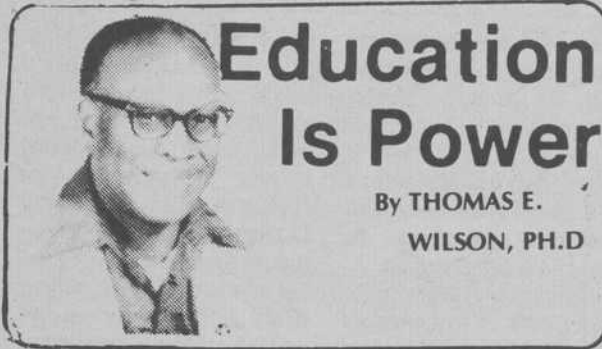


Education



Education Is Power

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Adult education classes are those which cater primarily to those members of society ages 17-99 who wish to improve their educational lot without entering a formal degree program.

These classes may run the gamut from basic education to college credit courses.

Adult basic education (ABE) classes are for those adults who, for one reason or another, failed to learn how to read, write, or work simple mathematical problems at the sixth grade level. These classes are also for those who feel they need help in the basic survival skills such as reading road signs, filling out simple forms, etc.

General educational development (GED) classes are for those who have completed adult basic education classes or have dropped out of school during their high school years and now feel that they would like to have their equivalent of a high school diploma for improvement of employment opportunities, entrance into college, or for their own self-satisfaction and/or cultural advancement.

Other adult education classes include courses for general self-improvement, cultural enjoyment, hobbies, foreign languages, business and/or professional in-service training courses, change of occupation or profession courses, etc.

Opportunities for educational activities are unlimited if one would seek them out. A call to the school district offices, the community college, or the local university will usually reveal that there are classes being offered in many areas for very reasonable fees.

Our observations have revealed that very few

Blacks take advantage of the adult education offerings available to them. Most classes have not more than one or two Blacks interspersed within a group of twenty-five or thirty other adults. Does this mean that Blacks are not taking advantage of these offerings, or does it mean that Black are not receiving information about classes in time to prepare for them? Are Blacks just apathetic about self-improvement activities, or are they usually so tired from a day's work that they have no energy left for anything else but resting?

We do not know the answer to the questions posed above, but we do know that the more education one

receives, the more respect he/she gains in the community, the greater are the possibilities for job advancements, the opportunities for economic improvements are enhanced, the cultural enjoyment is heightened, the chances for greater opportunities for our children are improved, etc.

As Blacks, we cannot afford to not take advantage of any opportunity to improve our lot. Education is one way of many that we may be able to use to pull ourselves up by our bootstraps. Remember that in order to do this, we must have some bootstraps to pull ourselves up by. Education just might be the bootstrap we need.

CCCC Promotes Fundraiser

The Clark County Community College Foundation is now in progress on its spring fundraiser, the raising of funds for the Foundation that supports the College, scholarships, and other programs. This year's fundraiser will be a drawing for a car.

The Classic 1960 Chevrolet Corvair that will be drawn for is located in the lobby of the main campus building for the public to view, and tickets for the drawing are available in the lobby, at the student activities desk and in the administration area, all on the College's main campus on Cheyenne Avenue in North Las Vegas. The drawing will take place May 19.

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