

COMMUNITY ACCENT

Library Relates To Black Culture For King's Birthday

In recognition and remembrance of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the North Las Vegas Library will have a Special Program related to Black Culture and the life of this famous Black Minister and Civil Rights Leader.

The program will be held in the library at 230 Civic Center Drive

on Wednesday, January 15th at 7 pm. It is free and open to the public. The program will include a special story-hour of Black fairy and folk tales, the films "I Have A Dream" and "Black History: Lost Strayed or Stolen" and a display featuring books by and about the American Negro.

For further information phone 2363.

MEISTERSINGERS

The Meistersingers, a group of vibrant individuals dedicated to community service through choral singing, was first organized in Las Vegas in 1966 under the directorship of Mrs. Grace McGlothen. Plans are now under way to revitalize this very talented group of singers with the hope of having a membership not to exceed (100) one hundred.

If you were once a member or would like to

become a member you are invited to attend an organizational meeting to be held at Jo Mackey Sixth Grade Center 2726 Englestad Street, North Las Vegas, Nevada at 7:00 p.m., January 14, 1975 (Room #31).

The repertoire, reflecting the varied talents of the singers will range from contemporary to the classics.

"Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass; come along and sing with Grace."

For further information call 642-8690

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

The District Health Department has scheduled five free immunization clinics for children and young people between two months and 21 years.

Immunization to prevent diphtheria, polio and both types of measles will be available from the public health nurses at the following locations:

Indian Springs Masonic Temple in Indian Springs from 1 to 3 PM on Monday, (Jan. 13).
Paradise Park Town

Hall at 4770 Harrison from 1:30 to 3:30 PM on Wednesday (Jan. 15).

Brown Project at 5056 Monson Rd. from 1 to 4 PM on Thursday, (Jan. 16).

Al Landsman Gardens at 750 Major Ave., in Henderson from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM Thursday, (Jan. 16).

And at the Boys Club at 2530 E. Carey in North Las Vegas from 9 AM to noon on Friday, (Jan. 17).

Please call the Health Department for further information.

US, Inc. A Place For Youth

US Inc., is a youth service agency that is currently directed by John Zullinger. US Inc., serves different purposes for different kinds of youth. To some, it is a place to go and something to do. To others, it is where they receive what Mr. Zullinger termed as recreational therapy. US coordinates with various other counseling agencies and lends itself to the juvenile court for services. US started as a "hot-line" type of operation

in 1966. It has since grown to a very successful establishment providing services for about 75 to 100 people. Recently moved into a new building on Main Street, US hopes to expand even more, utilizing all their new facility.

The students who wish to participate in the programs at US must follow certain rules and uphold standards set by the staff. At the present time, the staff consists of the director and two assistants.

The activities at US give the participants opportunities to develop new relationships and get into a new peer group. Students at US participate in programs taught by authorities in areas such as horseback riding, bowling, trampoline, macrame and others. The students are allowed and encouraged to put their own activities together which creates even more enthusiasm and teaches them responsibility.

Through the efforts of these type of organizations, many youth receive the help they need each year. US is an organization unique to Las Vegas and certainly adds a needed aspect to our community.

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NLV SEEKS HOUSING CODE ENFORCEMENT

With the City of North Las Vegas continuing to serve as a primary "bedroom" area for the economic region of Southern Nevada, every effort should be made to make it an "attractive bedroom" appealing to all classes and economic groups.

This a major conclusion in a report on the feasibility of a program of scheduled code enforcement in North Las Vegas, completed recently by the Community Analysis Department.

The report points out the difficulty of proving the short term financial feasibility of such a code enforcement program by the City. The major problem in this regard, according to Community Analysis Director Franklin Bills, is the simple fact that under present state tax allocations, the City must share the benefits of such a program with the County and School District, who would not be sharing the costs of the program.

However, the report emphasizes the long term importance of code enforcement in the improvement of the City's

image and life style and making the community a more "attractive bedroom."

"Our studies have shown there is a critical need for the development of new and better quality housing in North Las Vegas," the Community Analysis Director said. "However, the benefits to the Community from any new housing developments would be largely offset unless there is a continuing emphasis on the maintenance and upgrading of the existing housing stock in the City."

In this regard it has been clearly demonstrated in North Las Vegas and many other communities that modest sums spent on preventive maintenance of housing and environmental conditions is a much more efficient use of community resources than total clearance and redevelopment. Nevertheless it has been shown that without the effort of environmental maintenance, neighborhoods will slide downhill to the point where total clearance is the only answer to prevent blight.

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