#### Local AARP Volunteer Leaders Meet

Angeles--Local Los volunteer leaders of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) convened here November 19-21 with their colleagues from other western states. The volunteers were briefed on new Association projects and activities, according to AARP State Director Donald Reitzer of Las Vegas.

Another area AARP volunteer attending was Minority Affairs Committee Member Sallie Johnson, also of Las Vegas

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The semi-annual meeting brought together a regional network of Association volunteers who lead a diversity of retirement related programs. national and initiatives. state legislative committees.

Among the twelve sessions designed to provide training and idea exchanges, the AARP leaders heard reports from key volunteers and staff regarding:

The AARP talent bank, a computerized national system to match individual backgrounds to volunteer opportunities throughout the

The "Cut the Cost-Keep the Care' campaign to lower medical costs:

AARP Women's The Initiative:

Chapter and leadership development;

Member services.

With more than 23 million members, the AARP is headquartered in Washington, D.C. and operates one of ten field offices in Long Beach, California. Non-profit and non-partisan, the Association is the nations largest organization of American age 50 and over. It offers membership benefits, state

# **BUSINESS IN THE BLACK**

### Rich Get Richer Under Reagan Representatives

Vote The Rascals Out Of Office

By Charles E. Belle **Business Editor** 

Four hundred Americans

had an average increase in income last year of five-anda-half million dollars each! These top 400 billionaires, as listed in Forbes magazine, made this money while millions of Americans were joining the poverty rolls. Ronald Reagan's policy for the people has produced this atrocity "while conferring no compensating economics at University Massachusetts. "The share of income and wealth flowing to the rich has been expanding at the expense of the poor." Poor people must exercise at least their right to vote the scoundrels who support the White House Administration out of office.

November is no time to relax and let Reagan run up the poverty rolls. You should have gone to the polls and voted his lackeys out of the House and Senate. Since Black Americans make a significant difference in several key state Senate races, a vote against Reagan representatives is a vote for the race. Black Americans consist of one out of every five votes or more in such states as Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, and North Carolina. And are considered "The swing vote" in California, Florida, Missouri, Pennsylvania, and New York. But only if the Black tournout begins to match its voter registration.

and federal legislative representation, volunteer opportunities in a diversity of education and community service programs which are supported by a national network of AARF Chapters

Reagan can go powerless if you go to the polls and vote.

Congress has got to keep its concern Congresspersons and the senate must increase its number of sensitive Senators to the Black American interest if it is to override Reagan's vetoes as in the case of economic sanctions against South Africa. A perfect example of where the people's power to put in sensitive public servants can count. Congressional currently is not good -- so let's vote.

Professor Kotz in his Sunday New York Times article, points out that "the after-tax income of the richest fifth of American households rose from 40.6 percent to 42.3 percent of the total between 1980-'84." Reagan years "Meanwhile the income shares of each of the other four-fifths declined. fact, the top ten percent median income jumped by \$7,130.00, while those at the bottom forty percent actually lost \$236.00.

Under Reagan, richest one percent own more than the bottom 90 percent." Don't be fooled by T.V. advertising, go to the polls and vote the Reagan rascals out of the office.

#### Adopt-A-Grandparent For Christmas

Henderson Convalescent Hospital Auxiliary is conducting its 'Adopt-A-Grandparent For Christmas' program now thru December 20th.

Throughout the year the Auxiliary provides needy patients with hearing aides, glasses, reading materials, clothing and much more. This Christmas they hope to provide at least one. Christmas present for each patient to open December 20th at their Christmas Party. They also hope to fill 120 stockings which will be given to the patients Christmas morning. are asking individuals, civic groups and businesses interested in Adopting-A-Grandparent to help. donation of \$10.00 or more will entitle the donor to a certificate of adoption and

the heart felt appreciation of our residents.

Christmas can be a very lonely and sad time for patients confined to a hospital or Nursing Home, especially if they have no family to share it with. If you are interested in Adopting-A-Grandparent for Christmas call 565-0777, please Monday thru Friday from 9-5PM. All donations are tax deductible.



#### North Las Vegas Sponsoring Merchants Days"

Councilman Mary Kincaid, Chairman of the North Las Vegas Merchants Task Force, announced today that the task force is sponsoring a "Merchants Days promotion from November 28 to December 6.

We have some exciting prizes for this event, explained Kincaid. "including a color television, digital watches, savings bonds, floral displays, a \$100 shopping spree, clock radios and free dinners." NO purchase is necessary to enter the Merchants Days free drawings. Shoppers can

fill out every forms at any of the scores of participating stores in North Las Vegas where the red and white Merchants Days poster is displayed.

"We'll be collecting the entries at noon on Friday, December 5," said Kincaid, 'and winners will be announced during the North Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce's Night-lighted Christmas December Saturday, Names of the winners will also be posted at each of the paticipating merchants following the parade.

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