

PRES. CARTER ANNOUNCES PLANS IN SUPPORT OF MINORITY BANKS

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- President Jimmy Carter has announced new, major initiatives to increase the federal deposits in minority-owned and operated banks.

In a White House meeting with a delegation of minority bankers from the National Bankers Association (NBA), President Carter pledged the full support of his office in strengthening and expanding the Minority Bank Deposit program, launched in 1972 to increase federal deposits in minority banks.

Heading the delegation were James C. Purnell, President of the National Bankers Association, and President of Liberty Bank of Seattle, Washington, and Robert E. James, President-elect of NBA, and president of Carver State Bank Savannah, Georgia.

Other representatives of NBA, the trade association for minority banks, participating in the White House meeting were: James S. Banks, Vice President, City National Bank of Detroit; George Brokmond, President, Highland Community Bank, Chicago; Sharnia "Tab" Buford, President, Douglass State Bank, Kansas City, Kansas; Dr. Carl Carroll, President, Riverside National Bank, Houston; Samuel L. Foggie, President, United National Bank, Washington, D.C.; Alden J. McDonald, Jr., President, Liberty Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans; Lynn Salvage, President, First Women's Bank, New York City; Charles Swallow, President, American Indian National Bank, Washington, D.C., and Anthony L. Maxwell, Executive Director of NBA.

The bankers expressed their appreciation of the President's support for minority banks, particularly his memorandum of April 8 urging department heads to support the Government's Minority Bank Deposit program.

President Carter announced several initiatives to maximize the success and results of the program. These initiatives included:

- Appointing Presidential assistant Mrs. Martha (Bunny) Mitchell as White House liaison to coordinate the program;
- Arranging for NBA officials to meet with cabinet members to seek new ways for agencies to increase their deposits in minority banks;
- Providing a mechanism for monitoring the program;
- Sharing quarterly reports, which department heads submit to the Treasury department showing their progress, with minority banks;
- Expanding the Minority Bank Deposit program to include the corporate community through meetings with cabinet members.

The National Bankers Association, headquartered in Washington, D.C., represents 81 banks owned by Blacks, Hispanics, American Indians and Asian Americans.

NBA President Purnell said, "We were pleased with the President's commitment to and understanding of the role of minority banks in stimulating economic growth in our communities. We agreed to support his energy program by offering a rate differential on loans for smaller cars and home rehabilitation to conserve energy."

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"CONGRATULATION WINNERS"

The Prince Hall Masonic, P.H.A. Family wish to thank the public of the southern Nevada community and out-of-towners for participating in the 1977 annual fund drive. The winners of the drawing that was held at the Fremont Hotel, April 30th are:

- 1st Prize - Betty Black
- 2nd Prize - Shirley Edmonds
- 3rd Prize - Richard Gaines
- 4th Prize - Rosie Cooksey

AUBREY C. LEWIS CITED BY 100 BLACK MEN OF N.J.

Aubrey C. Lewis, corporate vice president for administrative services with the F. W. Woolworth CO., has been presented a Distinguished Service Award by the 100 Black Men of New Jersey, Inc. for his efforts and contributions as a charter member of the board of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority.

The accompanying citation singled Lewis out for his "outstanding professionalism and courage of conviction in relating and instilling within his fellow trustees of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, contractors, owners, union officials and community leaders, and awareness and understanding professionalism and courage of conviction in relating and instilling within his fellow trustees of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, contractors, owners, union officials and community leaders, and awareness and understanding of sensitive employment issues which benefit the entire community." The citation continued:

"As Chairman of the Authority's Affirmative Action Committee, Lewis has played a vital role in developing, implementing and evaluating the critical Affirmative Action component of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority's manpower program, the success of which warrants this recognition.

"His gifted ability to gain total cooperation in this venture is compatible and in keeping with his life style. Since his childhood days in New Jersey Aubrey has been know as a 'doer' -- a person who makes things happen. A man whose leadership has exhibited extreme sensitivity, both in his position as an executive with the F.W. Woolworth Co. and as a trustee of the Sports Complex, it has only been a natural and innate response that he has assumed the necessary role of relating and communicating the aspirations of the black community before the Authority."

One Hundred Black Men, Inc. is made up of men in business, industry, public affairs, government and the professions and government.

Lewis, is owrking closely with the 100 Black Men of New Jersey in organizing a football game classic between Howard University and Florida A&M University scheduled to be played at the New Jersey Sports Complex on Sept.10. The proceeds will fund college scholarships for underprivileged students as well as other charitable activities carried out by the organization.

Lewis, a resident of Montclair, joined Woolworth as executive office personnel representative in 1967. In 1970 he was promoted to assistant vice president for career development and in 1972 he was elected to his present position as assistant corporate vice president for administrative services. He is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame. Prior to joining Woolworth he was an agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In 1971 he was named a commissioner of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority. As chairman of the Authority's Affirmative Action Committee he has been the chief coordinator of a program involving the Authority, unions, contractors and community, which has been cited as one of the best affirmative action packages ever put together for blacks, women and other minorities in the nation.

SCLC MEETS

The SCLC meetings are held every Tuesday night at 8:00 P.M. at the Greater Faith Baptist Church on Chamberlin St. in N.L.V.

Let us join hands. We need each other.
Rev. C. C. Smith, President

"SOUTHERN BARBECUE"

Silver Star Chapter #10 Order of Eastern Star, P.H.A. invite you to a rib, chicken, hot link barbecue sale at 2700 Colton off Cheyenne West on May 28, 1977. Will deliver if you can not attend. Call 647-2095 for delivery on the 28th. Also a Bingo later in the evening, at the same location.

Thank you.



UNLV PROFESSOR GUEST SPEAKER

The annual Men's Day Program, Sunday May 22, 1977, for Zion United Methodist Church will feature Dr. Thomas E. Wilson, Associate Professor of Education at UNLV. Dr. Wilson has been at the University since 1969 and has also established himself in the community with his weekly article on education in the Las Vegas Voice Paper.

The Men's Day Program is sponsored by the Methodist Men Club to focus attention on the religious and community involvement of men in the church. The regular 11 a.m. Sunday worship service will be conducted by the Men's Club members and will be highlighted by a fund raiser for the church building fund.

Prior to moving to Las Vegas, Dr. Wilson was principal of the Booker T. Washington School in Phoenix, Arizona. He also worked in Arizona as an Educational Specialist for the City of Phoenix. He was educated in the public school system of Arizona and received his B. A., M. A. and Ph. D. from Arizona State University of

Tempe, Arizona. He is a native of Oklahoma.


Dr. Wilson and his wife, the former Kathlyn E. Warren, are the parents of five children and two grandchildren. Mrs. Wilson is a registered nurse. The Wilson family holds membership in the Desert Hills Baptist Church in East Las Vegas where Dr. Wilson teaches the Men's Sunday School Class.

The Rev. Marion D. Bennett is minister of Zion Church and extends a cordial welcome to all community residents to worship with the congregation on Sunday.


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