

PRIME 6 ATTENDANCE ZONES

The Clark County School District Board of School Trustees has approved the Prime Six proposal and the attendance zones for children who will be in grades 1, 2, and 3 in the 1993-94 school year living in West Las Vegas.

An administrative office has been set up to assist with the implementation of the new plan. The Prime Six Office is located at 950 North Tonopah (Mabel Hoggard Sixth Grade Center). Marie Wakefield has been selected as the Prime Six Administrator.

Parents will receive in the mail a Letter of Intent card to commit to a school site during the month of February. The deadline for the return of the Letter of Intent card is **February 19, 1993**.

Those families living in West Las Vegas have the following attendance options:

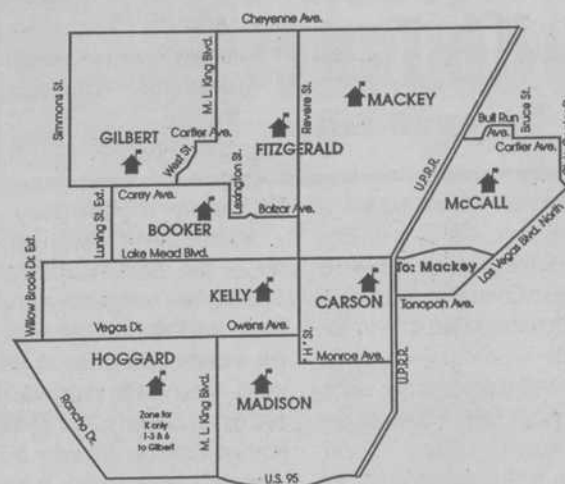
- 1) the assigned Prime Six School
- 2) the zoned elementary school outside of West Las Vegas for the 1992-93 school year
- 3) another Prime Six School

via a zone variance, or
4) Mabel Hoggard Math/Science Magnet School

It is important to return this postmarked card as soon as possible. The number of students committing attendance to a Prime Six site directly impacts

many facets of the Plan. The Prime Six Office is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. You may call the office at 799-0670 if you have questions or concerns, or you may attend any of the following community meetings:

DATE	TIME	PLACE
Thurs., Feb. 4	6:30-8:30 p.m.	West Las Vegas Library
Sat., Feb. 6	9 a.m.-1 p.m.	West Las Vegas Library
Tues., Feb. 9	6:30-8:00 p.m.	McCall 6th Grade Center
Wed., Feb. 10	6:30-8:00 p.m.	Mackey 6th Grade Center
Thurs., Feb. 11	6:30-8:00 p.m.	Gilbert 6th Grade Center
Mon., Feb. 15	7:00-8:30 p.m.	Second Baptist Church
Tues., Feb. 16	6:30-8:00 p.m.	Kelly 6th Grade Center
Thurs., Feb. 17	7:00-8:30 p.m.	Zion Methodist Church



McWilliams Townsite

(Continued from Page 1) important tent community and important miner's supply point when the tracks were completed in January, 1905, 23 miles south of town.

The young town's business thrived. It served well as a transportation center for goods and supplies brought by the railroad. Dozens of heavy freight wagons left daily for out-lying mining districts, especially in the Bull-frog area.

In April of 1905 about 1,500 people lived in this townsite or along Las Vegas Creek. By May, it boasted the valley's first bank, blacksmiths, wholesale houses, a bottling works, drug and general stores and several good restaurants.

In May, 1905, lots in Clark's Las Vegas town-site (bounded by Main, Las Vegas Boulevard, Stewart and Garces) went on auction. As temperatures soared so did prices as some lots went for as much as \$1,200. The Clark Townsite boomed as many people relocated from the McWilliams town-site which went into rapid decline.

In an era when saloons outnumbered all other businesses combined, Las Vegas prospered and grew. Clark County was carved out of Lincoln County in

1910 and Las Vegas was incorporated in 1911 with Peter Boul as its first mayor. The town reached a population of about 1,000 permanent residents in 1910 as the first churches and tent schools appeared.

Among the early pioneers, who contributed to the growth and stability of the new town from its beginnings, were several black men and women. Some of the more prominent, who arrived before 1920 were the Lowes, J.R. Johnsons, A.B. Mitchells, Tom Harris, and Howard Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowe arrived in town in 1910 via the "Iron Horse." Even though Mrs. Lowe was afraid of being attacked by Indians, the Lowes stayed and acquired property on the southwest corner of what is now Casino Center.

The A. B. Mitchells and Tom Harris' settled in 1913. Mitchell and his family purchased property adjacent to the downtown post office and took up 40 acres under the Desert Act in Paradise Valley. He grew vegetables for sale in town and operated a swimming pool, dance hall, and soft drink stand on his ranch. Natalie Mitchell, born in 1919, was the first black child born in Las Vegas. A.B. was later to

establish the local branch of the NAACP and a First Methodist Church in downtown Las Vegas.

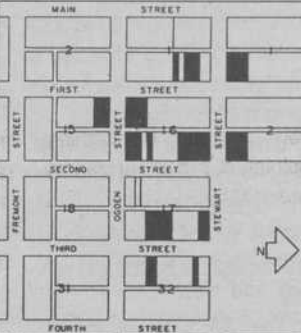
Tom Harris' daughter, Georgia married another early resident, Ralph Simpson, and had the third black child born in town, Cecile Mason.

The Simpsons bought property near the Mitchells in Paradise Valley. Georgia Simpson became the first black teacher in the State although she didn't work for the school district. Mabel Hoggard was the first to work for the school district.

J.R. Johnson was the owner of several lots on First and Stewart and was the superintendent of Zion Methodist Church. It is said that every Sunday J.R. would go around to the black residents' doors to encourage them to attend church and send their children to Sunday School.

The first place of worship for blacks in Las Vegas was the Zion Rest Mission which was operated by the Methodist Church. The pastor from the church held weekly services at the mission for the black families of Las Vegas. The first black

(See McWilliams, Page 9) BLACK OWNED PROPERTY IN DOWN TOWN AREA



- J.R. JOHNSON 1915
- HENRY KELLEY 1915
- MARION WILSON 1916
- ZION REST MISSION 1917
- CHIEF PULLUM 1921
- SAM NETTLES 1921
- LEVI IRVINE 1921
- A.B. MITCHELL 1922
- HARRIS PROPERTY 1923
- LUCRETIA STEVENS 1929
- JULIA LOWE 1932
- HENRY WILSON
- VANCE & GRACE MORE

EOB TRANSPORTATION ROUTE NOW SERVICES BOULDER CITY-HENDERSON

The Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County (EOB), one of the nation's premiere paratransit operators, introduced service to Boulder City and Henderson beginning Wednesday, February 3, for senior citizens and persons with disabilities, on a revamped schedule.

EOB's bus service will provide door-to-door transportation from Boulder City Monday through Friday to Las Vegas and return the same day with a convenient stop in Henderson if necessary.

The service is available for physician and medical appointments, shopping, recreation, or whatever the needs are for seniors and the disabled, with early pick-ups in Boulder City starting at 8:15 a.m. weekdays.

Return trips to Henderson-Boulder City from Las Vegas will start at 1:30 p.m. Some route deviation may be necessary to accommodate all passengers. Reservations are taken from Midnight to Midnight the day before the service by telephoning 646-4203.

Seniors and the disabled are encouraged to try the new EOB bus service in Boulder City and Henderson. The buses are wheelchair lift equipped in compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990.

EOB has been providing transportation service to Clark County seniors and disabled since 1974. Last year the Transportation Service Division provided nearly 180,000 rides.



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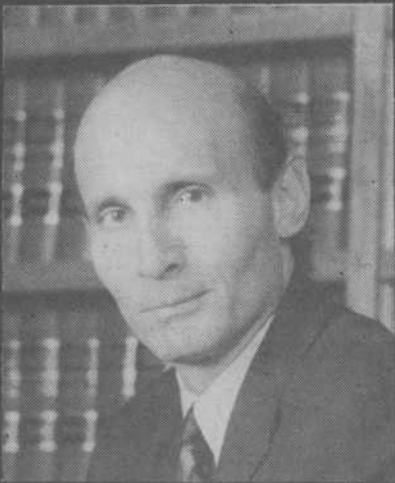
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