

**THE NAACP AND YOU!**



Rev. Jesse D. Scott  
President  
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**NAACP Job Fair  
in the Nation**

McDonald Corporation and the Las Vegas Branch of NAACP scored another first in the nation when it staged "Job Fair '86" on Tuesday, June 10 in the Heritage Hall, 950 W. Owens in Las Vegas. In terms of participation and appreciation this Job Fair was the greatest of them all. Never before have I witnessed so many work so hard, so long to make an event successful. There was no end to the number of telephone calls received seeking information relative to the Job Fair. In Heritage Hall more than 30 tables were occupied by various companies or organizations offering employment opportunities, applications or information. Almost one thousand people came through the Hall between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

**The National Office of  
NAACP Gave Job Fair  
'86 Assistance**

Dr. Benjamin Hooks, Executive Director of the NAACP, provided Las Vegas with the assistance of Attorney Samuel Wright, the National Director of Labor and Industry, who made a valuable contribution in the planning development and execution of "Banquet '86." Attorney Wright was overwhelmed and overjoyed with the large number of people who came to the "Job Fair." Since Las Vegas is the first city in the United States to hold a Job Fair, he decided to leave Las Vegas and go immediately to San Francisco to the NAACP

**Nevada Equal Rights  
Commission Public Hearing**

The Nevada Equal Rights Commission has scheduled a public hearing before Patrick D. Dolan, Hearing Officer, on housing discrimination charges filed by Leon Thompson against Philip Rosaci and Marie Rosaci. The hearing will be held on Monday, June 23, 1986, at 10 a.m., in the Board Room of the Clark County School District Education Center, 2832 E. Flamingo, Las Vegas, Nevada. The issue in this case is whether or not the Rosacis discriminated against Thompson by denying him the rental of a home at 5798 Burnham because of his race, Black.

The case in support of the complainant shall be presented before the Hearing Officer by a representative of the Attorney General.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

second Job Fair in the nation. Additionally a written as well as a photographic report will be made to Dr. Hooks and the National NAACP on June 29 at the 77th Annual National Convention in Baltimore, Maryland.

**Job Fair '86 Was  
Covered By Mass Media**

Before June 10 the date of Job Fair '86 announcements of this fourth coming event was mentioned extensively in my column in the Las Vegas Sentinel-Voice newspaper entitled "The NAACP and You." As the result of a NAACP news release one of the daily newspapers carried the story last Sunday. Still more coverage was given before and on the date of the Fair including a remote. Two of the four television stations also gave the NAACP on the spot coverage. We recognize fully well that the influence and impact of the NAACP's message cannot and will not be fully and completely told unless the mass media informs the public about what is going on.

**McDonald Corporation  
and NAACP Will  
Sponsor Job Fair '87**

Roger Brown, the Regional Personnel Director of McDonald's and yours truly have agreed to hold another Job Fair in 1987. Letters will be sent to all the organizations thanking them for their participation this year and asking them to do the same next year. The NAACP will also write memberships and register to vote, just as we did this year. Please don't

**Exercise Your  
Voting Right**

By H.P. "Fitz" Fitzgerald

According to the 50th Anniversary Edition of The World Book Encyclopedia, "Voting is a democratic method by which the people decide issues and choose their leaders and governments. Freedom to vote (suffrage) is essential to self-government, whether carried on directly or through elected representatives of the people. The United States will be a republic only as long as its people can vote freely for the candidates they think will govern best."

"A citizen who is too lazy or indifferent to vote is throwing away one of his most precious rights. He is abandoning his right to have a voice in his own government. But many voters are so indifferent that they do not vote. This indifference could permit unscrupulous persons to gain control of a government."

There is no reason for any of us living here in West Las Vegas not to be registered to vote, because concerned citizens of Clark County have seen fit to place a voter registration office right in the heart of our community, located at 1312 North "F" Street, Suite "B." Our office hours are from 8-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

forget to remit your membership fee to the NAACP for 1986. When we attend the "Laydown" membership meeting in Baltimore, Maryland, Las Vegas wants to be able to make a good report, therefore you are encouraged to get your membership immediately.

Complaints Meetings are held in the branch office every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. Call 646-1662.

**NUCLEUS**

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Inc., a light industrial plant that will refurbish airplane tow trucks and should employ about 200 people.

Another major tenant will be the Southern Nevada Employment and Training Program, which will relocate its administrative headquarters from downtown to Nucleus Plaza, probably in August.

The presence of a grocery market, a post office, a restaurant, a beauty shop and ice cream parlor, together with offices for the Black Chamber of Commerce, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and Clark County Juvenile Court services, has transformed Nucleus Plaza into the economic and office hub of the Westside.

Just five years ago the same site looked blighted, with boarded store fronts and trash scattered in its parking lot.

"Without local interest, this turn-around wouldn't have been accomplished," said John Edmond, president of Nucleus Plaza Inc. "It's the first time that local businessmen have taken interest in owning and managing the largest commercial establishment in the area."

The corporation raised money by selling stock and by availing itself of an urban development grant from the city of Las Vegas.

"We must be doing something right," Edmond added, "because we've had to turn away five or six tenants."

The success of Nucleus Plaza shows that the Westside can support diverse retail and commercial activity, Edmond said,

despite the feeling among most lending institutions that the area is a poor risk for business investment.

"Most of the businesses on the Westside are local," he said. "We still have not been successful in attracting national franchises, such as fast food stores and a major discount store, in the heart of the Westside."

Part of the problem is that the Westside, with a population of about 38,500, still may lack a large enough pool of potential customers to support a major franchise store. Also, many of these chains and many banks do have stores located on the fringes of the black neighborhood.

Nevertheless, Edmond said, the major problem is the public perception that the Westside is too poor and too rough to support a major business.

"I've been in a lot poorer and rougher neighborhoods in large cities," Edmond countered, "and yet these neighborhoods have their own banks and supermarkets."

Edmond said it's going to take local residents such as himself to turn that public awareness around. Edmond grew up on the Westside and later became a baccarat dealer with several Strip casinos.

By Sergio Lalli  
Review-Journal

**Constable Lou Tabat  
files for reelection**

North Las Vegas Constable Lou Tabat has filed for reelection to the post where he has served for 12 years.

Lou Tabat has served on an array of committees in the community and with his involvement in the boxing game to include functioning as a judge of world wide reknown — both professionally and the amateur program.



Lou Tabat

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