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"THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE"

Benjamin Hooks Comes To Aid Las Vegas Chapter

COMMUNITY SHOWS SUPPORT FOR NAACP AT FUNDRAISER

By Lee Brown

Over 300 members of the community, including city, county and state officials, were on hand Monday, May 18, to show their support for the Las Vegas chapter of the NAACP in their effort to raise monies to rebuild their headquarters, which was burned during the unrest in West Las Vegas three week ago.

For close to 20 years the NAACP offices have been located at the Nucleus Plaza, 940 W. Owens Ave., and it has been reported that unless land was donated elsewhere, the new offices would more-than-likely remain in the area.

National Executive Director of the NAACP, Dr.

Benjamin L. Hooks, was also on hand, along with Governor Bob Miller, at the Moulin Rouge for the rally which raised over \$14,000 for the local chapter.

Local NAACP President, Rev. Jesse D. Scott, expressed to all in attendance that he wanted people of all races to come together to help rebuild the NAACP offices because the organization is not just for Blacks.

"If it were not for the NAACP, we may very easily be involved in a civil war," Scott stated.

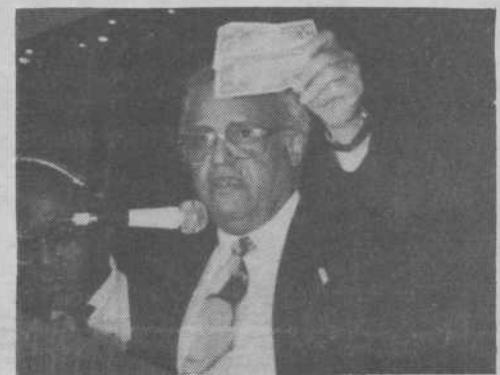
After being introduced, Dr. Hooks enlivened the captive audience with chants of, "What Do We Want? JUSTICE! When Do We Want It? NOW!

sippi, Hooks also eloquently expressed how violence didn't break out in March of 1991 after the four L.A. police officers were caught on videotape beating Rodney King.

"Blacks didn't burn cities, riot or loot. We thought, 'finally, they went too far.'" We waited for over a year for the American justice system to work for us."

Though he said he opposed the violence that followed the verdicts, Hooks also added that he is opposed to the violence that is imposed on African-Americans everyday.

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Dr. Benjamin Hooks

**Afrocentricity - The Way For African-Americans
THIRD ANNUAL AFRICAN-AMERICAN
SUMMIT CONFERENCE TO COMMENCE**



**MALCOLM X LUNCHEON
TO BE HELD SATURDAY, MAY 23, 1992.**

The third annual African-American Summit Conference activities will commence on Friday, May 22, 1992 on the campus of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. This year's conference theme, "AFROCENTRICITY - THE WAY FOR AFRICAN-AMERICANS" has pulled

together an African-American rainbow of speakers, workshops, and meetings that will have a definite effect on Nevada's future.

Due to the tremendous response and it's community impact in the past, this year's conference had to be moved to UNLV to accommodate the anticipated public participation. More than 700 people are expected to attend the free activities that will take place for three days amid an array of community, political and professional networking.

This year's guest speaker for the Malcolm X Celebration during the conference is Neely Fuller, Jr., author of the acclaimed book, "The United Independent Code/ System/Concept - A Text book For Thought, Speech and/or Action For Victims of Racism (White Supremacy)" Mr. Fuller, who's home base is now Washington, D.C. is well known for his community activism and influence in civil rights in the United States. Quoting Mr. Fuller, "Racism has done more to promote non-justice than any other socio-material system known to have been produced, or supported by the people of the known universe. No major problem in existence between people of the known universe can be eliminated until racism is eliminated."

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TICKETS ON SALE FOR "HOT ICE IN THE DESERT"

Tickets are still on sale for "Hot Ice in the Desert," the first annual National Greg Morris Talladega College Scholarship Fund Event, which will be held at the Aladdin Hotel in Las Vegas 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 22-23. Performers scheduled to appear at the event, which is a fund-raiser for Talladega College in Talladega, Alabama, include: Greg Morris, Cissy Houston, Chuck Jackson, Ben E. King, George Kirby, the Staple Singers, Gary U.S. Bonds, Jerry Butler, and the Johnny Pate Orchestra. Talladega College is a liberal arts college founded in 1867. The fundraiser, which organizers hope will become an

annual Las Vegas event, will help deserving students from throughout the country attend the school.

Part of the proceeds from the event will also go to the National Association for Sickle Cell Disease, Inc.

Ticket information may be obtained by calling VIP Travel in Las Vegas, 369-9300.

The fundraiser's chairman, Jim Lee, said the event will help provide educational opportunities to hundreds of disadvantaged students of all races and creeds across the country.

"A fundraiser like this will help open doors for many young people who might not otherwise be able to pursue higher education," Lee said.

**CHARLES JOHNSON FEATURED SPEAKER
AT MALCOLM X LUNCHEON MAY 23**

Throughout history Blacks have contributed to the advancement of medical science and throughout history there have been Blacks who have been responsible for inventing and creating products and ideas that have changed the world and have revolutionized our way of life. So Willie and Charles Johnson of Khem-Sci are clearly in good company.

This father and son team, who have been featured on BET's news program, are the owners and creators of a very unusual company - unusual because their company manufactures

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