

Education

SCHOOL TALK

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Students Helping Students

Education is generally perceived as a formal process where an instructor, with many years of training, prepares detailed lesson plans and materials and presents specific information for the students. This process is repeated thousands of times each day. Countless hours are spent by our classroom teachers developing appropriate learning packages for each of their classes.

If you walk into an elementary classroom you may find a most inviting and warm environment; pictures would be placed around the room, the students work would appropriately displayed, and in some manner, the effort of every child would be noted. But this is not just the pattern for elementary schools. I recently had an occasion to be in one of the classrooms at a local high school and simply was amazed at the effort the teacher had made in developing this room as a learning laboratory, but I was more pleasantly surprised at how this instructor was using students to help students learn. We sometimes forget that each of us is a teacher and even the students can become a teacher to others. In the classroom just described, one student who was assisting a colleague who had been absent from school. During a work assignment, both students were quietly doing the work requested and one was serving as a mentor to the other. The teacher was working with a small group of students on a special project and other students worked quietly at their individual desk.

Students aiding others is not an uncommon practice. From my own experience, I can certainly attest to the fact that many telephone calls have been made to friends and questions posed about difficult math problems, specific assignments to be completed, or a direction to be taken on an activity. In some of our schools we have a student tutoring program where one grade level may

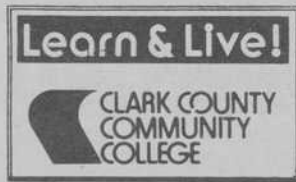
spend some of their instructional time helping students at a lower grade level. The question then may rightly be posed: are we in education taking away precious time from these students who serve as mentors and teachers? I would suggest to you a definite no. A cooperative exchange of ideas developed at an early educational level carries forward into adult life. The concept of being able to help one's neighbor builds self-esteem. We might be surprised how some students who have missed a concept can quickly gain appreciation for the idea when it is described to them by a peer.

Education is a dynamic and forceful endeavor when teachers establish a positive learning environment. Students helping students is as old as the one room school house concept. Even as we have developed very sophisticated building structures, this human element has not been lost, and students helping students is significant for education for we care and learn positive values from others.

Students to Present Play at Mabel Hoggard Center

Annie Norwood's third grade class from Will Beckley Elementary School will be putting on a play for students at Mabel Hoggard Sixth Grade Center, 950 North Tonopah, Wednesday, February 25 at 10 a.m. The play will be staged in the Hoggard multipurpose room.

About 30 students will participate. The play is about the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. and is 30-40 minutes in length. According to Norwood, the students are doing the play as a Black History Month project.



SNVTC Announces Straight "A" Students

Southern Nevada Vocational Technical Center is pleased to announce the first semester straight A honor roll.

Tenth Graders: Jonathan Hawkins and Marez Ventress.

Eleventh Graders: Carmen Arnhold, Patrick Casey, Tessa Castellano, Lisa Dittman, Fitzgerald Green, Hoan Hang, Jodi Kueteman, Christopher Kuptz, Golda Lloyd, Leah Sieman, Randall Sparks, Buffie Stephenson.

Twelfth Graders: Elva Arambula, Marco Arnold, Johnny Baravong, Russell Belian, Timothy Burgess, Jason Dunkerley, Karen Hacht, Suzanne Huggins, Jeannine Idefonso, Jamie Kearns, Kendall Kunz, Paul

Marra Kelly Monaghan, Nanci Patti, Julie Pedersen, Bibiana Ramirez, Melissa Rodriguez, Michelle Siegel, Gayla Sparks, and Rochelle Turner.

Fyfe Elementary to Host UNLV Runnin' Rebels

Fyfe Elementary School, 4101 W. Bonanza, will celebrate Black History Month (February) by hosting the UNLV Rebels as special guests on Friday, Feb. 27 at 1:30 p.m.

For times, location and additional information, please contact Jacqueline Barker at 799-4191.

New Business Workshop Scheduled

New entrepreneurs and those thinking about starting their own business should make a positive attempt to attend the one day seminar co-sponsored by the Small Business Administration, SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives), and The Clark County Community College.

The day is Friday, March 6 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The place is Clark County Community College, 3200 East Cheyenne, Room 1068.

Topics include: The Business Plan, How To Approach Your Banker, Marketing & Advertising, Legal Aspects Of A Business, and SBA Programs.

Registration is \$10.00. Phone Clark County

Community College at 643-6060, Extension 200, for reservations.

Phobic Society Meets

The Phobic Society of America, Las Vegas Support Group Chapter meets Thursday evenings, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at HCA Montevista Centre, 5900 West Rochelle Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Persons with anxiety, panic disorders and agoraphobia are invited to attend. Family members are also welcome.

For further information call 364-1111 extension 126.



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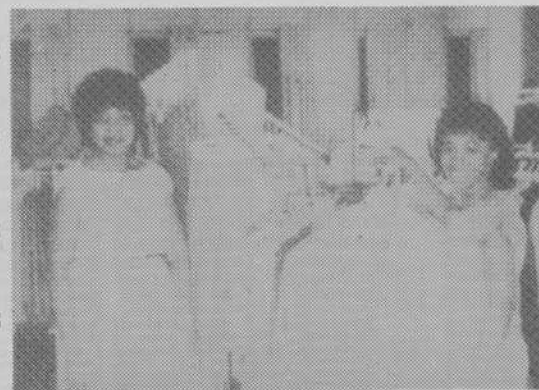
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