

Operation Life Receives HUD Renovation Grant

The Operation Life Community Development Corporation welcomed Washington D.C. HUD representative Alice Shabecoff in Las Vegas Friday to present a grant award of \$153,000 which the community organization will use for renovation costs for the Operation Life Community Medical Center facility. Operation Life Community Development Corporation's President Ruby Duncan expressed her delight at being one of 46 grantees nationally to receive a grant from the HUD office of Neighborhood Development.



RUBY DUNCAN

"I am so thankful to

our senators and congressman, to our local legislatures, to the City of Las Vegas, to all our friends in private industry, and especially our supportive Las Vegas community. We

are one giant step closer to having a real medical facility in this community which can see to keeping our children and families in the best of health," said Duncan.

The Medical Center building located at Van Buren and "F" Streets, was donated to Operation Life Community Development Corporation by Robert Faiman and Orbit Industries earlier this year and the organization has gotten participation of the Fleischmann Foundation and the City of Las Vegas Community Development Block Grant program for this ambitious renovation.

Hip Drop Big Hit At CCCC

The hip drop, the teapot, the desert flower and the shimmy are four of the dance steps taught in Belly Dance I, a Community Services class listed for the Fall Alternate semester at Clark County Community College.

The role of Community Services is to offer community based educational services to individuals and groups who wish to broaden professional, technical, cultural or recreational interests.

Among the wide variety of classes offered in the upcoming semester is the Personalized Overseas Readiness Training (P.O.R.T.) class.

Those interested in traveling or living abroad, whether for business or pleasure, will be taught the necessary skills required to prepare for their new adventure.

The class, which is also designed for those working with foreign visitors, will be held at Valley High School.

CHARGES DROPPED AGAINST SEVEN NABBED IN RAID

Clark County authorities have dropped charges against the seven persons arrested Sept. 18 in a raid on residences believed to have been in drug traffic in West Las Vegas.

More than 100 Metropolitan Police officers staged the raid last month in an effort to quell sporadic shooting attributed to drug gangs warring over territory.

The "war" allegedly was being fought by 45 persons belonging to the Shelby Gang, the Gerson Park housing project netted a small amount of drugs and six guns.

"The district attorney's office and the police department are in total agreement that the main objective was to go in there and get the handguns," deputy district attorney Tom Green said last week. "They knew at the time that the possibility of prosecution was slight."

Green said it would have been difficult to prove those arrested "knowingly" were in possession of the items confiscated, since more than one person was in the majority of residences in which arrests were made.

AWARDS TO WESTSIDE OCT. 27

The Westside Community Development Commission will present awards to businesses along West Jackson Avenue between North "D" Street and North "H" with the most attractive store fronts on October 27 at Love's Cocktail Lounge, according to H.P. Fitzgerald, Executive Director.

The purpose of the contest is to encourage

businesses in this sec-

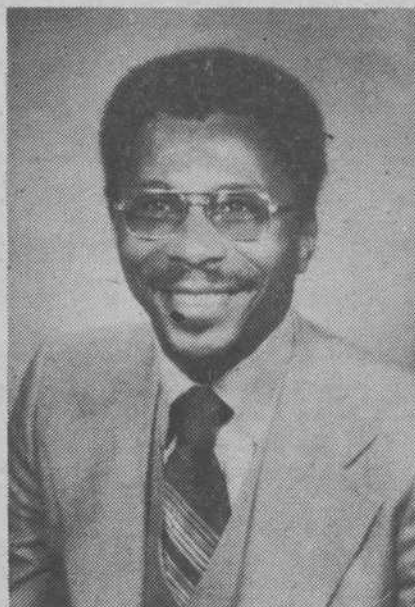
Judging will take place on Thursday, October 24. This is a joint venture between the Metropolitan Beautification Committee and the West Side Community Development Commission. The project is being carried out in conjunction with the NAACP's week's festivities celebrating Nevada's 70th Anniversary.

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