

# THE NAACP AND YOU

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done before—that is to share in the contract that are let for goods and services, as well we entrepreneurial opportunities.

The assurances were given as a result of the NAACP, State-Wide, having an executive session with the leadership of the Nevada Assembly Sunday June 17, 1993 in Carson City.

This Conference was held with Assemblyman Joe Deni, Chairman Judiciary Committee, Bob Sader, Gene Porter, majority leader and Vivian Freeman as a consequence of a confrontation that had taken place in the assembly hallways three days before over the merits or demerits of Assembly Bill 27.

Assembly Bill 27 had been introduced supposedly to eliminate the mandates of the rule of three used by the Civil Service Board in Reno.

The rule said before it was defeated by a unanimous vote and supported the firefighters union no matter how many people took and passed any test in the city, only the top three would be eligible to be appointed.

As a result, three Blacks have been historically and systematically excluded from middle and upper management levels of city government.

A heated discussion took place between Mr. Henry Brown, the President of the Reno-Sparks Branch NAACP and Assemblyman Jim McGouthey, a Republican from Las Vegas.

Assemblyman McGouthey was for Assembly Bill 27 and Mr. Brown was opposed to it for obvious reasons.

Assemblyman McGouthey allegedly said to Mr. Brown that

the NAACP should not have been a part of the caucus that had been held. Whereupon Assemblyman McGouthey called for security and had Mr. Brown forcibly taken out of the building. Mr. Bob Sader who had invited Mr. Brown to the meeting in the first place invited Mr. Brown back into the Assembly from the parking lot but Mr. Brown refused his offer.

When Reno/Sparks became very angry over what had taken place, they called me along with Assemblyman Wendell Williams, Morse Arberry, and Gene Porter. I decided to go to Carson City and lend a hand as president of the tri-state conference

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were approximately four vehicles involved.

Gaines then proceeded to give the Black Panther Party entourage, as they walked, a tour of his neighborhood, during which time their movements were being monitored and videotaped by the Metropolitan Police Department surveillance units.

Current said that the Black Panther Party will continue to patrol the area on a daily basis, especially when the fall semester begins.

In the meantime, several

of Idaho, Utah and Nevada.

We believe that as a result of our presence the assembly voted unanimously for Assembly Bill 27, that many of them had opposed vehemently before.

After informing the congress that as State president that I was going to make my report of the entire incident to the NAACP regional office in Los Angeles and Dr. Beufamin Chavis the NAACP National Executive Director in Baltimore Maryland. We presented our list of demands and the leadership of the assembly agreed to consider them in 1995.

These demands included, but were not limited to:

1. Improving the Nevada Equal Rights Commission.
2. Funding for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Hall in Reno.
3. Establishing a cultural awareness training post.
4. Support the passage of ACR-76-A Commission on Racial Bias in the Judicial System.
5. Systemize the Reno city, county election.
6. Include Blacks on the Legislative Council and Research Bureau.
7. Establish a Minority Procurement and Outreach Commission on fairness and parity in contract lending.

arrests have ensued of the Neo Nazi members. The two main leaders have been apprehended.

Gaines vowed that he will not cease to put the pressure on the police department until all eight of the white youths - who made the death threats and beat up his son and his Caucasian friend - are put behind bars. Gaines and his wife, Arlene, emphasized that had those been Black youths who made the threats on white students, there would have been no need for a confrontation. It would have been a closed-and-

shut case.

"I want to thank Metro for the job that they are doing," Gaines said.

"I am not satisfied, however, because I don't know what type of actions are being taken. This is my son, and yes, I am frustrated because of the delays in apprehending all eight of these people. The one who made the death threat in the store, has never been seen by my son. How many more are there? I want more arrests and I want more answers!

"This cannot continue or someone is going to end up dead," he said.

The Black Panther Party, Gaines and other concerned residents in the Sunrise Mountain area, will be rallying in the area in an attempt to put an end to these threats that may lead to bloodshed, violence and senseless fatalities if no immediate action is taken.

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## NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL OF AFRICAN PHILOSOPHY

This Sunday, 4 July marks the anniversary of another American "holiday." That's the day when white America declared its independence from Britain and I can bet come this "holy day," you Africans in America are going to be celebrating up a storm. But I ask you, what do you have to celebrate?

On 4 July, 1776, when this day was proclaimed sacred, you were one hundred and fifty plus years into slavery and there was no end in site. Americans were declaring independence from the British colonial empire whom they had defeated in the American Revolution. It would be close to another hundred years before your so-called freedom would be gained.

The American Revolution was not fought with ideas of altering Africans' states in this country. The white man fought for his best interest and nobody's else's. This day you celebrate is called the Fourth of You-Lie by the Rev. Ishakamusa Barashango, one of our preeminent African scholars, as he puts it, "Euro-Americans blatantly lied to us when they promised us freedom if we would fight for their liberation from Britain and the tyranny of King George."

The only time you were taken into account during this epoch of American history, Black Man, was when he realized you could be used as a shield against British muskets, thereby minimizing for whites the risk of being killed. Aren't they just so patriotic?

In this era of free flowing information it is imperative for Africans in America to seek knowledge that is born of the Afrocentric perspective. You may find that the things we take for granted are often times detrimental to our physical, emotional, psychological and mental health.

I realize that after so many years of European indoctrination you may find it hard to believe that the 4th of July is nothing to celebrate, but let's look at the facts: he declared independence from a tyrant while at the same time tyrannically keeping you enslaved. Now today you celebrate together? I don't think so!

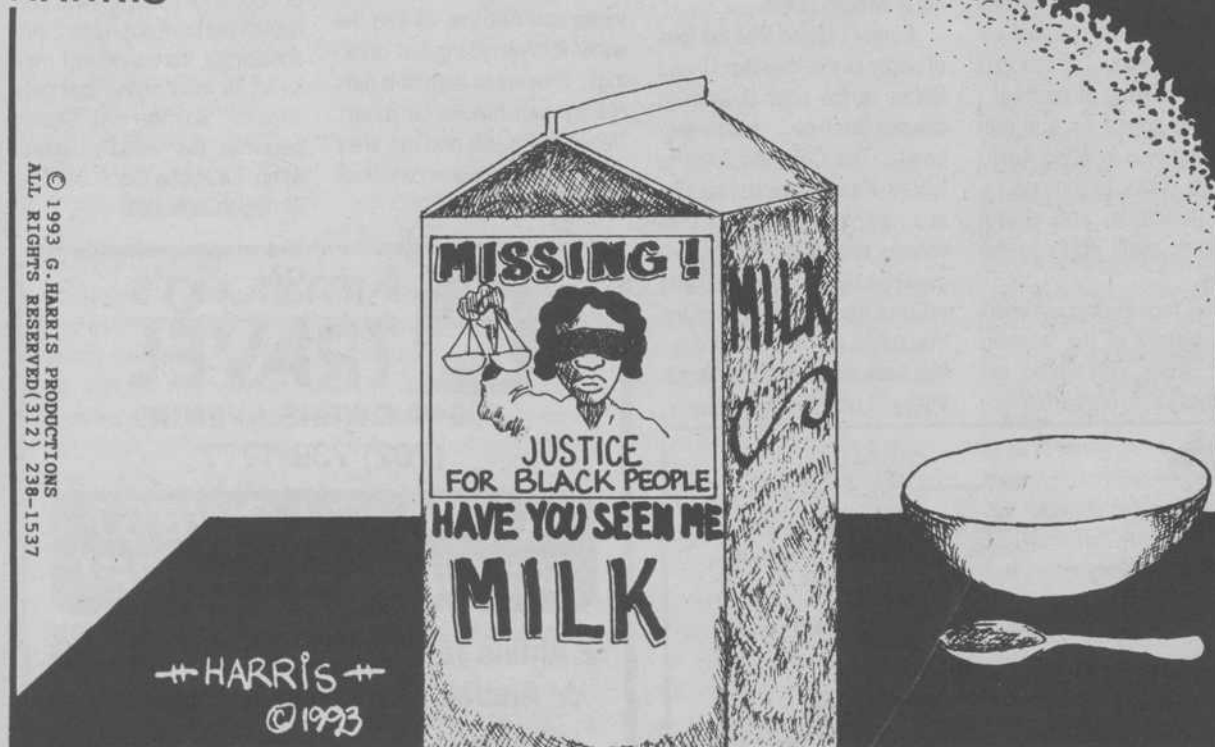
For those of you who are moved by my words and wish to know more, pick up the book "Afrikan People and European Holidays": A Mental Genocide by Barashango and read for yourselves. And for those of you who are American to the core "Happy Fourth of You-Lie." Until next week this has been the Minister of Information.

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