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ferred Nevada \$50 million per year during the site study of Yucca Mountain. With safety being their prime concern, negotiations should ensure that scientists representing the state work side-by-side with federal scientists. Other benefits could also include replacement jobs at the Test Site, additional nuclear research facilities, and job training programs, among others.

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picts the importance of the Griot, which is the title given to the African tribe historian and the historical use of the drum as an important medium of communication. The African theme for the conference and the "Community Welcome Reception" is intended as a celebration of our heritage and our history, and as an affirmation of our future and our culture.

The NABJ's 1993 Western Regional Conference comes one year after the riots sparked by the Rodney King verdict in Los Angeles. Today, we are still confronted by this troubling issue and our shared concern about its volatility. The members attending this year's conference and its organizers envision the confab as an opportunity to examine the roles and responsibilities of broadcast and print media in coverage of issues critical to the healing process. To assist in this endeavor, key officials (local, regional and national) are scheduled to participate - to share their expertise and to learn as well.

The closing event for the Conference will be a "Gala Awards Dinner & Dance" at Bally's on Saturday, April 24th with no host cocktails at 7:30 p.m. Dinner and a special program will begin at 8:00 p.m. with dancing commencing around 9:30 p.m. The LVABJ will award its first journalism scholarships to local high school and college students in honor of the keynote speaker, Ms. Debra L. Lee, executive Vice president for Black Entertainment Television and publisher of YSB and Emerge magazines. Emcee for the evening will be William H. "Bob" Bailey. Nevada's Governor Bob Miller will present a special proclamation to the NABJ and the LVABJ.

Tickets for both events will be on sale at the Moulin Rouge beginning on Friday, April 2nd. For additional ticket locations and information about the conference, please call Diana Aird, Conference Co-chair at (702)456-3838 or the Sentinel Voice at (702) 383-4030.

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