

THE KWANZAA COMMITTEE & THE BLACK CULTURAL AWARENESS SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN NEVADA

KWANZAA 1992 — A CELEBRATION OF FAMILY, COMMUNITY & CULTURE

There is no actual "Kwanzaa" celebration in Africa. However, throughout the African world - among each people and culture - a celebration of Festival is held to commemorate the end of harvest and the beginning of the new planting season. Well known Festivals such as the Yam Festivals, Egungun Festival and various masquerades and dances encompass the various New Harvest, New Moon, Re-birth, Fertility and similar celebrations of affirmation that take

place in the Black world.

During such festivals and celebration, the people come together in an expression of thanks to nature, their gods, the ancestors and to rededicate themselves to the survival of their community and way of life.

Based upon the traditions of our ancestors, the African American concept - Kwanzaa - was developed in the early sixties by Maulana Karenga, founder of the US organization in Los Angeles, California. Kwanzaa

has since then been celebrated each year during the seven day period, December 26 - January 1. It has been widely adopted among African American families and institutions because of the positive values - Nugzo Saba - it instills and affairs in our youth.

NGUZO SABA

THE NGUZO SABA (SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF BLACKNESS) ARE THE FOUNDATION OF THE KWANZAA CELEBRATION. THEY ARE:

UMTA (Unity) - To strive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation and race.

KUJICHAGULIA (Self-Determination) - To define ourselves, name ourselves and speak for ourselves instead of being defined and spoken for by others.

UJIMA (Collective Work and Responsibility) - To build and maintain our community together and to make our brothers' and sisters' problems our problems

and to solve them together.

UJAMAA (Cooperative Economics) - To build and maintain our own stores, shops and other businesses and to profit together from them.

NIA (Purpose) - To make as our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.

KUUMBA (Creativity) - To do always as much as we can, in the way we can in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than when we inherited it.

IMANI (Faith) - To believe with all our heart in our parents, our teachers, our leaders, our people and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.

"The Revolution Will Not Be Televised"

Funk-A-Fide and Egypt-Town Productions presents: "The Revolution Will Not Be Televised", a public lecture in UNLV's M.S.U. Ballroom on Thursday December 3, 1992 beginning at 8:00 p.m. Featured speakers will be former Chief of Staff David Hilliard and Fredricka Newton of the Black Panther Party. They will be discussing the history of the party and the political issues they faced in the late sixties and early seventies as well as issues they face today. They will also be talking about their yet to be released book "This Day of Glory".

For information and pre-sale tickets call (702) 383-5722.

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COMMENTARY THANKS FOR NOTHING

I wish for once America would live up to the supposed ideas that it continues to advocate on the world stage.

The Black people of the America's have been witness to the bold faced lies that have kept this country going including, the celebration of Thanksgiving which is nothing more than a party for a bunch of murderers, thieves and drunks. What white America celebrates, we in the informed nucleus of Black America must mourn. Thanksgiving represents the beginning of the end of life for 60 to 150 million Black people. It also marked the beginning of the end for the "Red Man" in this country.

Christopher Columbus is not a hero for us, he is part of a great lie that white America must maintain in order to justify their trail of destruction

which has been laid down.

Why do our tax dollars still pay for books which contain information that has been proven to be false?

If such merit is given to people who have lost 6 million, what treatment should be applied to those who have lost 150 million? The truth is that this country is a compliment of the European system of old and in that tradition has destroyed everyone that they have come in contact with.

We do not have to applaud those that have come to destroy us, nor must we sing their praises for their victories. From this day forward we are on a BLACKWATCH. This will never happen again.

One God, One People, One Mind.

HARAMBEE!

KAMAU KHALFANI, Minister of Information

NORTHWEST AREA COMMAND LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT VALUES

By Lt. Cliff Davis, LVMPD

Value statements in an organization such as the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department are meant to consummate and convey what the people of that organization think, feel, and hold in great worth in the performance of their duties or mission. After consultation with all ranks, the administrative staff proposed the following set of values that LVMPD employees feel they can dedicate themselves to:

- We are committed to protecting the citizens and visitors who are within our jurisdiction from the danger of crime, and believe that they are entitled to walk our streets in safety and without fear.

- We believe that every person, rich or poor, innocent or guilty, must be treated with courtesy and dignity, and we are committed to protecting the Constitutional Rights of all individuals.

- We view the people

of our community as our customers who deserve our concern, care and attention. Our relationship with our community is based on openness, honesty and customer satisfaction.

- We believe that the responsibility for policing is shared with the community and that we must involve our citizens and encourage their input and participation in policing activities that directly affect the quality of community life.

(See Metro's Values, Page 18)