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## YOUTH LEADER WHO SPEARH

By Muhammad Abdullah

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According to an eyewitness, Rosie Matthews, a resident at 2121 Lawry Avenue in Las Vegas, an intense, failed attempt by gang members to murder Gregory Aikens started at her residence on Thursday, May 13, at approximately 8:50 p.m..

Matthews said that she and Aikens were at her residence socializing when suddenly numerous shots were fired and several rounds hit her home. One bullet went through the window and pierced the living room wall.

"I couldn't believe what was happening. We were talking and suddenly I heard these bullets hitting my house. There were no curtains on the living room window and they had a clear shot at Greg. These guys were serious! My nine-year son, Marcus, was in the back room and he came running into the living room and Greg and I were on the floor. Greg told him to get down," she

Matthews said that after the car had



GREG AIKENS

sped off, Aikens, whose van was in the driveway, jumped in his van and proceeded to drive away when a gang member came running up behind him firing continues shots. Aikens was seen swerving as he attempted to dodge the

(See Youth Leader, Page 10)

#### HISTORY IN THE MAKING THREE AFRICAN AMERICAN FEMALE JUDG TO GRACE RINGSIDE AT HEAVYWEIGHT BO

By W.G. Ramirez

Saturday evening, RFK Stadium will be able to see a first in the sport of boxing; Not Las Vegas, Nevada. Not Atlantic City, New Jersey. RFK Stadium - Washington D.C.

For the first time, three female judges will sit at ringside and score a heavyweight championship fight -Riddick Bowe v.s. Jesse Ferguson. Bowe will be putting his title in defense in a scheduled 12-rounder against the huge underdog Ferguson.

The three ladies, Patricia Jarman of Las Vegas, Nevada; Sheila Harmon-Martin of Arlington, Virginia; and Eugenia Williams, Atlantic City, N.J.

Although there are only a couple of handfuls of female judges that are actually world-rated, Williams says this could change things. "This definitely opens the door for other female



PATRICIA JARMAN

officials," she said.

"We've paid our dues and hopefully this is the recognition that is long overdue," added Harmon-Martin. "I'm very excited. I hope that we will be assigned to more fights."

Jarman, Exec. Director for Nev. (See Female Judges, Page 19)

### OLD, CAN'I

"Hattle Canty and I have received the largest mandate in the Culinary Union election history," declared local 226 Secretary-Treasurer Jim Arnold. Arnold, the chief officer of Nevada's largest union, and his running mate, union President Hattie Canty, were both re-elected by more than a 94% margin in Tuesday's balloting. "Not only is this an endorsement of the union's accomplishments," Arnold continued, "but more importantly, it is a mandate by the membership for us to carry out the union's program. The members have told us that our priorities must be winning the Frontier strike, organizing the MGM Grand, and preparing for the 1994

contract fight."

Hattie Canty, a former maid, has the distinction of being one of the few African American women in the coun-

try to serve as presi- HATTIE CANTY dent of a major union local. Canty summed up the victory: "When we started our campaign, we were facing a small group of employers who thought they could return our union to the dark days of 1984 by campaigning against our re-election. The Culinary member-

ship proved their support of Jim and (See Culinary Union, Page 5)

Las Vegas City Councilman Frank Hawkins will be honored by the American Civil Liberties Union of Nevada at it's annual "Civil Libertarian of the Year" Awards Brunch, May 23 at the Riviera

Sharing honors with Hawkins is Franny Forsman, Nevada's Federal Public Defender, who has long been an

outspoken critic of the many types of injustice faced by poor people and minority youth.

The Humanitarian Service award will go to civil rights attorney Susan Quig-Terry who provides legal services free for many ACLU cases, including last year's Charles Bush case and a recent suit filed on behalf of the family of Gregory Warren.

Hawkins will be lauded for his activism in working with gang members to deter civil disturbances and violence among themselves; for his mediation in police-community relations; and for being instrumental in ensuring that all residents of Las Vegas have equal access to economic opportunity.

The public is invited to attend this celebration, which also serves as a fundraiser for the ACLU of Nevada. All proceeds will remain in Nevada for ACLU litigation and education. Tickets are \$40 per person and are available by calling 366-1226 or 361-8262.

"Frank Hawkins is the only public L.V. City Councilman . . . . official to criticize the Metropolitan Po-



FRANNY FORSMAN Federal Public Defender for Nevada

lice Department with the regard to their use of excessive force," says Chan Kendrick, ACLU director.

Councilman Frank Hawkins has helped fund organizations that work with black youth in West Las Vegas. He also hosted weekly meetings between gang members, police, City officials

(See Civil Liberties, Page 10)

#### BREAKING THE GLASS CEILING

By Paula Irons

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) is responsible for ensuring that all businesses with Federal Government contracts do not discriminate and the Women's Bureau is the only Federal Agency with a congressional mandate to promote the welfare of working women.

"Breaking The Glass Ceiling," or surpassing the propaganda which prevents qualified individuals from obtaining top ranking positions in their organizations, was the topic of "That's No Lady, That's My Boss," a Women's Symposium hosted by Joyce Nelson-

Leaf, Director of Educational Equity Resource Center (EERC).

The symposium was sponsored by funds through the Women's Bureau, U.S. Department of Labor and the EERC South Carl Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act of

There were several speakers providing information on developing and enhancing power for women in the work place. Of those, Barbara Andreozzi says, "How you respond to conflict plays the greatest role in that power." It was discovered that education is also very fundamental in the (See Women's Symposium, Pg 10)



FRANK HAWKINS