

# STATEWIDE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE UP SLIGHTLY IN MAY

CARSON CITY—Nevada's statewide seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased one-tenth of a percentage point to 7.0 percent in May, according to data released this morning by the Nevada Employment Security Department (NESD).

Department Executive Director Stan Jones said, "Nevada continues its minor monthly fluctuation in the unemployment index. With the economy being as sensitive as it is, the slightest change can move the rate up or down minimally."

Jones said, "The strength of our recovery is best measured in the job growth we continue to show each month. The latest month-over-month employment data reflects a growth of 5,100 jobs in all industries and a year-to-year growth of 20,100 jobs."

He went on to explain, "Nevada's labor force continues

to grow significantly as a result of our attractive economic environment when compared with surrounding states and the union, creating a substantial immigration of people seeking jobs."

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports the nation's seasonally adjusted civilian May unemployment rate at 6.9 percent, down one-tenth of a percentage point over-the-month. And, neighboring California's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was estimated at 8.7 percent up one-tenth of a percentage point over-the-month. Nevada's May statewide unemployment rate is five-tenths of a percentage point higher than a year ago.

The department's survey indicated that seasonally adjusted unemployment throughout Nevada's 17 counties ranged

from a low of 1.8 percent in Eureka County (significantly down over-the-month) — to a high of 10.6 percent in White Pine County (no change over-the-month).

During May, unemployment in Clark County was estimated at 7.1 percent, up three-tenths of a percentage point over-the-month, and up four-tenths of a percentage point when compared to a year ago.

Washoe County's May jobless rate was estimated at 6.7 percent, up a percentage point since April. In May 1992, Washoe County's unemployment rate was 6.3 percent.

Jones said, "We continue to be encouraged by the state's job growth." There were over-the-year job gains in all but one of the state's basic industrial sectors. The mining industry dropped 500 jobs. Those indus-

tries showing over-the-year job growth include:

- Construction gained 7,700 jobs
- Service industries (gaming, recreation, and hotels; personal; business; medical and health; legal; engineering; accounting; and management)

## SUMMER PROGRAM

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ship program. She also works with youth in her church and by being a Speech and Theater major, should bring a wealth of talent and commitment to the Boys and Girls Club. Young has been a Las Vegas resident for twenty-two years and shared her vision for the facility.

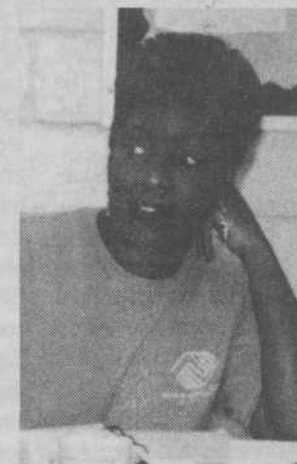
"I am most excited about our SMART MOVES program as well as our SMART SPORTS program. The SMART SPORTS

gained 2,800 jobs.

- Federal, state & local government (including teachers) gained 4,000 jobs (Growth primarily in so. Nevada's local government education-related jobs)
- Retail & wholesale (general merchandise & apparel; food stores; auto dealers and service

stations; and eating/drinking establishments) gained 2,700 jobs

- Finance, insurance; and real estate gained 1,900 jobs
- Manufacturing gained 1,000 jobs
- Transportation and public utilities gained 500 jobs



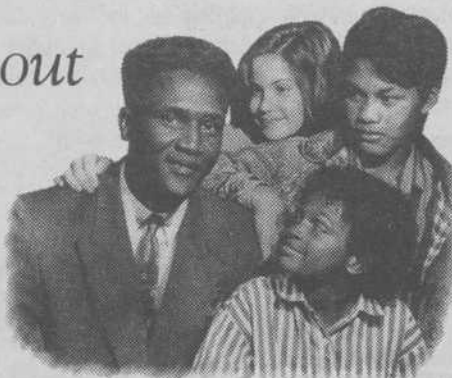
BRENDA YOUNG

such drugs do to you'. The Prevention Program is just one of the ongoing classes that we (See Summer Program, Pg 21)



*Verleeta Wooten found several new stars, but she's not an astronomer.*

*And Ivan Neal put out a lot of fires, but he's not a firefighter.*



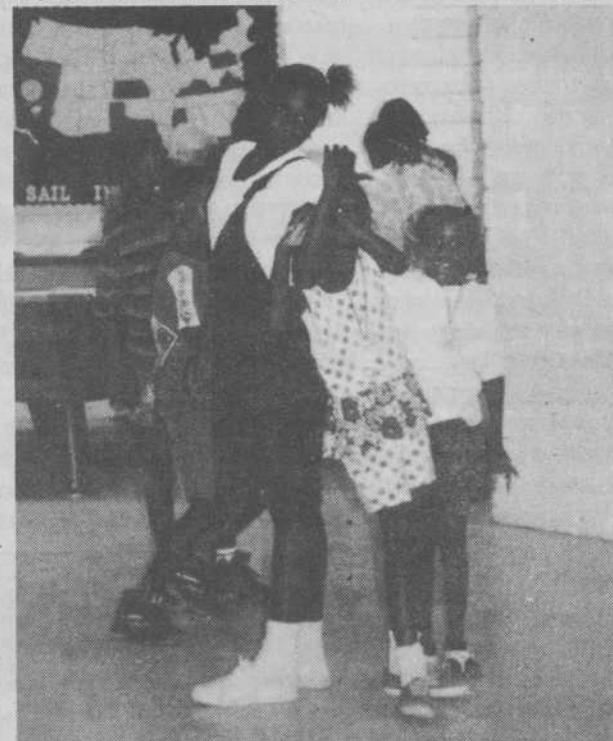
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Local youths enjoy a variety of activities at A.D. Guy Boys and Girls Club. Photo by Paula Irons

## WILLIAMS

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holiday in Nevada. Williams helped found the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Committee, which assists senior citizens, sponsors youth groups, gives scholarships, and promotes economic development in the predominantly Black west side of Las Vegas.

The Trenholm award is named for a former executive secretary of the American Teachers Association, a predominantly

Black organization that merged with the National Association in 1966. The annual NEA Human and Civil Rights banquet commemorates that merger.

Williams was nominated for the award by the Education Support Employees Association of Clark County, an affiliate of the Nevada State Education Association. Williams is a member of the Clark County Classroom Teachers Association and NSEA.