

# AMWON TO HOST 1ST CONFERENCE IN LAS VEGAS

The American Muslim Women of Nevada (AMWON) will host their first Annual Conference for Muslim Women, titled: "Moving in the Spirit/Muslim Women Birthing a Moral Nation", Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, December 24-26, 1993, at the Alexis Park Hotel.

Under the umbrella of Masjid As-Sabur Las Vegas, AMWON, represents a group of intelligent, capable, energetic, and sincere sisters in the Faith who saw an urgent need to organize an active and effective Islamic movement for Muslim women in their community and enlist their children in the same.

The Purpose of AMWON is to remind Muslim women of the commandments in Quran about everyday living; establish dialogue among religious women; create a better understanding of Islam among Muslim and non-Muslim women through education and communication; promote the welfare of women and children in the home; host charities and raise funds for the abused and neglected Muslim women and children; study Quran for the abused and neglected Muslim women and children; study Quran and Hadiths and other Islamic information; provide authentic information about the religion and our roles as women in Islam; and establish a sisterhood and ways of network-

ing with Muslim women on a national level.

The policy of AMWON is that which is ordained by Allah in Quran: "Believers, enjoin in the doing of what is right and forbid the doing of what is wrong." Their Goal is to help adequately prepare Muslim women to be better servants to Allah and form a bonding sisterhood with honesty, sincerity, respect and love for each other. Their MOTTO IS "WORKING IN THE CAUSE OF ALLAH, TRYING TO PLEASE ALLAH."

AMWON has hosted weekly forums, the Muslim New Year Celebration, Men's Day Program, All Saints Day (instead of Halloween) Singles' Social Club, Sisters' Quranic Studies, the Birthday Club, Sponsorships and Big and Lil' Sisters Night Out.

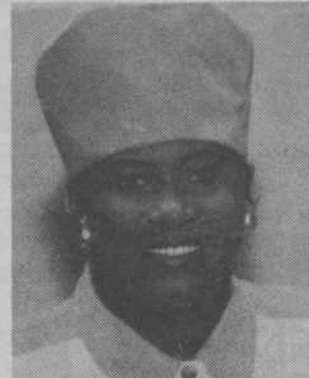
Now in their 2nd year and with a growing membership of Muslim women from various Masjids throughout Las Vegas, AMWON felt it was time to bring Muslims to Las Vegas. There are many Muslims in Vegas who live, work and apply the Quran and Sunnah in their everyday lives and never think of going near the casinos.

AMWON chose the Christian Holiday, Christmas, to have the conference because in keeping with their theme, "Moving in the Spirit," it is a spiritual time of the year and this will be a spiri-

tual conference, but this time will also give Muslims a quiet and peaceful time to come to the city. The casinos are usually quiet this time of year. Of course the lights will still be bright and everything remains open so the Muslims will have the entire Strip to themselves! Besides it's not a holiday for Muslims so we can take advantage of a number of items.

The 3-day conference will consist of Friday Jumah Service which is open to the public, brothers and all family members, a Welcoming Ceremony, Registration, Banquet, Dinner, Workshops, Entertainment, Brunch, and a Fashion Show. The weekend will conclude with Taleem Services on Sunday.

Samesha Ramadan, President of AMWON states, "The members of AMWON are anxiously awaiting what we think will be a very knowledgeable and energetic conference. Our confirmed invited quest speakers are: Sister Azizah al-Hibri, Joan S. Faqir, Mahasin Salih, Daaiyah Taha, (guest speaker for the banquet) is Dr. Zakiyyah Muhammad and yes, Salwa Abd-Allah has confirmed. Entertainment will be provided by Sister Jamielah Mikal and Fashions by Shukuru Collections. Mistress of Ceremony for the banquet is our own Co-host "TV Anchor" Juana Hart. A whole lot of prayers,



Left to Right are the officers: Samesha Ramadan, President; Baheejah Abdus-Salaam, Vice-President; and Nisaa' Muhammad, Treasurer. Not pictured is Paula Haikal, Secretary.

says, "The hand that rocks the cradle, rules the world."

For additional information pertaining to cost or complete registration packages, please

contact Sisters Samesha Ramadan at 648-5678, Baheejah Abdus-Salaam at 649-1064 or Nisaa' Muhammad at 897-9153. BE THERE!!!!

Mujahid Ramadan, Resident Imam of Masjid As-Sabur states,

"With the emergence of Islam in the west in the United States in particular, the role of the woman must not be underscored." We find support for this in numerous places. In the Holy Quran Allah (SWT) says, "To reverence the womb that bore you." Prophet Muhammad (SAS) said, "Paradise lies at the foot of the mother." Dr. Kwame Nkrumah said, "The degree of a country's revolutionary awareness can be measured by the political maturity of it's women." Al Hajj Malik Shabazz said, "If you educate a man you educate an individual, but if you educate a woman you educate a nation"; and Imam Ramadan's grandmother Nellie



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## PEACE ON EARTH

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enjoy these features. Intermittently, in the evenings, between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. carillons will play seasonal holiday music. According to Ned Phillips, Community Relations Director, Palm Mortuaries and Memorial Parks wanted to express the "Peace on Earth" theme during the holidays and started a few years ago with a globe and some wildlife groupings. Now, more family groupings have been added. "Regardless of one's belief or religious preference, everyone hopes for peace in the world," Phillips said, "and we decided on wildlife scenes, because nothing else symbolizes nature so harmoniously the cycle of life than scenes of nature."

Palm Valley View Memorial Park is located on South Eastern, just south of Warm Springs Road. Take the time to enjoy this holiday display, you'll be glad you did.

## WALKER AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSEUM & RESEARCH CENTER

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For more information contact Gwen or Juanita Walker, 705 W. Van Buren, Las Vegas, NV 89106, or call (702) 647-2242, (702) 593-3305, or (702) 599-8130.



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(Just south of Warm Springs Road)

