

### Black Conventions Mount in Las Vegas

Las Vegas, NV...In a quite, unobtrusive way, Las Vegas has thrown its arms wide open to the once dreaded black convention trade. If blacks once felt their business was unwanted in the "entertainment capital" they may have been correct; however, if recent bookings are any indication, those days are a thing of the past.

The Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, and individual hotel sales departments, are aggressively pursuing several major black convention groups and some smaller ones. The primary reason from the LVCVA's perspective is, by the turn of the century, there will be approximately 70,000 hotel and motel rooms to fill, and the city can not afford to ignore the lucrative, virtually untapped black convention market.

While the Convention Authority has not yet managed to capture major black groups like the National NAACP convention, the National Urban League conclave, and the huge Delta Sigma Theta Sorority national meeting, it has helped to attract--in the last two years--such organizations as: The National Medical Association, National Black Police Association, and the Progressive National Baptist Convention.

The following is a list of meetings that have been booked for future dates:

National Alliance of Black School Educators, 1200 attendees, Nov. 6-9, Caesars Palace.  
the World, 2,500 attendees, March 15-23, 1987, Sahara Hotel.

Gamma Phi Delta Sorority--Western Regional meeting 300 attendees, March 27-29, 1987, Union Plaza Hotel.

Nat'l Funeral Directors and Morticians Assn., Mid-year meeting, 250 attendees, April 12-15, 1987, Frontier Hotel.

Nat'l Optometric Assn., 250 attendees, July 9-12, 1987, Tropicana Hotel.

Black Federal Probation Officers Family Reunion, 200 Attendees, July 30-Aug. 2, 1987, Riviera Hotel.

I.B.P.O.E.W. Elks, 12,000 attendees, August 7-14, 1987, Bally's Grand and various other hotels.

CAL-PAC, 750 attendees, August 1987, Hotel undecided.

Nat'l Bowling Assn., 4,500 attendees, July 23-26,

1987, Hotel undecided.  
ETA Phi Beta Sorority--Western Regional, 150 attendees, Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 1987, Dunes Hotel.

KAPPA Alpha Psi Fraternity--Western Regional Provincial meeting, 2,500 attendees, March 1989, Hotel Undecided.

Nat'l Assn. for Sickle Cell Disease, Inc., 250 attendees, Oct 1989, Hotel undecided.

If you or your organization, are planning to bring a national meeting to Las Vegas, write or call Roosevelt Toston, Convention Sales Manager, Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, for assistance, 733-2290.

### Clark County to Hold 2nd Auction

Clark County will auction 216 typewriters and a number of non-working calculators on Saturday, October 18 at 9:00 A.M. The auction will be held at Cashman Field Center, 850 North Las Vegas Boulevard--Rooms 203 through 206.

All equipment can be inspected October 17 from 9 A.M. to 5 P.m. and October 18, 8 A.M. to 9 P.M.

### Governor Bryan Proclaims October Nevada History Month

Governor Richard H. Bryan has declared the month of October as Nevada History Month.

"As Nevada celebrates one hundred and twenty-two years of statehood," Governor Bryan said, "it is important to reflect on the rich and diverse history of our state. I urge all Nevadans to participate in the events commemorating our history."

In conjunction with the celebration of Nevada History Month, a number of events are planned. They include:

October 17--The Nevada State Museum will open "Brewed in Nevada." The Nevada Historical Society will open "Reno Reflections."

In addition, the Nevada State Council on the Arts will make its series of 5-minute radio spots available. The series is called "Home Means Nevada: Folklife in the Silver State."

For more information, please contact Ronald M. James, at the Division of Historic Preservation and Archeology, 885-5138.

Friday, Oct. 31 is a legal state holiday.

### SNETP Receives Award For Outstanding Performance

CARSON CITY--Governor Richard Bryan today announced that the Southern Nevada Employment and Training Program (SNETP) has been awarded over \$256,000 for its outstanding performance in job placement over the past year.

SNETP placed 79 percent of its participants in jobs at

salaries above the national average for entry level positions. The national average placement rate is 55 percent. SNETP trainees earn an average hourly rate of \$4.88 an hour.

The Las Vegas based job training program serves Nye, Esmeralda, Lincoln and Clark counties. SNETP's average cost per placement was

\$3,292, compared to the national average of \$5,704.

Funding for SNETP's program comes from the federal government under the Job Training Partnership Act and is administered by the State Job Training Office.

### REGISTER

### EOB Parents Sponsor Child and Family Needs Forum

Concerned parents representing Clark County, and having children enrolled in the Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County Head Start Program, will hold a Child and Family Needs Forum which will take place on Monday, October 20, 1986 from 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. at St John's Church of God in Christ, 2301 Comstock Drive (corner of Comstock and Balzar).

Political candidates, including Harry Reid and James Santini, have been invited to attend as well as other candidates.

The public is invited -- Refreshments will be served.

### DEMOCRACY VS APARTHEID In South Africa, There Is Only One Solution...

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