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## JACKSON STREET & ME..



YES IT'S ME and I'M IN LOVE AGAIN... WITH A BRAND NEW YEAR OF READY TO FACE ANY 28746 THANG THAT COMES & GOES IN THE STREAM OF TIME, WHICH IS ON ME SIDE. BUT U JUST MAY/MIGHT NOT SEE IT CAUSEUBE'S LOOKING TOO HARD (smiles) HAPPY NEW YEAR!

BUT ME IS PROUD, OH SO PROUD, TO TELL U ABOUT...PAPA SMURF and all the little smurfettes

## By Rudi Jackson

and smurfers who be eating at PAPA SMURFS, Bonanza Rd. & "H" St.! AND THEM TWO YOUNG MEN, HATS OFF TO THEM, DONE STEPPED OFF INTO THE BIZNESS WORLD AND STAND READY TO SERVE US WIT'SUM GOOD EATS... When they heared that Curtis Amie wanted to sell as they said (quote) "A SINKING BIZ" (unquote) they stepped in.

The young men who are working hard to bring YOU THE BEST are JEFF THROWER and KEN ROLLINS, who are steadily making improvements which they feel is a good sign and a first sign of a good bizness in the black community. And that is going to be their Watch-Words! Jeff and Ken have good backgrounds as members of The West Las Vegas Jay Cees. Jeff is the Club's Secretary, Ken an active member. They have lived in Las Vegas for some 24 years ...

Ken's Mother — Mildred Marshall is a Registered Nurse, Inhalation Therapist, which takes in a grand scope of being alert and watchful for the needs of the public. Many of Jeff and Ken's school friends of just a few years back are proud of these young men.

Blue and White is the color scheme of PAPA SMURFS and if you stop by you just might see MIKE, the painter, with a PAPA SMURF BURGER in one hand and a paint brush in the other painting away as the remodeling is going on.

The state-plate-o-tha'week: NETTA — a two-tone Z-7 which was clean as the board of health parked in front of CHEZ POLLEE. When ME walked inside, ME asked, "WHO IS NETTA?" There were three lovely ladies at one table and one said, "I'm NETTA and that's Monica, and, that is my lovely MOTHER."... Oh YES! NETTA had yellow rollers in her hair and wuz dranking yellow orange jucie... NOW HOW 'BOUT THAT FOR THE START OF 1984? SO NICE TO MEET'CHA LADIES!...

MEMBERS of VEGAS VIEW CHURCH want to THANK ALL WHO CAME OUT to the Dinner & Fashion Show! The Second Time Around.

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## IT'S "PITCH OUT" TIME IN WEST LAS VEGAS

By H.P. "Fitz" Fitzgerald

It's "Pitch Out" time in West Las Vegas, neighbors! (I live in West Las Vegas, too). Pick up, bundle, box, or bag all that trash and rubbish that is littering your properties (thus lowering their values on the tax roles), and making our community, which is in the heart of The Best City of Them All, look like a ghetto. And leave the hauling to the Disposal Service!

During the past 20 years, millions of dollars in federal, state, county, and city "grant" money has been spent to improve the physical appearance of the Old West Side and Vegas Heights,

and make these tiny communities more viable. "Grant" money is "free" money, and does not have to be paid back. These millions of dollars have come to our community in the form of "free" labor, materials, supplies, and/or equipment. We, as recipients of these materials and services, have not been asked to contribute one dollar in money, or an hour's labor for these 'Grants," in most cases.

It really is disturbing to ride along I-15, which passes along the south rim of the Old West Side, and see all the trash and debris. And as I ride through the community supervising my Home

Refurbishing Program crews, I see hundreds of tons of bulk trash and litter stacked on properties just waiting to be hauled off by the Disposal Service, if we would only place it in the designated spots on specific days.

Government clean-up and demolition crews have been busy in the Old West Side and Vegas Heights, cleaning up and hauling off trash for the past 25 years, and these crews are busy in our community as I write this article. Yet, many properties in our community still contain tons of trash, abandoned cars, discarded furniture, broken down wood fences, and littered

Tourism is Las Vegas' chief industry. The community businesses along North "D" Street, West Jackson Avenue, West Owens Avenue, and North Highland Drive are presently spending more than a million dollars renovating their places in order to attract more of the tourism dol-

lars, and at the same time make shopping and entertainment more pleasant for area residents.

Tourists visiting Las Vegas are not attracted to the Old West Side and Vegas Heights as long as they see trash-filled properties as they travel along I-15 and enter our community by way of North "D" Street, North Highland Drive or North "H" Street, which are our main entry ways. The businesses in Vegas Heights are also refurbishing and remodeling their places in order to improve services for their customers, and also, to attract some tourist trade.

In brief, our community business people are making every attempt to "compete" for the Las Vegas tourist trade, or tourist dollar. We homeowners must "pitch in" the trash and rubbish that litter our properties so that the visiting tourists will not be "turned off" and "turned away" because our communities are not attractive and viable.



BENEFIT PLANNED - From left, Albert Crosby, Alice Brew and W. Art. Hall prepare for a benefit 8 p.m., Saturday at the Dunes Hotel's Seahorse Terrace. The Slokie Cell Anemia Foundation of Neverth and the executive board of directors of the National Association for Cell Disease inc. are sponsoring the gata, which will feature entertainment, dancing and hors d'oeuvres. Call 363-2329 for reservations.

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