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'This Week In Joe's Basement'

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I've never understood what point the bare feet and food-munching that dominate this weekly cable-access program (Channel 19 on Chicago Cable) are trying to make. But as ambiguous and bored as host Joe Winston can seem at times, so can he frequently be provocative, and no more so than in this week's edition, a rebroadcast of a show that first aired in April.

"Sledgehammer Diplomacy" leaves the basement and takes its camera to the streets of Hyde Park, Woodlawn and Uptown to ask black people what they think of white people and white people what they think of black people.

Some of the answers are stupid; others are frank, angry and honest. In sum, they represent a fascinating and not a little frightening look at the uneasy racial relations in this city.