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most seek employment or post-secondary training.

*The Middle College High School in Long Island City, New York, seeks out youngsters who have a record of absenteeism and school failure but who still have the potential to go on to college. The school draws

Mexican Festival Slated

Woman of Excellence presents a Mexican Fiesta! Saturday, September 6 at 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Edie Clark, Head Chef of the Entertainment Division of Sunset Magazine will be teaching Mexican Cooking Skills and Jan Novick, Hospitality Director of Youth With a Mission in Kona, Hawaii, will be teaching hospitality.

Luncheon is included, serving Fajitas with all the trimmings. Jan Hall will also be featured in a Mexican Mime! Dress is colorful and Nursery service is provided.

The Mexican Fiesta will be held at Trinity Temple, 1000 East St. Louis Las Vegas. Please call Trinity at 734-2223 to purchase your tickets!

out that potential by offering these youngsters peer role models, teaching them in small classes, and giving them strong support services. Students both earn credits and learn more about their community by doing volunteer work in hospitals, schools, police stations, and social service agencies. The overwhelming majority go on to graduate, and of those who do, three-quarters go on to college.

These schools are showing us that we can fight our dropout problem and win. If we all join their struggle, we can meet NEA President Mary Futrell's goal: to cut the dropout rate in half by 1990. Whether or not our nation achieves that ambitious goal, we have everything to gain by trying.

Women's Aglow Dinner Scheduled

Evening Women's Aglow Fellowship will host a dinner buffet meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the second floor banquet room of the Palace Station on West Sahara. Dinner is \$7.95 and the guest speaker is Pastor John Parenti. For reservations please call 870-0752 or 438-8180 before Monday, Sept. 8.

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Couple to Couple League Offers Natural Family Planning Classes

Natural family planning classes will be the subject of a series of four monthly classes taught by the Couple to Couple League at St. Viator's Community Center, 4320 S. Channel 10 Drive, Las Vegas. Classes start at 2:30 p.m.

The method taught by the Couple to Couple League is a system of fertility awareness in which several systems of female fertility are used in a cross-checking way for the greatest reliability and confidence. According to the League, this system (called the sympto-thermal method) can achieve an effectiveness at the 99% level in actual practice. The League notes that this system is definitely not the same as calendar rhythm, and that it is an improvement over both the temperature-only method and the Billings' Ovulation Method. The League also states that its method assumes that every woman has irregular cycles.

As an organization, the League dates back to 1971 when John and Sheila Kipply teamed up with Konald Prem, M.D., Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and the University of Minnesota School of Medicine. Dr. Prem serves as the head of

the League's Medical Advisory Board and is firmly convinced of the value of having well trained couples instruct other couples.

The classes at St. Viator's Community Center will be taught by Pete and Mary Baldetti, a CCL Certified Teaching Couple.

The non-profit League is an interfaith organization dedicated to providing education about natural family planning. The typical class has a majority of Catholics in attendance, but more and more non-Catholics have been attending in the last couple of years. The League attributes some of this to disenchantment with the Pill and some to an increased concern about the current state of sexual morality in western cultures.

The League also emphasizes that the natural methods of conception regulation can be practiced for all the fertile years without the risk of danger to health and that many couples have found marital enrichment through the practice of natural family planning.

For further information and pre-registration, call Pete and Mary Baldetti at 435-2270.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Churches are urged to send their services and program announcements, typewritten, to the Las Vegas Sentinel-Voice Church Reporter, Mary Wilson, at 1201 South Eastern Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104. Articles must be mailed or delivered to the above location no later than Monday noon of each week.

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THE NAACP AND YOU!



Rev. Jesse D. Scott
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--NAACP Reorganizes the Nevada Voters League--

In 1956, a state charter was granted for the organizing of the Nevada Voters League. The founder of the League sensed the need for an organization that would serve as a voice to express and present the political hopes and aspirations of Black Nevadans. The founders of this embryo organization were some of the makers and shakers of political thought in the State of Nevada. Additionally, they were also active in the civic, social, economic and religious aspects of Black people. The need for such an organization was evident, because they had been systematically left out of the political decisions made by White people. The organizers of the League were: The late Dr. Charles I. West, Clarence Ray, Dr. James McMillan, Majorie Elliott, Lubertha Johnson, Woodrow Wilson, the late Sarah Hughes, David Hoggard, Jr., Rev. Prentice Walker, Bob Bailey and Rev. Don Clark.

--Nevada's Non-Partisan Voters League--

In 1956, all of the Black leaders in the community were actively involved in the activities of the community as well as the State of Nevada. Evidently, they were smarter than some of the present day leaders, many of whom are not actively participating in the programmatic thrust of the NAACP. The League was organized on a non-partisan basis, because that is how the NAACP operates. To be sure, the NAACP is non-partisan, but very political. The League was organized at a time when there was no Nevada Equal Rights Commission. The Strip had not been opened to Blacks and there were no Blacks elected into the state legislature. In other words, when and where the political pie in Nevada was being sliced, Blacks were not considered and in most

cases were left out completely.

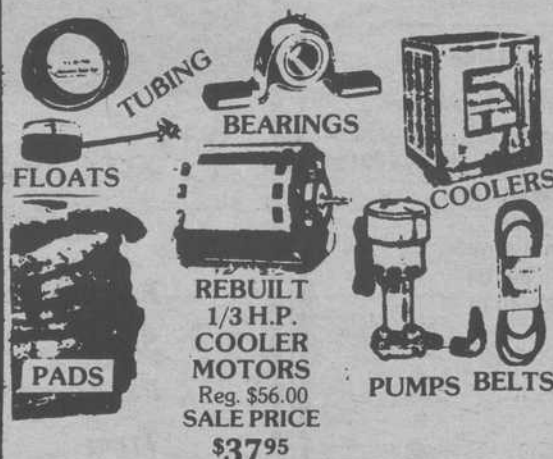
--The League Interviewed and Endorsed Candidates--

When this writer came to Las Vegas in 1970, the League was very much involved in the political activities of the community and the State of Nevada. All of the candidates running for any office in Clark County were invited to appear before the League to answer certain questions that were asked of them. Subsequent to the interview, all of the candidates that were interviewed were sent a letter informing them whether they had been endorsed or not. The key to the selection process was how the candidates answered the questions asked. No questions were asked relative to the person's race or party affiliation, but instead, on issues alone, such as employment, housing, education, economic development and general well being of Black people.

--Meeting Scheduled to Reorganize the League--

A special meeting will be held in the NAACP office, 940 W. Owens, on Monday, Sept. 22 at 7:00 p.m. An invitation will be extended to all of the living founding members to be present to give their assistance in this reorganization effort. NAACP "Freedom Fund Banquet '86" will be held on Sunday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Bally Grand Hotel. Once each year the NAACP asks the public to make a donation of \$100 toward the support of maintaining the office. Everyone who makes a donation of a \$100 will receive one ticket to the banquet. Those who have qualified to attend the banquet are: Minister Jesse D. Scott, Bishop E.N. Webb, Virginia Griffin, Booker Burney, Hermanell Moody, Dr. Angela Clarke and Dr. Thomas Beck. If you want to place an ad in the Souvenir Journal or purchase a ticket to the banquet, you should call 646-1662.

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