

**U.J.A. WALK-A-THON RAISES \$2 MILLION**

NEW YORK -- They marched, they jogged, they bi - and unicycled. They rollerskated, pushed babies in strollers, danced and swam endless laps in pools. They walked with pets, classmates, friends and neighbors from coast to coast carrying banners that declared "We Walk As One!"

On Sunday, May 15, in 133 communities throughout the USA and Canada, an estimated quarter million American Jews - aged two months to 92 years - joined together for what is believed to be the largest, most colorful demonstration of Jewish solidarity in history. With the sponsorship and support of individuals and organizations ten times their numbers, they raised in excess of \$2 million during the United Jewish Appeal's first National Walk - A - Thon. It was a day when Jewish people marched proudly along routes shaped like Stars of David, stopping at checkpoints named for ancient and modern cities in Israel. It was a

day when lengths of time and space were shortened by songs and stories rich in Jewish tradition. It was a day which placed the American Jewish community on the map for generations to come.

"We walked as one to celebrate Jewish life in America," explained Irwin S. Field of Los Angeles, National Walk - A - Thon Chairman. "We demonstrated on behalf of our brethren living in the Soviet Union and in Moslem countries who cannot walk in freedom. We shared in the joy of Israel's people as we marked the 10th anniversary of Jerusalem's reunification and the third decade of their independence."

**Dr. Sam Brown**

By Rabbi Samuel M. Silver

Seeing Dr. Samuel Brown is an exhilarating experience.

Dr. Sam Brown is the Jewish crusader who pressed for the inclusion of the name, Isaiah, on the Isaiah Wall, near the United Nations.

It took over two years of fighting his way through bureaucratic red tape and fund-raising but eventually, thanks to Dr. Brown, the great statement from the Bible about turning swords into plowshares was embellished with the name of the author, Isaiah. All this because of Dr. Brown's persistence.

Dr. Brown worked for the American Jewish Congress for many years before heading for Miami Beach and what is laughingly called retirement.

Dr. Brown had been "anointed" by the great Rabbi Stephen Wise, and there is something of that powerful tribune for justice in Brown (as there is in the hundreds of rabbis Wise ordained and in the thousands of people he mesmerized).

Dr. Brown has invented something piquant. It is a bus tour of fascinating Jewish sites. In the New York area he will take a group to places like the Spanish Synagogue, Temple Emanu-El, a Negro Jewish Synagogue, the East Side of New York, Brooklyn chasidic establishments, a mikveh, etc.

He still does the New York tours, and has added a Greater Miami tour. He takes groups to the Cuban Synagogue, to a yeshivah, to a mikveh, etc.

Dr. Brown is also horrified by the fact that in the Miami area telephone rates have been increased by hundred and fifty percent.

We salute a courageous champion of human rights, one of our heroes, Dr. Samuel Brown!



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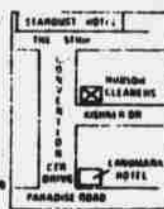
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**CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE IN MAY 8 ELECTION**

**EDDIE ESCOBEDO FOR COMMISSION**

**WALTER NORWOOD FOR MUNICIPAL JUDGE**

Twenty - three year Las Vegas resident, Eddie Escobedo, filed for a seat on the Las Vegas City Commission representing Ward #1. This marks the first entry into the political arena for the popular 45 year old U.S. Air Force veteran.

A member of the Bartenders & Beverage Union Local No. 165, Escobedo recently celebrated his 10th anniversary with the Del E. Webb Corporation as a bartender at the Sahara Hotel. Escobedo is also co-owner of the El Rancho theater, a local family theater featuring Spanish speaking films.

The fact that I am a working man and small business owner gives me a keen insight into the problems affecting those two most abused and ignored classes of people," Escobedo said.

Dedicated to serving the community, Escobedo served as member of KNPR a public service station, and directs and hosts a weekly Spanish speaking TV show at Channel 10.

Escobedo is president and founder of the Club Social Mexicano of Las Vegas, vice president of the Latins of Las Vegas Club, and a columnist for La Verdad, Nevada's only Spanish newspaper.



**JUDGE WALTER**

Las Vegas Municipal Court Judge Walter V. Norwood filed for the May 8 primary election to retain his Department One judicial seat.

Judge Norwood, who was appointed to the bench in June, 1978, currently handles all criminal misdemeanor arraignments in Municipal Court. Oran Gragson and John Foley are campaign managers.

The 32 - year - old jurist served as a deputy attorney general from 1974 to 1977 and was an Alternate Municipal Court Judge prior to his permanent appointment.

"We have one of the busiest courts in the state and the problems are immense in the area of street crime," said Norwood.

Noting that Municipal Court is limited in its jurisdiction by the state legislature and city charter, Norwood said he believes that programs initiated by the court have strengthened the court in respect to treatment of habitual offenders.

He also feels that Municipal Court is one of the "most enlightened courts in the state" because of its willingness to implement rehabilitation programs.

"Court counselling is a good example of the progressiveness of the court," said Norwood. "Since its institution, 80 percent of the people who entered the program have not been re-arrested."

Norwood feels that the vagrant and derelict situation in Las Vegas is "deplorable" and one that must be contained.

"The unfortunate situation is that many of these people are not criminals and the major problem is what to do with them," said Norwood.

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