

CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY ELECTS NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Clark Atlanta University announces the election of three distinguished personalities to its board of trustees effective immediately according to Carl Ware, chairman. At the annual board meeting, C. E. Steel, Julius Winfield Erving II, and Leonard H. Roberts were elected to three-year terms.

They join an impressive list of distinguished corporate, educational, alumni, religious, faculty, student, and community leaders that set policy for the newly consolidated institution. Clark Atlanta University is one of only two private, comprehensive, historically Black universities in the nation offering degrees from the bachelor's to the doctorate.

C. E. Steel is vice president of administration at Hoechst Celanese Corporation, Somerville, New Jersey.

He has held senior level positions at the former Celanese Corporation and several of its subsidiaries covering a span of more than 40 years.

Very active in business, professional and civic organizations nationally, Mr. Steel represents Hoechst Celanese's long-term partnership with Clark Atlanta University. Hoechst Celanese is a manufacturer of pharmaceuticals, specialty and commodity chemicals, fibers and textiles.

Julius (Dr. J) Winfield Erving II, renowned (NBA) star and president of the Erving Group,

Inc., Philadelphia, is noted nationally for his volunteer and community service work particularly with inner city youths. Basketball star turned businessman, Erving also is well-known in the broadcast and business world. He is co-owner of the Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Company and co-owner of WKBW

television station in Buffalo, New York.

Leonard H. Roberts is chairman and chief executive officer of Shoney's, Inc., headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee. This multi-billion dollar franchise system has more than 16 hundred restaurants in the southeastern part of the country.

Roberts was chosen to head the restaurant chain in December, 1989.

He was also active with a number of charities in Atlanta, including Big Brothers & Big Sisters of America, Cystic Fibrosis, and the United Way.

Clark Atlanta University's president, Dr. Thomas W. Cole,

Jr., stated that "the entire Clark Atlanta University family looks forward to the contributions these new trustees will make as they join the other distinguished members of the board."

Clark Atlanta is launching several new initiatives in which their expertise and guidance will be extremely helpful.

VUCANOVICH ANNOUNCES FEMA CLARK COUNTY GRANT FOR '91

Congressman Barbara Vucanovich (R-NV) announced that Clark County has been awarded a \$377,344 grant by the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program to fund projects in the fiscal year 1991.

"Northern Las Vegas will benefit greatly from this grant which will provide increased

funding for shelters, soup kitchens, food banks and rent assistance programs in the area," said Vucanovich.

"With the transient population in Las Vegas increasing, it is more important than ever to make sure community services remain available and well funded."

The National Board, chaired

by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and composed of representatives from the American Red Cross, Catholic Charities, Council of Jewish Federations, National Council of Churches, Salvation Army, and the United Way of America, has been in existence since 1983.

The program was authorized under the Stewart B. McKinney

Homeless Act of 1987.

"We are fortunate to have in our corner these charitable groups who care so deeply about community service," said Vucanovich.

"The funding provided by FEMA has accounted for millions of meals and nights of shelter for those people most in need of help."

1991 MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE SYMPOSIUM SET

CHICAGO, IL.—"Minority Business Enterprise - The Final Decade and into the Next Century" will be the theme of a Symposium to be held in Chicago next April. Sponsored by the Cosmopolitan Chamber of Commerce of Chicago, the focus of the gathering will be "Access to Capital."

"Surrounded by a rapidly changing marketplace, minority business must focus on a variety of issues that will influence their success now and in the future," according to Consuelo Pope, President and CEO, of the Cosmopolitan Chamber of Commerce. "We felt 1990 was almost too late when we held the first Symposium last March.

Changing technology, a new worldwide markets and declining support for affirmative action, are but a few factors that could hurt entrepreneurs who are not prepared."

The 1991 Symposium will tackle a wide range of financial concerns such as finding money, dealing with banks, venture capital and creative financing. Pope emphasizes that "These are working meetings. We expect that concrete and practical solutions will emerge from the dialogue among business people, management professionals, financiers and other experts." Last year's Symposium provided considerable substance for hearing conducted by

the National Commission on Minority Business Enterprise headed by Joshua Smith.

The two-day Symposium will be held in Chicago on April 4 and

5 at the Westin Hotel. Special discounted airfares are available to those attending. Call the Cosmopolitan Chamber at (312) 786-0212 for additional information.

THE STRIP TO BE CLOSED ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

In anticipation of the New Year's Eve festivities, the Nevada Highway Patrol and the Nevada Department of Transportation announced today that sections of the Las Vegas Strip will be closed to all motor vehicle traffic. The NHP says the closure is necessary to insure the safety of pedestrians and property in the affected areas.

Captain Glenn Jewett, the Las Vegas Area Commander explained, "In the past, we have had incidents where conflicts between unruly celebrants resulted in injuries and property damage". Jewett added, "We hope this closure eliminates these incidents".

The 90 minute closure will effect two portions of Las Vegas Boulevard. On Monday, December 31 at 11:30 p.m., no traffic will be allowed between Flamingo Road and Spring Mountain Road, or between Convention Center Drive and Circus Circus Drive. Anyone wishing to avoid the closures should use alternate routes.

The NHP encourages anyone who intends to celebrate at any of the Strip Resorts, to come early and plan on staying late. The Strip is not expected to re-open until after 1:00 a.m. Remember to celebrate responsibly, *Don't Drink and Drive*.

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