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NEVADA'S  
TOP  
WEEKLY



## ...ING TO OWN BUILDING



Dr. Lonnie Sisson

Dr. Lonnie Sisson, the only Black optometrist in Southern Nevada, has added another feature to his first - cap.

Dr. Sisson will move into his own office building the first of next week at 1212 S. Maryland Parkway. For the past four years Sisson has been associated with another doctor.

Dr. Sisson said his new office will have about 1,300 square feet.

He said this move would not be any different than when he was associated with the other doctor, except that he will have his own practice.

Sisson, who is the son of Ms. Marjorie Elliott, the first Black realtor in Nevada, received optometrist education at Pacific University in (See Sisson, pg 14)

## Jimmy Gay Slated for Surgery

Jimmy Gay, a longtime mortician for Palm Mortuary, was scheduled Wednesday to undergo surgery at Sunrise Hospital.

Gay was admitted to the hospital at 4 p.m. Sunday suffering from lower abdomen pains, he said.

He said his doctor had indicated the surgery would possibly be for the removal of a double hernia. He added this would not be confirmed however, until tests had been completed.

He said his doctor said tests had been favorable.

Gay said he had entered the hospital under his own power.

He was the first Black person in Las Vegas to hold an executive position with one of the major hotels.



Jimmy Gay

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## Duncan, O'Neal get housing appointments

Community Activists Ruby Duncan and Erma O'Neal have been appointed to the newly formed Citizens Housing Advisory Committee.

They were appointed, along with 18 other persons, by the Clark County Regional Planning Council.

Also named to the committee are: Nora Big John, Las Vegas Indian Center; Dorothy L. Collins; Elton Garrett, of Boulder City; Don Kirland, of Clark County; Rosalie M. Larson, Southwestern Equal Opportunity Officers Association; E.G. Matthews, of Nevada Equal Rights Commission; Noel McFarlane, of the NAACP; Rodolfo Navarro, of Spanish Speaking Coalition; Irv Rappaport, of Nevada Apartment Association; Fernando Romero, of Nevada Association of Latin Americans; Roy Silvrants, of Las Vegas Board of Realtors; Dudley A. Smith, of Southern Nevada Home Builders Association; Juanita Smith, of Low Income Housing Interests; Dorothy Sullivan, of Southern Nevada Mortgage Bankers Association, and Gene Williams, of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.



Erma O'Neal



Ruby Duncan

## Summa Gets Airport Renovation Approval

Clark County Commissioners have approved a \$3 million project by the Hughes' Summa Corp. to renovate facilities at its McCarren International Airport executive terminal.

Summa attorney Bill Morse at first refused to accept the agreement because of two stipulations tagged onto it by the commission. But he informed the commission about two hours after the meeting that Summa would accept those terms.

The two stipulations which sparked so much friction between the Commission and Summa were on the addition

of any new slot machines and how the pot should be split on fuel sales.

The commission got its way, however. Summa agreed to renegotiate every five years the two and quarter cents it pays the airport for each gallon of fuel sold.

Summa presently has 68 slots in its airport complex, which adds about \$150,000 a year to the county's purse.

Morse said since the commission had given Summa permission in its 1969 lease to install slots in its complex, any new slots should fall under the one-third arrangement.

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## EOB GETTING 2 GRANTS

The Economical Opportunity Board of Clark County EOB has been granted over \$86,000 by the Clark County Regional Planning Council.

The money will be allocated in two grants. EOB said it would use \$48,000 to prepare counselor volunteers for future employment and entry into education for counselor status to work with alcoholics in poverty communities, and to provide additional training

and education at recognized schools for the entire staff as to keep them abreast of the latest development in treating alcoholics.

The \$38,000 grant will be used to shuttle low-income families to the Food Stamp Office.

"This is a program designed to end or lessen nutritional food needs of a minimum 1,800 low-income (See EOB, pg 17)

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