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## List, Bryan In "Near Rendezvous" at Club Rouge

Present office holders and those seeking their offices were on hand at the tribute to city commissioner Pearson on Sunday in their last-minute efforts to "woo" some more black support and votes, including the two major gubernatorial candidates, incumbent Republican Gov. Robert List and wife Kathy, and his Democratic foe, Attorney General Richard Bryan.

The two candidates, at one point were only feet apart as they met, mingled and shook hands with those in attendance, but somehow managed to avoid one another.

Those others in attendance were county commissioner Woodrow Wilson, NLV Councilman Theron Goynes, Judge A. Guy, Judge Earle White, Deputy District Attorney Booker Evans, LVCVA Public Relations Director Roosevelt Toston, Jimmy Gay, former Mayor Oran Cragson, So. Nev. congressional candidate Peggy Cavnar and a host of other distinguished guests.

## Sarah Allen Community Credit Union Opens New Headquarters

By George A. Burns

A grand opening was held for one of the latest tenants of the Nucleus Plaza Shopping Center on Saturday. A number of political aspirants and incumbents to political offices along with over five hundred people were on hand for the debut of the Sarah Allen Community Development Credit Union.

Joyce Broussard, the credit union's treasurer spoke briefly with the Vegas Voice commenting on the optimism that both she and the directors of the institution have in it becoming a very solid successful and influential financial institution, but only with the help and support of the community and its residents. "What's important is that the residents of West Las Vegas must support their credit union. That's the only way that we're going to be successful."

Broussard went on to say that the credit union's depositors monies are just as safe and secure as those credit unions and savings institutions throughout the rest of the city, state and county.

"The residents should be confident that their deposits are insured up to \$100,000 plus there's no penalties for early withdrawals." Broussard named as some of the credit union's services, those of consumer and business loans, money market certificates, payroll deductions, financial counseling and many more services. She suggested that every resident in West Las Vegas make it their effort to patronize their credit union.

Among the grand opening participants were Attorney General Richard Bryan, Attorney Harry Reid, Attorney B. Mahlon Brown, Sheriff candidate John Moran, Assembly candidate Gene Collins, State Senator Joe Neal, who incidentally is also the President of the Institution, and a host of other officials. Its Board of Directors was also present, namely, Willie Neely, Vice President; Dorothy Stringfield, Secretary; Carlene Perkins, Treasurer; Eugene Collins, Chairman of Circulation throughout the Community; Alversa Beals, Director; and Jean Childs, Director.

## Parents Win Time Stall In Mabel Hoggard School Case

Five parents suing the Clark County School District won more time recently to prove Mabel Hoggard Sixth Grade Center should be restored to a neighborhood elementary school.

U.S. District Judge Roger Foley turned down a motion to dismiss the case, filed by School District General Counsel Tom Moore. Foley also denied the preliminary injunction sought by the parents to undo the school board's action last spring that changed Mabel Hoggard from an elementary school attended by neighborhood children to a sixth-grade center, drawing children from throughout Las Vegas.

Foley then asked John Fadgen, the parents' attorney, to amend his complaint against the district to include arguments that surfaced during Monday's proceedings.

"I'm still not sure he's saying anything other than 'Give us back our neighborhood school,'" Foley said.

Racial changes in the

neighborhood surrounding Hoggard raised the black enrollment, which reached 95.6 percent last year. The district was following the sixth grade center plan when trustees voted to convert the school last spring.

Only 19.3 percent of Hoggard students were black when U.S. District Judge Bruce Thompson ordered Clark County schools not to exceed 50 percent black enrollment in 1970.

Black enrollment had climbed to 37 percent in 1972, the year the district adopted the current sixth-grade center busing plan. In 1975, the percentage of black students at Hoggard rose above the 50 percent limit set by Thompson and the district attempted then to convert it from an elementary school to a sixth grade center.

In response to a suit filed against the district to maintain Hoggard's elementary school status, Thompson raised the black enrollment limit to 60 percent, which was exceeded in 1976.

## Pearson Honored

Newly appointed City Commissioner William Pearson was honored last Sunday at the Club Rouge by a host of city and state officials and by his city residents.

Commissioner Pearson, after being introduced by Leonard Mason as an "outstanding choice" on the part of the City Commission came to the floor and before those who gave him a standing ovation, responded by saying that he would be "wholehearted in this venture." "I'm really not a politician, but I guess I am now," he said to the crowd of over 200.

Pearson went on by saying that he will "represent the community as well as he can. I'll strive to unite and

try to get some things done that haven't gotten done in the past." He went on to caution that "I'm only one voice, but I'll use it to the best of my ability."

## Bank robbed by two men

Two men ordered customers and tellers to lie on the floor and then took an undetermined amount of money from the Valley Bank branch at 820 N. Rancho Drive Monday.

FBI Special Agent Bill Jansen said the men walked into the bank and one simulated a weapon and told everyone it was a "holdup."

They ran across Rancho to the Rancho Medical Center, where they fled in a waiting red car.

## Black Chamber Office To Be Located At Nucleus Plaza

By George A. Burns

It has been learned that the Nevada Black Chamber of Commerce will open as its official plaza of business an office to be located at the Nucleus Plaza Shopping Center.

Spokesperson and Executive Director Gwyn Brown made the announcement to the Vegas Voice after the decision was unanimously decided upon by the Chambers Board of Directors. According to Brown, the office shall be ready for official business within the next 30 days. The office will be located at 930 W. Owens.

The Chamber, which was established in July of '80 held its membership debut last Sept. 3rd. Due to an unofficial place of business, meetings and official business on the part of the Chamber had to be held in a variation of business locations. The Chamber's President, Sarann Knight-Preddy, along with the Board of Directors were quite pleased in the decision to move in a permanent location.



Sarann Knight-Preddy

Brown went on to say that with the major problems that exist in West Las Vegas, both social and economic, the quality of life in the area has been stagnated. She said that funds which will be allocated to the community will be used to assist the West Las Vegas area in providing a "liaison" whose main concern will be helping to assist community business persons to secure local and state funds which shall improve the quality of life specifically for the West Las Vegas area and its residents.

Brown concluded the statement by saying funds provided by the grant made from the Office of Community Services to the Chamber will help in the opening of the pending office and will be matched by the Chamber itself.

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