

# LINKS Reveal More About Up-Coming DANCE THEATRE OF HARLEM Presentation

The Las Vegas Chapter of LINKS, Inc., in association with the Allied Arts' Council, will celebrate its Tenth Anniversary with a presentation of "a Fantastic First" for Las Vegas, the famed Dance Theatre of Harlem. The big event will take place at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 30 at Artemus Ham Hall, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

The Dance Theatre of Harlem is a non-profit, tax exempt organization formed in 1969 simultaneously as a school of the allied arts and a professional ballet company with Arthur Mitchell and Karel Shook as directors. It was founded by Arthur Mitchell, former principal dancer with the New York City Ballet, as his personal commitment to the people of Harlem following the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. True pioneers in the field of dance, Dance Theatre of Harlem members have established new horizons in the history of classical ballet, bringing to it an uniquely American perspective, one born and nurtured in New York City.

The LINKS, Inc. is a charitable organization of over 5000 women with more than 200 chapters nationwide. Its headquarters, recently purchased in Washington, D. C., was dedicated on November 16, 1985. Educators Mrs. Sarah S. Scott and the late Mrs.



Pictured left to right: Pat Kariock, Robin Greenspan and Pat Gaffey of the Allied Arts Council, and Martha Jordan, Flavia Walton, Anna Bailey, Kay Willis and Lee Morris of the Las Vegas Chapter of LINKS, Inc., meeting in preparation for the presentation of The Dance Theatre of Harlem.

Margaret R. Hawkins founded the organization in Philadelphia, Pa. on November 9, 1946. The organization was born out of the necessity facing new concerns and mid-century imperatives in human rights. For more than thirty years, the organization has continuously redefined its focus in order to make the name "LINKS" not only a chain of friendship, but also a chain of purpose. The group serves as a "link" to the community to promote educational, civic and intellectual activities.

Nationally, LINKS, Inc. provides enrichment experiences for talented youth who are educationally disadvantaged and culturally deprived, as well as for the talented youth who need aid,

with support given to many other organizations when the causes are geared to civic achievement and voluntary public service.

Locally, an art exhibit was held in order to expose the talents of some of the disadvantaged youth within the inner-city. Proceeds from the art exhibit went toward the purchase of history books to be placed in one of the school libraries. Also the local chapter is sponsoring a young lady, Vanessa Thomas, with a full scholarship at Howard University, where she is a pre-med student. Other enriching events such as the art exhibit, the Paul Balfour Concert at the Dunes Hotel, the Bullock's Affair with Fashion Show along with

Paul Collins' Women of Color Exhibit, the Spring Concert featuring pianist, composer, arranger and conductor Lillette E. Jenkins and the forth-coming Celebration of the Arts With Youth, representing local high schools in Art Competition, enable the LINKS to assist more young people through other programs such as Project LEAD (LINKS Erase Alcohol and Drug Abuse) and future programs to be instituted through "Just Say No" Clubs.

Tickets for the Dance Theatre of Harlem presentation, which will be on sale in the near future, will be priced at \$100.00, \$50.00, \$25.00 and \$10.00. All seats will be reserved. For ticket information call 382-7599 or 642-2300.

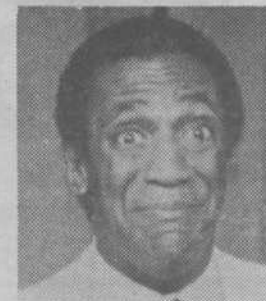
## Cosby tops poll picks

SANTA MONICA, Calif.-- For the second year in a row, Bill Cosby won the heart of the public, taking multiple honors Tuesday in the People's Choice Awards for his portrayal of a wry and funny television father.

Oscar-winning actress Meryl Streep, nominated for an Academy Award this year for her performance in "Out of Africa," was selected by the public as favorite all-around female entertainer.

Cosby was chosen as the public's favorite all-around male entertainer and favorite male television performer. His television series, "The Cosby Show" took top honors as favorite television comedy for the second year in a row.

Streep shared the all-around female entertainer



Bill Cosby

honor with singer Barbara Mandrell, who won eight previous People's Choice awards.

The People's Choice Awards are given in 19 categories were determined by a scientific sampling of more than 5,000 people nationwide who were polled by the Princeton, N.J.-based Gallup Organization.

## Phi Delta Kappa Sorority Hosts Far Western Regional Conference

Gamma Sigma Chapter, a local branch of The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc., will host the 21st Far Western Regional Conference, May 21-23 at the Dunes Hotel.

Hundreds of members from the Far West and other regions throughout the United States will be in attendance at this educational conference. The national conference theme is "The Pursuit of Excellence -- A Challenge to Fulfill."

Far Western Regional Director, Lorayne Douglas will preside. Winnie Palmer, National Supreme Basileus and now a local resident of Las Vegas, will be signally honored and formally introduced to the citizenry of

Las Vegas during a special Press Conference/Cocktail Party which will be held from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in the Regency Room.

During the conference, the members will participate in many stimulating educational workshops, view exhibits, attend the Regional Awards Citation Luncheon, and tour the city of Las Vegas.

The awards luncheon is opened to the public and will be held in the Regency Room from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from any member of Gamma Sigma Chapter.

For further information please call 649-1914 or 456-8076.

## Las Vegas Links Sponsor Youth Enrichment Trip For Area Junior High Students

The Las Vegas Chapter of The Links, Inc. joined last week with the Southern California Cluster of Links, Inc. to participate in the Youth Enrichment Assembly Career and Skills Workshops March 2, on the campus of the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. Some 50 Las Vegas area junior high school students attended the assembly.

Students boarded a chartered bus Sunday morning at 2 a.m. in the parking lot of the Nucleus Plaza to depart, and returned to Las Vegas Sunday at 9:30 p.m. Chaperones, including several members of the Las Vegas Links, accompanied the students and served as supervisors.

The assembly featured a general session and six workshops covering a variety of topics including: substance abuse, effective communication/self esteem, preparation for employment/career choices, male/female relationships, teen stress, and teen pregnancy.

Each student attended two

workshops. The workshops were primarily geared for disadvantaged youngsters, to provide them exposure and enrichment that will enhance their personal growth and development.

Luncheon costs for the entire assembly were underwritten by the Adolph Coors Company.


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