

Streetwise Alive Youth Organization Outlines Goals

The "Street-Wise Alive" Youth Organization, pointing out that Las Vegas youth have very little to do in the way of wholesome and constructive entertainment, plans to fill that void.

Among the goals for the organization are listed: 1) Organizing the youth around constructive entertainment outlets; 2) Bringing the adult and business com-

munity closer to our young people; 3) Opening constructive avenues of opportunity to all youth, for the expression of the God given talent that they have been blessed with; 4) Raising the awareness and understanding of Crime/drug world in the community, to such a high level that none will be able to say "I didn't know;" and 5) Opening real lines of com-

munication between adults and youth.

The youth organization feels it has a real plan to help stop drugs and gangs in the community.

The first community-wide program that the "Street-Wise Alive" group plans to implement will be a Youth Fashion Design Contest. The contest, which will be open to all youth under the age of

20, will afford youth the opportunity to design, create and model their own clothes, which will be judged down to the best four in six different categories - men's and women's casual, dressy and sports wear. Included in the project will be an apprentice sewing work shop for the youth, and an apparel shop where the public can buy the tailor made clothes and the

youth can sell what they make.

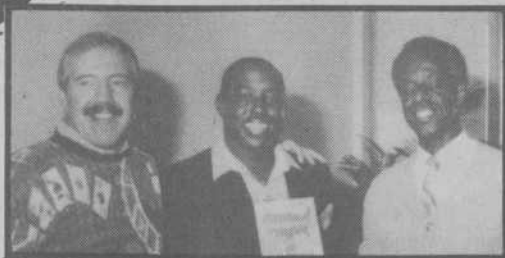
Varied activities and assemblies are planned for the youth throughout the summer, such as the "Fun in the Park" Day held last Sunday at Freedom Park. In addition, "Street-Wise Alive" sponsors assemblies and concerts where the dangers of drug addiction are presented and discussed in a

manner that promotes increased awareness and understanding of those dangers.

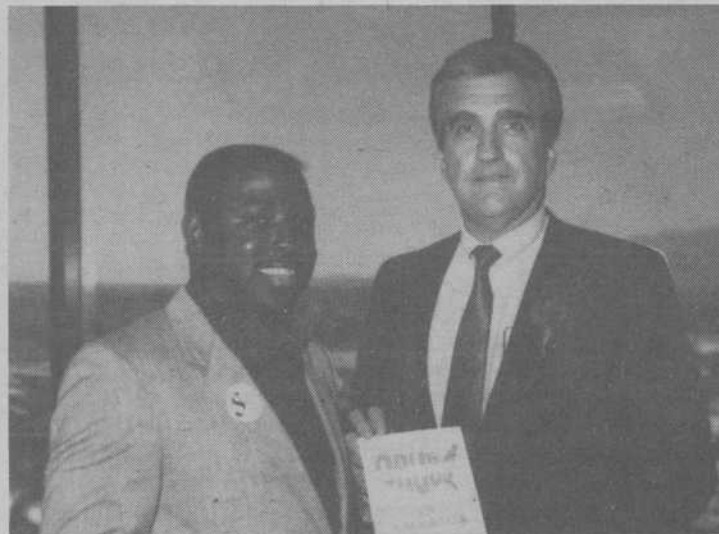
The "Streetwise Alive" Program is headed by Mr. Lawrence T., a former drug user and trafficker, who uses his own experiences to teach youth about the problems which are inherent in the use of drugs.

We Support Lawrence T. and Street-Wise Alive Your Sponsorship Would Be Appreciated

I'm Street-wise ALIVE!
A Reality Concert Series



Cranford Crawford-Division Supervisor (right) and John Dantis-Detention Supervisor Juvenile.



Mayor Ron Lurie shows support for Lawrence T. and his Street-Wise Alive program.



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building on the successes of past national conferences. In each of these conferences, the dynamism, team spirit, and dedication was evident. It proved among other things, that we can move mountains if we work together.

On June 11th we concluded the 4th conference. A number of participants explained how they implemented the "Blueprint for Action" in their communities. With the success of the Blueprint beginning to take hold, I indicated that we must now work to see that the School Improvement Act is being effectively implemented in our nation's school to ensure that Black children, indeed all children, receive the maximum benefit under the law.

The "National Conference on Educating Black Children" is a compelling and exciting educational movement. The Conference is now beginning to see the first tangible results of their endeavor. The spirit, of this group of committed persons, is best expressed in the following quote from Dr. Benjamin Mays:

"It must be borne in mind that the tragedy in life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal, the tragedy in life lies in having no goal to reach.

It is not a calamity to die with dream unfulfilled, but it is a calamity not to dream.

It is not a disaster to be unable to capture your ideals, but it is a disaster to have no ideal to capture.

It is not a disgrace not to reach for the stars, but it is a disgrace to have not stars to reach for.

Not failure, but low aim, is a sin."