

# OPEN LETTER

Dear Member:

Sunday, December 13, 1970, you will share the responsibility of selecting new leadership in our struggle to assure all men of color their civil rights. We must select persons who can at this moment of great division unite and rally all of the legions, Black and White, to the forefront of battle.

New leadership must realize that the Civil Rights battlefield has CHANGED from the bus to the bank, from Woolworth to Wall Street, and from Salem to the Senate.

As President of the Las Vegas Branch of the N. A. A. C. P. I would emphasize but not limit, programmed efforts toward three areas of major concern: Education, Economic Development, and Politics.

Educationally, we must seek to stabilize our community by locating relevant and creditable learning institutions from headstart through higher institutions of learning. We must assure every Black student quality education with a goal of developing a literate Black generation (a sense of Black self-pride).

In order to obtain optimum performance educationally every child should be assured proper nourishment.

Education is a Political Act. It's goals are people building, community building, and nation building. It should be directed toward the transmission of skills, knowledge, culture, and values designed to produce the New Black Man.

Economically we should seek to regenerate the business structure of West Las Vegas by attracting light manufacturing, programmed to provide joint ownership and jobs, redevelop business areas such as Jackson Street and conduct consumer education and research consumer practices in West Las Vegas.

Politically the Black voter must develop a bi-partisan political community. Until we do so the one party affiliation shall continue to cause ineffective political stimulus. We shall seek legislation to create political districts that would be conclusive to electing black officials (city, county and state). We should seek and exploit political and economical alliances throughout the community.

Upon my election as President of the Las Vegas Branch, I shall work with great diligence and exploit all available talents toward an effort to implement the above changes and others which I eagerly seek recognition of.

Right on.

Heavily submitted

Edmond L. Lewis



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## YOU'RE INVITED

Meet the candidate Robert Archie for President of Las Vegas Branch N. A. A. C. P. You are cordially invited to a champagne sip -- Hors D'Oeuvres will be served.

Time: 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 6, 1970, Cosmopolitan Lounge Moulin Rouge Hotel

"I would like to see all my old friends and many of my new friends present so that we can discuss the problems that confront us today, and hopefully, agree on some solution to the problems. I will be available to answer any questions that anyone may have on any subject and hope that everyone will enjoy themselves."



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