening with music, a fashion show and food is planned. This will give us a chance to talk and socialize and also raise money that we need to continue the struggle. A fundraiser flyer is included in this mailing - everyone's help is needed to advertise this event.

## Fundrateer Hyer attached ->

EDUCATION

The Coalition members have often discussed the need for education about South Africa and the struggle. At the March meeting, a short presentation about current developments in Angola will be given.

A series of films about South Africa and apartheid are planned for showing at the Albany Public Library by ASAPFA. For more information call ASAPFA at the Social Action Center \*434-4037.

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ELECTIONS AND DIRECTIONS



At the most recent steering committee meeting, serious discussion was held about the directions the Coalition should take in the future - taking into account our strengths and weaknesses. An election of a chair and steering committee members is scheduled for the March meeting. This is a very important meeting and all active, and not so active, Coalition members are strongly urged to attend.

Discussion of Coalition priorities and the choice of a steering committee will directly affect the future of the Coalition's work. Everyone's input needed.

The following list is of those who are running for steering committee. If you have someone else you would like to nominate (including yourself), please call Eileen Kawola (138-0309). Nominations will also be taken the night of the meeting.

SLATE Chair: Vera Michelson Steering Committee: Anita Thayer Rev. Dixon Tony Scott Eileen Kawola Shirley Lumpkin Jim Wright

## SHARPEVILLE COMMEMORATION

On March 21, 1960 the South African police opened fire on thousands of demonstrators who were protesting passbook laws. 69 persons were killed and 180 wounded. On March 17, 108h the NAACP and ASAPFA will cosponsor a commemorative ceremony at 4:00 pm at the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, 441 Washington Ave. Albany



Benefit for: the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Pacian

# Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism

Box 3002 - Pine Hills Station Albany, NY 12203

April 4, 1983

Dear Friends:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a report of the last general meeting of the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism. You will also find an agenda for our next general meeting which is scheduled for April 13, 1983 at 7:30 p.m. at the Neighborhood Resource Scheduled, 390 First Street, Albany, New York.

We have recently been contacting organizations and individuals who were originally involved in the Coalition's activities regarding the Springbok Rugby boycott. Some of you have remained active members of the Coalition and others have supported the Coalition for specific events. In order to remain a true Coalition, we need your continued support.

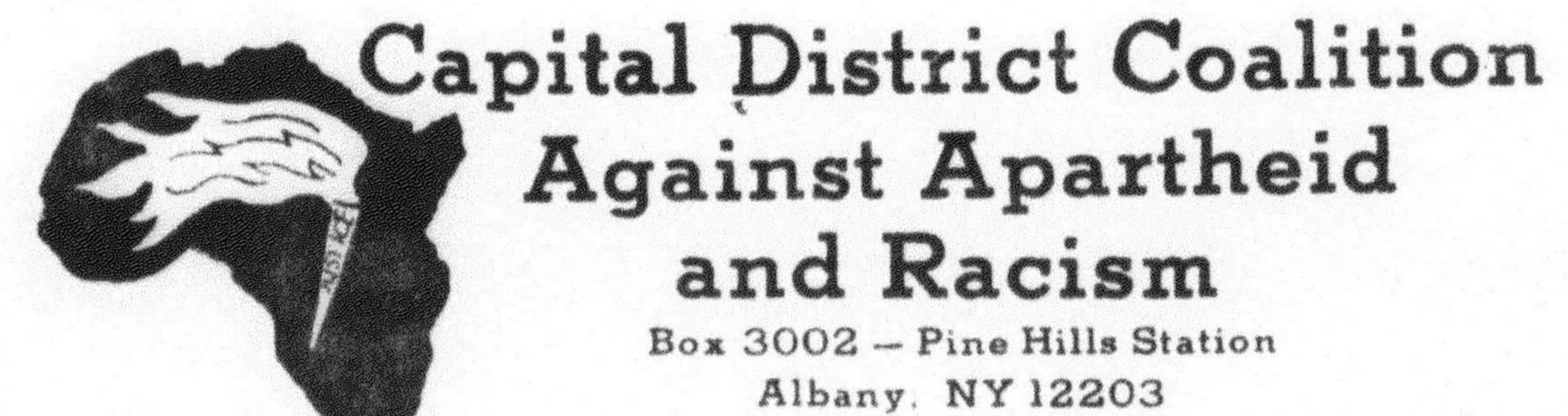
We will be mailing reports of general meetings, an agenda for upcoming meetings and any other material we feel will be of interest. (Enclosed in this mailing is a list of entertainers who have performed in South Africa and whose names have been placed on a Cultural Boycott list.)

It is our hope that you as an individual and/or your organization will continue to support the Coalition. The ideal would be for each member group of the Coalition to send a representative to each general meeting. If that is not possible, the report of meetings and agendas for future meetings should keep you abreast of Coalition activities you may wish to become involved in or on which you would wish vities you may wish to become involved in or on which you would wish to know more. If you have any questions about the Coalition or if the name of the representative used for your organization is incorrect, please contact us.

The fight against racism and apartheid is an ongoing struggle. Let us continue the fight together.

Sincerely,

Eileen Kawola Coalition Membership Committee 438-0309 (home) after 5:00 p.m. 462-7197 (work) after 2:00 p.m.



Report on General Meeting: Wednesday, March 9, 1983

Neighborhood Resource Center

390 First Street, Albany, New York

Report on Coalition Activities since last meeting:
 Participation in PRISA demonstration against Puerto Rican Governor Barcelo.

Although the Coalition made no endorsement, individual members of the Coaltion did participate; the Steering Committee did send three telegrams, to the two chairs of the Black and Hispanic Caucus and to Governor Cuomo, expressing reservations about the invitation to Governor Barcelo, citing his government's history of political repression in Puerto Rico.

2. Participation in CANA "Love Thy Neighborhood" convention.
The Coalition staffed an information table with our new display hoard, passed out material on Coalition issues, and presented a workshop.

3. Participation in Islamic Center demonstration to highlight the racist violence in Assam.

Suzanne Pollard attended as a representative of the Comlition.

i. Discussion by Deepak Kapur on Coalition participation in that demonstration.

Deepak registered a strong reaction to the Coalition's participation in the demonstration; discussion followed regarding now to determine which demonstrations the Coaltion should participate in, and what the process will be; this discussion was tabled until our next meeting, to give people time to think. A second motion was passed that the Coalition make no further statements, etc, regarding the killings in Assam between this and the next Coalition meeting on April 13, 1983.

II. Coalition Meeting Report of March 9, 1983:

1. Speaker's Bureau.

March 16, 1983 was requested as the date to get all useful and relevant resource material to Gary Pavlic; help was requested with writing sections of proposed pamphlet; April 1, 1983 was set as the deadline for the first group of letters to be sent out for speaking engagement; next committee meeting is Tuesday, April 5, 1983, 332 Hudson Avenue, Albany, 7:30 P.M.

2. Report of Fund Raising Committee.

Barbara Henderer reported that the committee is planning a fundraising movie showing in June (a Monday night) at the Third Street Theater in Rensselser. The committee is to decide on film choices and present their five selections at the next Coalition meeting (April 13).

Discussion of Dr. Zwana and the status of the position at SUNYA.

The Coalition voted to send a ltetter in support of Doctor Japhet Zwana's continued presence at the University; to be sent to SUNYA President Vincent O'Leary.

"Mike" Michaelson reported that a letter of explanation of the boycott and a list of performers to be boycotted was sent to all area college and university cultural affairs/student activities groups and administrators in the Capital District. Another letter will be sent to all local area Black and Latino Campus Organizations. Also, a letter will be sent to Benjamin Hooks to protest two people on the Cultural Boycott list who were prominent in the recent NAACP Black Image awards, Howard Hessman and Stephanie Mills. Both have made unsanctioned visits to South Africa. Announcement was made on a hearing on the Cultural Boycott scheduled for the 27th of May at the United Nations. The Coalition plans to participate.

Report of Defense Committee.

A letter was prepared for the CANA convention presenting the Coalition perspective on the lawsuit. It was handed out at the convention and at the Coalition meeting.

A disclosure truth in investment bill has been authored by Paul William's of Assemblyman Farrell's staff and is soon to be submitted to the New York State Assembly. Hearings will be held soon after submission, the Coalition will ask to participate. Assemblywoman Cynthia Jenkins has expressed willingness to submit a divestment bill similar to the

Massachusetts bill, if no one else is willing.

Miscellaneous: Denis Banks/August 27th March on Washington/

ACOA Conference.

Discussion on above tabled until next meeting due to time shortage.

Discussion of relationship of ASAFPA (American-South African People's Friendship Association) and Coalition.

After a lengthy discussion of many of the issues involved, it was moved and passed that the Coaltion would support and work with ASAFFA whenever possible.

Conference at Amherst of Northeast Region groups involved in anti-apartheid work, Saturday, March 12, 1983, 1-5 p.m. Coalition will send representatives.

April 6, 1983 has been denoted National Black Armband Day to protest apartheid.

The next general meetings of the Coalition will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 1983 and Wednesday, May 11, 1983. Both meetings will be held at 7:30, 340 First Street, Albany. They are open to all.

Notes submitted by Gary Pavlic

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for April 13, 1982 General Meeting

Divestment Campaign - Discussion on ways we can support the campaign for divestment in South Africa. Corporations and banks in the United States continue to invest in South Africa helping to prop up the racist apartheid system.

Report on Conference in Amherst, Massachusetts (held by the New England Conference on Apartheid)

Cultural Boycott - Update on Coalition activities and discussion of further activities connected with the boycott of American entertainers who perform in South Africa.

Speakers Bureau - Report of Coalition formation of Speakers Bureau, speakers and topics available to area organizations, plan for contacting community organizations who might be interested in speakers on South Africa, racism, apartheid, the Klan.

Report on Albany County Court Watchers Project

Report on Spring Fund Paising Event

# CAPITAL DISTRICT LOALITION AGAINST APARTHEID AND KACISM

Meeting - June 8. 1983

Neighborhood Resource Center. 340 1st St. Albany

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Another blow against apartheid - Over the past several weeks, members of the Capital District Coaltion Against Apartheid and Racism (C.A.A.A.R.:, members of the Black and Student Alliance (B.L.A.S.) of Union College in Schenectady and students at SUNY New Paltz have been strategizing on how to prevent the South African Vice Consulate, Piertese, from speaking at Union College on May 25th. Piertese, a racist and propagandist for the South African government was confronted by angry students from CUNY. New Paltz when he appeared on campus there in April. Significant pressure by B.L.A.S. students at Union and community organizations which sent letters to the Union administration resulted in the cancellation of the Piertese visit. NO TRADE. NO SPORTS. NO CULTURAL TIES. NO DIPLOMATIC EXCHANGE. NO INVESTMENTS. TOTAL AND COMPLETE SANCTIONS AGAINST RACIST GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA.

- PARTIAL AGENDA FOR JUNE 8th MEETING OF C.A.A.A.R.

Discussion of plans for August 27th bustrip to Washington, D.C. (Commemoration of 1963 March on Washington)

Picket Ray Charles? Beach Loys? - Cultural boycott

Identification of products in local stores which have been made in South Africa.

Report on cultural boycott progress with S.A.S.L. (Student Associations of State University.

Update - Friends of Odell Winfield

Discussion of Movie Fundraiser

## -> We Need YOUR Help - FOR TICKETS CALL 436-8219 or 463-4566

ON MONDAY NIGHT, JUNE 13, 1983, C.A.A.A.R. is sponsoring a benefit night at the movies. The Chant of Jimmy Blacksmith vill be shown at the 3rd Street Theater.

Tickets are \$3.00 each and our proceeds will be used in the fight against racism and apartheid. We need you to buy a ticket and to help sell tickets. We need you to help us advertise. '- '

## A Benefit Night at the Movies

A powerful account of a native Australian's lifelong struggle against racism



# 3rd Street Theatre

1573 3rd Street Rensselaer, N.Y. 436-4428

Monday, June 13, 1983 two showings 7:00 p.m. and 9:15 p.m.

# The Chart of Timmie-Blacksmith

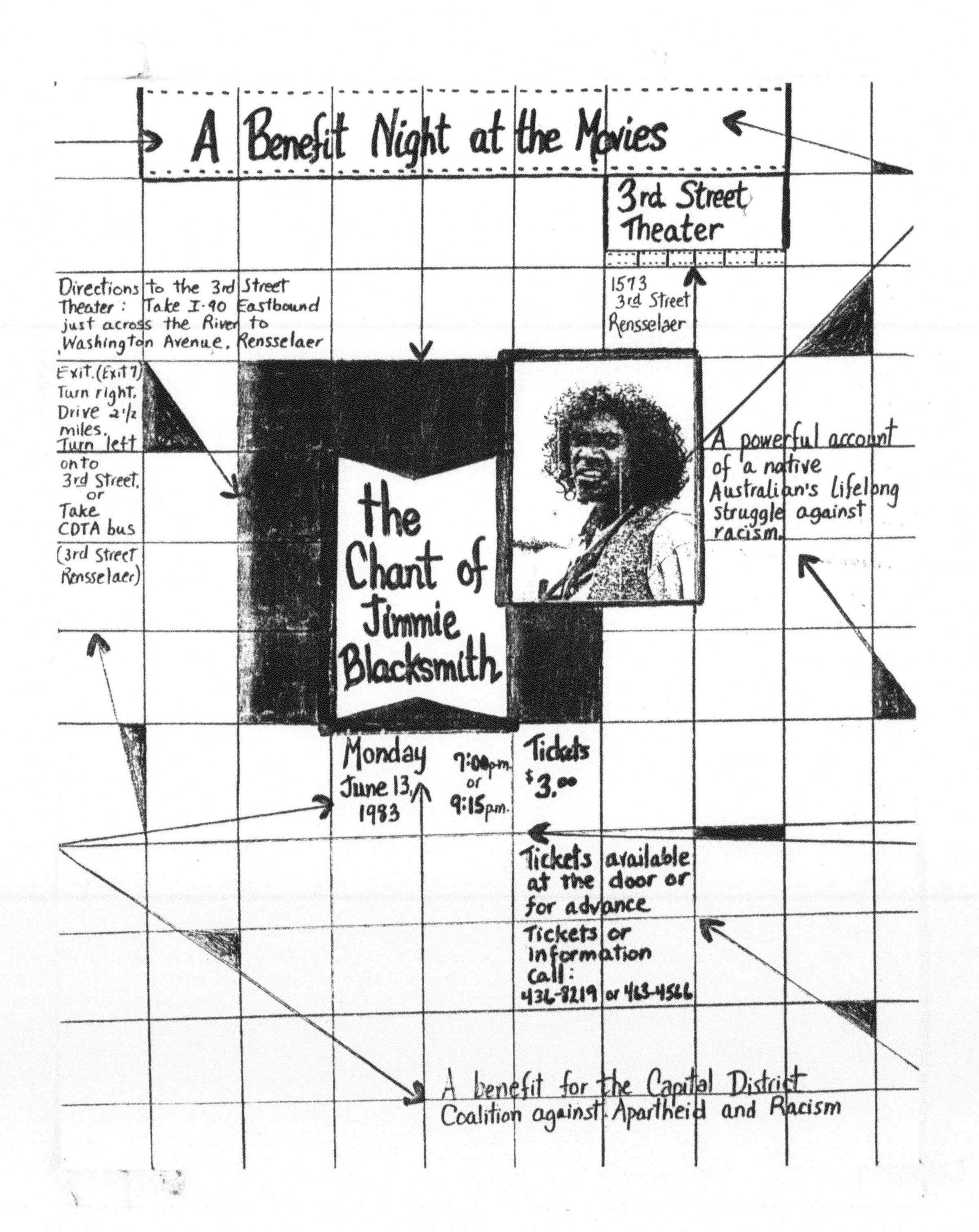
Proceeds to benefit Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism

Tickets - \$3.00

Available at the door

For advance tickets or information call 436-8219 or 463-4566

Directions to the 3rd Street Theater:
Take 1-90 Eastbound just across the
River to Washington Avenue, Rensselaer
Exit. (Exit 7). Turn right. Drive 21/2 miles.
Turn left onto 3rd Street - or take
CDTA bus (3rd Street-Rensselaer)



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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING - WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 1983 - 7:30p.m. NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE CENTER, 340 FIRST STREET, ALBANY, N.Y.

## The Struggle against Apartheid and Racism continues-

The Coalition has recently launched major protests as part of the cultural boycott against entertainers who have performed in South Africa.

June 19 - Leafleting of Beach Boys Concert at Saratoga Performing

Arts Center (SPAC)

July 3 - The Coalition held a major protest against the performance of Ray Charles at the Kool Jazz Festival at SPAC.

Leafleting and a walk-out during the Charles' segment of the festival were part of the protest. Concertgoers were provided with and asked to wear black armbands as a show of solidarity with the South African liberation struggle.

The Coalition made a substantial donation to Dennis Brutus, a South African exile and writer who was instrumental in our local organizing of the South African rugby boycott, for use in his legal fight to avoid deportation from the United States.

The Coalition held a successful fundraiser - sold out both houses - in a movie benefit, The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith.

Congratulations to ASAPFA for their successful June 16th Soweto Uprising Commemoration.

NO "BUSINESS AS USUAL" WITH SOUTH AFRICA

#### TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR JULY 13th MEETING

- 1. Cultural Boycott Work Review Discussion and review of boycotts held.

  Discussion and plans for action to be taken against Linda Ronstadt, another performer who has broken the Cultural Boycott, see and who will appear at SPAC on July 17th.

  Other entertainers??
- 2. Black Arts and Cultural Festival July 24th Empire State Plaza.
  Report on Coalition plans for involvement in the festival.
- 3. Discussion of fundraiser movie Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith.
  Report on Friends of Odell Winfield fundraiser held June 30th, State
  Lounge, Albany.
- Report on planning for Anti-Racist Conference to be held in the Fall with the Albany Branch, NAACP.

  Discussion of Coalition involvement in August 27th Jobs, Peace and
- Justice March on Washington.
  7. Announcement successful divestment pickett in New Paltz against IBM.
- 8. Endorsement of CASA (Central American Solidarity Alliance) protest against further American involvement in Central America to be held July 16th March from Washington Park at noon to Spanish American War Memorial, Northern Boulevard and Central Avenue. Planning for Coalition involvement and support.

Everyone interested in the struggle, welcome



## Ponstadt in Sun City \$125 Ponstadt in Sun City Stops The Sixties are over. Ron- | official boycott since 1968. Other

he Sixties are over. Ronald Reagan is in the White House. John Lennon is dead. And Linda Ronstadt has just completed a series of concerts in racist South Africa.

The last time she went to Africa —black-ruled Africa, in that case—she traveled with Jerry Brown, who was then the governor of California. But this time, she went to white-ruled South Africa with neither Brown nor his blessing.

"I don't take his advice very much," Ronstadt explained. "He doesn't want me to do things that are controversial. He's political. I'm not. He tries not to say no to me, because he knows it won't work. He just looks into his napkin and writhes."

The United Nations didn't nam." Bu want her to go, either. It has had an ference.

official boycott since 1968. Other Americans have broken this boycott: Cher. The Osmonds. Frank Sinatra. And now Linda Ronstadtwho is different only in that we somehow expected more of her.

Linda Ronstadt performed her concerts at the Sun City Super Bowl in Sun City. Described as the "fun capital of Southern Africa," Sun City is the Las Vegas of South Africa, and Ronstadt reportedly was paid \$500,000 to perform

"The last place for a boycott is the arts," Ronstadt said. "I just don't like being told you can't go somewhere. Like when they told Jane Fonda she couldn't go to North Vietnam. Of course she should have gone to North Vietnam." But, of course, there is a difference.

—AARON LATHAM

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SPAC July 17,1983

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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING - WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1983 - 7:30p.m. NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE CENTER, 340 FIRST STREET, ALBANY, N. Y.

## APARTHEID AND RACISM OPPOSED BY COALITION

### SUMMER BRINGS NEW ACTIONS

The cultural boycott against entertainers who have performed in South Africa continues ... July 3 - The performance by Ray Charles as part of the Kool Jazz Festival at Saratoga Performing Arts Center (SPAC) was met by a major Coalition protest. 350 people left their seats from the amphitheater and lawn area in a silent moving protest. 2,000 black armbands were distributed to people entering the festival and concertgoers were asked to wear the armbands as a show of solidarity. Approximately 6,000 fliers were distributed to people and discussions and debates were held on the apartheid issue/cultural boycott. July 17- Linda Ronstadt performance at SPAC protested. Approximately 3,000 leaflets were distributed and good discussions were

held with doubting concertgoers. Aug. 9 - America concert at Coliseum protest held by Coalition. Black Arts and Cultural Festival - July 24 At this second annual festival held at the Empire State Plaza, the Coalition had a great booth. We sold food and disseminated information about racism and apartheid. We talked to hundreds of people and got the word out. Because of rain, we didn't make a lot of money, but more importantly we provided, "Food for the mind and food w for the body." (Tony Scott, booth chairman, July 24, 1983)

### TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR AUGUST 10th MEETING

1. Cultural boycott - Review of work done. Discussion and plans for action to be taken against Paul Anka, another performer who has broken the boycott and who will perform at the Coliseum from August 10th through August 13th.

2. Report on Black Arts and Cultural Festival August 27th March on Washington for Jobs, Peace and Freedom , Update Coalition plans. (Coalition travel as a group??)

Anti-Racist Conference - Conference to be held in the fall with the Albany Branch, NAACP. Report of first planning meeting held August 4th.

5. Rugby Lawsuit - Discussion of lawsuit status. "For Better Not for Worse" - This play, written by South African playwright Salaelo Maredi about the apartheid system is being made available to the Coalition. Discussion of when and if we can bring this play to Albany.

Announcement of Northeast Regional Conference at N.v.U. on apartheid sponsored by American Committee on Africa, October 8, 1983.

8. Mailing List Update

BUTTONS, POSTERS / PAMPHLETS NOW RACISM

Meeting: Galition Against Apartheid Racism (C.a.a.a.R)

Wed - Sept 14, 1983 - 7.30 P.M.
340 First St., albany

partial agenda:

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general Sugartier Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism Wednesday September 14, 1983 AGENDA 1. Conferences - September 24 Family Day - Arborhill Center Cotober 8-9 National Student Conference - Agenda November 5 Conference on Apartheid - New Paltz Dec. 3-4 November 19 Coalition Against Apartheid and NAACP

RECEMBER A NATIONAL POLICY

3. Cultural Boycott Walter Thomassation to Change Grant Carl Boycott African Products 5. Steering Committee Report on Election of New Steering Committee Members 6. Review of August 27th March on Washington and Establishment of Coalition of Conscience - and - 1 7. Solidarity Day Participation Treasurers Report & Fund Raiser 8. Update on Dennis Brutis Case 9. Organization Building 10. Announcements -Albany NAACP Membership Meeting -- Sunday, March 18, 4:00 p.m., Union Baptist Church. Panel Discussion "After the March on Washington: Next Steps." The state of the s Please attend and present your views Mhelio + Add toutadt Jone Gray