

West Las Vegas residents have special needs, interests, and commitments to their locale, and should have the same qualities in their representatives to the Nevada State assembly, Lonie Chaney said today.

Accordingly, he filed for an Assembly seat to represent District No. 7.

Chaney cited the need for an extension of the Nevada State Prison in Southern Nevada where area residents can visit family and friends incarcerated with relative ease. This will eliminate the high cost of traveling to Carson City to visit inmates which a lot of people simply cannot afford. It will also insure that the inmate will have more communication with his family and friends and will not necessarily be relegated to serving a lonely sentence isolated from loved ones.

He advocates a work release program, which allows the inmate to join the community during normal working hours for job experience and greater understanding in coping with vocational problems, while returning to the prison at night to sleep. It is a proven fact that the rate of an ex-prisoner's return to a life of crime is sharply decreased after this type of work-release program has been in effect within a community. Work-release has worked to the advantage of citizens in Detroit, Carson City and Cleveland, to mention but a few satisfied cities. In view of rising welfare costs, this work-release program can pay for itself by permitting a parent to continue fulfilling his financial obligations to his family while serving his prison sentence.

On other issues, he says he feels senior citizens are a must for a tax cut, that they are already overburdened with having to keep pace with a spiraling economy on a fixed, and very limited budget. "They need help with their medical bills, with housing, and with employment".

Inflation hasn't just hit seniors, however, families on welfare are also feeling the pinch and Chaney suggests the benefits be raised to meet their needs. "A mother with three children and \$200. a month to live on isn't going to be able to provide very stable nutrition for those children when inflation has risen 12 percent in the last year alone." The 39 year old Las Vegas pledges to seek additional funds for the development of mental and rehabilitation programs, to work for fiscally expanding the Community College, to upgrade parks and provide better recreation facilities, and to secure more state supported employment for youths during the summer months.

He also advocates stronger ties with the West Las Vegas community, and intermittent polling to ascertain community posture on current issues.

Chaney is a twenty year resident of Las Vegas. A Democrat, he is president of the Sunrise Travel Club and is active in the religious community in the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church.

He is a seven year member and past president of the American Singers Association. Chaney served with the U.S. Army from 1958 to 1960.



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The new program will enable the college to provide transportation to the elderly to keep essential health care appointments, attend rehabilitation workshops, do essential shopping and go to recreational sites, congregate meals and educational and employment services.

According to Dr. Lloyd McNeil, Jr., Project Director for the Community College, "seniors, 60 years of age or older who are in need of transportation, will be served on a priority basis with medical needs ranking first, nutrition second, and outreach ranking third in order."

Passenger vans will be driven by qualified senior citizens. Number of vans available will be increased as the program needs are established. Each van has a two-way radio.

According to the project's expeditor, James Deakin, Jr., there are an estimated 25,000 senior citizens in the county and agencies on aging have reported through recent surveys, that transportation ranks as one of the prime needs of the elderly.

Transportation is available by telephoning the Senior Citizens Transportation Program, 385-5595, extension 77.

Rancho

played in the Ram band for three years.

She is the senior class girls activity chairman and a member of the Student Council. During the past summer, Cheryl was a delegate to Girls State in Carson City where she was elected as the county Justice of the Peace and State Attorney General during Girls State elections.

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