

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Exhibiting at the Las Vegas Art Museum for January in the Main Gallery will be the Afro-American Exhibit featuring four artists; Tony Trigg, Vicki Richardson, Sylvester Collier, and Harold Bradford.

In the Nevada Gallery a photography exhibit "Afro-American" Pioneers of the Southwest; on loan from the permanent collection of Clark County libraries.

The Youth Gallery will feature works by students of Rancho High School, coordinated by Vicki Richardson.

These exhibits will open with a reception on Sunday, January 6th from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m. and hang until January 27, 1991.

Hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday 12 noon to 3 p.m., closed Mondays. Exhibits are free to the public. Donations are accepted. For more information contact Helen Gaines at 647-4300.

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The Links, Inc. Las Vegas Chapter's "Post Holiday Blues Party" has been changed from January 19, 1991 to January 26, 1991, at the Dunes Hotel — Pyramids I, II & III.

Music is by Rex Richardson & Company. Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will be served. Ticket price is \$25 per person. Tax deductible donations will fund the Links scholarship, Civic & Youth Project.

For ticket information please contact 368-0434 or 658-1728.

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The Black Chamber of Commerce will be having its monthly mixer on Friday, January 25th at The Baby Grand

Package Store and Piano Bar. The live music will start at 5:30 p.m. and the hostess will be Anna Bailey. For further information call 791-0107.

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The Southern Nevada Adoption Association, a support group for families who are interested in adopting, are in the process of adopting or have adopted a child(ren), especially those with special needs, meets monthly to provide a non-threatening environment in which to share experiences and gain insight. The next meeting is Tuesday, January 29, 1991, from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at the University Medical Center Education Building, 2040 W. Charleston Blvd., in the sixth floor conference rooms C & D. If you have any questions regarding this Adoption Support group call 648-5769

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## ATTENTION Minority/Women Business Enterprises

The Clark County Minority/Women Business Council cordially invites you to attend a free program, "Awareness Seminar," January 30, 1991, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Due to an overwhelming response, this event will take place at 225 Bridger Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89155, first floor of the Bridger building, in the Commissioner's Chambers. This is an opportunity for minority/women business owners to meet purchasing professionals from local government agencies, as well as the private sector. The Clark County Minority/Women Business Council encourages each and everyone to join us in our effort to enhance minority/women business enterprises. For further information

contact Wayne Wedlow, minority business recruiter at 455-4425.

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Here's some new information about the national Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. That's a program for people who believe they've suffered an injury related to childhood vaccines given before Oct. 1, 1988. Congress has passed an extension of the filing deadline, so petitioners now have until Jan. 31, 1991 to apply for compensation.

People may write to the Clerk, U.S. Claims Court, 717 Madison Place N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005, and the Health Resources and Services Administration, U.S. Public Health Service, will continue to operate a toll-free hotline, 1-800-338-2382.

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The Las Vegas Chapter of the National Bar Association hold its Annual Scholarship Dinner Dance on Saturday evening, February 2, 1991, at the Sands Hotel & Casino. The keynote speaker will be the Honorable Judge Benjamin Logan, 61st District Court, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Proceeds from the event support the National Bar Association Scholarship Program, which provides tuition assistance to students pursuing the legal profession who have demonstrated a need.

Tickets are \$50.00 per person and can be obtained from any member of the National Bar Association, or by contacting the following individuals: Timothy Williams, 386-0000, Johnnie Rawlinson, 455-4761, Pete Peterson, 385-3373, and Betty Henderson, 649-7070 (evenings).

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The African-American Summit Committee will be hosting its "Games People Play" fundraiser at Chez's Place, February 8, at 7 p.m. Additional information can be obtained by calling 871-5011.

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The North Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the City of North Las Vegas, has set Thursday, April 18th, 1991 for its annual Economic Development Bus Tour.

The one and one-half hour tour will depart 2:00 p.m. from North Las Vegas City Hall and will view a variety of new and existing points of economic interest. Tour participants will receive an updated, detailed Resource Guide on North Las Vegas. Immediately following the tour, a Reception will be hosted by the City of North Las Vegas and the Chamber on the lawn at City Hall.

With over \$100 million in building permits issued in North Las Vegas this past year, the 1991 tour promises to be the best yet.

For registration information contact the North Las Vegas Chamber at 642-9595.

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Bridge Counseling Associates offers a Day Treatment Program for adolescents 12-17 years of age with substance abuse problems. Transportation and dinner are included. Call 474-6450 for details.

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## Small Business Tax Deductions, Strategies for Business and Professional People

You need this seminar if you are self-employed, in outside sales, professional, consultants, people conducting a second business, people who hold jobs that don't withhold taxes, owner-employees of a small corporation, partner's in a partnership, or any other capacity that requires you to pick up the tab for your own business expenses.

This class has two purposes: 1) to build a strategy to reduce your income taxes. 2) to reduce your fear of the I.R.S.

The instructor is Samuel Morris, senior tax advisor for Morris and Associates. For further information call 735-5555.

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## THE NAACP AND YOU!



Rev. Jesse D. Scott  
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Las Vegas, NAACP



## \$300 MILLION DOLLARS PER DAY ON EDUCATION

The most recent cost estimation of the U.S. portion of prosecution of the Desert Storm War in the Persian Gulf, by the U.S. Dept. of Defense, is \$300 million dollars per day. \$300 million dollars per day translates or equals 10 billion 950 million dollars per year. After this war is over if America would only be willing to prioritize its commitment to the American people with education heading up the list.

More monies earmarked for education could mean better equipment and support systems to enhance the educational process of our children. Higher teacher salary which would enable the employment of teachers who are better qualified academically speaking and those who are committed to teach our children. School teachers in America are not held in the highest esteem as professionals. They know and many of their students know that a high school dropout who completes the apprenticeship requirements in one of the building construction trades such as carpentry, plumbing, painting, electrician, brick layer or cement finisher often times makes a higher salary than the average teacher with a master's degree. The most fertile atmosphere to encourage the learning process is one where teachers are personally committed to teach and students are personally committed to learn through the support of their parents at home.

There must be an attitude changed on the part of the students from where going to school is not done because one is compelled to do so but as an opportunity to prepare for life. Conversely, the teachers atti-

tude must not be one of just going to the job and picking up a pay check, on payday, but one of having the golden opportunity others do not have of laying the foundation and molding the lives of oncoming generations. Or that "I have mine" and if you don't get your that's your problem. When such attitudes prevail and no genuine interest is manifested America stands to reap the bitter harvest that it is now reaping such as: the lack of challenge to learn, dropouts, an obsession with dress colors by students and administrators alike, low test scores, and finally graduation without knowing how to read or write.

Everyone loses when America's educational system fails to educate its youth. People who can't read or write could find themselves low on self-worth and self-esteem and could be suspicious or envious of those who can read and write. Additionally, these same individuals might have a hard time finding and keeping a job. Their likelihood of ending up in prison where society must pay for their keep as well as their family keep at home is a possibility we must contemplate.

You can help in this struggle for the assurance of equal educational opportunities for all in America by joining the NAACP, registering to vote and voting on election day.

You are further encouraged to request the members of Nevada Congressional delegation and ask them if they would be willing to initiate and/or push through Congress a bill that would allocate at least \$300 million dollars per day for education after the Desert Storm War is over.

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