

Rev. Jesse D. Scott President Las Vegas, NAACP



You are invited to attend the May meeting of The Las Vegas Branch NAACP, Sunday, May 16, 1993 at 3:00 P.M., at Pentecostal Temple Church of God In Christ, 1111 No. "F Street, Las Vegas. The Principle speaker will be The Chief Justice of The Nevada Supreme Court, Chief Justice Robert Rose. The theme will be: "Pass the Torch ... Preparing for a Better Tomorrow'

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ten years now these brothers had been the cause of more black on black deaths then one wants to think about.

The brothers of the hood here need to consider the same talks. We cannot truly talk about Metro killing brothers and not look at our own youth in the same light.

A mother who had lost her son unnecessarily by the hands of Metro feels no more of a loss than one who has lost her son to gang violence. The Las Vegas Black Panther party hopes to be

a new avenue for these brothers to travel. Avenue of hope and help to the community.

My brothers don't continue to blame the white man for what we ourselves are just as responsible for and in more of an abun-

Ron Current - Chairman, Black Panther Party

**** On April 18, 1993 my boyfriend and I decided to have dinner at N'orleans restaurant, located at 4725 "L" W. Spring Mountain road. We arrived at the restaurant at approximately 6pm, the waitress asked us what we wanted to drink ... I asked for lemonade and my boyfriend asked for a glass of water. The waitress returned with two glasses of liquid sugar...not lemonade. I had to ask for a glass of water to add to the liquid sugar in order to make my lemonade. My boyfriend never received the glass of water he asked for...first mistake! The waitress then brought us some round-like hush puppies which were stale and hard, as if they had been setting out all day and then put it in the microwave...second mistake! Moments later the waitress brought us some cornbread which was cold...third mistake! At this point I am a little upset, but I decided to see the meal through thinking that it would get better...NOT! A few minutes passed and we ordered our meals...we both requested the smothered chicken. In less than

5 minutes our meals were in front of us. Not the smothered chicken that we were anticipating, but some boiled chicken with some type of tomato sauce over the chicken as gravy.

I could not eat this meal. I politely told the waitress that the meal was not what I expected, and that could not eat the meal. She then asked if I wanted some desert, and I refused. A few minutes later the waitress brought the bill to our table, and

I was being charged for a meal that I did not eat. I asked why I was being charged and the waitress said that she would look into the matter. I followed the waitress to the register where the manager was seated and listened to the conversation that took place. The waitress explained that a customer did not eather meal and was wondering why she was being charged. The managers responses was this,

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by Anika Jones



Two Saturdays ago I went to the dinner at Moulin Rouge given by the Black Journalists Association. Even though I'm not a member I thought I should go since I'm a columnist.

Besides my mom (Patricia Cunningham) the guests at my table were Linda Porter and Greg Aikins. Both of them received awards.

Some of the local celebrities who stopped to say "hello" to me and my mom were, County Commissioner Yvonne Adkinson Gates, Councilman Frank Hawkins, Juana Hart, My boss Lee Brown from the Las Vegas Sentinel Voice, Ms. Sarann Knight-Preddy, former School Board member Virginia Brewster, Sam Armstrong, and Nedra Cooper-Scott of Nevada partners.

Amelia Childs who peformed that night is an old friend of mine; we were pageant queens together.

The convention was a big success. I would love to go next year.

NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL OF AFRICAN PHILOSOPHY

Question: What if the opportunity was presented to you to pack all your worldly goods and go back to Africa with the wealth and knowledge you've been able to amass. Would you do it? I'm talking no financial obligation just a free trip to the motherland where you would be instrumental in rebuilding a great civilization we once ruled. What about it?

Serious question isn't it? But the answer is far more serious in that it demands deliberate and calculated thought. I mean who wants to give up what they have here in America to go to Africa to "struggle" and, in essence, start over? Who wants to give up their "investment" in their country? And who wants to help those Africans anyway? They don't want to help themselves!

Most people, I'd hazard a guess, would not take advantage of this once in a lifetime opportunity. They'd be scared or perhaps repulsed at what they'd find in their homeland. Others, I imagine, would probably contemplate the idea but come up with all kinds of excuses as to why they couldn't or shouldn't go. Then there'd be those who would jump at the chance with an understanding that their contributions to the motherland would be paramount. What group would you fit into?

We must eventually come to an understanding that in order for Africans to be free throughout the diaspora, we must first reclaim our homeland for without a base of operations you can not plan and execute successful strategies. The chance for children to grow to be productive people is lessened when they come from disfunctional families. Our motherland is in disarray and her children suffer.

The objective here is not to get you to hop on the next plane to Africa but to get you to go home first and foremost in your mind with an understanding that your assistance in the homeland helps all in the family. But remember, as mom suffers, so do the children. Until next week this has been the Minister of Informa-

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