

## NLV blacks plan protest march

North Las Vegas black leaders are organizing a march on City Hall Wednesday evening to protest what they say is the city's failure to address their concerns in the wake of the police shooting of a black man this year.

Rev. S.P. Parks, who said he and other leaders approached city officials a month ago about taking measures including boosting the number of black city employees, said Monday he has not yet heard from the city.

He said among his request were that police dismiss the officer who shot and killed Jimmy Ray Splond in March. Officer Robert Johnston, who said he believed the unarmed Splond was about to kill him, was cleared of wrongdoing in a coroner's inquest.

Parks said officials also have not responded to demands to name a black assistant police chief to fill the vacancy left by former Assistant Chief Tom Fay, who retired.

City Hall was closed Monday, and officials could not be reached for comment.

"They were supposed to have gotten back to us to give us a progress report," Parks said. "This has not been done."

He said organizers are calling on city blacks to rally at Heritage Hall in the Nucleus Plaza on West Owens Avenue at 5 p.m. and march to City Hall in time for the regular North Las Vegas City Council meeting at 7 p.m.

## Veterans To Get Free Help When DAV Sends Expert to Town

Las Vegas veterans and their families aren't alone if they're concerned about the effects of Veterans Administration (VA) benefit changes on their lives.

But they'll get straight answers — free of charge — when a national service officer of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) visits Las Vegas. The DAV van will be parked from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the VA Outpatient Clinic, 1703 West Charleston Boulevard in Las Vegas on June 4.

The DAV veterans' benefits expert on board is fully qualified to help veterans and their families



Two of Los Angeles' most involved residents were recently honored at the Friends of Westminster Benefit Dinner, which raised over \$70,000 for the Westminster Neighborhood Association's new Infant Care Center. Lura Daniels-Ball, Western Regional Community Relations Field Manager for the Adolph Coors Company (2nd. left) was presented with the Corporate Citizen Award and Dr. Clyde W. Oden, President of the WATTS Health Foundation, was named 1987 Citizen of Los Angeles. Joining in congratulations are (left to right): Robert Crane, President of Crane, Sacher Realty and Management and dinner co-chairman; Dr. E. Grace Payne, Executive Director of the Westminster Neighborhood Association, and Roger E. Mosley, popular actor and co-star of "Magnum, PI".

## George Williams Elected President of Las Vegas Culinary Union

George Williams, a former business agent, captured the Las Vegas Culinary Union's presidency yesterday during the Union's elections, becoming the first Black to hold a leadership post in the Culinary Union. Williams polled 1,705 votes to runner-up Rachel Coleman's 1,058.

His running mate, Jim Arnold, son of a long time Southern Nevada labor leader, held off three opponents to win the top position of Secretary-Treasurer of the Culinary Union.

Arnold, 44, and also an ex-business agent, captured the leadership of the state's largest labor organization with 1,664 votes. Runner-up



George Williams

Dennis Michaels, the Union's current Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, polled 1,275 votes.

Circus Circus bell captain Benny Caldero, finished third with 740 votes, while Bill Riff, a retired maitre 'd, came in fourth with 633 votes.

file new and reopened claims for the full range of veterans' benefits. Veterans need not be DAV members to take advantage of these free services.

"For several years," said DAV National Service Director Arthur H. Wilson, "veterans have heard many news reports on changes in VA programs and services, cutbacks in VA health care, and proposals to slash disability compensation payments. Also causing concern are changes in Social Security disability programs."

"What do all these changes mean to you?" asked Wilson in a letter to all

disabled veterans in the Las Vegas area. "How do they affect your family? If you're worried about your rights, you should be. That's why the DAV is coming to your area soon. We're here to serve you."

The DAV has sent its vans, called field service units, to communities across America for 13 years now. To date, more than 460,000 veterans, dependents and survivors have used the free services offered by the highly trained DAV national service officers staffing these traveling offices. Last year alone, 29,004 veterans and family

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## Development package would aid Westside

By Dorothy Kosich  
Review-Journal Capital Bureau

CARSON CITY — Las Vegas' Westside may receive a full-time state economic development specialist under a series of bills approved Monday by a legislative committee.

The Assembly Economic Development, Small Business and Tourism Committee approved Assembly Bill 373, creating an Office

for Rural Economic Development. While the bill allocates funding for a rural economic development specialist in Carson City, an amendment was added that will also place a specialist in the Westside.

The cost for the two positions is estimated at \$149,724 for fiscal year 1987-88 and \$146,724 for fiscal year 1988-89.

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