



*Telling It
As It Is
by Jimmy Gay*

Hello, there. It's nice to be back with you this week. My only wish is that I am conveying to you the importance of Black Togetherness. Please believe me, BABY, it is far overdue in this community.

If you remember, at the very end of last week's column I mentioned the fact that Yours Truly presented Sid Hudson, at the City of Hope Man of the Year Banquet, with the NAACP Lifetime Membership Pin. Well, I would just like to set the record straight and make it clear to you that Mr. Hudson paid \$500 for the privilege of wearing that pin. (Please believe me, we're happy to have a man of Mr. Hudson's caliber in our organization.) He is one of the finest people it has been my privilege to meet. He is a successful (white) business man who believes in equal and civil rights for all people. It was indeed a pleasure for me to present this pin to such a fine philanthropist. This man has done so much for so many people, it would take half of this paper to tell the real story of Sid Hudson. Even long before leaving Detroit he was known for his generosity. I have known Sid for the past 15 or 20 years and happen to know he has given of himself until it actually hurt. And believe me, BABY, that is what it's all about. So says the Good Book and I quote "It is better to give than receive."

I think that we all should take a lesson from Sid. Do you know that this man invited one hundred senior citizens to that \$100-a-plate dinner?? Wow!! That's \$10,000 BABY! Have you given any thought to the fact that that is a lot more money than some men with large families make per year? But this is why this man is so prosperous. He gives and gives and gives. Did you know that each year, beside the Lifetime Membership, Sid usually buys one or more tables for 10 at the annual NAACP Freedom Banquet? He gives to the Easter Seals, Heart Fund, Red Cross, United Jewish Appeal, United Way, and even Operation Life. You name it, Sid Hudson contributes. It would be worth your time to visit his place of business and check out the walls in his office, in the Sunset Shopping Center on Convention Center Drive. You would think that you are in a photo gallery of dignitaries - local, statewide, national and even international. And he doesn't forget the little man on the street - he has portraits of them all. Here again, there were so few of us there that you could count them easily by just a glance around the room. However, it was nice to see Dr. Angela Clark and her family. There were some 8-10 Black senior citizens and, may I say, I enjoyed the evening with Reverend and Mrs. Wyatt. It was awfully nice of the mayor of Detroit to send a delegation of his aides and Detroit citizens, well integrated, to represent him. A plaque was given by the mayor's administrative assistant, and incidentally, he was Black. It was a privilege to grace the stage with Lt. Governor Robert Rose and Mayor Bill Briare who each presented honors to Sid from state and city government agencies. Sad to say, the local Blacks who could have afforded such a dinner WERE NOT THERE. To me, BABY, this is where you should be seen once in a while.

You know, I've come to the conclusion that you are only going to get out of life what you put into it. I feel that a rich, prosperous person is one who shares his wealth with those less fortunate than he. As Black people, I suppose it is a fact that we have earned much less than most other races, but it is my belief that if we should start giving what we are able to give whenever we can in the places most needed, it would come back to us twofold. It is not how much money we have or save, what kind of a car we drive, or what we pay for our home that makes us a big man or woman. "It's what we can do to help a person in need or do something constructive in the community in which we live." There were some 800-1000

people in attendance who paid \$100-a-plate and this amounted to the of \$350,000. WOW!! FANTASTIC!! That will be used as HOPE for some child with respiratory problems, cancer or other chronic killer diseases. The great Georgie Jessel did a masterful job as the Emcee. The Reverend Charles Wyatt gave the invocation and the one and only Dave Burton and his band did their usual outstanding job. Jerry Vale, of course, added his melodious voice to the occasion. The great Redd Foxx was a great night, a great show for a great cause in honor of a great man. (Sid Hudson, you're the greatest.)

Did you notice the new appointment of attorney Jim Porter? Newspaper reports mentioned all of the different organizations he is a member of excepting NAACP. Did they forget it or is attorney Porter a member?

Lest we forget, BLACK IS BEAUTIFUL and Lest we forget, BLACK IS BEAUTIFUL and the word is TOGETHERNESS IN 78.

See you next week, same time, some place and more togetherness.



Around Town

with Ed Brown

This weekend brings in a hub of sports activity around the Las Vegas area. Friday night, March 24 sets the quarterfinals for the WCT SHAKEY'S TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS tennis event at the HILTON HOTEL PAVILION; semi-finals are on Saturday and the finals on Sunday. The winner gets \$60,000 - the runnerup \$30,000. Top names in the tourney this week included JIMMY CONNORS, ILIE NASTASE, BJORN BORG, VITAS GERULAITIS, VIJAY AMRITRAJ and others. . . EARNE SHAVERS goes in a 12-round heavyweight fight on Saturday afternoon against undefeated LARRY HOLMES at CAESARS PALACE. Shavers, widely regarded as "the hardest punching heavyweight in the world", is now ranked No. 3 in the world with a record of 54-7-0 while Holmes, at 26-0, is ranked No. 4 Three other fights are set for the undercard. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with the fights getting underway at 12:30 p.m. . . . All area youngsters, ages 3 to 16 are invited to the first city-wide OPTIMIST CLUBS Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 26th at 1:00 p.m. It is free to the public. 5,000 eggs and hundreds of dollars in valuable prizes provide the real excitement for the HUNT. Announcement of the exact location of the HUNT will be given over the area radio stations on Sunday between 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. The entire Easter Egg Hunt area will be divided into three areas by age groups; one area for kids 3 to 7; an area for those 8 through 12 and an area for the teenagers 13 through 16. Special colored designed eggs will be hidden in each area and these will reaped the many prizes to include TV sets, radios, calculators, toys, etc. Don't forget to listen to the area radio stations at noon Sunday for the location. . . Golfers in the area are also invited to the LAS VEGAS OPTIMIST CLUB'S 2-MAN TEAM BEST BALL GOLF TOURNAMENT on Saturday, March 25 at the WINTERWOOD GOLF COURSE. It's not too late to entry. For details, call the tournament chairman Dick Roberts at 876-5338. . . On the Strip, some of the forthcoming attractions include GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS at the ALLADDIN BAGDAD SHOWROOM on April 4 through 17; FLIP WILSON and SHIELDS & YARNELL come in to CAESARS PALACE March 30-April 12; it's the PLATTERS at the MAXIM HOTEL March 21-April 2; BILL COSBY and DOUG HENNING April 2-17; LOU RAWLS May 2-8 and both of these top draws will be at the LAS VEGAS HILTON; MGM HOTEL has CLEO LAINE and RICH LITTLE on May 4-24; it's BEN VEREEN and JOAN RIVERS at the RIVIERA on May 25-June 7; the SANDS HOTEL has booked NIPSEY RUSSELL and SERGIO FRANCHI for

March 29-April 11; DIONNE WARWICK and CHARLIE CALLAS April 12-25 and LOLA FALANA with ALAN KING May 10-24 . . . The King of the Blues B.B. King and the King of the Country Pickers ROY CLARK are collaborating on a new record album together. Wowing the weekenders at the SILVER BIRD are the supercharged treniers in the wild REDD FOXX SHOW . . . see you next Friday and don't forget to listen to my daily radio show on KVOV RADIO at 3:20 p.m.

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UNLV ART

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas will exhibit the work of Patti Uarashina, one of America's most distinguished ceramicists, Monday (March 27) through April 15.

The display of new objects by this respected contemporary artist will be on public exhibition from 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday in Grant Hall 122. There is no admission charge.

The ceramic sculptures of Warashina, an art professor at the University of Washington in Seattle, have been displayed nationwide in some of America's most reputable galleries. Her work has highlighted almost 200 different group and one man shows. Warashina is a regular participant in the most prestigious national and international invitational craft shows.

Major international tours have included her art, carrying it to Tokyo, Toronto, New York City, London, Stockholm, Bucharest, Istanbul as well as Ankara, Izmir, Teheran, Brussels and Delgrade.

Her work has been featured and reviewed in numerous professional and popular publications, notably New Yorker magazine.

Warashina appeared on NBC's Today Show, representing her home state of Washington in the network's Bicentennial Salute. She earned both her bachelor's and master's degrees in fine arts from the University of Washington, where she began teaching in 1970.

Easter Egg Hunt

Attention parents and children! The Department of Recreation and Leisure Activities, Doolittle Center will be presenting a free movie and Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 5 through 12 Saturday, March 25, 1978. Time 10:00 A.M. 12 Noon. This special event will be held at the Doolittle Recreation Center, located at "J" Street and W. Lake Mead Blvd. For further information call 386-6374.

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