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service agencies that currently reside there. (Harambee Health and Family Center and the Dane County Department of Human Services)

The draft plan was prepared after months of community input, discussions, and research on the future of the Villager site that the City of Madison purchased earlier this year. Also outlined in the proposed plan are sites for educational programs, a business incubator and outdoor public areas. An interior street is proposed to control traffic flow through the area and about 650 parking spots are planned for the site.

NEXT MEETING! 9/15/05

When: Thursday, 9/15/05
Where: Coliseum Bar and Restaurant
Time: Noon - 1:15 p.m.
Format: 12:00 Noon Lunch
 12:15 - 1:15 Announcements &
 Open Discussion Meeting

RSVP to Jean Vogel @ 273-6300 x160 or jeanv@sergenians.com
 by Noon on Tues. 9/13

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This Month's Meeting...

Detective George Chavez City of Madison Police Department

Detective George Chavez has been a law enforcement officer for the last 19 years, 14 of those with the City of Madison Police Department. He worked for 8 years with the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force and has been the Gang Liaison Officer since 1997.

He is the Southwest Coordinator for the Midwest Gang Investigators Association; he currently serves as the Vice President of the Great Lakes International Gang Investigators Association's Wisconsin Chapter; and is the Midwest representative for the International Latino Gang Investigator's Association.

Detective Chavez has over 250 hours of specialized gang training, and is currently with the Criminal Intelligence Section of the Madison Police Department to gather information on gangs and to work gang-related crimes.

Our program this month will include an update on gang activity and how we can help improve the safety of our community. Detective Chavez will present a program he is helping to develop that is geared towards prevention, intervention and suppression of the gang "culture". The program, DART, is Developing Alternatives to Redirect Teens.

Member Spotlight

This month's member spotlight will be on **Urban Commercial/Alexander Company**. Sean O'Rourke will share more in depth information about his business and recent projects at this month's meeting.

Villager Site Redesign

Attendees of the Thursday, August 18, 2005 Villager Mall Redesign open house were presented with a draft plan that includes a small grocery store, a new public library, 39 owner-occupied housing units, a restaurant, retail stores, commercial space and accommodations for the social

Some of the initial implementation strategies could include:

- Consider a working relationship with an established local group to serve as a liaison between, the CDA, individual site developers, and the neighborhoods when new developments are proposed for construction on the Villager site in line with the master plan. The local group could also help obtain input on site and building use components not yet fully detailed, such as a community center or outdoor civic space.
- Develop a parking management plan that phases the construction of new parking lots and allocates parking spaces so that customer-based users have enough parking to make and keep retail users viable.
- Convene a park and ride/transit working group to identify long term solutions and funding for parking and transit needs associated with the University and "Health Care Main Street" institutions, considering the potential for a parking structure on or near the Villager site.

Fundraising Efforts

The **Southside Raiders Football** program is looking for your support. They have a good program that allows over 100 kids to participate in Youth Football & Cheerleading. Over the years, the Raider program has been instrumental in the development of many of the youth in the area and has enjoyed watching the kids mature into adults.

The Raiders are asking area businesses to join their fan base by contributing to their fund raising efforts. By choosing to sponsor a player or contribute at any of the other levels, you will help offset the cost of Uniforms, Transportation, Equipment, Food, Referees and the Banquet.

Any amount you choose to give is greatly appreciated and you are welcome any time to come by the park and cheer on the SS Raiders.

- \$500 or greater - "Silver & Black" sponsors receive a Team Picture, Plaque, Raider Jersey & Hat
- \$300 - "Loyal Fan" sponsors receive a Team Picture, Plaque, Raider T-shirt & Hat
- \$150 - "Player" sponsors receive a Team Picture, Certificate & Raiders T-shirt

The Raiders enjoy many loyal supporters, yet they find themselves with a shortfall in funding for the needed new uniforms and equipment this year. SMBA as an organization has donated \$200.00 specifically for new uniforms. Please take a moment and consider the future of the kids, knowing that a gift to programs like SS Raiders keeps our SS kids growing in a positive direction.

Please send your contribution to:
 SS Raiders Fundraiser c/o Boys & Girls Clubs of Dane County
 2001 Taft Street Madison WI 53713

Membership Dues

Membership renewals for 2005-2006 were mailed in July. The \$100.00 annual membership dues include the monthly meeting lunches and the monthly newsletter. If you haven't already mailed your dues check, please bring them to the September meeting or send them in by September 20, 2005.

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Mark Your Calendar

S.M.B.A. MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

When: September 15, 2005	SMBA meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at The Coliseum Bar, from 12:00 Noon to 1:15 pm unless otherwise indicated in the newsletter. Following is the meeting schedule for 2005:	
Where: <i>Coliseum Bar and Restaurant</i>		
Time: Noon - 1:15 p.m.	October 20, 2005 TBD	December 15, 2005 Al Fish, Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Staff UW Madison – Facilities Planning and Management
Speaker: Detective George Chavez, Criminal Intelligence Section, City of Madison Police Department	November 17, 2005 Jennifer Alexander, President Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce	