

speaker will be Mr. Musjahid Ramadan, the State Coordinator of Drugs and Substance Abuse. Ponder this -If you are constantly being mistreated and do nothing about it, then you are encouraging the mistreatment. "If there is not struggle,

there is no progress. Those who profess to favor freedom, and yet deprecate agitation, are men who want crops without plowing up ground. They want the ocean without the awful roar of its many waters."

Frederick Douglass

Ebony Fashion Show Tickets are available at the NAACP Office, 940 W. Owens Avenue. Phone No. 646-1662. The show will be held Sunday, April 8, 1990. Tickets are \$30.00 reserved and \$20.00 general admission.

# **Readers Speak Their Minds**

#### **OUESTION FOR THE WEEK:**

Sheriff John Moran found the actions of the Metropolitan police officers were justifiable against Keith Harrison. Which character in the Wizard of Oz does Sheriff Moran's action represent in his decision?

#### **TEOMBE PICKETT:**

The sheriff is the Wicked Witch of the West...He is mean for no reason. The character of the Wicked Witch supports evil...He should be put behind bars...How do you justify hitting someone with a flashlight while being handcuffed?

#### **JUANNA JORDAN:**

By far the Scarecrow...His decision was made in a round-about way...He has not yet come forward or been direct with information. The Scarecrow mentality...fearful of making the humane decision...not smart enough to face the truth.







**ALLEN SHELTON:** 

Toto. Dorothy's dog...Where ever the crowd goes Toto follows. The sheriff is more concerned about being re-elected, so pleasing his constituents, the money man, the movers and shakers...going along with the majority of people who agree in the harsh actions against those kind of people (trouble makers).

Allen Shelton

### SHED ELLIOTT:

No brains (Scarecrow), no heart (Tin Man)...He is wrongfully supporting the police force and not the community... The sheriff is biased... He's lost



**Ruby Amy Hines** 

It was such an injustice to this young man who exhibits such potential of being an artist of tomorrow...The action of the sheriff portrays the Cowardly Lion, for not facing the unfair treatment to

# ON THE CULTURAL OFFENSIVE

By Ramona Hoage Edelin, Ph.D. President. The National Urban Coalition

## MEN LIKE MANDELA AND MALCOLM

In February of 1990. Nelson Mandela was released from prison by the South African government after 27 years of political incarceration; and a new movement to observe the life and death of Malcolm X, on the occasion of the 25th anhis niversary of assassination, was launched. In the context of the African American cultural offensive, what can and should we say about these two men and their meaning to all of US? Nelson Mandela is, at 71

years of age, the paradigm of the African democratic spirit. He personifies all that we have said before during

these centuries of enslavement and domination about the unique role that African people have played in the attainment of recognition and respect for each and every human being -- in government, business and in social and cultural life. The first words from his heart and mind upon his release were to the people, praising their steadfastness in struggle and crediting all progress toward freedom, including his release, to them; and placing what remains of his life in their hands. In response to all the seductions of glory and

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Freedon, Freedom, Freedom Everybody everywhere is longing to be free.

Rev. Jesse D. Scott

President

Las Vegas, NAACP

THE NAACP AND YOU!

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Police Officers

munity Meeting will be held Monday, March 12, 1990 at 7:00 p.m. at New Jerusalem Baptist Church located at 1100 North "D" Street.

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