

# Review



1992 will probably most be remembered for the "Not Guilty" Rodney King verdict and the unrest that followed, not only in L.A., but in Las Vegas as well. Following the verdict, local marchers were forced back into the community as they attempted to demonstrate Downtown. The result was the burning and looting of many West Las Vegas businesses. *Photos by Savoy/LVS-Voice*



Miss Black Teen Nevada, Jenny Langstaff was crowned at Harrah's in June.



State Senator Joe Neal and City Councilman Frank Hawkins charged Las Vegas banks of unfair loan practices in June as a result of a study called "Cashing Out". In July they charged that local utility companies were not in compliance with federal law requiring utilization of minority contractors and sub-contractors. *Photo by Savoy/LVS-Voice*



Jacqueline McKinney as honored was the 1992 Rose Award recipient by the Professional Black Women's Alliance in July.



Local model/actress, Patricia Buford died of cervical cancer in September.



One month following the civil unrest, the Multijurisdictional Community Empowerment Commission was formed to improve the quality of life in West and North Las Vegas. *Photo by Savoy*



The West Las Vegas Library broke ground on it's new auditorium in August.



Complaints were filed against the Library District after two popular West Las Vegas Library employees were transferred. In November Assemblyman Wendell P. Williams characterized the Library District as government "out of control" because of it's unaccountability. *Photos by Savoy/LVS-Voice.*



Though surrounded by controversy, Spike Lee's highly anticipated "Malcolm X" opened to moviegoers across the nation in December.



Bank of America, Nevada broke ground in West Las Vegas and will become the area's first major financial institution. *Photo by Savoy*



Rev. Jesse Scott was elected local NAACP President for a fourth term, in a highly controversial race in December.



Westside Action Alliance Korps - Uplifting People (WAAK-UP) under Marzette Lewis and Deborah Jackson, asked parents to keep their children out of school in protest of the school districts 20-year-old busing policy. The boycott lasted two weeks, and finally in December, a new plan (PRIME 6) was passed by the school board. *Photo by Savoy/LVS-Voice.*



Presidential candidate Bill Clinton held a rally at UNLV in October before overwhelmingly being elected President in November. *Photo by Savoy/LVS-Voice.*



In the November elections, Yvonne Gates defeated incumbent William Pearson in a highly contested race, Dr. James McMillan defeated John Rhodes for a seat on the school board and State Sen. Joe Neal, Assemblyman Wendell P. Williams, and Judge Lee Gates retained their seats, along with Assemblyman Morse Arberry, who in Sept. was selected to chair the Assembly Ways and Means Committee.



State Drug Czar Mujahid Ramadan stepped down to become Executive Director of Nevada Partners. *Photo by Savoy/LVS-Voice.*