

THE NAACP AND YOU!



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**—Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
A Genuine American Hero—**

Unlike some of the other celebrated personalities that we read about in American history, the late Dr. Martin Luther King was not just a figment of ones imagination, he was for real.

A personality that was bigger than life and whose name was more universally known, referred and respected than a large number of presidents of the United States of America.

An individual that was so known and charismatic that any American parent would be proud to have his or her son or daughter to emulate.

I first met Dr. King in the month of June 1960 in the city of Los Angeles, while attending the Democratic National Convention Rally. This rally was approved by the NAACP National Office.

—The NAACP not the Democratic Presidential Candidate—

The Republican National Convention was held in another city. What a memorable occasion! In the Shrine Auditorium and on the stage that day was the following National luminaries: The late Dr. Martin King, US Senators Stewart Siminton of MO, Lyndon Johnson of Texas, Herbert Lehman of New York, John F. Kennedy of Mass., Congressman Adam Clayton Powell of N.Y. and the former NAACP Executive Director Roy Wilkins of New York.

Afterwards, I saw Dr. King on several occasions as the guest speaker at the historic Second Baptist Church, 24th Griffith Avenue in Los Angeles, California.

Each time he spoke he had a standing room only audience and his elegance of speech held them rapt. His oratory was fluent, persuasive and provocative. When Dr. King spoke the world listened.

—Martin Luther King A Great American—

Dr. King was born in Atlanta, Georgia Jan. 15,

1929 and received his education in the public school system and Morehouse College.

Dr. King earned a Ph.D degree in theology from Boston University in Boston, Mass. before going to Montgomery, Alabama to pastor.

As an Apostel of non-violent confrontation, he was able to tear down the walls of discrimination in America.

Dr. King emerged as the leader of the Montgomery bus boycott, organized the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, campaigned for the passage of the 1964 Civil Rights act and the 1965 Voting Act, received the Nobel Peace

Prize and was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn. in 1968.

Dr. King proved that a Socio-political revolution can take the place in this country without firing a gun.

Dr. King's struggle for freedom forced America to live up to the principles embodied in the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

His non-violent pricked the conscious of the American majority, laying the foundation for a greater degree of freedom for Blacks, minorities, women and poor whites.

Dr. King's participation in freedom marches to Selma, Alabama and on to Washington D.C., helped to focus attention on the injustices the Black man was receiving in America and around the world.

Dr. King's life and service stand as a beacon light for freedom for all Americans and eternal hope for the disinfranchised millions in South Africa.

The Las Vegas Branch NAACP monthly meeting will be held Sunday January 12, 1986, 4:00 p.m. in the Branch office, 940 W.

FLOOD

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existing Flood Channel "A" improvements south of Craig Road.

North Las Vegas councilman William E. Robinson said, "That entire Craig Road, North 5th, Losee Road area is the current 'hot spot' of development interest in North Las Vegas. With four private multimillion dollar projects announced or underway in that area at the present time, the city is receiving numerous requests for information from other private developers."

According to Patricia L. Howard, the city's economic development coordinator, the private developers with projects now in progress or announced in the Craig Road area include the Southern Nevada Industrial Center, the Aerojet Nevada manufacturing plant, Nevada Power Company's new substation, training facility,

Owens.

You are invited to attend. 646-1662.

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mate is at the beginning of your relationship, the more effective will be your efforts to help him. (The reverse is also true). Try to enhance his sense of self-worth.

Know that the hostility that you might feel within you is multiplied a hundred-fold in the Black male. He may direct his frustrations at you, especially in stressful situations. Deflate stress, inflate ego. Produce in your mate and children a true sense of their importance as human beings — regardless of their race. Understand that the major reason for your mates plight is his skin color. Thus, you must assist him in developing a sense of racial identity. He might think that he is frustrated and unhappy with you when, in fact, his social predicament is the cause of his frustration. You should try as hard as you can

to be actively tender, sensitive, expressive, aggressive, restrained, loving, passionate, spontaneous and affectionately wild.

Try to be the good wife in spite of your professional responsibilities, and in spite of problems that might occur in your relationship (don't be foolish, however. No one expects you to be a punching bag in the relationship. Common sense will tell you when to bail out). Try to avoid conflict even if it means isolating yourself temporarily until an unpleasant mood dissipates. Remember, the pressure of a seemingly hopeless situation serves to enhance the feeling of inadequacy in every additional situation. Direct your mate toward realistic, achievable goals. Help him on his way toward success by formulating small goals, initially, that he can reach. Then, slowly expand the goals while his confidence grows.

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