

## Masons Host Congressman Leland



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The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nevada and The Desert Rose Grand Chapter, Order of The Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliated, announced their 1986 Most Worshipful Grand Master's and Grand Worthy Matron's Banquet will be held on Saturday, June 7, 7 p.m. at The Heritage Hall, 932 W. Owens, Ave. The Most Worshipful Grand Master Cranford Crawford and The Grand Worthy Matron Sadie Orange look forward to hosting their banquet speaker, U.S. Congressman Mickey Leland of the 18th. Congressional District located in Huston, Texas. They will be joined in sponsoring a Pre-Banquet Reception by members of The Las Vegas Chapter of The Top Ladies of Distinction, Margaret A. Crawford, chapter president. The Pre-Banquet Reception will begin at 5:30 p.m. at Heritage Hall.

The Banquet begins a week-end of events for members of The Prince Hall Masonic Family of Nevada. A Memorial Service will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 8, at The Greater St. John Baptist church, 624 No. Highland Dr., Rev. T.J. Jenkins, minister. Annual Sessions for both Grand Bodies will be Monday, June 9 and Tuesday, June 10 respectively. Congressman Leland consented to visit Las Vegas during the midst of his campaign for re-election to Congress. He has served since election in November, 1978. He is chairman of the Select Committee on Hunger. The mandate of the select Committee is to conduct a continuing comprehensive study and review of the problems of domestic and international hunger and malnutrition.

Congressman Leland was  
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## "Riot" injures 3, five arrested

According to police reports, three Metro Police Officers suffered unspecified injuries early Sunday morning and five people were arrested following what police called "a riot" at Vegas and Riverside Drives.

The incident began shortly after midnight when a guest was thrown out of a party at that location for starting a fight, police said. On his way out, the man's car ran into another vehicle and another fight began, police said.

Backup police units arrived in the area, where one partygoer told patrol officers that another man had a gun.

When police took the accused man into custody, a fight began, and police claim the gun disappeared into the crowd.

The fight involved about 30 people, including those who fought alongside police against other party guests.

Three Metro officers reported they suffered injuries, but it wasn't immediately known if they were treated at the scene or taken to an area hospital.

Although there were reports that at least one pistol and a shotgun were in the hands of the crowd, no shots were fired, police said.

Arrested on several charges, including inciting a riot and obstructing police, were Michael Lee, 26, Ronald Scott, Paul Banks, David Scott and Ricky Scott, ages unavailable.

## Ward leaders want new realignment

A proposal to realign City Council wards to compensate for rapid growth in northwest Las Vegas was criticized Monday by black leaders who said the new boundaries would hurt the chances of a black councilman ever being elected.

During a meeting of a council committee considering the proposal, representative of the Las Vegas branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Black Chamber of Commerce agreed to meet with city officials to discuss new boundaries for Ward 3, which encompasses much of the predominantly black Westside.

Only one black has served on the Las Vegas City Council. William Pearson, now a county commissioner, was appointed to the post in 1982 to fill a vacancy. He lost the seat in the 1983 election to the current Ward 3 councilman, Bob Nolen.

The boundary changes, proposed to ensure that none of the council wards are more than 5 percent larger than the rest as required by state law, would have shifted one

Lee also was charged with three counts of battery on police.

Firefighter Jesse Scott, assigned to the Training Division of the Clark County Fire Department, whose brothers David, Ronald and Ricky were charged in the riot, told the Sentinel-Voice Tuesday that "we want a full investigation of the incident. Our family has engaged an Attorney and we will file police brutality charges against the Police Dept."

of the election precincts to the east of the Westside into Ward 3.

At the same time, the proposed changes would keep several largely black election precincts in Ward 4. However, the boundaries will have to be redrawn because the election precinct that was proposed to be added to Ward 3 is divided into two parts and one portion does not meet the state requirement that it be adjacent to the ward.

The addition of the election precinct to Ward 3 would increase the number of residents there by nearly 2,000, to 51,138. Local dentist James McMillian, speaking on behalf of the chamber, said the addition would decrease the number of black residents in Ward 3

from the current 23 percent. "We don't think that's fair. We think you can make revisions on that map." McMillian told the council committee.

McMillian said that although he liked Nolen, "We really think that the  
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## Elder Ward not in race

Elder George Ward formally announced Monday that he will not be a candidate for Assembly District #7 this term. He cited that out of state business commitments will not allow him the time for proper campaigning.

However, he stated: "I do have further political aspirations and I shall return."

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