

MPD Sponsors Crime Prevention Program Tuesday, Aug. 8

This coming Tuesday, August 8, join over 20 million Americans in "National Night Out," an after-dark crime prevention event which urges homeowners, businesses and communities to turn on their lights for security, spending a symbolic hour outdoors demonstrating solidarity against crime. Sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch, National Night Out is supported by the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

"Lights on means lights out for crime" will be the rallying cry Tuesday, August 8th. More than 7,000 communities are expected to participate in this annual after-dark event this year. "We encourage everyone in our local neighborhoods to participate in National Night Out this year, we believe that getting tough on crime at the local level is one of the best

ways to fight this national problem," said Sheriff John Moran.

The National Neighborhood Crime Watch Groups are commended in the Congressional Record of April 12, 1988, for declaring the second Tuesday in August as "National Night Out." The Congressional Record sites the important role lighting plays in fighting crime and says that homes and businesses displaying some measure of indoor or outdoor lighting are less vulnerable to criminal activity than those which remain unlighted after dark. The first "National Night Out" was held in 1984 and since then, the event has grown to a point where last year 17.5 million citizens in 6,104 communities in all 50 states participated.

So join the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department by turning on your

President Of Dr. Martin L. King Committee To Attend National Planning Conference

Las Vegas, Nev...Dora D. Harris, current president of the local Dr. King Committee, which is an official support group of the Martin Luther King Center in Atlanta, Georgia, will journey to Atlanta to represent the State of Nevada at a National Planning Conference designed to implement nationwide plans for the upcoming 1990 Dr. Martin Luther King National Holiday.

The July 27 - 29 conference will be a gathering of representatives from all 50 states, military officials, labor leaders and educators to develop a cohesive national plan to address the King agenda.

In representing Nevada, Harris stated, "I am looking forward to participating in

lights, and turning the lights out on crime. For more information, call 1-800-NITE-OUT or the Crime Prevention Bureau at 386-3507.

the National Planning Conference and hope to bring back fresh ideas and new concepts that will help effectuate change in the Las Vegas community."

Gamma Phi Delta Sponsors Art Show

Delta Kappa Chapter of Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, Inc. will sponsor an art show featuring artist Ronald Amie and the local talent of Vicki Richardson, Harold Bradford, and Sylvester Collier.

The show billed "Art D'Affair" will be held on Saturday, August 19, 1989 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Harland Mansion, 1044 South 6th Ave.

A donation of \$25.00 will go to benefit the Sorority's Scholarship Fund.

For more information call 648-4781 or 399-2286 or any Sorority member.

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The Riddle Of Jewish/Black Relations

by Earl Raab

Editor's Note: This is the second of three articles which are being printed on the present state of the Black-Jewish relationship. The articles are being reprinted by permission of "Reform Judaism."

Two developments did create concern among Jews about blacks. One was the radicalization, the Fanonization of a sector of black leadership. The militant and ideological attack on the American society in the late 1960s and early 1970 terrified Jews in general. The kind of public excitement associated with that attack, along with the anti-Semitic edges which familiarly accompanied that excitement -- such as the rhetoric of Black Panthers and of Black Muslims -- frightened American Jews who were just then absorbing the lessons of the Ger-

man Nazi experience.

Some of the hard rhetorical edges of that radicalized era have receded. Remaining as heritage, however, is a kind of Third World ideology complete with hostility towards Israel, seen variously as a handmaiden of American imperialism and as an oppressor of Arabs.

This animus against Israel is still a function of one vocal sector of the eucated black elite. It has been brought into sharp focus by the emergence to political power of Jesse Jackson and his Rainbow Coalition. This is the core of American Jewish concern about black hostility.

But again, some distinction must be made. The black population at large has not been particularly anti-Israel. Since 1967, at least eleven surveys have compared white and black responses to the standard question: "Do you have more sympathy for the Israelis or for the Arabs?" Typically, about half of the white and about a third of the blacks made a choice between Israel and the Arabs. On the average, about 8 out of 10 whites who made that choice chose Israel; about 7 out of 10 blacks who made that choice chose Israel.

In other kinds of measurements, blacks have made the same kind of response -- much more favorable than unfavorable toward Israel, somewhat less favorable than whites. In one comparative post-intifada 1988 survey, whites were more sympathetic to Israel than to the Palestinians by a 6-2 ratio, blacks by a 5-3 ratio.

In political matters related to Israel, blacks have often compared even more favorably to whites. In 1982, at least as many blacks as whites opposed the AWACS sales to Saudi Arabia. All in all, it has been safe for most members of the black Congressional caucus to consistently support Israel.

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Beverly's remarks were part of a workshop entitled "The Endangered Black Male." Some of the most pessimistic data projects that up to 70 percent of all Black men will be in jail, dead, on drugs or alcoholics by the year 2000 unless dramatic action is taken now.

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NAACP: Develop More Black Economic Strength

by Robert E. McTyre--
Michigan Chronicle Writer

'We Must Focus On Economic Power'

Black Americans have an aggregate income of more than \$200 billion a year, but it's not worth much in the economic power game, observed Dr. William F. Gibson, chairman of the National Board of Directors during a speech at a mass rally Monday night. It doesn't mean much because all it represents is purchasing power, he said.

"Three years later (all you have to show for it) are some beat-up cars, some outdated clothes, some bad memories of some non-exotic vacations and some high-priced TVs VCRs and hi-fi equipment that doesn't work."

Real economic power, according to Gibson, is Blacks "enmasse using Black businesses, Black professionals, so that some of that \$200 billion can turn over in the Black community more than once."

Gibson advocated "withholding our patronage from those businesses that don't employ us or trade with us reciprocally" and "with-

drawing our deposits and closing our accounts at those financial institutions that favor Whites over Blacks in their lending."

Strong Black Men

A Wayne State University professor unveiled a comprehensive plan Monday at an 80th NAACP convention plenary session which will create a School Development Corp. at Detroit's Northern High School.

Dr. Greigs Beverly, Martin Luther King Professor of Social Work, outlined the program as being one which will simultaneously encourage academic excellence and community development.

The six-fold program includes: requiring parents to sign consent forms promising participation with students in the homework and other activities; recruiting male high school graduates as mentors who will stick with their students throughout their four high school years and beyond; a comprehensive health program and an endowment program which would be used to enhance the educational and community setting.

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