

**STUDENT:**  
Anti-violence  
march also set

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ization of which Jackson is the founder and president — said he couldn't imagine how many people will march.

Mark Allen, field director for the coalition of five schoolboards of which Jackson is a member, said Chicago and others are expected from communities throughout the Midwest.

Participants will gather at 2 p.m. at the Church of the Living God, P.O. Box 1000, No. 3, 1762 E. Prairie Ave., before marching at 3 p.m. to Decatur High School.

The Decatur Police Department has a list of 100 to 150 people in the march, said Sgt. Richard Starn. He would not elaborate on the plan.

Stockard on Friday joined McNeely in voting to support the school board's action. Stockard said members of YEA on Saturday had asked her to take a stand on the issue on the issue, which she said she changed after viewing an amateur video of the fight last week.

After listening to her explanation, Stockard said 16-year-old O'Neeka Reed was adamant about her being one of the group's "Stop the Violence" marchers to coincide with the Rainbow/PUSH rally.

"They wanted to understand why I didn't want to change my position. And they did understand it," Stockard said. "Then O'Neeka said we should have a march to stop the violence."

O'Neeka's mother, Kimberly Starr Reed, was murdered in 1996. She said the people wanted to focus on the violence and fight rather than the effort to return the boys to school.

"What they did was wrong. It had violence to do with it. Somebody could have been hurt," O'Neeka said. She said her brother, who organized the anti-violence march would make the community "calm down a little bit."

Her mother's murder remains unsolved.

Stockard, who is the only black council member, said she already has taken some criticism for her position on the issue. She said many people have closed their minds on the topic and are fearing that the students could be returning to school as soon as next summer if they follow a program set out by the school board that includes monitoring and community service.

"In some cases, I don't care what you tell people, they're not hearing it," Stockard said.

Jackson was in Decatur on Tuesday and Wednesday hoping to meet with the board's reconsiderer of its decision. He has said their expulsions, which could last as long as two years, are too lengthy for his liking.

But school officials say the expulsions are warranted considering the severity of the fight. And the Goodwill Foundation board president, has voted not to reverse the decision.

In a statement, Jackson said he has said his plans to take the matter to court. He has also told members of the SIU chapter to "have your kids at school Monday (and) be prepared to get arrested."

Allen said Rainbow/PUSH was informed of an anonymous threat made by someone who claimed to be a member of the Ku Klux Klan. Allen said he hopes that a threat from a "cowardly, faceless person" "won't dissuade people from attending the march."

"The law enforcement have indicated that they are anonymous," he said. "And they'll have a regular detail of officers to monitor the demonstration."

**Report: Nationalists had links to Cuba**

**HARTFORD, Conn. —** The Puerto Rican nationalists offered clemency by President Clinton in exchange for their groups' ties to Cuban intelligence agents, The Hartford Courant reported.

In a story in today's paper, the Courant said the FBI files on a Wells Fargo robbery in West Hartford document Clinton's support for the Puerto Rican independence movement. The contents of the files have not been disclosed until now, the Courant said.

The FBI said in conversations and meetings between Cuban intelligence agents and members of the group Los Macheteros, "Special Agents for the FBI Cited."

"Numerous court-authorized interceptions of conversations, including those in which the Germans support and direct the Macheteros at a firsthand level," the FBI said in a confidential memo.

In September, President Clinton freed 11 jailed nationalists, members of Los Macheteros or the PALN, the Spanish acronym for the Armed Forces of National Liberation.

**SEARS**  
correction notice

On page 31 of the Sears insert dated November 7, the following statement was inadvertently left out as it pertains to the "3 rooms for under \$1000" offer: "this offer is 450 sq. ft. for \$999 - and is for the styles mentioned in the ad." We regret any inconvenience this may cause our customers.

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