

From Our Readers

EDITORS NOTE: The Las Vegas Voice will publish your opinion on any subject - praise - complaints - questions - or answers. We do reserve the right to edit, and your letter must be signed with a valid address and phone number for verification prior to publication. We want your letters! At your written request your name can be withheld.

Noticing on Channel 8 that Charleston TV and Appliances Store was advertising prizes in a give-away contest to the public, I decided to go and sign up hoping to be one of the lucky ones. On May 3rd, 1978 I arrived at the store at approximately 1:30 p.m. and was approached by a salesman offering assistance. I stated my reason for being there and he replied that the contest was over; that it was for the month of April and all the tickets were in and "I don't know where the box is". I had doubts but I thanked him and walked out. That same evening I saw on Channel 8 another Charleston TV commercial advertising a prize to celebrate the business's anniversary I returned to the store which, incidentally, is located at 1548 E. Charleston. The next day at approximately 2:35 p.m. I went to the store again but remained outside while a white friend went in asked for a ticket to sign for a tea set. His name is John King and he was given a ticket. He returned to the car where I awaited him and told me that there were several more tickets on the desk from which they had obtained the one given him. I went in immediately and asked for a ticket to sign for the tea set. Again, the salesman told me the contest was over and "we don't have any more tickets". I stated "I hardly think so, my white friend just came in and was given one to sign and he said you had a few more on the desk".

He immediately asked the lady behind the desk to hand him one of the cards, then he threw it on the counter in my general direction. I signed it and asked him where the box was. He told me and I put in (a blue card) in the box and walked out.

I submit that, at the least, this is very cavalier treatment from a business to a potential customer, and to put the worst interpretation on it - it smacks race prejudice - at least on the part of the salesman.

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NAACP

Sarann Knight, Membership Chairman of NAACP, Challenges each member to bring in one (1) new membership by May 23. This will considerably aid the delegate count to the National Convention in July.

YOU CAN NOW REGISTER TO VOTE AT THE NAACP OFFICE 1040 West Owens Avenue from 9:00 to 5:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. NAACP President Dr. James McMillan, NAACP prexy announced this week that office staffers Sharon Washington and Caroline Allen are now deputized to register voters and urges all those who have not done so to please register to vote.

Dr. McMillan also stated that subsequent to the Deputy Registrar Class that will be conducted at the NAACP office Monday, May 22nd, Bob Bailey, NAACP Voter Registration Chairman, will be ready to launch an intensive Voter Registration Drive in conjunction with Membership Chairman Sarann Knight's ongoing Membership Campaign.

Dear Editor:

The enclosed poem is in regards to the NAACP and the Community vs the Commissioners decision.

I just want to add my hands worth and slowly move in with the body.

Without the Las Vegas VOICE we would have careless awareness.

Thanks for the opportunity.

Lannie J. Bolden

I know the side . . .
I know the Westside.

This is in regard to
What the people tried to do
When they thought we were all asleep

It was their try
And we know why
But, we're past the time of being played cheap.

I know the side . . .
I know the Westside

There's the organization
And there's the realization
If something is really worth buying.

Nothing is the same
There will always be a change
Especially, when something is denying.

I know the side . . .
I know the Westside

This was not confusion
But merely an illusion
You see; Representation is often astute.

Things have got to get better
As long as we stay-to-gether
I mean . . . After all, we're not all mute.

I know the side . . .
I know the Westside

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at the
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SPEAKOUT!

Help plan the future of Nevada's libraries. On Wednesday, May 24th call the Clark County Library Speakout at 732-TALK. Share your opinions about library services and library development. SPEAKOUT ON MAY 24th!!!

Unlike many states where populations and bureaucratic structures have grown unwieldy, Nevada still affords the opportunity for individual political impact in decision making processes. "Library Speakout" scheduled May 24th provides a forum for such public participation in planning the future of libraries and library services in the County and in the State.

Everyone sees the library in a different way. Some view libraries as book depositories while others interpret libraries as "memory banks" with information resources available in a variety of forms including film, video, visual and live as well as the printed word. Some enjoy the wide variety of musical, arts and cultural programs offered in libraries while others are disturbed by the noise levels that are sometimes created by such activities!

During the all-day "Library Speakout" you're invited to tell us the good, the bad and the ugly about libraries by calling the Clark County Library Speakout at 732-TALK. Your comments will be recorded and will assist in learning about the present and future needs and roles of libraries. Those who wish to make their comments in writing are urged to utilize the Library Speakout Response form available at all Clark County Libraries.

For a dialog on Libraries and to air comments live, Watson Jelks, KORK radio will sponsor "Library Speakout" on his radio show May 24th from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. To "Speakout" call Watson at 457-5511.

Library Speakout and Community Dialog, a speaker's bureau information service, are utilized to gather public information for the Governor's Conference on Libraries and Information Needs scheduled in Las Vegas during November 1978. Librarians, Library Trustees and a broad section of library users together will review information and draft appropriate policies. State level conferences across the country then culminate in the White House Conference on Libraries in 1979 in Washington D.C.

Active participation on many levels is required to make the various conferences and programs effective. SPEAKOUT! Wednesday, May 24th by calling 732-TALK.

Bill Ludwig, our own West Las Vegas Librarian, has been asked to take a month off, without prior notice!!!

Call in on May 24th and VOICE YOUR DISPLEASURE AT THE REMOVAL OF BILL LUDWIG FROM OUR OWN LIBRARY!!!

This has been a controversial subject for some time!! NOW IS THE TIME TO SPEAK-OUT!!!

Illegal Solicitations

It has come to the attention of the administrators of the North Las Vegas Recreation Department, that representatives of a private recreation center located in North Las Vegas, have been soliciting funds at various locations around the North Las Vegas area. Some of these people have mistakenly identified themselves as representatives of the North Las Vegas Recreation Department.

The North Las Vegas Recreation Department is making it known that they are not currently soliciting funds in this manner. If at a later time any fund raising is done, all representatives will be identified by a signed letter from the North Las Vegas Recreation Department.

Although the department has no intention of discouraging contributions to this organization, they would like to make it clear that none of these funds will, in any way, be used toward activities sponsored by the North Las Vegas Recreation Department.

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