

# Entertainment

## BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

### Teed-Off Spike Lee Nails Arsenio Hall

N'YORK CITY: It allegedly took place in mid July during the 10th. edition of the New Music Seminar here. However resuscitated words are just beginning to penetrate listening ears. It wasn't told to me, but I did hear that the reason that the "Africentricity" panel received so much media attention was that Spike Lee was in the center of its spotlight and his unruffled comments were headline block busters. Particularly his disciplinary description of talk show host Arsenio Hall as "An Uncle Tom Negro who fuss over white female guests, but hesitates to book him, Lee, "on his late nite personality eye/ear tube feast." The controversial film maker with the genuine

genius of doing the right thing, also called on Eddie Murphy to use his tremendous boxoffice strength at Paramount Pictures to get more African Americans hired on films and in executive positions. He pointed out that this boxoffice king's position that "It's Paramount's house" is a myth. "My feeling," said Lee, "Is when you make \$11 million for Paramount, it's your house... Chuck D, who was silent on the status of his disbaned group, Public Enemy, was out spoken on the problems of the African American community, the proposed focus of the panel. He predicted that a new African American intellectualism will assert itself with in six years. That the media

has brainwashed African Americans into accepting a poorer role in society and called for a counterattack on its print and electronic arms and the establishment of African Americans' owned and operated networks to help unify this major American population. He awarded the present school system a minus. His theory is there should be more emphases on business than history which is more fabricataion than facts. "Like Columbus discovering America, yet an Indian bro was waiting there to greet him?"

THE NEWS IS: -- That Don King, the world class fight promoter will not have to face a N'York State Athletic Commission for allegedly tampering with "Iron" Mike Tyson's managerial contract. However he may have to answer some tough questions at license renewal time, which is soon...In the mean time both the talented Robin

Givens and her astute mother, Ruth Roper, are ducking publishers with six figure offers for one or both to put to pages "Their loving encounter with Iron Mike." If they were vendetta prone they would take the cash and run for shelter...Sammy, Frank and Liza have established new attendance records in the old country. Theirs are the hottest tickets in what ever city they're billed in. In Germany \$150 tickets were a bargain at \$800 on the scalper's corner...In spite of the public braying of a few died in bias citizens the drive to erect a Jackie Robinson statue, afront the ball park in which he made baseball history, is moving ahead with major white and african Americans dedicated to the Daytona Beach movement...Grants running in the neighborhood of \$105,000 each have been awarded to a dozen historically African American colleges and universities. The largess is based on a three to four year spread...September will mark the golden wedding ann'y of Walter and Irma P. Stubbs. Their children have fashioned a full bloom celebration to mark the ocurrence that will begin at the St. Philips Church in Harlem...Ruth Bowen isn't allergic to Aretha Franklin, who is her client. However a mean allergy dogged her all the days the "Queen of Soul" was packing Radio City Music Hall...The 20th. anniversary celebration of EDGES is expected to be a biggie. That's the synonym of NYC's powerful organization of major African corporate executives. W.C. Vertreace is this yr's luncheon chairperson...Channel 13 deserves your monied support. "It's "Satchmo," a profile of the late Louis Armstrong, was a marvelous historic resustation of musical glory. A sound off for democracy.

"HE'S GOT THE WORLD IN A SWING." That's how the invite read from Pastor John Garcia Gensel of Saint Peter's Church. The line has to do with George Wein who is the '89 designee to receive the "Duke Ellington/Shepherd of the Night Flock Award." This glorious recognition to whom has been dubbed "Master Maker of joyful noises, the Jazz Ambassador to the

### Redd Foxx Returns To Hacienda

The famous, outrageous originator of stand-up comedy is back at the Hacienda Resort Hotel and Casino's Fiesta Theatre. Redd Foxx's name will once again grace the Hacienda's marquee beginning August 8th.

Foxx long noted for his colorful humor and monologue will be joined by some of his long time friends and side-kicks of comedy. Appearing with Foxx is Bernie Allen, Prince Spencer and all time great Slappy White. The combined group of talent will deliver loads of



Redd Foxx

world" in celebration of his 40th. anniversary as producer-creator of Jazz Festivals throughout the world. The who is who by all manners and tallents of the world of joyful sounds are expected to turn out for this unusual and eventful ocurrence...Scores of flicks are before the cameras in Hollywood, however, this corner can only count us involved in less than a half-dozen. "Ghost Dad" stars Bill Cosby with Sidney Poitier in the director's chair. Fred Williamson will star in and direct "Soda Cracker," his own doing. Whoopi Goldberg will top the marquee in "Long Walk Home." In tinsel city the U.S. Census Bureau has enticed celebrities to help ensure an increased minority 1990 count. The hard to track includes African-Americans, Latino males ages 18-25, and Asian American...Closing out its engagement August Wilson's triple award winning "Fences" departed Pittsburgh as the most successful in steel town's public theatre 14-year history. It was a sellout during its entire run and received a seven-minute standing ovation closing night...Al Cobbs and the C&J band helped jazz up the July "Midsummer Night Swing", celebrating Lincoln Center's 30th. Ann'y. Lord Burbage was also very much a part of the festivities...They say LaToya Jackson is toying with the affection of some members of her family. There could be an explosion along the way...The Jackson clan should remember to: -- STAY LOOSE...Billy Rowe is a syndicated columnist.

laughs with old and new materials.

Long before Cosby, Newhart, Carson or Brenner there was Foxx. Along with Lenny Bruce, Redd pioneered the club circuit touring with his own blend of comedy and humor. His materials has always originated from real life and off the wall experiences. A majority of his material is made up from his childhood. One will not see the familiar "Fred Sanford" of "Sanford & Son" television fame. When Foxx enters the stage, it is Red's style all the way. His brand of humor produces an immediate rapport with the audience.

Always on the move, Foxx has just put the wraps on a new movie starring two of today's hottest properties in comedy, Eddie Murphy and Richard Pryor. Together the trio appear in "Harlem Nights". Directed and written by Murphy himself, the movie is due out in November. As a television performer, movie star, and comedian Foxx moves in and out of one role to another with ease and modesty. A man of many talents, Foxx holds "The Golden Globe Award" and "Entertainer of the Year" to name just a few.

Foxx and his cohorts in comedy can be seen at the Hacienda beginning August 8th, nightly at 9pm. There are two shows on Friday and Saturday at 9pm and 12am. The show is dark on Monday. For further information call 702-739-8911.



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TO: ALL N.A.A.C.P. MEMBERS, FRIENDS, AND/OR SUPPORTERS  
FROM: JESSE D. SCOTT, BRANCH PRESIDENT

The Las Vegas Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People met in the Executive Session on July 20, 1989 and voted unanimously to launch its Summer/Fall Membership Campaign.

A goal has been set to increase the current membership rolls to one thousand new and/or renewed N.A.A.C.P. memberships from August 1, 1989 to December 20, 1989.

All N.A.A.C.P.'ers and friends are requested to enter this mass campaign and participate as individuals or groups in writing adult memberships. The success of this campaign depends upon the commitment that you have made to yourself and to your children's future.

A financial inducement of "dollars for memberships" has been established to encourage more participation. The campaign has been divided into four divisions, plus a bonus.

#### DIVISIONS

The highest number of memberships written in each division will be declared as the winner. The winners will be announced at the Executive Committee meetings on 8/8, 9/12, 10/10, 11/14, and 12/12 at 7:00.

"D" Division	-	1	-	24 Memberships	-	\$ 20.00
"C" Division	-	25	-	49 Memberships	-	\$ 40.00
"B" Division	-	50	-	74 Memberships	-	\$ 80.00
"A" Division	-	75	-	100 Memberships	-	\$100.00

#### BONUS

The highest total number of N.A.A.C.P. memberships written and reported above 200 on December 20, 1989 will receive an additional bonus of \$200.00.

Jim Crow and racism Nevada-style are coming out of the closet once again because our oppressors either think that we are tired, lazy, crazy, or all of the above.

We need large numbers of members to enroll **now!** Realizing that politicians don't count people, but only the votes people cast on election day and the dollars they spend in the marketplace.

Finally, other reasons for increasing our N.A.A.C.P. membership rolls are the recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions on Civil Rights, affirmative action, the racial problems with the Clark County School District, and also with the Las Vegas Housing Authority.

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