## WESTSIDE SCHOOL ALUMNI SEARCH SUCCESSFUL CDF Report Dispels Notion that Teen Parenting (1922-1967)

The seven month media search for teachers and students who attended the Old Westside School between 1922, when the school first opened, and 1967 when the school closed, proved most successful. The search resulted in locating more than 725 alumni from coast to coast and border to border, in preparation for the schools first reunion. The reunion featured a picnic sponsored by Commissioner William Pearson at Lorenzi Park on Saturday, May 28, and a banquet at the Union Plaza Hotel/Casino on Sunday, May 29. More than 400 alumni, family members and friends attended both events, according to Betty Henderson, Alumni Association President and J. David Hoggard, Sr., program chairman.

Myrtle Wimberly Wilson graduated from Las Vegas High School, and the Sunrise School of Nursing in Las Vegas, and has completed 22 years of service as a registered nurse. She is married to Charles Wilson and they have 3 children, and 5 grandchldren.

Celestine Wimberly graduated from Las Vegas High School, has one daughter, and is an assistant housekeeper in the Las Vegas hotel industry.

Georgia Wimberly Spencer



High School, and she and her husband have 9 children and 18 grandchildren. They have been married for 33 years.

Elmer Harris graduated from Las Vegas High School, is married to Brenda, and they have 2 girls and one Harris has been employed at the Nevada Test Site for 15 years as a service material service manager.

Ernest Brooks excelled in all sports at the Westside School under coach Henry J. Moore, graduated from Las Vegas High School, and is employed by the Clark County School District and the Circus Circus Hotel in Las Vegas. He and his wife Sadie are the parents of 7 children.

James Addison is a charter member of the Westside School Alumni Association, graduated from Las Vegas and a graduate of Rancho High School in North Las Vegas. Addison is employed by Ogden Allied Corporation of Nevada at McCarran International Airport, and is the father of six children.

Sammy Glover is an alumnus of the Westside School and graduated from Las Vegas High School, Contra College in San Pablo, California, and completed two years in the U.S. Army Division of Research Pathology. Glover has been employed by the University Medical Center in Las Vegas for 19 years. He and his wife Ada are the parents of a boy and girl.

Lois Taylor was associate editor of the Westside Journal, the Westside School's first and only weekly newspaper, is married to Jewell Taylor, and they are the parents of 3 boys and 3 girls

## Shirley Chisholm Speaker at UNLV Graduation

Former U.S. Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm was the guest speaker at UNLV's 25th commencement exercises last Sunday in the Thomas and Mack Center.

The former senior Democratic woman in the U.S. House of Representatives, she told the graduating class not to wear their education like the emperor wore his new clothes.

"In other words, your education has a context, not just a political one but also a moral and a social one. No man can be secure in his ego unless he has been able to make a contribution to his family and his community," she said.

A native New Yorker, Chisholm was the only woman and the only black to sit on the House Rules Committee. She was also a leading member of the Congressional Black Caucus. Chisholm entered the 91st Congress in and the poor 1969

In 1971, when the 92nd Congress convened, Chisholm won a spot on the House Education and Labor Committee. She served for six years before moving to the rules committee.

Chisholm made history in 1972 by campaigning for the Democratic party's nomination for president. She was the first black woman to seek the nation's highest office.

She is the author of two books. "Unbought and Unbossed," her autobiography, and "The Good Fight," the story of her 1972 bid for the

As a congresswoman, Chisholm was a supporter of black colleges, compensatory education, minimum wage for domestics, American Indians, the Haitian refugees, migrant farm workers

In 1982, Chisholm announced that she would not seek re-election to the Con-

University President Robert C. Maxson and June Whitley, Chairman of the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada System, after conferring degrees to 800 of the 1,385 candidates for graduation from August or December 1987 and May 1988, also conferred Distinguished Nevadan Awards to four Nevadans, who have demonstrated Shirley Chisholm's idea of social responsibility. The four receiving this honor were well-known Westside community leader James A. Gay, III, Chairman of the Board of Southwest Gas Corporation Dr. Kenny C. Guinn, District Judge Roger D. Foley and noted Las Vegan Johnny A. Ribeiro, Jr.

## is a Poor, Urban, Minority Problem

by Janice M. Magona NNPA Correspondent

According to a recent report released by the Children's Defense Fund (CDF), teen parenthood is not a problem unique to the poor, minorities or those living in urban areas.

White teens, it states, are less likely than black teens to give birth but once they are parents, they are equally likely to have a repeat birth, less likely to complete high

school and if unmarried, equally likely to start receiv ing welfare within four years of giving birth.

Continuing its findings, the report entitled "An Advocate's Guide to the Numbers' said that while states with high birth rates are likely to have larger minority populations, there are many excep-

Commenting on the report CDF president Marion Wright Edelman stated, "Adoles-

(R-PA), the ranking minority

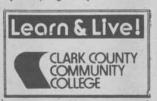
member, said, "We have wrestled with this since the

beginning .But a trial in a

cent pregnancy affects every racial, income and ethnic group in every area of the country . . . two-thirds of the teens who give birth each year are white, two-thirds do not live in big cities and two-thirds come from families with above poverty incomes.'

Across the board, she said, adolescent pregnancy is a critical and complex problem which is misunderstood and that concrete "remedies" must be examined and addressed to tackle the issue. "We must therefore implement remedies that all teens need to prevent tooearly sexual activity, pregnancy, abortion, and parenthood, but we must also target additional remedies to disadvantaged youths who are at the greatest risk of teen pregnancy and the poverty it

Edelman said that at-risk youth today need hope for a better future to help them avoid premature sexual activity and pregnancy



## JUDGE -

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of the hearing that the case was "exceedingly difficult and trying" because of Hastings' acquittal on the criminal charges and because Hastings, Florida's first Black federal judge, has asserted that the case against him is racially motivated. Convers said the subcommittee has "taken cognizance of racially motivated conduct in this country for many, many years, particularly in the criminal justice system." He said he is "not unaware or naive about the troubling matters that hover over this particular hearing today." Rep. George W. Gekas

criminal case and the proceedings at hand are diametrically opposed. Hutchinson said "this is not an accusatory (body) nor am I acting as a defender. We are looking into it (the charges) to see if there is a basis for it (impeachment). If the hearings conclude the judge's conduct was not blameworthy, we would recommend against impeacement. If it is found that it does warrant impeachment. this recommendation would be sent to the House. The Senate would be the final

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